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Forcenergy Experiences Natural Gas Blowout at West Cameron 317

Miami, FL (March 22, 2000)...Forcenergy Inc (OTC BB: FORCV) today reported a natural gas blowout during completion operations on an exploratory well at West Cameron Block 317, located approximately 65 miles south of Lake Charles, Louisiana in the Gulf of Mexico.

All personnel have been safely evacuated from the Marine Drilling Rig #4. Forcenergy has notified all of the proper governmental authorities and is cooperating fully with each respective agency.

The blowout is dry gas with no liquids and no pollution observed at this time. The blowout has not ignited. Well control specialists are on route to the location to begin preparations to bring the well under control.

Forcenergy Inc is an independent exploration and production company engaged in the exploration, acquisition, development and production of crude oil and natural gas. Forcenergy's primary areas of operations are the Gulf of Mexico and Cook Inlet, Alaska.

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