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ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

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GAS FLOWS EXCEED ALL EXPECTATIONS AT THE COMPANY'S BIRCH #3 WELL IN TEXAS

- Gas flows at a rate 800,000 cubic feet in first day of testing
- Flow testing of oil to begin over the weekend
- Company controls 93.5% of 5000 acre Birch prospect in Burleson County, Texas.

Austin Exploration (ASX:AKK) is very pleased to announce to its shareholders that large quantities of natural gas are flowing from its Birch # 3 Schwartz/Galbreath well in Texas.

Observations during drilling caused the Company to estimate a high case of gas flows of 500,000 cubic feet. Today's result has significantly surpassed those expectations and, if confirmed this excellent result will significantly add to the Company's future projected cash flows.

This excellent result will afford the company the ability to serve a dual oil and gas market in Texas.

The Company is highly encouraged by the strong rates of gas that the well is producing as it prepares to begin flow testing of oil which will begin over the weekend. The Company expects to be in a position to release these results to the market next week.

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ABOUT AUSTIN EXPLORATION:

Austin Exploration is an Oil and Gas Company with assets in Australia and the United States. Austin has strategically shifted its core focus towards non-conventional shale exploration in the United States. The Company has now established a major presence in two of America's most prolific oil and gas basins. Austin controls more than 11,000 acres in Colorado in the Niobrara Shale and over 5,000 acres in Texas in the Eagle Ford Shale and the Austin Chalk. Austin has producing oil



and gas wells in Texas, Mississippi and Kentucky. Austin also has a highly prospective Oil and Gas Licence, PEL 105, in the Cooper Basin of South Australia. The company's wholly owned US Subsidiary, Aus-Tex Exploration Inc, turned cash flow positive in January 2011. To face future opportunities, Austin has strengthened it board and management teams. Austin is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX code: AKK) and on the OTC-QX International in the United States (AUN-XY).

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