



## LEUCROTТА ANNOUNCES Q2 2020 FINANCIAL AND OPERATING RESULTS

CALGARY, ALBERTA (August 26, 2020) – LEUCROTТА EXPLORATION INC. (TSXV – LXE) (“Leucrotta” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce its financial and operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2020. All dollar figures are Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Increased production to 3,797 boe/d in Q2 2020 from 3,119 boe/d in Q2 2019 (2,921 boe/d in Q1 2020).
- Disposed of certain non-core facility assets for cash proceeds of \$2.2 million and reduced working capital deficiency to \$4.3 million at June 30, 2020 from \$5.2 million at March 31, 2020.

### FINANCIAL RESULTS

| (\$000s, except per share amounts)                                | Three Months Ended June 30 |         |          | Six Months Ended June 30 |         |          |
|---|----------------------------|---------|----------|--------------------------|---------|----------|
|   | 2020                       | 2019    | % Change | 2020                     | 2019    | % Change |
| <b>Oil and natural gas sales</b>                                  | <b>5,439</b>               | 6,560   | (17)     | <b>11,230</b>            | 14,662  | (23)     |
| <b>Cash flow (used in) from operating activities</b>              | <b>(798)</b>               | 3,688   | (122)    | <b>607</b>               | 7,417   | (92)     |
| Per share - basic and diluted                                     | (-)                        | 0.02    | (100)    | -                        | 0.04    | (100)    |
| <b>Adjusted funds flow (used)<sup>(1)</sup></b>                   | <b>(798)</b>               | 2,017   | (140)    | <b>(38)</b>              | 6,125   | (101)    |
| Per share - basic and diluted                                     | (-)                        | 0.01    | (100)    | (-)                      | 0.03    | (100)    |
| <b>Net (loss) earnings</b>  | <b>(2,189)</b>             | (882)   | 148      | <b>(91,633)</b>          | 1,792   | (5,213)  |
| Per share - basic and diluted                                     | <b>(0.01)</b>              | (-)     | 100      | <b>(0.46)</b>            | 0.01    | (4,700)  |
| <b>Capital expenditures</b>                                       | <b>662</b>                 | 3,042   | (78)     | <b>12,674</b>            | 7,996   | 59       |
| <b>Proceeds on sale of properties and equipment<sup>(2)</sup></b> | <b>8,206</b>               | -       | 100      | <b>8,206</b>             | 3,142   | 161      |
| <b>Working capital (deficiency)</b>                               |                            |         |          | <b>(4,309)</b>           | 1,622   | (366)    |
| <b>Common shares outstanding (000s)</b>                           |                            |         |          |                          |         |          |
| Weighted average - basic  | <b>200,525</b>             | 200,525 | -        | <b>200,525</b>           | 200,525 | -        |
| Weighted average - diluted  | <b>200,525</b>             | 200,525 | -        | <b>200,525</b>           | 200,817 | (-)      |
| End of period - basic   |                            |         |          | <b>200,525</b>           | 200,525 | -        |
| End of period - fully diluted                                     |                            |         |          | <b>226,392</b>           | 227,082 | (-)      |

(1) See “Non-GAAP Measures” section

(2) The sale of equipment for proceeds of \$3.1 million in Q1 2019 is exclusive of \$2.7 million deposit received in Q4 2018.

**OPERATING RESULTS <sup>(1)</sup>**

|   | Three Months Ended June 30 |               |            | Six Months Ended June 30 |             |                |
|---|----------------------------|---------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------|----------------|
|   | 2020                       | 2019          | % Change   | 2020                     | 2019        | % Change       |
| <b>Daily production</b>   |                            |               |            |                          |             |                |
| Oil and NGLs (bbls/d)   | 1,128                      | 861           | 31         | 995                      | 843         | 18             |
| Natural gas (mcf/d)   | 16,019                     | 13,550        | 18         | 14,186                   | 13,798      | 3              |
| Oil equivalent (boe/d)  | 3,797                      | 3,119         | 22         | 3,359                    | 3,142       | 7              |
| <b>Revenue</b>  |                            |               |            |                          |             |                |
| Oil and NGLs (\$/bbl)   | 21.75                      | 56.12         | (61)       | 29.24                    | 54.04       | (46)           |
| Natural gas (\$/mcf)  | 2.20                       | 1.75          | 26         | 2.30                     | 2.57        | (11)           |
| Oil equivalent (\$/boe)   | 15.74                      | 23.11         | (32)       | 18.37                    | 25.78       | (29)           |
| <b>Royalties</b>  |                            |               |            |                          |             |                |
| Oil and NGLs (\$/bbl)   | 1.64                       | -             | 100        | 1.31                     | -           | 100            |
| Natural gas (\$/mcf)  | 0.07                       | -             | 100        | 0.04                     | -           | 100            |
| Oil equivalent (\$/boe)   | 0.77                       | -             | 100        | 0.57                     | -           | 100            |
| <b>Net operating expenses <sup>(2)</sup></b>                    |                            |               |            |                          |             |                |
| Oil and NGLs (\$/bbl)   | 9.58                       | 9.91          | (3)        | 9.74                     | 8.19        | 19             |
| Natural gas (\$/mcf)  | 1.04                       | 0.95          | 9          | 0.97                     | 0.85        | 14             |
| Oil equivalent (\$/boe)   | 7.24                       | 6.86          | 6          | 6.96                     | 5.93        | 17             |
| <b>Net transportation and marketing expenses <sup>(2)</sup></b> |                            |               |            |                          |             |                |
| Oil and NGLs (\$/bbl)   | 0.74                       | 1.27          | (42)       | 1.05                     | 1.39        | (24)           |
| Natural gas (\$/mcf) <sup>(3)</sup>                             | 1.49                       | 0.99          | 51         | 1.62                     | 0.98        | 65             |
| Oil equivalent (\$/boe)   | 6.49                       | 4.63          | 40         | 7.14                     | 4.69        | 52             |
| <b>Operating netback <sup>(2)</sup></b>                         |                            |               |            |                          |             |                |
| Oil and NGLs (\$/bbl)   | 9.79                       | 44.94         | (78)       | 17.14                    | 44.46       | (61)           |
| Natural gas (\$/mcf)  | (0.40)                     | (0.19)        | 111        | (0.33)                   | 0.74        | (145)          |
| Oil equivalent (\$/boe)   | 1.24                       | 11.62         | (89)       | 3.70                     | 15.16       | (76)           |
| Depletion and depreciation (\$/boe)                             | (8.11)                     | (9.32)        | (13)       | (8.24)                   | (9.45)      | (13)           |
| Asset impairment (\$/boe)                                       | -                          | -             | -          | (143.74)                 | -           | 100            |
| General and administrative expenses (\$/boe)                    | (3.47)                     | (4.49)        | (23)       | (3.69)                   | (4.29)      | (14)           |
| Share based compensation (\$/boe)                               | (0.17)                     | (0.73)        | (77)       | (0.16)                   | (0.74)      | (78)           |
| Gain on sale of equipment (\$/boe)                              | 4.36                       | -             | 100        | 2.47                     | 2.74        | (10)           |
| Finance expense (\$/boe)  | (0.18)                     | (0.23)        | (22)       | (0.22)                   | (0.29)      | (24)           |
| Finance income (\$/boe)   | -                          | 0.04          | (100)      | -                        | 0.02        | (100)          |
| <b>Net (loss) earnings (\$/boe)</b>                             | <b>(6.33)</b>              | <b>(3.11)</b> | <b>104</b> | <b>(149.88)</b>          | <b>3.15</b> | <b>(4,858)</b> |

(1) See "Frequently Recurring Terms" section.

(2) See "Non-GAAP Measures" section.

(3) Includes \$0.39/mcf and \$0.48/mcf of unutilized firm transportation expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2020, respectively.

Selected financial and operational information outlined in this news release should be read in conjunction with Leucrotta's unaudited condensed interim financial statements and related Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") for the three and six months ended June 30, 2020, which are available for review at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

In Q2 2020, Leucrotta reduced capital spending to a minimum in response to the collapse in commodity prices and uncertainties around COVID-19 and the world economies. Leucrotta closed transactions related to a previously booked asset sale for \$6.0 million plus an additional non-core asset sale for cash proceeds of \$2.2 million. Net debt at the end of Q2 2020 was \$4.3 million. Leucrotta will continue to minimize capital expenditures and reduce debt throughout the remainder of the year.

Production increased to 3,797 boe/d from 2,921 boe/d in Q1 2020 as a result of the completion of the Two Rivers facility and placing two Montney wells on production. Production has stabilized at approximately 3,300 boe/d after factoring in the initial flush production at Two Rivers. Start-up costs at Two Rivers, significant unutilized transportation costs and lower commodity pricing resulted in materially reduced operating netbacks and negative corporate cash flow for the quarter.

Q3 2020 is projected to return to positive cash flow with increasing cash flow into Q4 2020. Leucrotta has mitigated some of its excess transport commitments for Q3 2020 and will continue to look for opportunities to mitigate excess transport until its end of term in Q3 2021. Pricing and operating costs are also expected to be more favourable on a go forward basis.

We look forward to reporting on further business developments in the near future.

## **FREQUENTLY RECURRING TERMS**

The Company uses the following frequently recurring industry terms in this news release: “bbls” refers to barrels, “mcf” refers to thousand cubic feet, and “boe” refers to barrel of oil equivalent. Disclosure provided herein in respect of a boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation. A boe conversion rate of six thousand cubic feet of natural gas to one barrel of oil equivalent has been used for the calculation of boe amounts in this news release. This boe conversion rate is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.

## **NON-GAAP MEASURES**

This news release refers to certain financial measures that are not determined in accordance with IFRS (or “GAAP”). This news release contains the terms “adjusted funds flow (used)”, “adjusted funds flow (used) per share”, “operating netback”, “net operating expenses”, and “net transportation and marketing expenses” which do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by GAAP and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures used by other companies. The Company uses these measures to help evaluate its performance.

Management considers adjusted funds flow (used) to be a key measure as it demonstrates the Company’s ability to generate the cash necessary to fund future capital investments and abandonment obligations and to repay debt, if any. Adjusted funds flow (used) is a non-GAAP measure and has been defined by the Company as cash flow (used in) from operating activities excluding the change in non-cash working capital related to operating activities and expenditures on decommissioning obligations. The Company also presents adjusted funds flow (used) per share whereby amounts per share are calculated using weighted average shares outstanding, consistent with the calculation of net earnings (loss) per share. Adjusted funds flow (used) is reconciled from cash flow (used in) from operating activities under the heading “Cash Flow (Used In) from Operating Activities and Adjusted Funds Flow (Used)” in the Company’s MD&A for the three and six months ended June 30, 2020, which is available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

Management considers operating netback an important measure as it demonstrates its profitability relative to current commodity prices. Operating netback, which is calculated as average unit sales price less royalties, net operating expenses, and net transportation and marketing expenses, represents the cash margin for every barrel of oil equivalent sold. Operating netback per boe is reconciled to net earnings (loss) per boe under the heading “Operating Netback”.

Net operating expenses is calculated as operating expenses less processing revenues. Management uses net operating expenses to determine the current periods’ cash cost of operating expenses less processing revenue and net operating expenses per boe is used to measure operating efficiency on a comparative basis. The measure approximates the Company’s operating expenses relative to its produced volumes by excluding third party operating costs.

Net transportation and marketing expenses is calculated as transportation expenses less marketing revenues. Management uses net transportation and marketing expenses to determine the current periods’ cash cost of transportation expenses less marketing revenue and net transportation and marketing expenses per boe is used to measure transportation efficiency on a comparative basis as well as the Company’s ability to mitigate the cost of excess committed capacity.

## **FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION**

This news release contains forward-looking statements and forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities laws. The use of any of the words “expect”, “anticipate”, “continue”, “estimate”, “may”, “will”, “should”, “believe”, “intends”, “forecast”, “plans”, “guidance” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements or information.

More particularly and without limitation, this news release contains forward-looking statements and information relating to the Company’s risk management program, oil, NGLs, and natural gas production, capital programs, and debt. The forward-looking statements and information are based on certain key expectations and assumptions made by the Company, including expectations and assumptions relating to prevailing commodity prices and exchange rates, applicable royalty rates and tax laws, future well production rates, the performance of existing wells, the success of drilling new wells, the availability of capital to undertake planned activities, and the availability and cost of labour and services.

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Leucrotta is an oil and natural gas company, actively engaged in the acquisition, development, exploration, and production of oil and natural gas reserves in northeastern British Columbia, Canada.

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