

Empire Energy Corporation International Announces Merger with Great South Land Minerals, Ltd Completed

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LENEXA, Kan.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--June 15, 2005--Empire Energy Corporation International (Empire)(OTCBB:[EEGC](#) - [News](#)) announced today that the merger with Great South Land Minerals, Ltd (GSLM), a Tasmanian oil and gas exploration company, has been completed.

The merger was accepted in April 2005 by owners of more than 96% of GSLM shares. This high rate of acceptance enabled Empire to acquire 100% of the outstanding GSLM shares.

All GSLM shareholders have now been issued Empire stock certificates which completes all action required to finalize the merger transaction.

Malcolm Bendall, Chairman of the Board of Great Southland Minerals, Ltd and President of Empire Energy Corporation International, said, "Now that all matters related to the merger have been completed, we will now focus on exploration activities on our tenement in the Tasmanian Basin."

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