

22 April 2008



MAPLE ENERGY PLC

("Maple" or the "Company")

PRESENTATION AT THE NYMEX 2008 ETHANOL MARKET CONFERENCE

Maple Energy plc (AIM: MPLE; LIMA: MPLE) announces today that Nabil Katabi, Manager of Project Development, will speak at the New York Mercantile Exchange's ethanol conference entitled "Ethanol: The 2008 Market Dynamics" on 23 April 2008 at the NYMEX in New York.

The presentation materials may be accessed from Maple Energy's website at www.maple-energy.com on Wednesday 23 April 2008.

For further information, please contact:

Maple Energy plc (+ 51 1 611 4000)

Jack W. Hanks, Chairman of the Board and Executive Director
Rex W. Canon, Chief Executive Officer, President and Executive Director

Canaccord Adams Limited (+44 20 7050 6500)

Neil Johnson
Jeff Auld
Bhavesh Patel

Citigate Dewe Rogerson (+44 20 7638 9571)

Media enquiries: Martin Jackson/George Cazenove
Analyst enquiries: Scott Fulton

About Maple Energy

Maple is an integrated independent energy company, listed in London and Lima, with assets and operations in Peru engaging in numerous aspects of the energy industry, including:

- Exploration and production of crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids
- Refining, marketing and distribution of hydrocarbon products
- Gas-fired power generation and power transmission
- The development of an ethanol project

Maple was admitted to AIM on 13 July 2007 and trades under the symbol "MPLE". The company was also admitted to the Lima Stock Exchange on 21 December 2007 where it trades under the same symbol.

Operations

Maple's operations are conducted and revenues are generated through its wholly-owned subsidiaries and equity interest in Aguaytía Energy, LLC, a joint venture in which Maple owns an approximate 17.5% effective economic interest. Maple's principal operations consist of the following:

- Crude Oil Production. Operator and holder of 100% working interests in its crude-oil producing properties, Blocks 31-B (Maquia), 31-D (Agua Caliente) and 31-E (Pacaya).
- Refining, Marketing and Distribution Operations. Operator of the Pucallpa Refinery and Sales Plant, which has capacity to refine up to (i) 3,400 barrels per day of crude oil producing Residual 5 fuel oil, (ii) 3,000 barrels per day of crude oil producing Residual 6 fuel oil or (iii) 4,100 barrels per day of natural gasolines. This plant also includes sales and distribution operations in the central Peruvian jungle, central Peruvian highlands and Lima regions
- Aguaytía Energy Interest. Operator of Aguaytía Energy, LLC's gas assets and holder of an approximate 17.5% effective economic interest in Aguaytía Energy, LLC, an integrated energy company engaged in the production of Block 31-C, gas-fired power generation, power transmission, gas processing, natural gas liquids fractionation, gas and liquids transportation and the marketing of liquid petroleum gas and natural gasolines
- Crude Oil Development. Operator and holder of a 100% working interest in the Pacaya Field in Block 31-E which is currently being reactivated. Maple also intends to develop up to 31 additional wells in Blocks 31-B and 31-D
- Ethanol Project. Project developer and major shareholder in an estimated US\$192.5 million ethanol project located in the Piura Region on the northwest coast of Peru
- Oil and Gas Exploration. Significant exploration opportunities through a:
 - 100% working interest in Block 31-E, containing the Santa Rosa, San Roque and Cashiboya Deep prospects and
 - significant working interest in the Aguaytía Deep Prospect in Block 31-C

Reserves and Resources

The following table gives a summary of Maple's estimated reserves, on a net attributable basis, as at 31 December 2006.

Total Reserves	Proved	Proven and Probable	Proved, Probable and Possible
Oil and Liquids (barrels)	4,081,471	6,009,240	7,676,649
Gas (MMCF)	38,800	45,000	49,000

The following table sets forth a summary of Maple's estimated prospective resources, on a net attributable basis, as at 31 December 2006.

Total Resources	Low Estimate	Best Estimate	High Estimate
Oil and Liquids (thousand barrels)	90,702	518,472	1,127,085
Gas (MMCF)	473	105,978	225,397