

# Monumental Energy Corp. Provides Update On Its Investment Into New Zealand Energy Corp.

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## TARIKI-5 GAS WELL HAS COMMENCED DRILLING

VANCOUVER, Oct. 1, 2024 - [Monumental Energy Corp.](#) ("Monumental" or the "Company") (TSXV: MNRG) (FSE: ZA6) (MNMRF) is pleased to announce that [New Zealand Energy Corp.](#) ("NZEC") (TSXV: NZ) has commenced drilling on its long anticipated Tariki-5 conventional gas well in the Taranaki region located on the north island of New Zealand.

The Tariki Joint Venture, comprised of NZEC's wholly owned subsidiary, NZEC Tariki Limited (as to 50%) and L&M Energy (as to 50%), reports that operations for the Tariki-5 well commenced at 6:30am (New Zealand Standard Time) on September 24, 2024.

The well is planned to take 27 days to reach the target total depth of 2846 m AHRT (Along Hole below Rotary Table). The following sections of the well are expected to be drilled over the following date ranges:

1. Tikorangi Limestone (fractured reservoir secondary target for information only) October 12-14, 2024; and
2. Tariki Sandstone (primary development target for full evaluation) October 16 -21, 2024.

The current planning indicates well drilling operations including drilling and completion is expected to be completed by November 14, 2024. Well perforation, clean-up flow and tie-in of the well to production is expected to be completed by November 14, 2024.

As previously announced, all other contractual arrangements necessary to allow gas to be transported through the main New Zealand gas network and to allow gas to be delivered to Genesis Energy have already been completed.

Monumental Energy recently visited the site of the Tariki-5 gas well that NZEC has begun to drill. NZEC has contracts to transport gas from Tariki-5 to Genesis Energy, a large New Zealand gas and electricity utility.

Monumental is a significant shareholder of NZEC, owning 1,293,333 shares or 8.63% at an average cost base of \$0.46 per share.

## Site Visits Completed

Monumental Energy completed due diligence on a number of opportunities with NZEC during a site visit and is currently in discussions to move oil projects forward. Monumental Energy has cash on hand to fund opportunities that upon successful completion potentially provide near term revenue for Monumental. Any potential transaction with NZEC is subject to, among other things, negotiation, execution of definitive agreements and TSX Venture Exchange approval.

## About Monumental Energy Corp.

Monumental Energy Corp. is an exploration company focused on the acquisition, exploration, and development of properties in the critical and clean energy sector. The Company has an option to acquire a 75% interest and title to the Laguna cesium-lithium project located in Chile. The Company holds a 2% net smelter return royalty on Summit Nanotech's share of any future production from the Salar de Turi Project, Chile. The Company owns securities of New Zealand Energy Corp.

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