



## COPL Announces Notice of Default from Affiliate's Senior Lender

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**London, United Kingdom; Calgary, Canada: December 20, 2023** – Canadian Overseas Petroleum Limited and its affiliates (“COPL” or the “Company”) (XOP: CSE) & (COPL: LSE), an international oil and gas exploration, production and development company with operations focused in Converse and Natrona counties, Wyoming, USA, provides an update on its Senior Credit Facility.

The Company’s indirect affiliate, COPL America, Inc., received a Notice of Default that indicated, among other things, the senior lender is unwilling to further amend or waive the terms of its Senior Credit Facility. Without an amendment or waiver from the Senior Credit Facility Lender, the Company’s indirect affiliate, COPL America, Inc., will be in breach of the terms of the Senior Credit Facility on or before January 1, 2024.

The Company anticipates that it will require additional financing in January 2024. Should the Company be unsuccessful in raising the required capital, it would have to seek some form of creditor protection. There can be no assurances that financing will be found, or that the Company will not be able to avoid a creditor protection process in its principal jurisdiction of incorporation.

The Company is considering all of its options in relation to its future.

### About the Company:

COPL is an international oil and gas exploration, development and production company actively pursuing opportunities in the United States with operations in Wyoming.

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The Common Shares are listed under the symbol "XOP" on the CSE and under the symbol "COPL" on the London Stock Exchange.

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