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- TO: ALL CLEARING MEMBERS
- DATE: DECEMBER 23, 2013

SUBJECT: EXCO RESOURCES, INC. – RIGHTS DISTRIBUTION OPTION SYMBOL: XCO NEW SYMBOL: XCO1 DATE: 12/24/13 \*\*\* UPDATE \*\*\*

EXCO Resources, Inc. (XCO) has declared a Rights distribution to XCO Common Shareholders, as described below:

RIGHTS:	Transferable Rights ("Rights") to purchase one fourth of an EXCO Resources, Inc. (XCO) Common Share per each Right at an exercise price of \$5.00 per share.
PRICE:	\$5.00 per one XCO Common Share
DISTRIBUTION RATIO:	One transferable Right per each XCO Common Share.
RECORD DATE:	December 19, 2013
EXPIRATION:	5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 9, 2014, unless extended
SUBSCRIPTION AGENT:	Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company
GUARANTY PERIOD:	Three (3) NYSE Trading Days

EXCO Resources, Inc. Rights began trading "when issued" on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) under the symbol "XCO RT WI" on December 23, 2013 and will begin trading "regular way" on December 24, 2013.

### **CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT**

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 24, 2013

OPTION SYMBOL: XCO changes to XCO1

STRIKE DIVISOR:	1
CONTRACT MULTIPLIER:	1
NEW MULTIPLIER:	100 (e.g., a premium of 1.50 yields \$150)
NEW DELIVERABLE PER CONTRACT	<ol> <li>100 EXCO Resources, Inc. (XCO) Common Shares</li> <li>100 Rights ("XCO RT") to Purchase 25 EXCO Resources, Inc. (XCO) Common Shares as described above (subject to delayed settlement until the end of when issued trading)</li> </ol>
SETTLEMENT ALLOCATION:	XCO: 95% XCO RT: 5%
CUSIPS:	XCO: 269279402 XCO RT: 269279139

THE ALLOCATION OF THE AGGREGATE STRIKE PRICE AMOUNT IS BEING PROVIDED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE INTERFACE BETWEEN OCC AND THE NATIONAL SECURITIES CLEARING CORPORATION (NSCC), AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, TRANSACTION OR CUSTOMER ACCOUNT STATEMENTS.

## **DELAYED SETTLEMENT**

The XCO component of the XCO1 exercise/assignment activity will settle through the National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC). The XCO RT component of the XCO1 exercise/assignment activity will be subject to delayed settlement until the Rights begin trading regular way on NYSE.

NOTE: It is anticipated that the Rights will cease trading on NYSE after the close of business on January 8, 2014. The Rights are expected to expire on January 9, 2014. The XCO RT component of adjusted option XCO1 will remain part of the XCO1 deliverable until the Rights have expired. Once the expiration of the Rights has been confirmed, the XCO RT component will be removed from the XCO1 deliverable. This change to the deliverables is expected to be effective on January 10, 2014.

### **PRICING**

The underlying price of XCO1 will be determined as follows:

XCO1 = XCO + XCO RT

# FURTHER CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT

When the Rights expire, adjusted XCO1 options will be further adjusted to no longer call for the delivery of the Rights. No adjustment will be made to the adjusted contracts to compensate for any in-themoney value the XCO Rights may have at the time of their expiration.

# DELIVERY SETTLEMENT AND PROTECT PROVISIONS

Option contracts which are exercised, and physically-settled security Futures contracts which mature, will require the settlement of all component securities included in the contract deliverable at the time of the option contract exercise, including rights, warrants, or similar instruments. Additional entitlements (such as due bills, eligibility to participate in tender offers, elections, etc.) may also automatically attach to securities deliverable upon option exercise. Conversely, exercised calls and or matured Futures contracts

may be unable to realize the benefit of securities or entitlements **not** associated to the contract deliverable at the time of the option exercise or Option contract maturity.

Except in unusual cases, securities deliverable as a result of equity option exercises and or Option contract maturity are settled through National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC).

Rights and obligations of Members with respect to securities settling at NSCC as a result of an option exercise/assignment are governed by the rules of NSCC. NSCC has its own rules which enable purchasers of securities to protect themselves for value which may be lost if timely delivery is not made to them of securities subject to specific deadlines, such as the expiration of a tender offer, rights offering, election, or similar event. These rules are generally called protect or liability notice procedures, and are intended to protect purchasers by binding the delivering parties to liability if such value is lost because timely delivery is not effected. Purchasers of securities must observe the rules and procedures of NSCC to avail themselves of such protect provisions of NSCC. Questions regarding these provisions should be addressed to NSCC.

### SPECIAL RISKS

## **Call Holders/ Put Writers**

As a result of the option contract adjustments described above, the Rights will be part of the adjusted XCO1 option deliverable, but only until the Rights expire, after which time they will be dropped from the deliverable of the option contract. When the Rights expire and are dropped from the deliverable of the option contract, any value the Rights may have had will no longer be associated with the option contract. As a result, holders of in-the-money calls may be disadvantaged unless they exercise in sufficient time to obtain the Rights. After the Rights expire and are dropped from the deliverable of the option contract, holders of short put positions who are assigned will be required to purchase XCO stock whose value may have been substantially diminished by the Rights distribution.

### **Uncovered Short Obligations**

Holders of assigned calls or exercised puts, and holders of short positions in physically-settled security Futures at maturity who do not possess the underlying security at the time of assignment or exercise are subject to special risk. Suspension of trading of the underlying security, inability to borrow the security, or similar events may preclude the possibility of effecting timely delivery, thereby exposing persons with an obligation to deliver to liability if timely delivery is not effected (See Delivery Settlement and Protect Provisions above).

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ALL CLEARING MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE ALL BRANCH OFFICES AND CORRESPONDENTS ON THE ABOVE.

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