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European Patent Office Decision to revoke EMGS patent

Offshore Hydrocarbon Mapping plc (AIM:OHM), notes the decision of the European Patent Office, announced 24th February 2010, to revoke a general method patent held by EMGS of Norway.

The patent, EP 1256019, is an early general method patent describing CSEM for hydrocarbon detection. The corresponding UK patent was revoked by the UK high court in 2009 (although this decision is being appealed by EMGS), and this additional decision by the European Patent Office further strengthens the long held OHM view that such general method patents are invalid and unenforceable.

The European Patent Office decision applies to European countries where the patent has been validated. EMGS has two months from receiving the written decision of the European Patent office to revoke the patent in which to lodge an appeal against the decision.

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