

Cenovus to hold conference call and webcast on third quarter 2011 results

CALGARY, Alberta (October 20, 2011) – Cenovus Energy (TSX, NYSE: CVE) will release its third quarter 2011 results on Thursday, October 27, 2011. The news release will provide consolidated third quarter 2011 operating and financial information. Financial statements will be available on the company's website, www.cenovus.com.

A conference call and webcast to discuss the results will be held for the investment community at 9:00 a.m. MT (11:00 a.m. ET). To participate, please dial 888-231-8191 (toll-free in North America) or 647-427-7450 approximately 10 minutes prior to the conference call. An archived recording of the call will be available from approximately 2:00 p.m. MT on October 27 until midnight November 3, 2011 by dialing 800-642-1687 or 416-849-0833 and entering conference password 51998325.

A live audio webcast of the conference call will also be available via Cenovus's website, www.cenovus.com, or via the following URL:
<http://w.on24.com/r.htm?e=364384&s=1&k=CD10828441D1A79546A53A89C616951E>

Cenovus Energy Inc.

Cenovus Energy Inc. is a Canadian, integrated oil company. It is committed to applying fresh, progressive thinking to safely and responsibly unlock energy resources the world needs. Operations include oil sands projects in northern Alberta, which use specialized methods to drill and pump the oil to the surface. Cenovus also has established natural gas and oil production in Alberta and Saskatchewan. The company also has 50% ownership in two U.S. refineries. Cenovus shares trade under the symbol CVE, and are listed on the Toronto and New York stock exchanges. Its enterprise value is approximately \$30 billion. For more information, visit www.cenovus.com.

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