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**PINECREST ENERGY INC. ANNOUNCES INCREASE TO BOUGHT DEAL FINANCING  
FROM \$40.1 MILLION TO \$60.0 MILLION**

**August 3, 2011 - Calgary, Alberta** – Pinecrest Energy Inc. ("Pinecrest") is pleased to announce that, in connection with the previously announced offering of common shares (the "Common Shares"), the Company and the syndicate of underwriters led by Canaccord Genuity Corp. and including Cormark Securities Inc., GMP Securities L.P., Peters & Co. Limited, Paradigm Capital Inc., and Scotia Capital Inc. (collectively the "Underwriters") have agreed to increase the size of the offering to an aggregate of 25,000,000 Common Shares at a price of \$2.40 per Common Share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$60,000,000 (the "Offering").

Pinecrest has also granted the Underwriters an option (the "Over-Allotment Option") to purchase up to an additional 3,750,000 Common Shares at a price of \$2.40 per Common Share for additional gross proceeds of \$9,000,000. The Over-Allotment Option shall be issued on the same terms and conditions as the Offering, exercisable at any time, in whole or in part for a period of 30 days following closing of the Offering, to cover over allotments, if any.

Proceeds of the Offering will be used primarily to fund Pinecrest's 2011 capital program which includes the consolidation of complementary assets within its core areas and an exploration and development program building on success in the Red Earth area of Alberta. The Common Shares will be offered in all provinces of Canada, with the exception of Quebec, by way of a short form prospectus

Closing is expected to occur on or about August 24, 2011 and is subject to certain conditions including, but not limited to, the receipt of all necessary approvals including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

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