



TRANSGLOBE ENERGY CORPORATION ANNOUNCES RELEASE DATE OF FIRST QUARTER 2011 RESULTS AND CONFERENCE CALL

TSX: "TGL" & NASDAQ: "TGA"

Calgary, Alberta, May 2, 2011 - TransGlobe Energy Corporation ("TransGlobe") will announce its first quarter 2011 financial and operating results on **Monday, May 9, 2011** before the opening of the stock markets. A conference call and web cast to discuss the results will be held the same day:

Time: 9:00 a.m. Mountain Time (11:00 a.m. Eastern Time)
Dial-in: (416) 340-8530 or toll-free at 1-877-240-9772
Webcast: <http://events.digitalmedia.telus.com/transglobe/050911/index.php>

Shortly after the conclusion of the call, a replay will be available by dialing (905) 694-9451 or toll-free at 1-800-408-3053. The pass code is 8746436#. The replay will expire at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 16, 2011. Thereafter, a copy of the call can be accessed through a link on TransGlobe's Web site at www.trans-globe.com.

TransGlobe Energy Corporation is a Calgary-based, growth-oriented oil and gas exploration and development company focused on the Middle East/North Africa region with production operations in the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Republic of Yemen. TransGlobe's common shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol TGL and on the NASDAQ Exchange under the symbol TGA.

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