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**PRESS RELEASE**

**MANITOK ENERGY INC. CLOSES BOUGHT DEAL PUBLIC OFFERING**

**October 16, 2012, Calgary, Alberta** – Manitok Energy Inc. ("**Manitok**") (TSX-V: MEI) is pleased to announce that it has closed its previously announced public offering (the "**Offering**") of common shares in the capital of Manitok ("**Common Shares**"), common shares issued on a "flow-through" basis under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) in respect of "Canadian development expenses" (the "**CDE Flow-through Shares**") and common shares issued on a "flow-through" basis under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) in respect of "Canadian exploration expenses" (the "**CEE Flow-through Shares**") by way of a short form prospectus. Under the Offering, 2,631,579 Common Shares were issued at a price of \$1.90 per Common Share, 1,430,000 CDE Flow-through Shares were issued at a price of \$2.10 per CDE Flow-through Share and 4,000,000 CEE Flow-through Shares were issued at a price of \$2.30 per CEE Flow-through Share.

In addition, the underwriters have exercised in full their option to purchase an additional 394,737 Common Shares at a price of \$1.90 per Common Share to cover over-allotments. As a result, Manitok is pleased to announce that the aggregate gross proceeds for the Offering were approximately \$18 million.

The syndicate of underwriters for the Offering was co-led by Integral Wealth Securities Limited, Dundee Securities Ltd. and National Bank Financial Inc. and included RBC Dominion Securities Inc., TD Securities Inc., Haywood Securities Inc. and Acumen Capital Finance Partners Limited.

The net proceeds from the issuance of Common Shares under the Offering will be used by Manitok to temporarily reduce its indebtedness under its credit facility and to fund its exploration and development activities. Proceeds from the issuance of CEE Flow-through Shares under the Offering will be used by Manitok to incur Canadian Exploration Expenses ("**CEE**") on Manitok's existing Canadian properties on or prior to December 31, 2013. Manitok will renounce CEE to subscribers of CEE Flow-through Shares effective on or before December 31, 2012. Proceeds from the issuance of CDE Flow-through Shares under the Offering will be used by Manitok to incur Canadian Development Expenses ("**CDE**") on Manitok's existing Canadian properties on or prior to December 31, 2012. Manitok will renounce CDE to subscribers of CDE Flow-through Shares effective on or before December 31, 2012.

All Common Shares, CDE Flow-through Shares and CEE Flow-through Shares issued pursuant to the Offering will be freely tradable under applicable securities laws in force in Canada.

**About Manitok**

Manitok is a public oil and gas exploration and development company focusing on conventional oil and gas reservoirs in the Canadian foothills. Manitok's corporate strategy is that of being an "early mover" in the exploitation phase of the development life cycle of hydrocarbon reserves in the Canadian foothills. Manitok will continue to utilize its experience and expertise to develop the untapped

conventional sweet oil and liquids-rich natural gas pools in this large and under-exploited region of the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin.

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