Calgary, Alberta (FSCwire) - <u>Alberta Oilsands Inc.</u> (“AOS” or the “Company”) (TSXV:AOS) today announced the appointment of Mr. Lane Dewar as the Company's interim Chief Financial Officer in replacement of Mr. Michael Galloro who is resigning effective February 4, 2016. Mr. Dewar, who works with Energy Accounting Services Inc., is a Chartered Accountant who has extensive experience in the oil & gas industry. Energy Accounting Services Inc. is an accounting firm based out of Calgary who specializes in providing full-cycle accounting services.

The Board of Directors of AOS wishes to thank Mr. Galloro for his services as interim Chief Financial Officer.

The appointment of Mr. Dewar remains subject to approval by the TSX Venture Exchange.

About Alberta Oilsands Inc.

Alberta Oilsands Inc. is engaged in the exploration and development of drill-defined domestic assets, and owns a portfolio of international assets. AOS holds bitumen leases in the Athabasca oil sands region of northeast Alberta. In addition, the Company's Africa portfolio is focused on active and known onshore and offshore basins on the East Africa Rift System and offshore Africa. The Company's head office is located in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and its common shares are traded on the TSX Venture Exchange under the trading symbol AOS.

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