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PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF COMMON SHARES**

Calgary, Alberta: 12 April 2012 - Loon Energy Corporation ("Loon" or the "Corporation") advises that it intends to complete a non-brokered private placement of up to 10 million common shares at an issue price of \$0.10 per common share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$1 million (the "Private Placement"). Insiders of the Corporation, including directors of the Corporation, are expected to subscribe for a minimum of 40% of the common shares offered pursuant to the Private Placement.

During the past 10 trading days the common shares have traded at a weighted average price of \$0.126 per common share. The policies of the TSX Venture Exchange allow for a discounted market price for a private placement of up to 25%. The price per share in the Private Placement represents a 20.6% discount to the 10 day weighted average, a 23.8% discount to the 20 day weighted average and a 20% discount to the closing price on 11 April 2012.

The gross proceeds of the financing will be used to seek additional oil and gas opportunities and for general corporate purposes.

The Private Placement is expected to close on or before 15 May 2012 and is subject to certain conditions including but not limited to, the receipt of all necessary approvals, including approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

The Corporation is relying on the exemptions found in section 5.5(c) and section 5.7(b) of *Multilateral Instrument 61-101 – Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions*, which respectively exempt the Corporation from obtaining a formal valuation or from obtaining minority shareholder approval in connection with the Private Placement.

The Common Shares will be subject to a hold period of four months plus a day from the closing date, as required under applicable Canadian securities laws.

The securities to be offered under the Private Placement have not and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act") and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration requirements of such Act. This press release is not an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation would be unlawful.

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This news release may contain forward-looking statements relating to the activities of Loon, including its intention to seek additional oil and gas opportunities in Colombia or elsewhere and plans for the completion of the Private Placement, which may not be historical facts. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, as there can be no assurance that the plans, intentions or expectations upon which they are based will occur. By their nature, forward-looking statements may involve numerous assumptions, known and unknown risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, that contribute to the possibility that the predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not occur, which may cause actual performance and results in future periods to differ materially from any estimates or projections of future performance or results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These assumptions, risks and uncertainties include, among other things: the state of the economy in general and capital markets in particular, investor interest in the business and future prospects of Loon, the timely receipt of shareholder approvals and other required regulatory and exchange approvals, competition for, among other things, capital, acquisitions of reserves or undeveloped lands, skilled personnel, incorrect assessments of the value of acquisitions and exploration and development programs and the failure to realize the anticipated benefits of acquisitions. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing lists of factors are not exhaustive.

The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are made as of the date of this press release. Except as required by law, Loon disclaims any intention and assumes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable securities law. Additionally, Loon undertakes no obligation to comment on the expectations of, or statements made, by any third parties in respect of the matters discussed above.

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