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JOHN R. KEMP III JOINS KOSMOS ENERGY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DALLAS, Texas, March 16, 2005 – Kosmos Energy announces today that John R. Kemp III has joined the company's Board of Directors, bringing the number of board members to eight. Kemp brings seasoned executive leadership and engineering expertise to Kosmos. He spent nearly 20 years in the oil and gas industry's international arena where he was responsible for exploration and production activities for Conoco (now ConocoPhillips).

In 1966, Kemp joined Conoco where he built a highly successful career, serving in various key engineering and management positions around the world. Before retiring from Conoco in 1999, he was president of exploration and production for the Americas where he managed the company's upstream operations and led growth efforts in North, South and Central America.

During his tenure with Conoco, Kemp was responsible for performance in Africa, Asia and the Middle East. He led successful entries into Nigeria and Venezuela and executed Conoco's first natural-gas sales in Indonesia. Kemp also oversaw upstream operations onshore and offshore Norway and the United Kingdom.

Kemp gained solid U.S. experience managing multiple production projects, including a \$400 million oil-development undertaking on Alaska's North Slope. He was involved in activities in California, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Washington and Wyoming. Kemp began his career with Conoco as an engineer.

Kemp earned a bachelor of science degree in petroleum and natural-gas engineering from Pennsylvania State University. He was named a Centennial Fellow and Alumni Fellow in 1996 and 1999, respectively, of Pennsylvania State's College of Earth and Mineral Sciences.

In addition to Kemp, other Kosmos Board members are James C. Musselman, Howard H. Newman, Prakash A. Melwani, David B. Krieger, David I. Foley, Chris Wright and Bayo Ogunlesi.

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About Kosmos Energy:

Kosmos Energy is a privately held international oil exploration and production company with a focus in West Africa. Kosmos is led by a seasoned management and technical team with extensive international and West Africa experience, and a proven record of finding and developing significant oil reserves. With the financial backing of international private equity investors Warburg Pincus and Blackstone Capital Partners, the company possesses significant financial and operational capability to generate and participate in multiple high-impact upstream projects. For additional information, visit www.kosmosenergy.com.

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