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Z-Terra Expands Executive Team to Include Chief Scientist

HOUSTON – (November 15, 2011) – Z-Terra Inc., a provider of depth imaging software and services for oil and gas exploration, has appointed Nicolay Tanushev to be the company's new Chief Scientist. Tanushev comes to Z-Terra with extensive research experience from the California Institute of Technology's Department of Physics, Lawrence Livermore National Labs Chemistry and Materials Science Department, the University of California Los Angeles Department of Mathematics and, most recently, the University of Texas at Austin Department of Mathematics, where he was a postdoctoral fellow and lecturer.

"We are lucky to have Nicolay join the Z-Terra team," said Dr. Alexander Mihai Popovici, Chairman and CEO. "His extensive knowledge in the areas of high frequency waves, Gaussian Beams and asymptotic solutions of PDEs has already proven to be a real asset to our company and to our clients."

As Chief Scientist, Tanushev will provide senior technical expertise and guidance to Z-Terra clients and will direct Z-Terra's technology team. He will also set the direction for continuing Z-Terra's technological advances.

"Leadership in oil and gas exploration requires equal measures of scientific know-how and business acumen," Tanushev said. "That combination is the hallmark of Z-Terra. I am excited to be part of a company that understands how critical it is to stay on the leading edge of technology."

Tanushev holds a PhD in Mathematics, a C.Phil in Mathematics and an M.A. in Mathematics from UCLA. He also holds a B.S. with Honors in Applied and Computational Mathematics from the California Institute of Technology. Tanushev is a member of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics and an Associate Member of Sigma Xi (Caltech).

About Z-Terra
Z-Terra is a provider of software solutions for the upstream oil and gas industry. The company has developed a suite of interactive depth imaging and velocity model-building software products designed to be the fastest and most accurate depth imaging solutions in the industry.

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