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## Chief Financial Officer

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Cooper Energy (ASX:COE) advises that Virginia Suttell has been appointed Chief Financial Officer (Acting), filling the vacancy reported to the ASX on 30 November 2016, pending a permanent appointment.

Virginia Suttell commences her appointment today and comes to Cooper Energy with over 20 years' experience, including 16 years working for publicly listed entities in the resources and media sectors.

Recent appointments include Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary of Monax Mining Limited and Marmota Energy Limited from November 2007 to January 2016 and June 2015 respectively. Other previous appointments include Austereo Group from 1997 to 2006, culminating in performance of the role of Group Financial Controller from 2003-2006.

Virginia is a chartered accountant and holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Adelaide. She is a Graduate Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and an Associate of the Governance Institute of Australia.

An executive recruitment search for a permanent CFO was initiated in December 2016 and is proceeding. The search is focussed on securing someone with the appropriate financial and leadership skills required to deliver Cooper Energy's strategy and value for shareholders from the significant growth opportunities currently before the company.

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**About Cooper Energy Limited (ASX:COE)** is an ASX listed exploration and production company which generates revenue from gas supply to south-east Australia and low cost Cooper Basin oil production. The company is an emerging player in the south-east Australian energy sector holding a portfolio of gas supply contracts and one of the most extensive portfolios of gas-focussed acreage and assets, including well located reserves, resources and processing plant, in the Otway and Gippsland basins. The most significant resources, in the Gippsland Basin, are currently being commercialised to provide a new source of gas supply south-eastern Australia from 2019.

The company enjoys strong cash flow and is executing a clear strategy driven by total shareholder return.