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Hornbeck Offshore Announces Closing of Public Equity Offering

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COVINGTON, La., Oct. 6 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. (NYSE: HOS) announced today that the Company has closed its underwritten public offering (the "Offering") of 6,100,000 shares of its common stock at a price to the public of \$35.35 per share, for total gross proceeds of \$215.6 million before underwriting discounts, commissions and offering expenses. The Offering included an additional 2,000,000 shares sold by a selling stockholder. The underwriters have a 30-day option to purchase up to 1,215,000 additional shares of common stock from the Company at the same price per share less underwriting discounts and commissions.

The Company intends to use the proceeds from the Offering, as well as the proceeds from its concurrent private placement of additional 6.125% senior notes, to partially fund the construction of new OSVs, ocean-going tugs and ocean-going, double-hulled tank barges and the retrofit or conversion of certain existing vessels, including MPSVs. In addition, the combined proceeds may be used in connection with possible future acquisitions and additional new vessel construction programs, as well as for general corporate purposes. Pending these uses, the Company will repay debt under its revolving credit facility, which may be reborrowed.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Jefferies & Company, Inc. acted as joint book-running managers for the Offering. Lehman Brothers, Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., Johnson Rice & Company L.L.C., Simmons & Company International, Hibernia Southcoast Capital, Inc. and Pritchard Capital Partners LLC acted as co-managers.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy the securities described herein, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

Hornbeck Offshore Services, Inc. is a leading provider of technologically advanced, new generation offshore supply vessels in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico, Trinidad and other select international markets, and is a leading transporter of petroleum products through its fleet of ocean-going tugs and tank barges, primarily in the northeastern U.S. and in Puerto Rico. Hornbeck Offshore currently owns and operates a fleet of over 50 U.S.-flagged vessels primarily serving the energy industry.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains forward-looking statements, including, in particular, statements about Hornbeck Offshore's plans and intentions. These have been based on the Company's current assumptions, expectations and projections about future events. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, the Company can give no assurance that the expectations will prove to be correct.

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