Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. [CWEI] President & CEO to Ring The NASDAQ Stock Market Opening Bell

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What:

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. [CWEI], an independent oil and gas company engaged in the exploration for and production of oil and natural gas primarily in Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana, will visit the NASDAQ MarketSite in Times Square.

In honor of the occasion, Clayton Williams, President & CEO will ring the Opening Bell.

Where:

NASDAQ MarketSite — 4 Times Square — 43rd & Broadway — Broadcast Studio

When:

Wednesday, April 18, 2012 — 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ET

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Webcast:

A live webcast of the NASDAQ Opening Bell will be available at:
http://www.nasdaq.com/about/marketsitetowervideo.asx.

Photos:

To obtain a hi-resolution photograph of the Market Open, please go to http://www.nasdaq.com/reference/marketsite_events.stm and click on the market open of your choice.

About Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. [CWEI]:

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. (stock symbol -- CWEI) is an independent oil and gas company engaged in the exploration for and production of oil and natural gas primarily in Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana. At December 31, 2011, our estimated proved reserves were 64.3 MMBOE, of which 61% were proved developed. Our portfolio of oil and natural gas reserves is weighted in favor of oil, with approximately 77% of our proved reserves at December 31, 2011 consisting of oil and natural gas liquids and approximately 23% consisting of natural gas. During 2011, we added proved reserves of 20.9 MMBOE through the drill bit, resulting in a reserve replacement of 384%.

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