MARQUEE ANNOUNCES RECORD PRODUCTION AND CASH FLOW IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2012

CALGARY, November 22, 2012 /CNW/ - Marquee Energy Ltd. ("Marquee" or the "Company") (TSXV: "MQL") is pleased to announce its third quarter operating and financial results and provide an update on recent activities.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

The success of the Company's drilling activities at Michichi and Lloydminster in the first half of 2012 resulted in significant growth in a number of key operational and financial areas in the third quarter of 2012. Marquee is reporting significant increases in production, oil and liquids weighting, and funds flow for the third consecutive quarter. Operating netbacks have continued to improve since Q1-2012.

Two previously reported transactions that were completed subsequent to the end of the quarter will allow the Company to accelerate the development of its core Michichi area in East Central Alberta:

- 1. Asset acquisition in Michichi area that includes a gas plant and gathering system. This acquisition is expected to provide strategic infrastructure to reduce on-stream time and enhance the Company's continued focus on developing its extensive inventory of identified Mannville and Banff oil opportunities in the area.
- 2. Sale of oil and gas assets in Willesden Green area for net proceeds of \$20.6 million. The proceeds have been used to pay down the Company's credit facility. The strengthened balance sheet will allow the Company to advance its drilling program at Michichi and pursue other strategic opportunities.

Highlights for the quarter include:

- ➢ Generated funds flow from operations of \$4.0 million or \$0.07 per basic and diluted share, an increase of 12.6% over Q3-2011 and almost double the funds flow from operations in Q2-2012.
- Achieved record quarterly production of 2,728 boe/d, an increase of 79% over the Q3-2011 average of 1,522 boe/d. The Q3-2012 average production rate includes approximately 140 boe/d of volume adjustments relating to the first half of 2012.
- Increased oil and natural gas liquids weighting in the quarter to 55%, compared to 40% in Q3-2011 and 51% in Q2-2012.
- Increased field operating netbacks by 24% in the third quarter over Q2-2012 primarily due to the increase in oil and natural gas liquids weighting
- Capital investment of \$6.9 million in Q3-2012, including \$1.3 million for land additions. Year-todate capital expenditures are \$32.9 million, including \$5.1 million for land.
- Increased undeveloped land holdings in the core Michichi area by 10,119 net acres (15.8 net sections) through land sales. Additional land acquisitions subsequent to the end of the quarter brought total holdings to more than 110 net undeveloped sections of land in the Michichi area.

Financial and Operational Highlights

(unaudited)

	Three months ended Sept 30				Nine months ended Sept 30			
		2012		2011		2012		2011
Financial (000's except per share)								
Oil and natural gas sales (1)	\$	11,455	\$	7,107	\$	27,686	\$	21,206
Funds flow from operations	\$	3,952	\$	3,510	\$	7,235	\$	10,046
Per share - basic	\$	0.07	\$	0.14	\$	0.15	\$	0.40
Per share - diluted	\$	0.07	\$	0.13	\$	0.15	\$	0.40
Net Income (loss)		(\$4,313)		\$680		(\$7,618)		\$643
Per share - basic and diluted		(\$0.08)		\$0.03		(\$0.15)		\$0.03
Capital expenditures, net	\$	6,874	\$	10,211	\$	32,923	\$	31,195
Corporate Acquisitions	\$	-	\$	-	\$	19,885	\$	-
Net debt (2)						(\$47,506)		(\$21,647)
Total Assets					\$	174,717	\$	124,783
Weighted average basic shares outstanding (3)	5	2,697,918		25,303,551	2	19,802,775		25,316,340
Operational								
Daily sales volumes								
Oil (bbls per day)		798		478		673		502
Heavy Oil (bbls per day)		496		-		322		-
NGL's (bbls per day)		196		129		179		112
Gas (mcf per day)		7,426		5,492		6,748		5,352
Total (boe per day)		2,728		1,522		2,299		1,506
Realized prices								
Oil (\$/bbl)	\$	79.91	\$	92.23	\$	83.19	\$	89.66
Heavy Oil (\$/bbl)	\$	61.49	\$	-	\$	59.82	\$	-
NGL's (\$/bbl)	\$	54.88	\$	68.02	\$	58.12	\$	67.32
Gas (\$/mcf)	\$	2.46	\$	3.85	\$	2.22	\$	4.00
Combined (\$/boe)	\$	45.64	\$	50.75	\$	43.95	\$	51.58
Royalties (\$/boe)	\$	3.74	\$	5.16	\$	4.62	\$	4.93
Opex and transportation (\$/boe)	\$	17.85	\$	12.68	\$	17.89	\$	14.45
Field operating netbacks	\$	24.05	\$	32.91	\$	21.44	\$	32.20

(1) Before royalties.

(2) Net debt is calculated as currents assets less current liabilities.

(3) The Company consolidated its shares on an 8:1 basis on December 5, 2011 and all figures have been restated to reflect this consolidation.

THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Marquee reported funds flow from operations of \$4.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, compared to \$2.0 million for Q2-2012 and \$3.5 million for Q3-2011. The significant increase in Q3-2012 over Q2-2012 is the result of increases in both production and oil and liquids weighting. Royalties per boe decreased 18% in Q3-2012 over Q2-2012 as a result of reduced royalty rates for production from new wells brought on in the quarter.

The Company's financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for the third quarter of 2012 are available on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

OPERATIONS UPDATE

The majority of the Company's activity in the third quarter was focused on completing and equipping the balance of the wells from the drilling program in the first half of the year, and building the infrastructure to support the growth in productive capacity. Operations are now underway to complete the upgrade of the gas plant and gathering system in the Michichi area before the end of the year.

Michichi

The Company has drilled and completed 8 (8 net) successful horizontal wells since late 2011 at Michichi targeting oil prospects in the Banff, Detrital and Ellerslie zones. Seven of these wells are now on production, and the eighth well is expected to be tied in before the end of the year. In addition, four vertical re-entries were tied in during the third quarter. The Company expects to drill two additional horizontal wells before the end of the year. Only 2 of the 8 wells drilled at Michichi in 2012 were booked in the Company's reserve report at last year end.

The Company further expanded its significant land position in the Michichi area adding an additional 11,266 acres during the quarter, primarily through landsales. Total holdings of undeveloped land in the area now exceed 110 net sections.

The asset acquisition in Michichi announced on October 3, 2012 includes a 6 mmcf/d gas plant and a 27 km gathering system and will provide strategic infrastructure to reduce on-stream time and enhance the Company's continued focus on developing its extensive inventory of identified Mannville and Banff oil opportunities in the area. The gas plant is currently being expanded to 8 mmcf/d and upgraded with refrigeration capabilities with completion expected in December 2012.

Lloydminster

In Q2 and Q3, Marquee drilled 5.0 (4.9 net) successful wells targeting heavy oil in the Cummings, Sparky, McLaren and G.P. formations. Three of the wells are producing from the primary targeted zones at expected rates. One well is producing heavy oil from a zone incremental to our primary target. Two heavy oil bearing zones incremental to our primary target were evaluated in the fifth well with encouraging results which warrant additional drilling. The primary zone of interest in this well is scheduled to be completed and producing by December.

Production for the third quarter averaged 497 boe/d in Q3-2012, up from an average of 386 in Q2-2012. A number of wells were shut-in at various times during the quarter to facilitate Marquee and competitor offsetting new drills.

In October 2012 three Sparky oil wells (3.0 net) were drilled and brought on production with initial production in line with expectations. The Company is preparing to drill 2 more wells at Lloydminster in December which are expected to be on production by year end.

OUTLOOK

Marquee has strengthened its position in its core Michichi light oil area through continued acquisitions of undeveloped land and the strategic acquisition of facilities that are expected to support the long term growth of reserves and production in the area. The Marquee facilities upgrade will result in expanded capacity for new gas December 2012. The Company expects to dramatically reduce tie-in times resulting in accelerated cash flow from our capital program.

Most of our near term drilling activity will be in proximity to the Marquee infrastructure and designed to use multi-well drilling pads to reduce drilling, equipping and tie-in costs. The Company has budgeted \$2.5MM/well to date for total well costs with the average incurred being below \$2.3MM. Expected cost reductions with the measures discussed above could be 10%I.

The Company is also taking measures to refine the selection of future drill locations and horizontal well orientation. Knowledge gained from the eight horizontal wells drilled to date at Michichi in combination with public well data is being analyzed in conjunction with 2D and 3D data to plan all future horizontal wells.

The sale of gas weighted Cardium assets at Willesden Green on November 15 provides the company with a strengthened balance sheet. The Company will continue to monetize non-core assets with proceeds being used to pay down debt and fund additional opportunities on core properties. The Company will be providing 2013 guidance in early December.

Capital plans for the 4th quarter of 2012 now include:

- Drill 2 horizontal wells at Michichi in December on a 3 well multi-well pad proximal to the Company's gas plant targeting oil in the Detrital and Banff formations
- Drill 2 wells at Lloydminster in December with both wells expected to be on production before year end.
- Finish upgrade and expansion of the Marquee gas plant in December in order to recover NGL's from the Mannville and Banff gas.

Management continues to protect Marquee's balance sheet with a strong risk management program. With the growth in its core area production, Marquee has increased its commodity hedges for the balance of 2012 and has started to establish a hedging program for 2013. The Company has protected almost 60 percent of its forecast fourth quarter oil and NGL production with an \$89 Edmonton Light swap, together with a combination of WTI/WCS differential swaps that average \$18 a barrel on approximately 40% of the Company's anticipated 4th quarter heavy oil production.

ABOUT MARQUEE

Marquee Energy Ltd. is a publicly traded Calgary-based growth oriented junior oil and gas company currently focused on high rate of return oil and liquids rich gas production in Alberta. Additional information about Marquee may be found in its continuous disclosure documents filed with Canadian securities regulators at www.sedar.com. Marquee intends to continue to grow the company organically and through strategic acquisitions in each of its core areas.

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