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### **Serica Energy announces grant of options to Directors**

Toronto, Aug 31 /CNW/ - Serica Energy Corporation (TSX Venture: SQZ) today announced that it has granted incentive stock options to issue an aggregate of up to 700,000 Serica shares to the six members of the Company's Board of Directors at an exercise price of \$1.11.

The options were granted by the Company's Remuneration Committee and have been approved by the Board of Directors. The options expire in three years.

Additionally, compensation of pnds stlg 10,000 (Cdn\$23,500) per annum was recommended to be paid to Neil Pike and Jim Steel. Compensation for Mr. Steel as consultant will be replaced by this arrangement since he has now become Director.

Compensation of pnds stlg 25,000 (Cdn\$59,000) per annum was recommended for the Chairman. This will be paid quarterly in arrears. Mr. Craven Walker has waived his fees for the coming year.

Due to the time requirements and nature of the Audit Committee, the Chairman of the Audit Committee will be paid pnds stlg 10,000 (Cdn\$23,500) per annum in arrears. Neil Pike, as Chairman of the Committee, will be receiving these fees for the coming year.

