



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Suncor Energy declares dividend

(All financial figures are in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.)

**Calgary, Alberta (May 5, 2020)** The convergence of two global events has created a turbulent market situation. The COVID-19 pandemic and the associated rapid demand reduction and the crude oil supply shock as a result of the OPEC+ production decisions are expected to keep crude oil prices lower for at least the next 12-24 months. The fundamentals necessary for a recovery include: product demand returning as a result of global economies restarting and oil production and inventories coming back into balance. Given the unprecedented size of global crude inventories, we know that bringing the market back into balance will take some time, although the exact pace is uncertain.

In order to maintain the financial health and resiliency of the company to navigate the current market conditions, the company has reduced operating costs by \$1 billion (10%) compared to 2019 levels. It has also increased its liquidity by \$4 billion. In addition, we have reduced 2020 capital expenditures by \$1.9 billion (33%) compared to the original 2020 plan.

"Suncor's Board of Directors remains committed to leveraging our long life, low decline resource base and providing the energy that society needs, while continuing to return value to shareholders," said Mark Little, president and chief executive officer. "However, after taking significant action in reducing capital and operating costs, the Board believes that reducing the current level of dividends is required to drive down the cash breakeven of the company to a WTI price of US\$35 per barrel. As a result, the Board has decided to reduce the quarterly cash dividend by 55% to \$0.21 per common share from \$0.465 per common share." This dividend will be payable on June 25, 2020 to shareholders of record at the close of business on June 4, 2020.

At a WTI price of US\$35 per barrel, all planned operating and administration costs, sustaining capital and dividends can be covered from operating revenue, once demand returns. These actions not only support a strong balance sheet, the financial health of the company, including Suncor's high investment grade credit ratings, but also increases the resiliency of the company allowing it to maintain its focus on long term value creation. "The combination of these steps taken will keep the company strong and position us to outperform as markets recover," said Little.

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*belief that, at a WTI price of US\$35 per barrel, all planned operating and administration costs, sustaining capital and dividends can be covered from operating revenue, once demand returns, and the basis for such beliefs; and Suncor's expectation that the steps it is currently taking will help keep the company strong and position it to outperform as markets recover. In addition, all other statements and information about Suncor's strategy for growth, expected and future expenditures or investment decisions, commodity prices, costs, schedules, production volumes, operating and financial results and the expected impact of future commitments are forward-looking statements. Some of the forward-looking statements may be identified by words like "will", "expected", "focus", "planned", "believe", "anticipated", "target" and similar expressions.*

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