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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**Energy Minister Kevin Ramnarine tours the Diamond Ocean Onyx**

Energy Minister Kevin Ramnarine on May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015 visited the Diamond Ocean Onyx which is drilling the Bounty Appraisal well in Block 5C on behalf of its client BG T&T. The Ocean Onyx is a second Generation Semi-Submersible rig. The well is very important as its objective is to appraise the resources in Bounty which range from five hundred (500) billion cubic feet to almost one (1)trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

The Rig is operating in just over 800 feet of water and the well will be drilled to a total depth of 18,000 feet. First gas from Bounty is expected by 2019. Following the Bounty appraisal well, the Ocean Onyx will drill an exploration well in Block 5d. The Ocean Onyx is one of seven offshore rigs in Trinidad and Tobago. This compares to one offshore rig in mid-2010.

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**Caption:**

(L to R)

Energy Minister Kevin Ramnarine (Centre) is captured here during his tour of the Diamond Ocean Onyx shaking the hand of Garvin Goddard, President and Asset General Manager BG TT. From the far left are Derek Sturgis VP well engineering BG TT, Colin Orr Burns Director of operations BG TT, Scott Rogers - Offshore Installation Manager (OIM) - Diamond Ocean Onyx and (far Right) two other officials of Diamond Offshore

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