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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **MAINLAND RESOURCES, INC. ADDS MIKE NEWPORT AS PRESIDENT, CEO AND DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD**

Houston, Texas / PR Newswire – April 3, 2008 –Mainland Resources, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the “Company”) (SYMBOL MNLU-OTCBB, 5MN-Frankfurt) has accepted the consent of Mike Newport to join the Company as President, CEO and a Director of The Board effective February 28, 2008.

Mike Newport has nearly thirty years of experience in all phases of oil and gas land management with expertise in acquisitions, operations, divestitures, Land Contract preparation, negotiations and broker supervision.

Mr. Newport started his career with Amoco in their New Orleans office in 1979, where he spent two years. He was actively involved in supervising brokers and writing all forms of Land Contracts for North and South Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida.

He became a District Landman for Harkins & Company in their Jackson, Mississippi office, where he spent four years assembling drilling prospects and all land activities associated with operations in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Louisiana. Mr. Newport then spent the next four years with Harkins at their Oklahoma City office, where he had the same responsibilities for Oklahoma and Arkansas, as well as Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Louisiana.

Mr. Newport joined Greenhill Petroleum in 1989 in Houston, Texas, where he was the Land Manager over a six-year period in their Permian Basin Region operations. In addition to Land Management activities, he was actively involved in acquisitions and divestitures for Greenhill.

After leaving Greenhill, Mr. Newport has spent the last thirteen years managing brokers for West Texas, South Texas, East Texas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Alabama and North Louisiana, as well as performing all land management activities for various operators actively drilling and completing wells in these areas.

Mike Newport received a BBA in Finance in June of 1977, an MBA degree in August of 1978 and also completed hours for a Petroleum Land Management degree in May of 1979, all from the University of Oklahoma.

#### **About Mainland Resources, Inc.**

Mainland Resources is a junior company engaged in the exploration and development of oil and gas resources. The Company’s current initiatives are focused on the acquisition and development of leases in Louisiana’s emerging gas region near Elm Grove.

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