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## **Parker Drilling to Present at Pritchard Capital Energize Conference**

HOUSTON, Dec. 18 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Parker Drilling (NYSE: PKD) announced today that W. Kirk Brassfield, senior vice president and chief financial officer, will present at the Pritchard Capital Energize Conference in San Francisco, California. The Company's presentation is scheduled to begin at 9:15 a.m. PST (11:15 a.m. CST) on Friday, Jan. 8.

A link to the live presentation and copies of the slides will be available through the Company's Web site at [www.parkerdrilling.com](http://www.parkerdrilling.com) at the Investor Relations tab.

Parker Drilling (NYSE: PKD) provides high-performance contract drilling solutions, rental tools and project management services to the worldwide energy industry. Parker operates 29 land rigs in strategic international markets and 17 offshore barge rigs, primarily in the coastal waters of the U.S. Gulf of Mexico. The Company's Quail Tools division rents premium equipment to operators in active land and offshore markets in North America. Founded in 1934, Parker has set numerous world records for deep and extended-reach drilling and is an industry leader in safety performance. More information about Parker Drilling can be found at <http://www.parkerdrilling.com>.

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