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## **Odyssey Marine Exploration to Present at 13th Annual B. Riley & Co Investor Conference**

**Tampa, FL – May 16, 2012** - Odyssey Marine Exploration, Inc. (NasdaqCM: OMEX), pioneers in the field of deep-ocean shipwreck exploration, today announced that Odyssey President and Chief Operating Officer Mark Gordon will present at the 13th Annual B. Riley & Co Investor Conference on May 23, 2012 starting at 4:30 PM ET (1:30 PM PT), held at the Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel.

Attendance at the conference is by invitation only. A live webcast of the presentation will be broadcast via the Internet. Those interested in listening to the webcast may access it here <http://www.webcastregister.com/briley/2012/register/OMEX> or through Odyssey Marine Exploration's website at <http://www.shipwreck.net>. An archived replay of the presentation will be available for 30 days.

### **About B. RILEY & CO.**

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### **About Odyssey Marine Exploration, Inc.**

Odyssey Marine Exploration, Inc. (Nasdaq:OMEX) is engaged in deep-ocean exploration using innovative methods and state-of-the-art technology. The Company is a world leader in shipwreck exploration, conducting extensive search and archaeological recovery operations on deep-ocean shipwrecks around the world. Odyssey also has a minority ownership stake in Neptune Minerals, a company focused on discovering and commercializing high-value mineral deposits from the ocean floor. Odyssey also provides contracting services, including proprietary deep-ocean expertise and equipment, to governments and companies around the world.

For details on Odyssey's activities and its commitment to the preservation of maritime heritage please visit [www.shipwreck.net](http://www.shipwreck.net).

### **Forward-Looking Information**

Odyssey Marine Exploration believes the information set forth in this News Release may including "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Report Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1993 and Section 21E of the Securities Act of 1934. Certain factors that could cause results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements are set forth in "Risk Factors" in Part I, Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, which has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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