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LONDON--Leyshon **Energy** Ltd. (LEN.LN) Friday reported a much narrowed first-half pretax loss, as it reduced exploration costs, and said it remains very active on the **acquisition** front and has received strong financial support for the potential acquisitions it is working on.

For the half year ended June 30 the Chinese focused energy firm made a loss before tax of \$2.87 million, compared with a loss of \$8.89 million. Exploration costs were \$361,057, compared with \$5.34 million a year earlier.

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Shares at 0815 GMT down 5.71% at 4 pence valuing the company at 10 million pounds (\$16.29 million).

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