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#### Australian Pacific Coal Limited (ASX:AQC)

#### Share issue and s708A cleansing notice

Australian Pacific Coal Limited (the **Company**) advises that on 20 December 2016 it issued 6,250,000 fully paid Ordinary Shares (the **Shares**) following the exercise of 6,250,000 options issued to the former Chief Financial Officer of the Company on 3 November 2015.

Attached is an Appendix 3B with respect to the issue of the Shares.

The Company provides notice to the ASX for the purpose of section 708A(5)(e) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) that it has issued the Shares without disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Corporations Act.

The Company states that as at the date of this notice:

- it has complied with the provisions of Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act as they apply to the Company and section 674 of the Corporations Act; and
- it is not aware of any excluded information within the meaning of sections 708A(7) and 708A(8) of the Corporations Act.

M. Mischewski Company Secretary

Australian Pacific Coal Limited

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Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

## **Appendix 3B**

# New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 01/07/96 Origin: Appendix 5 Amended 01/07/98, 01/09/99, 01/07/00, 30/09/01, 11/03/02, 01/01/03, 24/10/05, 01/08/12, 04/03/13

Name of entity	
AUSTRALIAN PACIFIC COAL LI	MITED
ABN	
49 089 206 986	
We (the entity) give ASX the follow	owing information.
Part 1 - All issues You must complete the relevant sections	(attach sheets if there is not enough space).
*Class of *securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary Shares AQC
Number of *securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	6,250,000
Principal terms of the *securities (e.g. if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid *securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if *convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	Fully paid ordinary shares.

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4	Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the *issue date with an existing *class of quoted *securities?	Yes
	If the additional *securities do not rank equally, please state:  • the date from which they do  • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment  • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment	
5	Issue price or consideration	\$0.01297 per share
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	Exercise of incentive options issued to former Chief Financial Officer on 3 November 2015, expiry 31 March 2017, exercise price \$0.008.
6a	Is the entity an *eligible entity that has obtained security holder approval under rule 7.1A?  If Yes, complete sections 6b – 6h in relation to the *securities the subject of this Appendix 3B, and comply with section 6i	No
6b	The date the security holder resolution under rule 7.1A was passed	Not applicable
6c	Number of *securities issued without security holder approval under rule 7.1	Nil
6a 6b	(If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)  Is the entity an *eligible entity that has obtained security holder approval under rule 7.1A?  If Yes, complete sections 6b – 6h in relation to the *securities the subject of this Appendix 3B, and comply with section 6i  The date the security holder resolution under rule 7.1A was passed  Number of *securities issued without security holder approval	former Chief Financial Officer or November 2015, expiry 31 March 2 exercise price \$0.008.  No  No  Not applicable

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6d	Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.1A	Nil	
6e	Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)	Nil	
6f	Number of *securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2	6,250,000	
6g	If *securities issued under rule 7.1A, was issue price at least 75% of 15 day VWAP as calculated under rule 7.1A.3? Include the *issue date and both values. Include the source of the VWAP calculation.	Not applicable	
6h	If *securities were issued under rule 7.1A for non-cash consideration, state date on which valuation of consideration was released to ASX Market Announcements	Not applicable	
6i	Calculate the entity's remaining issue capacity under rule 7.1 and rule 7.1A – complete Annexure 1 and release to ASX Market Announcements	652,452,639	
7	<sup>+</sup> Issue dates	20 December 2016	
,	Note: The issue date may be prescribed by ASX (refer to the definition of issue date in rule 19.12). For example, the issue date for a pro rata entitlement issue must comply with the applicable timetable in Appendix 7A.		
	Cross reference: item 33 of Appendix 3B.		
		Number	+Class
8	Number and *class of all *securities quoted on ASX (including the *securities in section 2 if applicable)	4,349,684,264	Fully paid ordinary shares (AQC)

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9 Number and <sup>+</sup>class of all <sup>+</sup>securities not quoted on ASX (including the <sup>+</sup>securities in section 2 if applicable)

Number	+Class
68,750,000	\$0.008 Unlisted Incentive Options (expiry 31/03/2017)

Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests) Ordinary shares rank equally with all other shares for dividends

#### Part 2 - Pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	Not applicable
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable
13	Ratio in which the *securities will be offered	Not applicable
14	*Class of *securities to which the offer relates	Not applicable
15	<sup>+</sup> Record date to determine entitlements	Not applicable
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	Not applicable
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	Not applicable
18	Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new offer documents	Not applicable
	Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with.	
	Cross reference: rule 7.7.	
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	Not applicable

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20	Names of any underwriters	Not applicable
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	Not applicable
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	Not applicable
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	Not applicable
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders	Not applicable
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	Not applicable
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and offer documents will be sent to persons entitled	Not applicable
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	Not applicable
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	Not applicable
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	Not applicable
30	How do security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	Not applicable
31	How do security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	Not applicable

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32	of the	do security holders dispose eir entitlements (except by nrough a broker)?	Not applicable
33	<sup>+</sup> Issue	e date	Not applicable
		uotation of securities complete this section if you are ap	<b>S</b> oplying for quotation of securities
34	Type (tick o	of <sup>+</sup> securities one)	
(a)		<sup>+</sup> Securities described in Part	1
(b)		All other <sup>+</sup> securities	
	Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities		
Entiti	es tha	t have ticked box 34(a)	
Addi	tional	securities forming a new	v class of securities
Tick to docum		e you are providing the informat	ion or
35			securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the the number and percentage of additional *securities
36			securities, a distribution schedule of the additional umber of holders in the categories
		1,001 - 5,000 5,001 - 10,000	
		10,001 - 100,000 100,001 and over	
37		A copy of any trust deed for	the additional <sup>+</sup> securities

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Entitie	es that have ticked box 34(b)		
38	Number of *securities for which *quotation is sought		
39	<sup>+</sup> Class of <sup>+</sup> securities for which quotation is sought		
40	Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the *issue date with an existing *class of quoted *securities?  If the additional *securities do not rank equally, please state:  • the date from which they do  • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment  • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment		
41	Reason for request for quotation now  Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period  (if issued upon conversion of another *security, clearly identify that other *security)		
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the +securities in clause 38)	Number	+Class

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#### **Quotation agreement**

- <sup>†</sup>Quotation of our additional <sup>†</sup>securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the <sup>†</sup>securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2 We warrant the following to ASX.
  - The issue of the \*securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
  - There is no reason why those \*securities should not be granted \*quotation.
  - An offer of the \*securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any \*securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any \*securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the \*securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the \*securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the \*securities be quoted.
- We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document is not available now, we will give it to ASX before †quotation of the †securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here: M. Mirolina. Date: 4 January 2017

Company Secretary

Print name: Kevin Mischewski

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## Appendix 3B – Annexure 1

## Calculation of placement capacity under rule 7.1 and rule 7.1A for eligible entities

Introduced 01/08/12 Amended 04/03/13

#### Part 1

Rule 7.1 – Issues exceeding 15% of capital		
Step 1: Calculate "A", the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated		
Insert number of fully paid *ordinary securities on issue 12 months before the *issue date or date of agreement to issue	4,318,434,264 as at 20 December 2015	
Add the following:		
Number of fully paid <sup>+</sup> ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period under an exception in rule 7.2	Incentive Options issued on 3 November 2015:  12,500,000 exercised on 11 August 2016.  12,500,000 exercised on 19 October 2016  6,250,000 exercised on 20 December 2016	
Number of fully paid <sup>+</sup> ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period with shareholder approval	Nil	
Number of partly paid <sup>+</sup> ordinary securities that became fully paid in that 12 month period		
Note: Include only ordinary securities here — other classes of equity securities cannot be added Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items		

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<b>Subtract</b> the number of fully paid <sup>+</sup> ordinary securities cancelled during that 12 month period	Nil	
"A"	4,349,684,264	
Step 2: Calculate 15% of "A"		
"B"	0.15	
	[Note: this value cannot be changed]	
Multiply "A" by 0.15	652,452,639	
Step 3: Calculate "C", the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1 that has already been used		
<b>Insert</b> number of <sup>+</sup> equity securities issued or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period <i>not counting</i> those issued:	Nil	
Under an exception in rule 7.2		
• Under rule 7.1A		
• With security holder approval under rule 7.1 or rule 7.4		
<ul> <li>Note:         <ul> <li>This applies to equity securities, unless specifically excluded – not just ordinary securities</li> <li>Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed</li> <li>It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
"C"	Nil	
Step 4: Subtract "C" from ["A" x "B"] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1		
"A" x 0.15	652,452,639	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2		
Subtract "C"	Nil	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3		

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<b>Total</b> ["A" x 0.15] – "C"	652,452,639
	[Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1]

#### Part 2

Rule 7.1A – Additional placement capacity for eligible entities		
Step 1: Calculate "A", the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated		
"A"	Not Applicable	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 1 of Part 1		
Step 2: Calculate 10% of "A"		
"D"	Note: this value cannot be changed	
Multiply "A" by 0.10	Nil	
Step 3: Calculate "E", the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1A that has already been used  Insert number of +equity securities issued Nil		
or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period under rule 7.1A  Notes:  This applies to equity securities – not just ordinary securities  Include here – if applicable – the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed  Do not include equity securities issued under rule 7.1 (they must be dealt with in Part 1), or for which specific security holder approval has been obtained  It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items		
"E"	Nil	

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Step 4: Subtract "E" from ["A" x "D"] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A	
"A" x 0.10	Nil
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2	
Subtract "E"	Nil
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3	
<b>Total</b> ["A" x 0.10] – "E"	Nil
	Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A

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