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BC IRON WELCOMES NEW INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS

BC Iron Limited (ASX:BCI; "BC Iron") has today received notification from Alkane Resources Limited ("Alkane") that it has sold its remaining 5 million shares in the Company, representing a holding of 5.95%, to a number of offshore and domestic institutional investors.

The sale of the Alkane parcel, for which there was very strong demand, was completed off-market and was managed and executed by Sydney-based broking firm BBY Limited.

BC Iron would like to thank Alkane for its long-term support as a foundation shareholder and welcomes the new institutional shareholders to its register.

The Company believes that the additional institutional support will provide a strong growth platform for the Company in the lead-up to first production from the Nullagine Iron Ore Joint Venture, which is scheduled to occur later this year.

"It is pleasing to see such strong institutional support and interest in the Company," said BC Iron Managing Director, Mike Young. "It is great to see the profile of the Company growing and our investor base continuing to expand as we move closer to first production.

"I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Alkane for their strong support of BC Iron since our listing in 2006."

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About BC Iron Limited

BC Iron Limited (ASX: BCI) is an emerging iron ore producer focused on Western Australia's world-class Pilbara region. The Company's core asset is a 50% joint venture in the Nullagine Iron Ore Project, an extensive tenement portfolio which is strategically located 140km north of Newman proximal to Fortescue Metals' Chichester operation.

The Company has entered into the Nullagine Iron Ore Joint Venture with FMG (50%) which has allowed it to rapidly develop the Project. BC Iron will manage the Project and FMG will provide port and rail haulage services. The Nullagine Project comprises a Direct Shipping Ore (DSO) Probable Reserve of 36Mt @ 57% Fe. The total mineral resource at the Nullagine Joint Venture is 89Mt @ 54.1% Fe.

BC Iron's competitive advantage is that the Nullagine DSO comprises an outcropping, low contaminant "first grade" sinter feed that is very attractive to steel producers and that the Company has a clear path to market.

BC Iron Key Statistics

Shares on Issue:	83.9 million	
Cash & equivalents:	31 December 2009 - \$24.1m	
Board and Management:	 Tony Kiernan – Chairman Mike Young – Managing Director Garth Higgo – Non-Executive Director Terry Ransted – Non-Executive Director Steven Chadwick – Non-Executive Director Morgan Ball – Chief Financial Officer & Company Secretary 	
	Blair Duncan – Chief Operating Officer	
Major Shareholders:	Consolidated Minerals	22%
	Regent Pacific Group	16%

JORC Competent Persons Statement

The information that relates to the drilling data and geological interpretations is based on information compiled by Michael Young who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Geoscientists and a Director of the Company.

The information that relates to the Mineral Resource Estimate at Outcamp, Warrigal Well, and Coongan Well has been compiled by Mr Richard Gaze who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and an employee of Golder Associates. Both Mr Young and Mr Gaze have sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that they are undertaking to qualify as a Competent Persons as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Gaze and Mr Young consent to the inclusion in their names in the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information that relates to the Mineral Resource Estimate at Bonnie East has been compiled by Mr Greg Hudson who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and an employee of BC iron, and Mr Mike Young who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geologist and an employee BC Iron. Both Mr Young and Mr Hudson have sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that they are undertaking to qualify as a Competent Persons as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Hudson and Mr Young consent to the inclusion in their names in the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information that relates to the Ore Reserve has been compiled by Mr Blair Duncan who is an employee of the Company and a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, and Mr Pieter Doelman who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and an employee of Coffey Mining Pty Ltd. Both Mr Duncan and Mr Doelman have sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that they are undertaking to qualify as a Competent Persons as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Duncan and Mr Doelman consent to the inclusion in their names in the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.