

ACN 118 549 910

15 October 2009

Company Announcements Office ASX Limited Exchange Centre 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Sir / Madam,

## <u>Mineral Resources Limited – increased Share Offer and extension</u> of Offer periods for Polaris Metals NL (ASX:POL)

Further to the previous announcement released by Mineral Resources Limited (MRL) (ASX:MIN), MRL now attaches the following formal documents required to give effect to the above changes to its Offers for all of the shares and options in Polaris Metals NL (Polaris) (ASX:POL):

- (a) Notice to Free Offer from Condition (Share Offer); and
- (b) Notice of Variation of Takeover Offers.

These Notices have today been lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and served on Polaris. The Notice of Variation of Takeover Offers will be sent to each person to whom the Offers were made.

For the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 3.2, MRL confirms that in respect of the Share Offer:

- (a) at the date of the Offer, MRL (together with its associates) had a relevant interest in 19.9% of Polaris' ordinary shares;
- (b) at the date of this Offer extension, MRL (together with its associates) has a relevant interest in 29.19% of Polaris' ordinary shares.

For the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 3.2, MRL confirms that in respect of the Option Offer:

- (a) at the date of the Offer, MRL (together with its associates) had a relevant interest in 0% of Polaris' options;
- (b) at the date of this Offer extension, MRL (together with its associates) has a relevant interest in 27.35% of Polaris' options.

Yours Sincerely,

**Bruce Goulds**Company Secretary

### MINERAL RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 118 549 910) NOTICE TO FREE OFFER FROM CONDITION

To: 1. Polaris Metals NL (ACN 085 223 570) (Polaris).

2. ASX Limited (ASX).

Mineral Resources Limited (ACN 118 549 910) (MRL) gives notice under section 650F of the Corporations Act that it declares the Share Offer dated 23 September 2009 made in its Bidder's Statement dated 17 September 2009 (Bidder's Statement) and any takeover contract arising from acceptance of the Share Offer free from the condition set out in Section 1.10(a)(i) of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement (the 50.1% Minimum Acceptance Condition).

As at the date of this notice, MRL's voting power in Polaris is 29.19%.

Unless the context requires otherwise, defined terms in the Bidder's Statement have the same meaning in this notice.

Approved by a unanimous resolution passed by the directors of Mineral Resources Limited.

**Peter Wade**Director

Dated: 15 October 2009

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# MINERAL RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 118 549 910) NOTICE OF VARIATION OF TAKEOVER OFFERS

- To: 1. Polaris Metals NL (ACN 085 223 570) (Polaris).
  - 2. Persons to whom MRL made Offers dated 23 September 2009 under the takeover bid referred to in this notice.
  - 3. The Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).
  - 4. ASX Limited (ASX).

#### 1. INCREASE OF CONSIDERATION UNDER SHARE OFFER

Mineral Resources Limited (ACN 118 549 910) (MRL) gives notice under section 650D(1) of the Corporations Act that it varies the Share Offer dated 23 September 2009 made in its Bidder's Statement dated 17 September 2009 (Bidder's Statement) by increasing the Share Offer consideration referred to in Section 1.1(b) of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement to one (1) MRL Share for every 12 Polaris Shares plus 5 cents cash for every one (1) Polaris Share.

All references in the Bidder's Statement to the consideration offered under the Share Offer are varied accordingly.

#### 2. EXTENSION OF SHARE OFFER PERIOD AND OPTION OFFER PERIOD

MRL gives notice under section 650D(1) of the Corporations Act that it varies:

- (a) the Share Offer by extending the Share Offer Period set out in Section 1.3 of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement; and
- (b) the Option Offer by extending the Option Offer Period set out in Section 1.2 of Annexure B of the Bidder's Statement,

so that the Offers now end at 5.00pm (WST/Perth time) on 9 November 2009 (unless further extended or withdrawn).

All references in the Bidder's Statement to the Share Offer Period and Option Offer Period, and the closing dates of the Offers are varied accordingly.

### 3. NEW DATE FOR GIVING NOTICE OF THE STATUS OF CONDITIONS

MRL gives notice under section 630(2)(b) of the Corporations Act that:

- (a) the new date for giving notice of the status of the conditions set out in Section 1.10(f) of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement (Share Offer) and Section 1.7(f) of Annexure B of the Bidder's Statement (Option Offer) is 30 October 2009;
- (b) as at the date of this Notice, the Share Offer has been freed from the condition set out in Section 1.10(a)(i) of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement (50.1% Minimum Acceptance Condition);
- other than as set out above, as at the date of this Notice, the Share Offers have not been freed from any of the conditions set out in Section 1.10(a) of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement;

- (d) as at the date of this Notice, the Option Offers have not been freed from any of the conditions set out in Section 1.7(a) of Annexure B of the Bidder's Statement; and
- (e) so far as MRL knows, the conditions set out in Section 1.10(a) of Annexure A of the Bidder's Statement (Share Offer) and Section 1.7(a) of Annexure B of the Bidder's Statement (Option Offer) were not fulfilled as at the date of this notice.

Unless the context requires otherwise, defined terms in the Bidder's Statement have the same meaning in this notice.

Approved by a unanimous resolution passed by the directors of Mineral Resources Limited.

**Peter Wade**Director

Dated: 15 October 2009

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A copy of this notice was lodged with ASIC on the date set out above. Neither the ASIC nor any of its officers takes any responsibility for the contents of this notice.