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Ashburton Minerals Ltd ("Ashburton" or "the Company")

NON-RENOUNCEABLE PRO RATA RIGHTS ISSUE – ALLOTMENT OF SHARES AND OPTIONS AND DISPATCH OF HOLDING STATEMENTS

The Company advises that 130,599,950 ordinary new shares and 43,533,442 unlisted new options exercisable at \$0.003 before 31 December 2014 were allotted today to shareholders who accepted their entitlements and those that applied for additional new shares. The holding statements for all new shares and new options have been dispatched today.

Yours faithfully

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