

1 August 2013

Company Announcements Office Australian Securities Exchange Limited 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

by electronic lodgement

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

Dear Sir/Madam

COMPLETION OF SHARE PLACEMENT AND APPENDIX 3B

Ashburton is pleased to advise that it has completed the placement of a total of a total of 225,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares. The Company issued 112,500,000 shares at an issue price of 0.1 cents each pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1, and 112,500,000 shares at an issue price of 0.3 cents each pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A. An Appendix 3B relating to the allotment of these shares is attached.

We note that the Appendix 3B also records the conversion of 535 options into fully paid ordinary shares, and the cancellation of 3,000,000 unlisted options issued to an employee, who no longer works for the Company, under the Company's Employee Share Option Plan.

In accordance with the requirements of ASX Listing Rule 3.10.5A the following information is provided:

- The dilution to existing shareholders, as a result of
 - o the issue under Listing Rule 7.1 is 9.54%;
 - o the issue under Listing Rule 7.1A id 9.54%; and
 - o the total placement is 19.08%

Further details of the approximate percentage of the issued capital post the 7.1 and 7.1A placement held by the pre-placement security holders and new security holders are as follows:

Pre-placement security holders who did not participate in the 7.1A placement	83.98%
Pre-placement security holders who did participate in the 7.1A placement	0%
Participants in the 7.1Aplacement who were not previously security holders	16.02%

 The securities were issued to sophisticated and professional investors and a publicly listed company as it was considered to be a more efficient mechanism for raising the funds for the current placement. The placement id not expose the Company to market volatility that might have been experienced over a more protracted raising process such as a rights issue;

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- There were no underwriting arrangements in place for the placement; and
- A placement fee of 6% was payable to DJ Carmichaels in relation to the placement of 165,000,000 of the placement shares, which raised \$330,000 before costs. The balance 60,000,000 shares were placed directly by the Company, raising \$120,000.

Notice given under section 708A(5) of the Corporations act 2001

The shares are part of a class of securities quoted on the Australian Securities Exchange.

The shares were issued without disclosure to the investors under Part 6D.2, in reliance on Section 708A(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

The Company, as at the date of this notice, has complied with:

- a) The provisions of Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act 2001; and
- b) Section 674 of the Corporations Act 2001.

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There is no excluded information as at the date of this notice, for the purposes of Sections 708A(7) and (8) od the Corporations Act 2001.

Yours faithfully,

Tom Dukovcic

Managing Director

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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.

 $Introduced \ o1/o7/96 \ \ Origin: Appendix \ 5 \ \ Amended \ o1/o7/98, \ o1/o9/99, \ o1/o7/00, \ 30/o9/01, \ 11/o3/02, \ o1/o1/o3, \ 24/10/o5, \ o1/o8/12 \ \ o1/o1/o3, \ o1$

ASHE	BURTON MINERALS LTD		
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We (t	Ve (the entity) give ASX the following information.		
	1 - All issues ust complete the relevant sections (attac	h sheets if there is not enough space).	
1	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary Fully Paid Shares	
2	Number of *securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	225,000,535	
3	Principal terms of the *securities (eg, 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)	Ordinary Fully Paid Shares	
3	Principal terms of the *securities (eg, 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	Ordinary Fully Paid Shares	

Name of entity

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4 Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *securities?

Yes; pari passu with existing ordinary fully paid shares.

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

112,500,000 at 0.3 cents each 112,500,000 at 0.1 cents each 535 conversions of options at 0.3 c each

6 Purpose of the issue
(If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)

Proceeds will be used to fund:

- corporate and administrative costs associated with the proposed acquisition of unlisted Platypus Resources Limited;
- a \$100,000 loan to Platypus Resources Limited;
- implementation of the Mt Andrew exploration programme; and
- working capital requirements.
- 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

Yes

6b The date the security holder resolution under rule 7.1A was passed

19 November 2012

6c Number of *securities issued without security holder approval under rule 7.1

112,500,000

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6d	Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.1A	112,500,000	
6e	Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)	N/A	
6f	Number of securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2	N/A	
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.	Yes; Date price agreed: 26 J Issue price: 0.3 c 15 day VWAP: 0.2718 c 75% of 15 d VWAP: 0.2 (IRESS)	,
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	N/A	
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	29,886,196 (under 7.1) 2,424,131 (under 7.1A)	
7	Dates of entering *securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	31 July 2013: 225,000,00 1 August 2013: 535	00
		Number	+Class
8	Number and +class of all	1,404,241,310	Ordinary Fully Paid

+securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in section 2 if applicable)

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117,673,368

ATNO options with

exercise price of 1 cent and expiring 30

April 2014

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

Number	+Class
59,365,976	ATNAI Unlisted
	Options with
	exercise price of 0.3
	cents and expiring 31
	December 2014
5,000,000	ATNAO - Unlisted
	Options with
	exercise price of 7.25
	cents and expiring 21
	April 2014
5,000,000	ATNAO - Unlisted
	Options with
	exercise price of 8.7
	cents and expiring 21
	April 2014
5,000,000	ATNAO - Unlisted
	Options with
	exercise price of 10.15
	cents and expiring 21
	April 2014
2,500,000	ATNAK - Unlisted
	options with exercise
	price of 7.25 cents
	and expiring 14 June
	2014

Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)

N/A

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

Is security holder approval required?	N/A
Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	N/A
Ratio in which the *securities will be offered	N/A
⁺ Class of ⁺ securities to which the offer relates	N/A
⁺ Record date to determine	N/A
	required? Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable? Ratio in which the *securities will be offered *Class of *securities to which the offer relates

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16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	N/A
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	N/A
18	Names of countries in which the entity has *security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	N/A
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	N/A
20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	N/A
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	N/A
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of *security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on	NI/A
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A
26	Date entitlement and accentance	NI/A
20	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	N/A

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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	N/A
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	N/A
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	N/A
30	How do *security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	N/A
31	How do *security holders sell part of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	N/A
32	How do *security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	N/A
33	⁺ Despatch date	N/A
	3 - Quotation of securitie	
34	Type of securities (tick one)	
(a)	Securities described in Part	1
(b)	•	nd of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, en restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

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Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to docume	e you are providing the information or
35	If the *securities are *equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional *securities, and the number and percentage of additional *securities held by those holders
36	If the *securities are *equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional *securities setting out the number of holders in the categories 1 - 1,000 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 *securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b) Number of securities for which 38 ⁺quotation is sought Class of +securities for which 39 quotation is sought Do the +securities rank equally in 40 all respects from the date of allotment 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 interest or payment Reason for request for quotation 41 Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)

and

+class

of

Number

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+Class	Number

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⁺securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)

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Quotation agreement

- ⁺Quotation of our additional ⁺securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the ⁺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 not available now, 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: Date: 1 August 2013

Tom Dukovai

(Director)

Print name: Tom Dukovcic

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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

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 date of issue or agreement to issue	971,121,705
Add the following:	
Number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period under an exception in rule 7.2	25 Jan 2013 Rights issue: 130,599,950 Option conversions:
	 14/11/12: 51 24/12/12: 3,000 12/03/13: 267 01/08/13: 535
Number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period with shareholder approval	8 March 2013 Shortfall: 47,500,000 0
Number of partly paid ordinary securities that became fully paid in that 12 month period	0
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	
Subtract the number of fully paid ordinary securities cancelled during that 12 month period	0
"A"	1,149,241,310

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Step 2: Calculate 15% of "A"		
"B"	0.15	
	[Note: this value cannot be changed]	
Multiply "A" by 0.15	172,386,196	
Step 3: Calculate "C", the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1 that has already been used		
Insert number of equity securities issued or	2 Apr 2013: 25,000,000	
agreed to be issued in that 12 month period not counting those issued:	16 Nov 2012: 5,000,000	
Under an exception in rule 7.2	1 Aug 2013: 112,500,000	
Under rule 7.1A		
• With security holder approval under rule 7.1 or rule 7.4		
 Note: This applies to equity securities, unless specifically excluded – not just ordinary securities 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 		
"C"	142,500,000	
Step 4: Subtract "C" from ["A" x "B"] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1		
"A" x 0.15		
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2	172,386,196	
Subtract "C"		
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3	142,500,000	
Total ["A" x 0.15] – "C"	29,886,196	
	[Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1]	

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Rule 7.1A – Additional placement capacity for eligible entities		
Step 1: Calculate "A", the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated		
"A"		
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 1 of Part 1	1,149,241,310	
Step 2: Calculate 10% of "A"		
"D"	0.10	
	Note: this value cannot be changed	
Multiply "A" by 0.10	114,924,131	
7.1A that has already been used Insert number of equity securities issued or	112,500,000	
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"	112,500,000	

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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 Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2	114,924,131
Subtract "E" Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3	112,500,000
Total ["A" x 0.10] – "E"	2,424,131 Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A

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