

ASX Announcement

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Auminco Mines Limited Takeover Acceptances Pass 97%

Following the 8 April 2014 opening of Viking Ashanti Limited's (**Viking**) off market takeover offer (**Offer**) for all of the issued share capital of Auminco Mines Limited (**Auminco**), Viking is pleased to advise that it has now received acceptances for 97.08% of Auminco. Viking intends to seek 100% acceptances of the offer.

The takeover offer period during which Auminco shareholders may accept the offer has been extended by 14 days, to Friday, 6 June 2014.

A Section 650D Notice of Extension and an associated Section 630(2)(b) notice are attached.

For further information in relation to this takeover offer please contact either the Chairman of Viking Ashanti, Jack Gardner, on 08 6313 5151 or Viking Ashanti's corporate adviser, Matthew Howison at Emerald Partners, on 02 9251 5065.

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Peter McMickan
Managing Director

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**Notice under Section 650D
of the Corporations Act**

**VIKING ASHANTI LIMITED
ACN 126 200 280**

**NOTICE OF VARIATION OF TAKEOVER OFFER
FOR BID CLASS SECURITIES IN AUMINCO MINES LIMITED**

To: Australian Securities and Investments Commission

Auminco Mines Limited ACN 159 575 863 (**Auminco**)

Each person to whom offers were made under the off-market takeover bid by Viking Ashanti Limited ACN 126 200 280 (**Viking**) to acquire all the fully paid ordinary shares in Auminco.

1. Extension of Offer Period

- (a) On 29 April 2014, Viking gave a notice to vary its offers dated 8 April 2014 for all of the fully paid ordinary shares in Auminco (**Offer**) by extending the period during which the Offer remains open for acceptance until 5:00pm WST on Friday, 23 May 2014, unless extended or withdrawn (**First Variation**).
- (b) Viking hereby gives a further notice that it varies the Offer by:
 - (i) extending the period during which the Offer remains open for acceptance until 5:00pm WST on Friday, 6 June 2014, unless extended or withdrawn; and
 - (ii) substituting the date "23 May 2014" for the date "6 June 2014", in section 3 of Annexure A of the bidder's statement dated 2 April 2014 issued by Viking (**Bidder's Statement**) and in all other sections of the Bidder's Statement where the date "23 May 2014" appears as a result of the First Variation.

2. Date for giving notice as to status of conditions under the Offer

The new date in section 9(e) of Annexure A to the Bidder's Statement for giving notice under section 630 of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**Corporations Act**) as to the status of conditions in section 9(a) of Annexure A to the Bidder's Statement is 29 May 2014.

3. Right of withdrawal

The Offer remains subject to a defeating condition.

In accordance with section 650E of the Corporations Act, as this extension to the Offer results in a total extension of the Offer by more than 1 month, those Auminco shareholders who have validly accepted the Offer on or before the date of this notice may withdraw their acceptance by giving notice to Viking (**Withdrawal Notice**) within 1 month beginning on the day after the day on which they received this notice (**Withdrawal Period**).

Auminco shareholders who withdraw their acceptance must return any consideration received for accepting the Offer. A Withdrawal Notice by an Auminco shareholder withdrawing their acceptance under section 650E of the Corporations Act must be in writing to Viking.

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If an Auminco shareholder is legally entitled to give, and does in fact give, a Withdrawal Notice within the Withdrawal Period, Viking will, before the end of 14 days after the day it is given the Withdrawal Notice, return to the Auminco shareholder any documents that were sent by the Auminco shareholder to Viking with the acceptance of the Offer.

A copy of this notice was lodged with ASIC on 14 May 2014. Neither ASIC nor any of its officers takes any responsibility for the content of this notice.

Signed for and on behalf of Viking pursuant to the authority of a unanimous resolution passed by all of the Directors of Viking and is given in reliance of ASIC Class Order CO 13/521.

DATED: 14 May 2014



John William Gardner
Chairman
Viking Ashanti Limited

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**Notice under Section 630(2)(b)
of the Corporations Act**

**VIKING ASHANTI LIMITED
ACN 126 200 280**

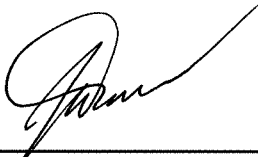
NEW DATE FOR GIVING NOTICE OF STATUS OF DEFEATING CONDITIONS

To: Australian Securities and Investments Commission
Auminco Mines Limited ACN 159 575 863(**Auminco**)

Viking Ashanti Limited ACN 126 200 280 (**Viking**) hereby gives notice under section 630(2)(b) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) that:

1. as a result of the extension of the period for which the offer dated 8 April 2014 by it under its off-market takeover bid to acquire all of the fully paid ordinary shares in Auminco (**Offer**) are open for acceptance, the date for giving notice of the status of conditions in section 9(a) of Annexure A to the bidder's statement dated 2 April 2014 issued by Viking (**Bidder's Statement**) (**Offer Conditions**) is postponed to 29 May 2014;
2. Viking has not declared the Offer free from the Offer Conditions; and
3. so far as Viking is aware, the Offer Conditions were, at the time of giving this notice, unfulfilled.

DATED: 14 May 2014



John William Gardner
Chairman
Viking Ashanti Limited

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