

17 March 2009

The Manager
Company Announcements Office
ASX Limited

Dear Sir/Madam,

**METMINCO LIMITED TAKEOVER BID FOR HAMPTON MINING LIMITED
EXTENSION OF OFFER PERIOD FOR SHARE OFFER AND APR 09 OPTION
OFFER
NO EXTENSION FOR MAR 09 OPTION OFFER**

We attach a notice in accordance with section 650D of the Corporations Act 2001 ("Act") a notice of variation stating that Metminco Limited ("Metminco") has today extended two of the offer periods in relation to its off-market takeover bid in relation to Hampton Mining Limited ("Hampton")

The periods for acceptance of following offers:

- the Share Offer of 4 Metminco shares for every Hampton Share;
- the Apr 09 Option Offer of 0.9 Metminco Shares for every Hampton Apr 09 Option;

are extended from 24 March 2009 to 23 April 2009.

The period for acceptance of the offer of 1.87 Metminco Shares for every Hampton Mar 09 Option is not extended.

Metminco notes that the Hampton Mar 09 Option will expire on 31 March 2009 if not exercised. If a holder of Hampton Mar 09 Options exercises its options and receives Hampton Shares, it may still be able to accept the Hampton Share Offer for those shares depending upon when it takes action. A holder of Hampton Mar 09 Options should consult with Hampton about following the pre-emption process described in the Target's Statement and the Supplementary Target's Statement, if it wishes to take this course.

The offer periods for the Share Offer and the Apr 09 Option Offer are now scheduled to close at 7:00pm (AEST) on 23 April 2009 (unless further extended in accordance with the Act).

For the purpose of ASX Listing Rule 3.2, Metminco confirms that:

- at the date of the offers, being 10 December 2008, Metminco and its associates did not have a relevant interest in any Hampton securities;
- at the date of this offer extension, Metminco has no relevant interest in any Hampton securities.

Signed for and on behalf of Metminco Limited by:



Shane Turner
Director and Company Secretary
Metminco Limited