

9 July 2009

Company Announcements Office ASX Ltd Level 45, South Tower, Rialto Building 525 Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Dear Sir/Madam,

- METMINCO LIFTS ITS SHAREHOLDING IN HAMPTON ORDINARY SHARES TO 36.5%
- THE TAKEOVER BID FOR HAMPTON MINING LIMITED HAS NOW CLOSED

For the purpose of ASX Listing Rule 3.3, Metminco advises that:

- (a) the Share Offer under Metminco's off-market takeover bid in relation to Hampton as contained in the Bidder's Statement dated 10 December 2008 (as supplemented and varied) closed at 7:00 pm (AEST) on 8 July 2009;
- (b) Metminco has a relevant interest in 75,922,683 ordinary shares in Hampton, which is 36.5% of the ordinary shares in Hampton; and
- (c) Compulsory acquisition of the remaining shares in Hampton will not proceed.

Yours sincerely

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