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The Manager Announcements Companies Office Australian Securities Exchange Limited Sydney NSW 2000

### Gale Pacific Limited Announces on-market share buy-back

### On-market buy-back program

Gale Pacific Limited (**Gale** or the **Company**) (ASX:GAP) advises that it intends to conduct an on-market share buy-back during the period from 3 March 2017 to 2 March 2018.

### **Capital Structure**

The maximum number of shares which the Company proposes to acquire under the on-market buy-back is approximately up to 30 million, or up to 10% of the lowest number of ordinary shares on issue during the previous 12 months. Accordingly, the on-market buy-back will not require shareholder approval.

### **Commencement Date**

Under the Corporations Act, the earliest date that the Company will be permitted to buyback any share on market is 3 March 2017, being 14 days from the date of this announcement.

### **Objectives**

The buy-back accords with the Company's long-standing capital management program. The objectives of the on-market share buy-back are to increase earnings per share and the Company's return on equity. The Company proposes to fund the share-buy-back from existing cash flows. As a consequence of the improved financial performance over recent periods leading to a significantly strengthened balance sheet, the Company has begun to place additional focus on strategic growth initiatives in its core competencies. As the Company completes the exit of its non-core businesses, the focus on these strategic opportunities, including investments in manufacturing technologies and additional capacity, continues into 2017. Combined with this focus on investment, the Board has determined that also having an on-market share buyback in place, as an additional capital management tool, is appropriate.

Gale has appointed Shaw and Partners Limited to act as its broker.

An Appendix 3C in respect of the on-market buyback is attached.

Yours sincerely

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Rule 3.8A

## Appendix 3C

# Announcement of buy-back (except minimum holding buy-back)

Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public. Introduced 1/9/99. Origin: Appendix 7B. Amended 13/3/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/01/10

Name of entity	ABN/ARSN	
GALE PACIFIC LIMITED	80 082 263 778	

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

## Information about buy-back

1	Type of buy-back	On-market buy-back
2	<sup>+</sup> Class of shares/units which is the subject of the buy-back (eg, ordinary/preference)	Ordinary shares
3	Voting rights (eg, one for one)	One for one
4	Fully paid/partly paid (and if partly paid, details of how much has been paid and how much is outstanding)	Fully paid
5	Number of shares/units in the +class on issue	297,474,396
6	Whether shareholder/unitholder approval is required for buy- back	No
7	Reason for buy-back	To enhance shareholder value

8	Any other information material to a shareholder's/unitholder's decision whether to accept the offer (eg, details of any proposed takeover bid)	N/A				
On-	On-market buy-back					
9	Name of broker who will act on the company's behalf	Shaw and Partners Limited				
10	Deleted 30/9/2001.					
11	If the company/trust intends to buy back a maximum number of shares - that number Note: This requires a figure to be included, not a percentage.	29,747,439 (10%)				
12	If the company/trust intends to buy back shares/units within a period of time - that period of time; if the company/trust intends that the buy-back be of unlimited duration - that intention	12 month duration (3 March 2017 till 2 March 2018)				
13	If the company/trust intends to buy back shares/units if conditions are met - those conditions	N/A				

## Employee share scheme buy-back

14	Number of shares proposed to be bought back	N/A
15	Price to be offered for shares	N/A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>+</sup> See chapter 19 for defined terms.

## Selective buy-back

- 16 Name of person or description of class of person whose shares are proposed to be bought back
- 17 Number of shares proposed to N/A be bought back

18 Price to be offered for shares

N/A

N/A

N/A

### Equal access scheme

- 19 Percentage of shares proposed to be bought back
- 20 Total number of shares proposed to be bought back if all offers are accepted
  - Price to be offered for shares N/A
- 22 \*Record date for participation in N offer Cross reference: Appendix 7A, clause 9.

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## **Compliance statement**

- 1. The company is in compliance with all Corporations Act requirements relevant to this buy-back.
- 2. There is no information that the listing rules require to be disclosed that has not already been disclosed, or is not contained in, or attached to, this form.

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