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To Company Announcements Office
From Francesca Lee
Date 22 December 2014
Subject **Newcrest Mining Limited Performance Rights and Appendix 3B**

Please be advised of the grant of 1,685,820 Performance Rights under the Newcrest Mining Limited Long Term Incentive Plan 2014. An Appendix 3B for this issue of Performance Rights is attached.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Francesca Lee', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Francesca Lee
Company Secretary

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 01/07/96 Origin: Appendix 5 Amended 01/07/98, 01/09/99, 01/07/00, 30/09/01, 11/03/02, 01/01/03, 24/10/05, 01/08/12, 04/03/13

Name of entity

NEWCREST MINING LIMITED

ABN

20 005 683 625

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

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| 1 | +Class of +securities issued or to be issued | Performance Rights |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued | 1,685,820 |
| 3 | Principal terms of the +securities (e.g. 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) | <p>The Performance Rights will be measured over the performance period, 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2017 and are in the form of zero priced options which automatically vest provided the relevant Performance Conditions, and any other conditions to vesting to which the Rights are subject, are satisfied. The grant is subject to the Newcrest Mining Limited 2014 LTI Rules (2014 LTI), the terms of the corresponding invitation, the ASX Listing Rules and other applicable laws.</p> <p>No amount is payable on the vesting of the Performance Rights. If the Board determines the vesting conditions are satisfied, Rights will be automatically exercised.</p> |

4	Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the +issue date 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 or interest payment	N/A
5	Issue price or consideration	The Performance Rights were issued for nil consideration.
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	The issue of the Performance Rights was made to eligible employees under the Newcrest Mining Limited Long Term Incentive Plan 2014.
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	
6b	The date the security holder resolution under rule 7.1A was passed	
6c	Number of +securities issued without security holder approval under rule 7.1	

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

6d	Number of +securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.1A					
6e	Number of +securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)					
6f	Number of +securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2					
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.					
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					
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					
7	+Issue dates Note: The issue date may be prescribed by ASX (refer to the definition of issue date in rule 19.12). For example, the issue date for a pro rata entitlement issue must comply with the applicable timetable in Appendix 7A. Cross reference: item 33 of Appendix 3B.	The Performance Rights were allotted on 19 December 2014.				
8	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the +securities in section 2 if applicable)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Number</th> <th>+Class</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>766,510,971</td> <td>Ordinary fully paid shares</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Number	+Class	766,510,971	Ordinary fully paid shares
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		Number	+Class
9	Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX (including the +securities in section 2 if applicable)	See attached listing	See attached listing
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	N/A	

Part 2 - Pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	
13	Ratio in which the +securities will be offered	
14	+Class of +securities to which the offer relates	
15	+Record date to determine entitlements	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	
18	Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new offer documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

20	Names of any underwriters	
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders	
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and offer documents will be sent to persons entitled	
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	
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	
30	How do security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	
31	How do security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	
32	How do security holders dispose	

of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

33 ⁺Issue date

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

34 Type of ⁺securities
(tick one)

(a) ☐ ⁺Securities described in Part 1

(b) ☐ All other ⁺securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

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

Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38 Number of ⁺securities for which ⁺quotation is sought

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

39 +Class of +securities for which quotation is sought

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40 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the +issue date 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 or interest payment

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41 Reason for request for quotation now

Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another +security, clearly identify that other +security)

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42 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the +securities in clause 38)	Number	+Class

Quotation agreement

1 +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.

3 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.

4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document is not available now, we 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:
(Director/Company secretary)

Date:

Print name:

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NUMBER AND CLASS OF ALL SECURITIES NOT QUOTED ON THE ASX – CLAUSE 9 REFERS

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
468,876	Performance Rights vesting 17 September 2015
1,459,994	Performance Rights vesting 16 September 2016
382,129	Fully paid ordinary shares held under the Company's Employee Share Acquisition Plan (ESAP)
420,212	Fully paid ordinary shares held under the Company's ShareMatch Plan
420,212	Rights granted under the Company's ShareMatch Plan

PERFORMANCE RIGHTS

The Company currently has 4,417,031 Performance Rights on issue, including 1,685,820 Performance Rights allotted on 19 November 2014.

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