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Australian Securities Exchange Limited

US\$15 MILLION PLACED INTO SECURITY DEPOSIT AS SECURITY AGAINST FINANCE FACILITY

Aditya Birla Minerals Limited (the Company) advises that included in the existing finance facilities, are bank guarantees to the value of A\$50 million that have been provided to Government authorities and to various long term suppliers of the Company and its subsidiaries ("the Group"). These guarantees are secured against the total assets of the Group.

Pursuant to the terms of the existing finance facilities, when the value of the current assets (excluding cash) of the Group falls below the amount utilised under the facility limit (currently A\$50 million utilised on a total facility of A\$59 million), any shortfall between the value of current assets and the amount utilised, must be placed into a security deposit.

In compliance with the said terms, the Company has placed US\$15 million into a 3 month interest bearing security deposit, and executed relevant security documentation today. The Group's cash position as at 30 November 2014, taking into account the recent placing of funds on deposit is as follows:

- Total cash balance as at 30 November 2014	A\$ 112.26 million
- Encumbered (USD15 million)	A\$ 17.67 million
- Unencumbered	A\$ 94.59 million

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