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29 January 2016

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Sent by email to: wade.baggott@asx.com.au

Dear Wade

# **Hampton Hill Mining NL**

We refer to your letter dated 28 November 2016 requesting a response to questions raised by yourself in the light of information contained in Hampton Hill Mining NL's Appendix 5B for the period ended 31 December 2015 released to ASX Limited on 28 January 2016.

You note in your letter that "it is possible to conclude on the basis of the information provided in the Appendix 5B that if the Entity were to continue to expend cash at the rate for the quarter (and at the rate estimated for the next quarter) indicated by the Appendix 5B, the Entity may not have sufficient cash to continue funding its operations."

We set out below the questions you have raised and our answers. In our answers we refer to "the Company" as being "the Entity":

**Question 1:** Does the Entity expect that it will continue to have negative operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?

Yes – the Company is continuing to actively explore for minerals (currently concentrating on zinc) in accordance with its business objectives.

**Question 2:** Has the Entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe they will be successful?

Yes - The Company has a significant liquid asset in the form of a 9.5% shareholding in ASX listed company, Peel Mining Limited (PEX) – an investment which at the close of trading on 27 January was valued at approximately \$1.9

million. This investment was acquired in November 2010 in consideration for the disposal of the Company's Apollo Hill gold project.

The Company will continue to take the steps that it has taken over the past 2 to 3 years of selling modest parcels of its listed investment from time to time on market to help fund its operations.

**Question 3:** Does the Entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?

Yes - The Company will continue to monitor the performance of its listed investment over the short to medium term with a view to optimising the consideration for the sale of part or all of this liquid asset.

**Question 4:** Can the Entity confirm that it is in compliance with Listing Rule 3.1 and that there is no information that should be given to ASX about its financial condition in accordance with that Rule that has not already been released to the market?

Yes - the Company can confirm that it is in compliance with Listing Rule 3.1 and that there is no information that should be given to the ASX about its financial condition in accordance with that Rule that has not already been released to the market.

The Company's strategy in respect of funding its operations is referred to in the Explanations Section 1.25 of the Appendix 5B.

Provide any other information that the Entity considers may be relevant to ASX forming an opinion on whether the Entity is in compliance with Listing Rule 12.2,

In the light of the responses set out in this letter, the Company's financial condition (including net current assets and operating results) is considered to be sound and able to provide sufficient cash to continue funding the Company's operations.

Yours faithfully

(Sent by electronic mail without signature)

Peter Ruttledge Company Secretary



28 January 2016

Mr Peter Ruttledge Company Secretary Hampton Hill Mining NL 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 9 Havelock Street WEST PERTH WA 6005

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Dear Mr Ruttledge

## Hampton Hill Mining NL (the "Entity") - Appendix 5B Query

I refer to the Entity's quarterly report in the form of Appendix 5B for the period ended 31 December 2015 lodged with ASX Market Announcements Platform on Thursday, 28 January 2016 (the "Appendix 5B").

ASX notes that the Entity has reported:

- negative net operating cash flows for the quarter of \$361,000;
- cash at the end of the quarter of \$51,000; and
- estimated cash outflows for the next quarter of \$154,000.

It is possible to conclude on the basis of the information provided in the Appendix 5B that if the Entity were to continue to expend cash at the rate for the quarter (and at the rate estimated for the next quarter) indicated by the Appendix 5B, the Entity may not have sufficient cash to continue funding its operations. In view of that, please respond to each of the following questions:

- 1. Does the Entity expect that it will continue to have negative operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?
- 2. Has the Entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?
- 3. Does the Entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?
- 4. Can the Entity confirm that it is in compliance with Listing Rule 3.1 and that there is no information that should be given to ASX about its financial condition in accordance with that Rule that has not already been released to the market?



Please also provide any other information that the Entity considers may be relevant to ASX forming an opinion on whether the Entity is in compliance with Listing Rule 12.2.

### When and where to send your response

This request is made under, and in accordance with Listing Rule 18.7. Your response is required as soon as reasonably possible and, in any event, by not later than 5pm WST on Monday 1 February 2016. If we do not have your response by then, ASX will have no choice but to consider suspending trading in the Entity's securities under Listing Rule 17.3.

You should note that if the information requested by this letter is information required to be given to ASX under Listing Rule 3.1 and it does not fall within the exceptions mentioned in Listing Rule 3.1A, the Entity's obligation is to disclose the information "immediately". This may require the information to be disclosed before the deadline set out in the previous paragraph.

ASX reserves the right to release a copy of this letter and your response on the ASX Market Announcements Platform under Listing Rule 18.7A. Accordingly, your response should be in a form suitable for release to the market.

Your response should be sent to me by e-mail at tradinghaltsperth@asx.com.au. It should <u>not</u> be sent directly to the ASX Market Announcements Office. This is to allow me to review your response to confirm that it is in a form appropriate for release to the market, before it is published on the ASX Market Announcements Platform.

#### Listing Rule 3.1

Listing Rule 3.1 requires a listed entity to give ASX immediately any information concerning it that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the entity's securities. Exceptions to this requirement are set out in Listing Rule 3.1A.

The obligation of the Entity to disclose information under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A is not confined to, nor is it necessarily satisfied by, answering the questions set out in this letter.

In responding to this letter, you should have regard to the Entity's obligations under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A and also to Guidance Note 8 *Continuous Disclosure: Listing Rules* 3.1 - 3.1B.

### **Trading halt**

If you are unable to respond to this letter by the time specified above, you should discuss with us whether it is appropriate to request a trading halt in the Entity's securities under Listing Rule 17.1.

If you wish to request a trading halt, you must tell us:

the reasons for the trading halt;



- how long you want the trading halt to last;
- the event you expect to happen that will end the trading halt;
- that you are not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted; and
- any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt, or that we ask for.

We may require the request for a trading halt to be in writing. The trading halt cannot extend past the commencement of normal trading on the second day after the day on which it is granted.

You can find further information about trading halts in Guidance Note 16 *Trading Halts & Voluntary Suspensions*.

If you have any queries or concerns about any of the above, please contact me immediately.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any enquiries on the above.

Yours sincerely,

[sent electronically without signature]

Wade Baggott

**Senior Adviser, Listings Compliance (Perth)**