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OFFER AUTOMATICALLY EXTENDED UNTIL 14 AUGUST 2015

Mercantile OFM Pty Ltd (ACN 120 221 623) – Takeover Bid for Ask Funding Limited (ACN 094 503 385) (ASX: AKF)

Mercantile OFM Pty Limited (**Mercantile OFM**) today announces that:

- (a) its voting power in Ask Funding Limited (**AKF**) increased to 52.6% on 31 July 2015; and
- (b) under section 624(2) of the Corporations Act, the offer period has been automatically extended so that it is now scheduled to close at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on Friday 14 August 2015.

A copy of the notice under section 624(2) of the Corporations Act, and a letter to be sent to all AKF shareholders that have not yet accepted Mercantile OFM's offer, are attached.

Mercantile OFM's offer is open for acceptance until 14 August 2015 and Mercantile OFM encourages AKF shareholders to accept the offer as soon as possible.

Mercantile OFM notes that the directors of AKF unanimously recommended in their supplementary target's statement dated 30 July 2015 that all AKF shareholders accept Mercantile OFM's offer.

Yours faithfully



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Mercantile OFM Pty Limited (ACN 120 221 623)

Notice of automatic extension of offer period under Section 624(2) of the Corporations Act

To: Ask Funding Limited (ACN 094 503 385) (**AKF**)

And to: Each person to whom an offer was made under the bidder's statement dated 4 June 2015 issued by Mercantile OFM Pty Limited (**Mercantile OFM**) in respect of Mercantile OFM's off-market takeover offer (**Offer**) for the ordinary shares in AKF, and who has not yet accepted that Offer

Mercantile OFM gives notice under Section 624(2) of the Corporations Act that:

- (a) its voting power in AKF increased to more than 50% on 31 July 2015; and
- (b) as a result of the occurrence of the event referred to in paragraph (a) and the operation of Section 624(2) of the Corporations Act, the offer period has been automatically extended so that it is now scheduled to close 14 days after the event in paragraph (a).

The Offer period is now scheduled to close at **7.00 pm (Sydney time) on 14 August 2015** (unless further extended or withdrawn).

This notice is dated 3 August 2015.

Signed for and on behalf of Mercantile OFM Pty Limited



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To Ask Funding Limited (**AKF**) shareholders who have not accepted Mercantile OFM Pty Limited's (**Mercantile OFM's**) final off-market takeover offer for their AKF shares (**Offer**)

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Mercantile OFM Pty Ltd (ACN 120 221 623) – Takeover Bid for Ask Funding Limited (ACN 094 503 385) (ASX: AKF)

Mercantile OFM has today announced that it now holds over 52% voting power in AKF.

Extension of Offer period

As a result of the operation of section 624(2) of the Corporations Act, the Offer period has been automatically extended so that it is now scheduled to close at **7.00pm (Sydney time) on 14 August 2015**. A copy of the notice under section 624(2) of the Corporations Act is enclosed.

We urge AKF shareholders to accept the Offer before it closes at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 14 August 2015.

Offer final and unconditional

Mercantile OFM has declared its Offer of \$0.08 per AKF share final and unconditional.

Mercantile OFM's Offer remains subject to the condition that no prescribed occurrences occur during the Offer period. As far as Mercantile OFM is aware, no prescribed occurrences have occurred to date.

The compelling reasons to accept now

There are compelling reasons for AKF shareholders to accept the Offer now:

1. AKF's board of directors have unanimously recommended that all AKF shareholders accept the Offer.
2. Mercantile OFM will, as stated in its bidder's statement dated 4 June 2015 (**Bidder's Statement**), seek to remove AKF from ASX's Official List now that it has acquired over 50.1% of the voting power in AKF.
3. AKF shareholders who do not accept will be locked into a minority stake in AKF, unless Mercantile OFM obtains sufficient acceptances to move to compulsory acquisition of the outstanding AKF shares. A minority stake in AKF will be even less liquid than before the Offer.
4. If Mercantile OFM acquires over 90% voting power in AKF and you do not accept, Mercantile OFM may be entitled to acquire your AKF shares compulsorily. If so, and Mercantile OFM exercises this right, payment for your AKF shares will occur later than payment to AKF shareholders who accept the Offer.

To accept Mercantile OFM's Offer, please follow the instructions set out in the Bidder's Statement, which has already been sent to you.

I urge you to accept the Offer before it closes on 14 August 2015.

If you have any questions about the Offer, please contact Mercantile OFM by facsimile on 02 8084 9918, or consult your financial or other professional adviser.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Radzynski', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gabriel Radzynski
Director