

### **ASX Company Announcements**

25 August 2016

The Manager Australian Securities Exchange 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000

### Non-renounceable Rights Issue at \$0.11 per share to raise up to \$12,492,616

Armidale Investment Corporation Limited (**AIK** or the **Company**) is pleased to announce a pro rata 1 for 5 non-renounceable rights offer of new fully paid ordinary shares in the Company (**New Shares**), at \$0.11 per New Share (**Offer Price**) raising up to \$12,492,616 in new capital (**Rights Issue**).

Entitlements not taken up may become available as additional shares. Eligible Shareholders may, in addition to their entitlements, apply for New Shares over and above their entitlement at the Offer Price (**Additional Shares**) regardless of the size of their present holding.

It is the intention of the directors to conduct a subsequent placement to sophisticated investors for any New Shares not taken up by existing shareholders of AIK under the Rights Issue or Additional Share facility.

The Rights Issue is being conducted under section 708AA of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**Corporations Act**) and does not require a prospectus. Eligible shareholders will be sent a short form offer document relating to the Rights Issue (**Offer Document**) and a personalised Entitlement and Acceptance Form on or about 2 September 2016.

The proceeds of this Rights Issue will be used to partially fund the cash component of the Company's proposed acquisition of 80% of the issued capital of Consolidated Finance Group Pty Ltd (ACN 124 319 857) (**CFG**), 50% of the issued capital of Qld Pacific Finance Pty Ltd (ACN 083 028 684) (**QPF**) and 50% of the issued capital of Linx Finance Australia Pty Ltd (ACN 086 431 629) (**Linx**) as announced by the Company on 19 August 2016 (together, the **Acquisitions**).

However, in the event that circumstances change or other better opportunities arise the directors reserve the right to vary the proposed uses to maximise the benefit to shareholders.

## Key Information about the Rights Issue

The Rights Issue is non-renounceable and is not underwritten. Blue Ocean Equities Pty Limited (**Blue Ocean**) has however been appointed as the lead manager to the Rights Issue.

Each shareholder on the Company's register of members who has a registered address in Australia or New Zealand (**Eligible Shareholder**) at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 30 August 2016 (**Record Date**) will be entitled to subscribe for one New Share in the Company for every five ordinary Shares held at the Record Date, at a price of \$0.11 per New Share. The entitlement of Eligible Shareholders to participate in the Rights Issue will be determined on the Record Date.



Entitlements to New Shares under the Rights Issue are non-renounceable, which means that entitlements will not be tradeable on ASX or otherwise transferable. If an Eligible Shareholder does not take up their entitlement by the closing date of the Rights Issue, that Eligible Shareholder's entitlement under the Rights Issue will lapse and its interest in the Company will be diluted.

The New Shares and Additional Shares issued under the Rights Issue will be fully paid and will rank equally with Company's existing issued ordinary shares. The Company has made an application to the ASX for official quotation of the New Shares and Additional Shares. The Company expects that the New Shares will be entered into uncertificated holdings on 20 September 2016.

No dividend is being paid on ordinary shares in the Company in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

# Key dates for shareholders

The indicative timetable for the Rights Issue is as follows:

Announcement of Rights Issue	25 August 2016
"Ex" Date – Shares commence trading without the entitlement to participate in the Rights Issue	29 August 2016
Record Date to determine entitlement to New Shares	30 August 2016 (7.00pm)
Expected date of dispatch of Offer Document and Entitlement and Acceptance Form	2 September 2016
Opening Date	2 September 2016
Last day for acceptance and payment in full (Closing Date)	13 September 2016
Expected allotment and dispatch of Holding Statements	20 September 2016
First day of trading of New Shares on ASX	21 September 2016

This timetable is indicative only and subject to change. Subject to the ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act, the directors of the Company reserve the right to vary these dates, including the Opening Date and Closing Date, without prior notice.

### Capital structure

As at the date of the announcement, the Company had 567,846,198 Shares on issue. The maximum number of New Shares to be issued under the Rights Issue is 113,569,240, which would raise up to \$12,492,616. At the conclusion of the Rights Issue, the total number of issued ordinary shares in the Company will be a maximum of 681,415,438.

The Rights Issue is being undertaken prior to a proposed placement of up to 175,000,000 ordinary shares to sophisticated investors at an issue price of \$0.11 per share (subject to shareholder approval) (**Placement**). Blue Ocean has also been appointed as the lead manager for the Placement. Details of the Placement are outlined in the Notice of General Meeting also announced and sent to shareholders today. Following completion of both the



Rights Issue and the Placement, the total number of issued shares in the Company will be a maximum of 856,415,438.

### **Overseas shareholders**

The Rights Issue is not being extended to any shareholder with a registered address outside Australia or New Zealand. The Company has determined that it is not economically viable for it to make offers to shareholders with a registered address outside of Australia or New Zealand, having regard to the cost of meeting compliance requirements with securities laws in each applicable jurisdiction and the small number and value of New Shares that would be offered in such jurisdictions.

#### **Further information**

<u>Shareholders eligible to participate in the Rights Issue do not need to take any action at this time.</u> A personalised Entitlement and Acceptance Form will be mailed to each Eligible Shareholder at the address on the members register of the Company on 2 September 2016. Eligible Shareholders that wish to participate will need to complete the Entitlement and Acceptance Form and return it with payment by the Closing Date.

The Closing Date for acceptance and payment is currently expected to be 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 13 September 2016.

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