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Dear Sir / Madam

Company Announcements Office

(By facsimile: 1300 135 638)

Ms Sarah Christensen

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And to:

The Manager

ASX Limited

Company Secretary, Head of Legal & Compliance

(By email: schristensen@macarthurcook.com.au)

Takeover offer by AIMS Securities Holdings Pty Ltd (AIMS) for MacarthurCook Limited (MacarthurCook)

We act for AIMS in relation to its off-market takeover bid for the ordinary shares in MacarthurCook (Offer).

In relation to the Offer, we **attach** a letter sent today to MacarthurCook shareholders who have not yet accepted the Offer, concerning an extension of the offer period under section 624(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

Yours faithfully

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Insert Name and Address

Dear (Insert First Name)

It is with pleasure I am writing to you to inform that AIMS Securities Holdings Pty Ltd (AIMS) now has a relevant interest in approximately 68% of all the ordinary shares in MacarthurCook Limited (MacarthurCook).

AIMS' takeover offer was scheduled to close on July 17, 2009. As a result of AIMS' voting power in MacarthurCook increasing to more than 50% on July 14, 2009, the offer period is automatically extended and will now close on July 28, 2009 at 7:00 pm (Sydney time).

Annexed to this letter is a notice of extension of the offer period under section 624(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

AIMS hopes to grow MacarthurCook and is very excited about the prospect of pursuing opportunities for the expansion of MacarthurCook into new territories in Asia. It is presently intended that MacarthurCook will remain listed on the Australian Stock Exchange.

For those MacarthurCook shareholders who elect to retain their shareholding, I look forward to serving you as a director of MacarthurCook. If you have any questions, please contact the AIMS Offer Information Line on 1300 726 041 (within Australia), or (+61 2) 9217 2717 (outside of Australia).

Yours faithfully

George Wang

CEO and Chairman of AIMS Securities Holdings Pty Ltd

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 624(2) OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 (Cth)

TO: 1. MacarthurCook Limited; and

> the holders of ordinary shares in MacarthurCook Limited (MacarthurCook 2. Shares) who have not yet accepted the offers for MacarthurCook Shares under AIMS Securities Holdings Pty Ltd's (AIMS) takeover bid for MacarthurCook Shares.

EXTENSION OF OFFER PERIOD

As a result of AIMS' voting power in MacarthurCook Limited increasing to more than 50% on 14 July 2009, the offer period is extended so that it ends 14 days after that date. Accordingly, the offer period now ends at 7:00pm (Sydney time) on 28 July 2009.

DATED 15 July 2009

For and on behalf of AIMS Securities Holdings Pty Ltd