Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5 Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

Appendix 3B

New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 5. Amended 1/7/98, 1/9/99, 1/7/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/3/2002, 1/1/2003, 24/10/2005.

Name of entity

Pike River Coal Limited (PRC)

ABN

ARBN 119 304 148

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

1 +Class of +securities issued or to be issued

Convertible Bonds, fully-paid and unlisted

2 Number of *securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued

5.666666

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

3 Principal terms of the *securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid *securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if *convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)

Convertible bonds issued by Pike River are denominated in USD and from 1 April 2009 bear an effective interest rate of 10.75% (payable quarterly). The bonds are convertible into ordinary shares of Pike River at any time prior to maturity (12 March 2011) at the bond holders election; or at Pike River's election provided the Pike River share price does not exceed at any time on the date on which the notice of redemption is given (a) the NZD equivalent of US\$0.75 up until 30 September 2010: (b) US\$0.80 between 1 October 2010 to the final maturity date of 11 March 2011. The USD price is calculated by converting the NZD share price to USD at the exchange rate applying at that date.

As part of the arrangements agreed with the bond holder in March 2009, Pike River agreed to an increase in the effective interest rate of 4% per annum (taking the interest rate to 10.75%), which is met by the issue of new convertible bonds.

The conversion price is currently fixed at one new ordinary share for each USD0.870344 of outstanding bond principal but is subject to antidilution adjustments usual for this type of financial instrument.

For further details of the terms of the Bonds please refer to the Information Memorandum announced by PRC to ASX on 12 March 2008, 16 October 2008, and 13 March 2009.

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Do the ⁺securities rank equally in Convertible Bonds rank equally with previously 4 all respects from the date of issued Bonds. allotment with an existing ⁺class of quoted +securities? All Shares issued on conversion of the Bonds will rank, from the date of issue, equally with If the additional securities do not existing Ordinary Shares on issue. rank equally, please state: the date from which they do the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend. distribution or interest payment Issue price or consideration US\$50,000 per Bond, (pro-rata for fraction of a 5 bond) being interest due for the period 1 January 2010 to 31 March 2010. 6 Purpose of the issue As part of the funding to complete the (If issued as consideration for the development of PRC's hard coking coal mine acquisition of assets, clearly through to full production of 1 million tonnes per identify those assets) annum. Dates of entering +securities 1 April 2010 7 into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates Number +Class 8 Number and ⁺class of all 347,626,204 **Ordinary Shares** +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in 64,281,875 2011 Options clause 2 if applicable)

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 Number and *class of all *securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)
 Number
 +Class

 6,394,910
 Partly paid ESOP shares

 572.336666
 Convertible Bonds
- 10 Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)

Before conversion the Bonds do not carry any rights to participate in dividends.

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

| 11 | Is security holder approval N/A required? |
|----|---|
| 12 | Is the issue renounceable or non- N/A renounceable? |
| 13 | Ratio in which the ⁺ securities N/A will be offered |
| 14 | +Class of +securities to which the N/A offer relates |
| 15 | ⁺ Record date to determine N/A entitlements |
| 16 | Will holdings on different N/A registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements? |
| 17 | Policy for deciding entitlements N/A in relation to fractions |
| 18 | Names of countries in which the entity has ⁺ security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7. |

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

Closing date for receipt of N/A acceptances or renunciations 19

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Appendix 3B New issue announcement

| 20 | Names of any underwriters | N/A |
|----|--|-----|
| 21 | Amount of any underwriting fee or commission | N/A |
| 22 | Names of any brokers to the issue | N/A |
| 23 | Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue | N/A |
| 24 | Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of ⁺ security holders | N/A |
| 25 | If the issue is contingent on *security holders' approval, the date of the meeting | N/A |
| 26 | Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled | N/A |
| 27 | If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders | N/A |
| 28 | Date rights trading will begin (if applicable) | N/A |
| 29 | Date rights trading will end (if applicable) | N/A |
| 30 | How do ⁺ security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker? | N/A |
| 31 | How do ⁺ security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance? | N/A |

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32 How do *security holders N/A dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

⁺Despatch date

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(b)

N/A

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

- 34 Type of securities (*tick one*)
- (a) Securities described in Part 1
 - All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

| 35 | | If the *securities are *equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional *securities, and the number and percentage of additional *securities held by those holders |
|----|-----------|---|
| 36 | | If the *securities are *equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional *securities setting out the number of holders in the categories 1 - 1,000 1,001 - 5,000 5,001 - 10,000 10,001 - 100,000 100,001 and over |
| 37 | \square | A copy of any trust deed for the additional ⁺ securities |

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

| Entities that have ticked box 34(b) | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| 38 | Number of securities for which ⁺ quotation is sought | | | | | |
| 39 | Class of ⁺ securities for which quotation is sought | | | | | |
| 40 | Do the ⁺ securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing ⁺ class of quoted ⁺ securities? | | | | | |
| | If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: the date from which they do the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment | | | | | |
| 41 | Reason for request for quotation now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of | | | | | |
| | another security, clearly identify that other security) | | | | | |
| | | Number | +Class | | | |
| 42 | Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause | | | | | |

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Quotation agreement

- ¹ ⁺Quotation of our additional ⁺securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the ⁺securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2 We warrant the following to ASX.
 - The issue of the *securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
 - There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
 - An offer of the ⁺securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any *securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any *securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the ⁺securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the ⁺securities be quoted.
- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before 'quotation of the 'securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here:

(Company Secretary)

Date: 6 April 2010

Print name: Brian Wayne Roulston

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