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#### **APPENDIX 3B**

Please find attached an Appendix 3B in relation to a share issue which will take place later today.

Yours faithfully

For and on behalf of West Australian Newspapers Holdings Limited

Peter Bryant Chief Financial Officer & Company Secretary

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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

West Australian Newspapers Holdings Limited

ABN

91 053 480 845

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	<sup>+</sup> Class of <sup>+</sup> securities issued or to be issued	Fully paid ordinary shares (Ordinary Shares)
2	Number of <sup>+</sup> securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	<ul> <li>180,467,446 fully paid Ordinary Shares to a subsidiary of Seven Group Holdings Limited (<i>SGH Issue</i>); and</li> <li>60,000,000 fully paid Ordinary Shares to funds affiliated with Kohlberg Kravis Roberts &amp; Co. L.P. (<i>KKR Issue</i>), as outlined in the Explanatory Memorandum lodged with ASX on 8 March 2011.</li> </ul>
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)	Ordinary Shares which will rank pari passu with existing Ordinary Shares.

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<sup>+</sup> See chapter 19 for defined terms.

4	Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *securities?	The Ordinary Shares will rank pari passu with existing ordinary shares.	
	<ul> <li>If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:</li> <li>the date from which they do</li> <li>the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment</li> <li>the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment</li> </ul>		
5	Issue price or consideration	\$5.99 per Ordinary Share	
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	The SGH Issue is to acquire all of the shares in Seven Media Group, as outlined in the Explanatory Memorandum. The KKR Issue is to fund the cash consideration component of the acquisition of Seven Media Group.	
7	Dates of entering *securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	12 April 2011	
		Number	+Class
8	Number and <sup>+</sup> class of all <sup>+</sup> securities quoted on ASX ( <i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	460,136,416 125,537,572	Ordinary Shares Convertible Unsecured Loan Securities

24/10/2005

9 Number and <sup>+</sup>class of all <sup>+</sup>securities not quoted on ASX (*including* the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

Number	+Class
	Nil

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

The Ordinary Shares will be entitled to all distributions on Ordinary Shares.

## Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

holder approval | Not applicable. 11 Is security required? 12 Is the issue renounceable or Not applicable. non-renounceable? Ratio in which the +securities 13 Not applicable. will be offered 14 +Class of +securities to which the Not applicable. offer relates 15 \*Record date to determine Not applicable. entitlements 16 Will holdings on different Not applicable. registers (or subregisters) be aggregated calculating for entitlements? 17 Policy for deciding entitlements Not applicable. in relation to fractions 18 Names of countries in which the Not applicable. 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. 19 Closing date for receipt of Not applicable. acceptances or renunciations

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#### Appendix 3B New issue announcement

20	Names of any underwriters	Not applicable.
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21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	Not applicable.
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	Not applicable.
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	Not applicable.
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of <sup>+</sup> security holders	Not applicable.
25	If the issue is contingent on *security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	Not applicable.
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	Not applicable.
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	Not applicable.
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	Not applicable.
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	Not applicable.
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30	How do <sup>+</sup> security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	Not applicable.
31	How do <sup>+</sup> security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	Not applicable.

1/1/2003

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32 How do <sup>+</sup>security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

33 <sup>+</sup>Despatch date

Not applicable.

Not applicable.

## 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

(b)

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

# Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

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- If the <sup>+</sup>securities are <sup>+</sup>equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional <sup>+</sup>securities, and the number and percentage of additional <sup>+</sup>securities held by those holders
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If the <sup>+</sup>securities are <sup>+</sup>equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional <sup>+</sup>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

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A copy of any trust deed for the additional +securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)				
38	Number of securities for which <sup>+</sup> quotation is sought	Not applicable.	н с. 	
39	Class of *securities for which quotation is sought	Not applicable.		
40	Do the <sup>+</sup> securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing <sup>+</sup> class of quoted <sup>+</sup> securities?	Not applicable.		
	<ul> <li>If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:</li> <li>the date from which they do</li> <li>the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment</li> <li>the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment</li> </ul>			
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)	Not applicable.		
		Number	+Class	
42	Number and <sup>+</sup> class of all <sup>+</sup> securities quoted on ASX ( <i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	
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#### **Quotation agreement**

- <sup>1</sup> <sup>+</sup>Quotation of our additional <sup>+</sup>securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the <sup>+</sup>securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2 We warrant the following to ASX.
  - The issue of the <sup>+</sup>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 <sup>+</sup>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.

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Sign here:

(Director/Company secretary)

Date: .12 April 2011

Print name:

Peter Bryant

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