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The Manager Company Announcements ASX Limited Level 6 Exchange Centre 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam,

## Share Purchase Plan ("SPP") - Australia/New Zealand - Update

We refer to our letters of 28 and 29 February 2012.

QBE is pleased to advise that it has received subscriptions from over 75,000 retail shareholders, including those holding through nominee companies, for much more than the \$150 million sought under the SPP.

A scale back will be required, with the result that QBE will issue around 14 million shares at an issue price of \$10.70, being the same price as under the institutional share placement.

A further update will be provided to the market prior to the proposed allotment date of 5 April 2012.

Yours sincerely,

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Duncan Ramsay Company Secretary