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# Major Shareholder Rejects RNG Takeover Offer

The Board of Firestone Energy Limited (ASX/JSE: FSE) ("Firestone" or the "Company") welcomes feedback from BBY Nominees Pty Ltd ("BBY Nominees") indicating its intention to reject the takeover Offer of Firestone by Range River Gold ("RNG").

BBY Nominees on behalf of its clients is a significant shareholder in Firestone, holding 16.9% of the Ordinary Shares on Issue. BBY Nominees on behalf of its clients is also the major holder of convertible notes issued by Firestone.

Commenting on intentions of BBY Nominees, David Knox, CEO of Firestone said "We welcome the support of BBY Nominees in rejecting the takeover Offer. We believe that the Offer is inadequate and opportunistic and does not provide Firestone shareholders with appropriate value for their shares. We look forward to the support of other retail shareholders and other major shareholders."

Your Board recommends that Firestone Shareholders **REJECT** the RNG Offer.

To reject the Offer, Firestone Shareholders should simply take no action in relation to the Offer or any communication from RNG.

All Firestone announcements are available on the Company's website on <a href="https://www.asx.com.au">www.firestoneenergy.com.au</a> and via <a href="https://www.asx.com.au">www.asx.com.au</a>.

Shareholders can also receive further information on the Offer by calling the Firestone shareholder information line on: 1800 643 977 or for international calls +61 2 8256 3363.

Yours sincerely,

**David Knox** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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#### About Firestone Energy

Firestone Energy Limited is an independent, Australian exploration and development company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange Ltd (ASX) and the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE). Firestone Energy has entered into a Joint Venture with Sekoko Resources (Pty) Ltd through which Firestone Energy has acquired the right to 60% participation interests in the Waterberg Coal Project located in Lephalale area, Limpopo Province, South Africa.

The first stage of the project is to develop the Smitspan mine which has a substantial measured thermal coal resource and to develop the Vetleegte mine which is a substantial metallurgical coal deposit.

Firestone Energy is committed to becoming a profitable independent coal and energy producer at its projects in South Africa, thereby making a substantial contribution to the social and economic development of the Lephalale area and South Africa.

#### **Corporate Details**

ASX: FSE JSE: FSE

Issued Capital: 3,549 million ordinary shares

Major Shareholders: Sekoko Resources (Pty) Ltd Linc Energy Ltd BBY Nominees Pty Ltd Bell Potter Nominees Ltd

#### **Directors and Officers**

Non Executive Directors:
Mr Tim Tebeila (Chairman)
David Perkins (Deputy Chairman)
Dr Pius Kasolo
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Attention:

Tim Tebeila – Chairman

David Knox - Chief Executive Officer

### FOR PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Sirs,

We have reviewed the takeover offer ("Offer") made by Range River Gold ("RNG") for all of the shares in issue in Firestone Energy Limited ("FSE") including RNG's Bidder's Statement issued on 30 January 2013 and supplementary Bidder's Statements issued on 19 March 2013 and 27 March 2013 respectively.

We agree with the Board's assessment of the Offer and support its continued recommendation to reject RNG's Offer. We confirm that we will not be accepting the Offer as currently presented to FSE shareholders.

We believe that FSE is in the best position to advance the development and future production of the Waterberg Coal Project.

Sincerely,

BBY Nominees Pty Limited

Arun Maharaj