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CENTRAL APPOINTS DEFENCE ADVISER

Central Petroleum Limited (“**Company**” or “**Central**”) has retained Origin Securities Pty Ltd part of the Origin Capital Group (“**Origin**”) as its defence adviser with respect to the circumstances created by the proposal from Macquarie SCT Pty Ltd for a Scheme of Arrangement and the subsequent program of due diligence.

Origin was selected as Central’s adviser as the party best able to deliver either:

- (a) the Company remaining independent and adequately capitalised; or
- (b) a change of control at a consideration greater than the original Macquarie proposal which the Board advised was not in the interests of shareholders.

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