

## 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.*

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Name of entity

East Coast Minerals N.L.

ABN

82 000 738 885

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   | Options   |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued  | 77,054,658 options  |
| 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) | The options are existing options (ASX Code ECMAS) exercisable at \$.04 and expire on 14 July 2013 |

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4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of +securities?

N/A

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

5 Issue price or consideration

Nil

6 Purpose of the issue  
 (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)

Unlisted options now being listed

7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates

New holding statement to be dispatched on 19 March 2012

8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

Number	+Class
404,640,949	Ordinary fully paid
77,054,658	Options exercisable at \$0.04 expiring 14 July 2013

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	Number	+Class	
9	Number and +class of all	116,744,444	Ordinary fully paid shares
	+securities not quoted on ASX	18,860,939	escrowed to 2 December 2012
	(including the securities in		Ordinary fully paid shares
	clause 2 if applicable)	40,967,538	escrowed to 30 December 2012
		6,250,000	Ordinary 8c shares paid to 2c.
		5,000,000	Options to acquire partly paid 'A' Shares expiring 27 November 2012
		12,000,000	Options to acquire partly paid 'A' shares @ 9c each, credited as paid to 1c, with options exercisable 60 days following ASX trade of ECM shares at a price of equal to or greater than 20c. Options not exercised within 3 yrs will lapse (30 April 2013). Partly paid shares issued following exercise of these options not fully paid up within 3 yrs of their issue will be forfeited.
	5,000,000	Options exercisable 4c expiring on 08 December 2013	
		Options exercisable 4c expiring on 31 December 2013	
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	N/A	

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## Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

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| 11 | Is security holder approval required?   |  |
| 12 | Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?  |  |
| 13 | Ratio in which the +securities will be offered  |  |
| 14 | +Class of +securities to which the offer relates  |  |
| 15 | +Record date to determine entitlements  |  |
| 16 | Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?  |  |
| 17 | Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions   |  |
| 18 | Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents<br><br><small>Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with.<br/>Cross reference: rule 7.7.</small> |  |
| 19 | Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations  |  |
| 20 | Names of any underwriters   |  |
| 21 | Amount of any underwriting fee or commission  |  |
| 22 | Names of any brokers to the issue   |  |

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23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders	
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	
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	
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	
30	How do +security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	
31	How do +security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	
32	How do +security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	
33	+Despatch date	

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### 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 (existing class of option)

(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

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  A copy of any trust deed for the additional +securities

#### 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

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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:

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- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment

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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)

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42 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)

Number	+Class

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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.
- 4 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:

  
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(Company Secretary)

Date: 16 March 2012

Print name: Lynton McCreery

CLASS: U06/UNL OPTS EXP 14/07/13 @ \$0.04  
 HOLDER NO NAME AND ADDRESS

MINING INVESTMENTS LIMITED	UNITS	% I/C	RANK
PITT STREET ABSOLUTE RETURN	9,523,810	12.36	1
MR RODERICK CLAUDE MCILLREE	9,523,810	12.36	2
TRAYBURN PTY LTD	5,000,000	6.49	3
KAFTA ENTERPRISES PTY LIMITED <FAYAD SETTLEMENT A/C>	4,761,905	6.18	4
MR ANDREW DAVID WILSON & MRS JILLIAN GAE WILSON <WILSON FAMILY A/C>	1,904,762	2.47	5
NORMANDY CORPORATION PTY LTD <NORMANDY SUPER FUND A/C>	1,833,333	2.38	6
MICHAEL KNEEBONE	1,333,333	1.73	7
BLUEBASE PTY LTD	1,250,000	1.62	8
ARENA OFFSHORE INVESMENT FUND LTD	1,200,133	1.56	9
ZELLA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	1,166,367	1.51	10
MR ANDREW PAUL DONNELLY	1,116,667	1.45	11
MR PETER CASSIDY	1,083,333	1.41	12
KONGONI NOMINEES PTY LTD <BLACK SWAN A/C>	1,000,000	1.30	13
MR KEITH WILLIAM SHEPPARD <SHEPPARD FAMILY A/C>	1,000,000	1.30	14
WATERBEACH INVESTMENTS PTY LTD <CHRISTIE FAMILY A/C>	1,000,000	1.30	15
MR DANIEL PAUL WISE <ARK INVESTMENT A/C>	1,000,000	1.30	16
PORTMORE CORPORATION PTY LTD	933,333	1.21	17
MUTEROO PASTORAL CO PTY LTD <CORELLA A/C>	833,339	1.08	18
MS MELLY EVIANA	833,333	1.08	19
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\*\*\* TOTAL Top 20 Option Holders

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 47,297,458 61.38  
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\* TOTAL \*

10001 100001  
 to to  
 100000 (MAX)

1001 5001  
 to to  
 5000 10000  
 /UNL OPTS EXP 14/07/13 @ \$0.04

U06 Holders

Issuer	12	90	102
Total	12	90	102
Units			
Issuer	989998	76064660	77054658
Total	989998	76064660	77054658

TOTAL HOLDERS FOR CLASSES SELECTED

102

TOTAL UNITS " " " 77054658  
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