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The Manager Companies Announcements Officer Australian Stock Exchange Electronic Lodgement

AUSTIN INCREASES CAPITAL RAISING THROUGH PLACEMENT DUE TO DEMAND

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Board of Austin Exploration Limited (Austin) (ASX: "AKK") is pleased to announce that the share placement to new and current sophisticated investors which was initially for 40,000,000 ordinary shares at 2.7 cents per share, together with 40,000,000 I Class listed options exercisable at \$0.055 cents expiring on 10 July 2013 has been increased to 44,000,000 ordinary shares at 2.7 cents together with attaching option to raise \$1,188,000 before costs. This new capital will be used for ongoing and further exploration in the USA.

Listing of the shares on ASX will be sought once monies have been received and cleared at bank.

The Company confirms that shareholder approval will not be sought and the increased issue still falls under the Company's 15% capacity pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1

On behalf of the Board

David Nairn 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.

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Name	of entity		
Aust	in Exploration Limited		
ABN	14 198 471		
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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	Listed Shares and Listed Options	
2	N 1 6 + 11 + 1	4,000,000 1 : 1,01	
2	Number of *securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum	4,000,000 Listed Shares	
	number which may be issued	4,000,000 I Class Listed 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)	Listed Shares issued for \$0.027 consideration I Class Listed Options exercisable at \$0.055 expiring on 6 July 2013	

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

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

Shares will rank equally with existing quoted shares and upon exercise the options will rank equally with existing quoted shares.

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

Shares were issued for \$0.027 each and no consideration was received on the issue of the attached options

6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets) The funds will be used to further the exploration activities in the USA.

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

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

Number	+Class
593,163,760	Ordinary Shares
237,750,000	I Class Listed Options exercisable at \$0.055 2 years from date of issue 6 July 3011
163,295,975	J Class Listed Options exercisable at \$0.055 1 year from date of issue 6 July 2011

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

Number	+Class	
500,000	D Class Options	
	exercisable at \$0.24	
	on or before 28	
	February 2012	
375,000	E Class Options	
	exercisable at \$0.24	
	on or before 1 March	
	2012	
10,000,000	G Class Options	
	exercisable at \$0.10	
	on or before 22	
	December 2011	
1,200,000	H Class Options	
	exercisable at \$0.10	
	on or before 23	
	November 2012	
2,000,000	K Class Options	
	exercisable at \$0.055	
	on or before 12	
	December 2013	

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

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Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

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	
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18	Names of countries in which the 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 acceptances or renunciations	

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20	Names of any underwriters	
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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	
23	broker to the issue	
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24	Amount of any handling fee payable	
	to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of	
	+security holders	
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25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date	
	of the meeting	
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26	Date entitlement and acceptance	
	form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to	
	persons entitled	
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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)	
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29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	
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30	How do +security holders sell their	
30	entitlements in full through a	
	broker?	
21	How do to consider to 11 and 11	
31	How do *security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a	
	broker and accept for the balance?	

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32	their	do +security holders dispose of entitlements (except by sale gh a broker)?
33	+Desp	atch date
		Quotation of securities omplete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities
34	Type of	of securities 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
Entit	ies th	at have ticked box 34(a)
Additi	ional s	ecurities forming a new class of securities
Tick to docume		e you are providing the information or
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

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Entiti	ies that have ticked box 34(b))	
38	Number of securities for which ⁺ quotation is sought		
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39	Class of *securities for which quotation is sought		
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: • 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		
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)		
42	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	Number	+Class

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Quotation agreement

- ⁺Quotation of our additional ⁺securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the ⁺securities on any conditions it decides.
- 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.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the +securities to be quoted, it has been provided 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.
- 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.

Sign here:

(Director/Company secretary)

Print name: David Nairn

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