

# Form 603

Corporations Act 2001

Section 671B

## Notice of initial substantial holder

To Company Name/Scheme Western Areas Limited

ACN/ARSN ACN 091049357

### 1. Details of substantial holder (1)

Name Wellington Management Group LLP ("Wellington Management"), and its related bodies corporate

ACN/ARSN (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

The holder became a substantial holder on 06/07/16

### 2. Details of voting power

The total number of votes attached to all the voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme that the substantial holder or an associate (2) had a relevant interest (3) in on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

Class of securities (4)	Number of securities	Persons' votes (5)	Voting power (6)
Common Stock	14,309,039	14,309,039	5.28%

### 3. Details of relevant interests

The nature of the relevant interest the substantial holder or an associate had in the following voting securities on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Nature of relevant interest (7)	Class and number of securities
Wellington Management	investment/voting authority (see example agreement attached as Exhibit A) in respect of the ordinary shares issued and allotted pursuant to the Scheme of Arrangement approved by the supreme court of South Australia on 21 June 2002	14,309,039 Common Stock

### 4. Details of present registered holders

The persons registered as holders of the securities referred to in paragraph 3 above are as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Registered holder of securities	Person entitled to be registered as holder (8)	Class and number of securities
Wellington Management	Unknown	Wellington Management	14,309,039 Common Stock

### 5. Consideration

The consideration paid for each relevant interest referred to in paragraph 3 above, and acquired in the 4 months prior to the day that the substantial holder became a substantial holder is as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Date of acquisition	Consideration (9)		Class and number of securities
		Cash	Non-cash	
See Exhibit B				

**6. Associates**

The reasons the persons named in paragraph 3 above are associates of the substantial holder are as follows:

Name and ACN/ARSN (if applicable)	Nature of association
N/A	

**7. Addresses**

The addresses of persons named in this form are as follows:

Name	Address
Wellington Management	c/o Wellington Management Company LLP, 280 Congress Street, Boston MA 02210, USA

**Signature**

print name John D. Norberg capacity Authorized Person

sign here date 08/07/16

Exhibit A

Wellington Management Group LLP ("Wellington Management")  
Investment Management Agreement

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Appointment of  
Wellington Management  
as Manager/ Acceptance  
of Appointment

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The Clients hereby appoint Wellington Management as investment manager to manage, supervise and direct the Clients' investment account or accounts (collectively, the "Account") under the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement. By execution of the Agreement, Wellington Management accepts appointment as investment manager and agrees to manage, supervise and direct the investments of the Account pursuant to the provisions of the Agreement.

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Discretionary Authority -  
Investments

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Wellington Management shall have full and complete discretion to manage, supervise and direct the investment and reinvestment of assets in the Account and any additions thereto, subject to the investment objectives and guidelines attached to the Agreement. Wellington Management shall have full power and authority to act on behalf of the Account with respect to the purchase, sale, exchange, conversion or other transactions in any and all stocks, bonds, cash held for investment, and other assets, including shares of a registered investment company for which Wellington Management may act as investment adviser and, upon proper authorization by the Clients, interests in a collective trust maintained by a bank or trust company, including one maintained by an affiliate of Wellington Management. No cash or securities due to or held for the Account shall be paid or delivered to Wellington Management, except in payment of the management fee payable to Wellington Management under the Agreements pursuant to procedures approved by the Clients.

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## Exhibit B

### 5. Consideration

The consideration paid for each relevant interest referred to in paragraph 3 above, and acquired in the 4 months prior to the day that the substantial holder became a substantial holder is as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Date of acquisition	Consideration (9)		Class and number of securities
		Cash	Non-cash	
Wellington Management	13/04/2016	144,288 AUD		66,800 Common Stock
Wellington Management	20/04/2016	16,643 AUD		6,304 Common Stock
Wellington Management	26/04/2016	-192,556 AUD		-76,411 Common Stock
Wellington Management	28/04/2016	-73,530 AUD		-29,295 Common Stock
Wellington Management	29/04/2016	-153,740 AUD		-61,496 Common Stock
Wellington Management	02/05/2016	56,171 AUD		21,880 Common Stock
Wellington Management	04/05/2016	24,972 AUD		10,029 Common Stock
Wellington Management	06/05/2016	-100,931 AUD		-46,512 Common Stock
Wellington Management	10/05/2016	-89,885 AUD		-43,007 Common Stock
Wellington Management	18/05/2016	6,297 AUD		3,102 Common Stock
Wellington Management	24/05/2016	-105,341 AUD		-54,865 Common Stock
Wellington Management	27/05/2016	301,512 AUD		147,800 Common Stock
Wellington Management	31/05/2016	-68,640 AUD		-33,647 Common Stock
Wellington Management	01/06/2016	4,895 AUD		2,460 Common Stock
Wellington Management	02/06/2016	86,237 AUD		43,775 Common Stock
Wellington Management	03/06/2016	26,266 AUD		13,003 Common Stock
Wellington Management	07/06/2016	-118,675 AUD		-54,438 Common Stock
Wellington Management	10/06/2016	-14,718 AUD		-6,427 Common Stock
Wellington Management	16/06/2016	205,529 AUD		95,595 Common Stock
Wellington Management	20/06/2016	-110,810 AUD		-48,601 Common Stock
Wellington Management	22/06/2016	94,955 AUD		42,966 Common Stock
Wellington Management	29/06/2016	96,063 AUD		45,963 Common Stock
Wellington Management	30/06/2016	442,049 AUD		219,397 Common Stock
Wellington Management	01/07/2016	202,401 AUD		90,958 Common Stock
Wellington Management	04/07/2016	15,643 AUD		6,685 Common Stock
Wellington Management	05/07/2016	1,570,228 AUD		618,200 Common Stock
Wellington Management	06/07/2016	2,672,423 AUD		1,111,195 Common Stock