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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Merli	n Diamonds Limited	
ABN 86 oo	9 153 119	
We (t	he entity) give ASX the following	g information.
	1 - All issues ust complete the relevant sections (attack	h sheets if there is not enough space).
1	*Class of *securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary shares
2	Number of *securities issued or	56,317,090
2	to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	30,317,090
2	Principal terms of the *securities	Fully paid ordinary shares on conversion of
3	(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)	convertible notes

Name of entity

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Do the *securities rank equally All shares allotted rank pari passu with 4 in all respects from the date of existing ordinary shares on issue. 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) interest payment the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment Issue price or consideration \$867,084 5 Purpose of the issue Working capital, corporate promotional work 6 (If issued as consideration for and technical services the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets) Is the entity an +eligible entity Yes 6a that has obtained security holder approval under rule 7.1A? If Yes, complete sections 6b - 6h in relation to the +securities the subject of this Appendix 3B, and comply with section 6i The date the security holder 6b 27/11/2015 resolution under rule 7.1A was passed Number of +securities issued 6c 12,317,090 without security holder approval under rule 7.1 6d Number of *securities issued 44,000,000 with security holder approval under rule 7.1A

6e	Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)	N/A	
6f	Number of securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2	N/A	
6g	If securities issued under rule 7.1A, was issue price at least 75% of 15 day VWAP as calculated under rule 7.1A.3? Include the issue date and both values. Include the source of the VWAP calculation.		nts @75% equals 1.43 1/9/2016. Information pital.
6h	If securities were issued under rule 7.1A for non-cash consideration, state date on which valuation of consideration was released to ASX Market Announcements	N/A	
6i	Calculate the entity's remaining issue capacity under rule 7.1 and rule 7.1A – complete Annexure 1 and release to ASX Market Announcements	See attached	
7	Dates of entering *securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	1/09/2016	
		Number	+Class
8	Number and *class of all *securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in section 2 if applicable)	507,574,809	Ordinary Shares

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		Number	+Class
9	Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX	23,200,000 10,000,000	Incentive Options Convertible Notes
	(including the securities in section 2 if applicable)	10,000,000	Options
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	N/A	
Part	2 - Bonus issue or pro ra	ata issue	
11	Is security holder approval required?	N/A	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	N/A	
13	Ratio in which the *securities will be offered	N/A	
14	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities to which the offer relates	N/A	
15	⁺ Record date to determine entitlements	N/A	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	,	
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	N/A	
18	Names of countries in which the entity has *security holders who	N/A	

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entitlements are to be dealt with.

Cross reference: rule 7.7.

documents

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will not be sent new issue

Note: Security holders must be told how their

Closing date for receipt of N/A

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acceptances or renunciations

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

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32	of the	do *security holders dispose eir entitlements (except by nrough a broker)?	N/A
33	+Desp	oatch date	N/A
		uotation of securitie	S oplying for quotation of securities
34	Type (tick o	of securities one)	
(a)	¥	Securities described in Part	I
(b)		•	nd of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, en restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible
Entities that have ticked box 34(a) Additional securities forming a new class of securities			
Tick to docum		e you are providing the informat	ion or
35			securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the the number and percentage of additional *securities
36			v securities, a distribution schedule of the additional umber of holders in the categories
37		A copy of any trust deed for	the additional *securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38	Number of securities for which †quotation is sought	N/A	
39	Class of *securities for which quotation is sought	N/A	
40	Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *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		
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)	N/A	
42	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	Number N/A	+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.
- 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.
- 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)	Date: 1 September 2016
	Peter James Lee	
Print name: Appendix ₃ B – A	Annexure 1	

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Calculation of placement capacity under rule 7.1 and rule 7.1A for *eligible entities

Introduced 01/08/12

Part 1

Rule 7.1 – Issues exceeding 15% of capital		
Step 1: Calculate "A", the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated		
Insert number of fully paid ordinary securities on issue 12 months before date of issue or agreement to issue	432,873,211	
Add the following:		
Number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period under an exception in rule 7.2	Nil	
Number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in that 12 month period with shareholder approval	7,692,304	
Number of partly paid ordinary securities that became fully paid in that 12 month period	Nil	
 Note: Include only ordinary securities here – other classes of equity securities cannot be added Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items 		
Subtract the number of fully paid ordinary securities cancelled during that 12 month period	0	
"A"	440,565,515	

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Step 2: Calculate 15% of "A"		
"B"	0.15	
	[Note: this value cannot be changed]	
Multiply "A" by 0.15	66,084,827	
Step 3: Calculate "C", the amount of 7.1 that has already been used	of placement capacity under rule	
Insert number of equity securities issued or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period not counting those issued:	23,009,294	
Under an exception in rule 7.2		
Under rule 7.1A		
 With security holder approval under rule 7.1 or rule 7.4 		
 Note: This applies to equity securities, unless specifically excluded – not just ordinary securities Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items 		
"C"	23,009,294	
Step 4: Subtract "C" from ["A" x "B"] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1		
"A" x 0.15	66,084,827	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2		
Subtract "C"	23,009,294	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3		
Total ["A" x 0.15] – "C"	43,075,533	
	[Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1]	

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Part 2

Rule 7.1A – Additional placement capacity for eligible entities		
Step 1: Calculate "A", the base figure from which the placement capacity is calculated		
"A"		
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 1 of Part 1	440,565,515	
Step 2: Calculate 10% of "A"		
"D"	0.10	
	Note: this value cannot be changed	
Multiply "A" by 0.10	44,056,551	
Step 3: Calculate "E", the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1A that has already been used		
Insert number of equity securities issued or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period under rule 7.1A	44,000,000	
 Notes: This applies to equity securities – not just ordinary securities Include here – if applicable – the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed Do not include equity securities issued under rule 7.1 (they must be dealt with in Part 1), or for which specific security holder approval has been obtained It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items 	44.000.000	
"E"	44,000,000	

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Step 4: Subtract "E" from ["A" x "D"] to calculate remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A		
"A" x 0.10	44,056,551	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2		
Subtract "E"	44,000,000	
Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3		
Total ["A" x 0.10] – "E"	56,551	
	Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A	

In accordance with paragraph 5(e) of section 708A of the Corporations Act, the Company gives notice that it has issued 56,317,090 fully paid ordinary shares without disclosure under Part 6D.2 of the Corporations Act. As at the date of this notice, the Company has complied with (i) the provisions of Chapter 2M as they apply to the Company; and (ii) Section 674 of the Corporations Act. The Company states that as at the date of this notice, there is no information that is excluded information within the meaning of sub-sections 708A(7) and (8) of the Corporations Act.

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