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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Ausc	drill Limited					
ABN						
95 o	09 211 474					
We (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	Fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of Ausdrill Limited (Ordinary Shares).				
2	Number of *securities issued or to	66 666 Ordinary Shares				

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)

be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued

Name of entity

The same as the terms of existing Ordinary Shares.

⁺ 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? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: the date from which they do the extent to which they for the participate 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 interest or payment Issue price or consideration \$1.2914 per Ordinary Share Purpose of the issue Issued upon exercise of options with an (If issued as consideration for the expiry date of 12 November 2013 issued acquisition of assets, clearly pursuant to the 2008 Ausdrill Limited identify those assets) Employee Share Option Plan. Dates of entering *securities 24 October 2011 7 into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates Number +Class 8 Number and +class of all Ordinary shares fully 301,752,514 +securities quoted on ASX paid (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

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

Number	+Class
4,466,673	Employee Options
	(exercisable at
	exercise prices of
	between \$1.2914 and
	\$4.15, with expiry
	dates ranging from
	12 November 2013 to
	21 July 2016)
1,000,000	Incentive Options
	issued to WM King
	(exercisable at an
	exercise price of
	\$4.21, with an expiry
	date of 8 July 2016)

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

As per existing Ordinary Shares

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	Part 2 not applicable.
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
20	Names of any underwriters
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission
22	Names of any brokers to the issue
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?

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31	<i>part</i> throu	do *security holders sell of their entitlements gh a broker and accept for alance?			
32	of the	do *security holders dispose eir entitlements (except by hrough a broker)?			
33	+Desp	patch date			
Part 3 - Quotation of securities You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities					
34	Type (tick o	of securities one)			
(a)	X	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			
Entitie	es tha	t have ticked box 34(a)			
Addit	ional	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 additiona *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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Entities that have ticked box 34(b) 38 Number of securities for which ⁺quotation is sought Class of *securities for which 39 quotation is sought Do the *securities rank equally in 40 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 for the participate 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 Reason for request for quotation 41 now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)

Number and *class of all *securities quoted on ASX (including 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.
- 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: Date: 24 October 2011

(Director/Company secretary)

Print name: Domenic Santini

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