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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| NIUMINCO GROUP LIMITED |  |                                       |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| ABN                    |  |                                       |
| 44 009                 | 9 163 919  |                                       |
| We (th                 | ne entity) give ASX the following in   | nformation.                           |
|                        | 1 - All issues st complete the relevant sections (attach s   | theets if there is not enough space). |
| 1                      | <sup>+</sup> Class of <sup>+</sup> securities issued or to be issued   | Ordinary Fully Paid Shares            |
| 2                      | Number of *securities issued or to<br>be issued (if known) or maximum<br>number which may be issued  | 101,930,923 ordinary shares           |
| 3                      | Principal terms of the <sup>+</sup> securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid <sup>+</sup> securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if <sup>+</sup> convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | Ordinary shares – full paid           |

Name of entity

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| 4  | Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *securities?   | Yes   |
|----|---|---|
|    | 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  | 3 cents per share   |
| 6  | Purpose of the issue<br>(If issued as consideration for the<br>acquisition of assets, clearly<br>identify those assets)   | The purpose of the issue is to provide working capital for the Company. |
| ба | Is the entity an <sup>+</sup> eligible entity that has obtained security holder approval under rule 7.1A?   | No  |
|    | If Yes, complete sections 6b – 6h in relation to the *securities the subject of this Appendix 3B, and comply with section 6i  |   |
| 6b | The date the security holder resolution under rule 7.1A was passed  |   |
| 6c | Number of *securities issued without security holder approval under rule 7.1  |   |
| 6d | Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.1A  |   |

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| 6e | Number of *securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)  |                                   |                               |
|----|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 6f | Number of securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2   |                                   |                               |
| 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. |                                   |                               |
| 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  |                                   |                               |
| 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   | 7.1 39,783,773<br>7.1A 30,050,134 |                               |
| 7  | Dates of entering *securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates   | 25 March 2013                     |                               |
|    |  | Number                            | <sup>+</sup> Class            |
| 8  | Number and *class of all *securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in section 2 if applicable)   | 383,633,692                       | Fully Paid Ordinary<br>shares |

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

| Number     | +Class               |
|------------|----------------------|
| 24,090,000 | Restricted Ordinary  |
|            | shares               |
| 21,150,000 | 20c Options expiring |
|            | 30/9/13              |
| 10,000,000 | 30c options expiring |
|            | 30/9/13              |
| 6,000,000  | 10c options expiring |
|            | 30/4/14              |

10 Dividend policy (in the case of a | Full entitlement to future dividends trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)

#### Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

| 11 | Is security holder approval required?   | No  |
|----|---|---|
|    |   |   |
| 12 | Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?  | Renounceable  |
| 13 | Ratio in which the *securities will be offered  | 1 for 3   |
| 14 | <sup>+</sup> Class of <sup>+</sup> securities to which the offer relates                              | Ordinary shares   |
| 15 | <sup>+</sup> Record date to determine entitlements  | 27 February 2013  |
|    |   |   |
| 16 | Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?    | Yes   |
|    |   |   |
| 17 | Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions   | Rounded up to nearest whole share   |
|    |   |   |
| 18 | Names of countries in which the entity has *security holders who will not be sent new issue documents | Monaco, Fiji, USA, Andorra, Guernsey, Arab<br>Emirates, Malaysia, Ireland,<br>Bahamas, Thailand |
|    | 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   | 15 March 2013   |

acceptances or renunciations

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Closing date for receipt of 15 March 2013

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| 20 | Names of any underwriters   | n/a   |
|----|---|---|
| 21 | Amount of any underwriting fee or commission  | Nil   |
| 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<br>payable to brokers who lodge<br>acceptances or renunciations on<br>behalf of *security holders  | n/a   |
| 25 | If the issue is contingent on<br>+security holders' approval, the date of the meeting   | n/a   |
| 26 | Date entitlement and acceptance<br>form and prospectus or Product<br>Disclosure Statement will be sent to<br>persons entitled   | 28 February 2013  |
| 27 | If the entity has issued options, and<br>the terms entitle option holders to<br>participate on exercise, the date on<br>which notices will be sent to option<br>holders | n/a   |
| 28 | Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)  | 21 February 2013  |
| 29 | Date rights trading will end (if applicable)  | 7 March 2013  |
| 30 | How do *security holders sell their entitlements in full through a broker?  | If you wish to sell all of your Rights on ASX, complete the section headed "Instructions to your Stockbroker" on the back of the Entitlement and Acceptance Form and lodge the Entitlement and Acceptance Form with your stockbroker as soon as possible. |
| 31 | How do *security holders sell part  | If you wish to sell part of your Rights on  |

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of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?

ASX and take up the balance, complete the section headed "Instructions to your stockbroker" on the back of the Entitlement and Acceptance Form and lodge the Entitlement and Acceptance Form, together with your cheque or bank draft for the Application Monies for the New Shares for which you wish to subscribe, with your stockbroker as soon as possible or payment must be made via Bpay® following the instructions on your personalised Entitlement and Acceptance Form.

How do \*security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

Eligible Shareholders may elect to transfer all or part of their Rights to another person other than on ASX, provided that the purchaser is not resident in the United States.

If you hold Shares on the issuer-sponsored register or certificated subregister and you wish to transfer all or part of your Rights to another person other than on ASX, forward a completed renunciation form (which can be obtained through the Share Registry) signed by you (as the seller) and the buyer, together with your Entitlement and Acceptance Form completed by the buyer and the buyer's cheque or bank draft for the appropriate Application Monies to reach the Share Registry by not later than 5.00pm on 15 March 2013 or such later date as the Directors advise.

If you are an Eligible Shareholder holding Shares on CHESS and you wish to transfer all or part of your Rights to another person other than on ASX, you should contact your sponsoring participant.

If the Share Registry receives both a completed renunciation form and a completed Entitlement and Acceptance Form in favour of the same Shareholder in respect of the same Rights, the

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|                  |              |  | renunciation will be given effect in priority to the acceptance.                          |  |
|------------------|--------------|--|---|--|
| 33               | +Desp        | patch date   | 25 March 2013   |  |
|                  |              |  |   |  |
|                  |              | <b>Quotation of securitie</b> complete this section if you are app   |   |  |
| 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, employe incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities |   |  |
| Entiti           | ies tha      | t have ticked box 34(a)  |   |  |
| Addit            | tional s     | ecurities forming a new clas   | s of securities   |  |
| Tick to<br>docum |              | e you are providing the informat   | ion 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 be those holders  |   |  |
| 36               |              | +securities setting out the num<br>1 - 1,000   | y securities, a distribution schedule of the additional aber of holders in the categories |  |
|                  |              | 1,001 - 5,000<br>5,001 - 10,000  |   |  |
|                  |              | 10,001 - 100,000<br>100,001 and over   |   |  |
| 37               |              | A copy of any trust deed for the   | ne additional *securities   |  |

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#### Entities that have ticked box 34(b) 38 Number of securities for which <sup>+</sup>quotation is sought 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 Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security) Number +Class Number and +class of all +securities 42 quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)

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#### **Quotation agreement**

- <sup>+</sup>Quotation of our additional <sup>+</sup>securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the <sup>+</sup>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.
- 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: 19 February 2013...

Company secretary

Print name: ...Mark Ohlsson.....

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### Appendix 3B – Annexure 1

## 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   | 187,752,507                         |  |
| Add the following:  |                                     |  |
| <ul> <li>Number of fully paid ordinary securities<br/>issued in that 12 month period under an<br/>exception in rule 7.2</li> </ul>  | 10/9/12 93,877,254<br>10/1/12 2,000 |  |
| <ul> <li>Number of fully paid ordinary securities<br/>issued in that 12 month period with<br/>shareholder approval</li> </ul>   | 29/10/12 18,869,580                 |  |
| <ul> <li>Number of partly paid ordinary<br/>securities that became fully paid in that<br/>12 month period</li> </ul>  | -                                   |  |
| <ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>Include only ordinary securities here – other classes of equity securities cannot be added</li> <li>Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed</li> <li>It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items</li> </ul> |                                     |  |
| <b>Subtract</b> the number of fully paid ordinary securities cancelled during that 12 month period  | -                                   |  |
| "A"   | 300,501,341                         |  |

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| Step 2: Calculate 15% of "A"  |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| "B"   | 0.15  |  |
|   | [Note: this value cannot be changed]                            |  |
| Multiply "A" by 0.15  | 45,075,201  |  |
| Step 3: Calculate "C", the amount of placement capacity under rule 7.1 that has already been used   |   |  |
| Insert number of equity securities issued or agreed to be issued in that 12 month period not counting those issued:   | 29/10/12 1,571,428  |  |
| <ul> <li>Under an exception in rule 7.2</li> </ul>  | 19/11/12 3,720,000  |  |
| Under rule 7.1A   |   |  |
| <ul> <li>With security holder approval under rule<br/>7.1 or rule 7.4</li> </ul>  |   |  |
| <ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>This applies to equity securities, unless specifically excluded – not just ordinary securities</li> <li>Include here (if applicable) the securities the subject of the Appendix 3B to which this form is annexed</li> <li>It may be useful to set out issues of securities on different dates as separate line items</li> </ul> |   |  |
| "C"   | 5,291,428   |  |
| Step 4: Subtract "C" from ["A" x "L<br>placement capacity under rule 7.1  | B"] to calculate remaining                                      |  |
| "A" x 0.15  | 45,075,201  |  |
| Note: number must be same as shown in<br>Step 2   |   |  |
| Subtract "C"  | 5,291,428   |  |
| Note: number must be same as shown in<br>Step 3   |   |  |
| <b>Total</b> ["A" x 0.15] – "C"   | 39,783,773  |  |
|   | [Note; this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1] |  |

<sup>+</sup> See chapter 19 for defined terms.

#### 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<br>Step 1 of Part 1   | 300,501,341                        |  |
| Step 2: Calculate 10% of "A"  |                                    |  |
| "D"   | 0.10                               |  |
|   | Note: this value cannot be changed |  |
| Multiply "A" by 0.10  | 30,050,134                         |  |
| Step 3: Calculate "E", the amount of 7.1A that has already been used  Insert number of equity securities issued or  | of placement capacity under rule   |  |
| agreed to be issued in that 12 month period under rule 7.1A  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 |                                    |  |

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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  | 30,050,134   |  |
| Note: number must be same as shown in Step 2  |  |  |
| Subtract "E"  |  |  |
| Note: number must be same as shown in Step 3  | -  |  |
| <b>Total</b> ["A" x 0.10] – "E"   | 30,050,134   |  |
|   | Note: this is the remaining placement capacity under rule 7.1A |  |

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