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**Novus Petroleum Limited (ASX: NVS)**  
**Sixth supplementary bidder's statement**

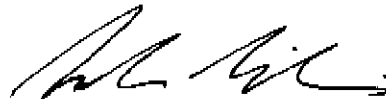
We act for Sunov Petroleum Pty Ltd (**Sunov**) in relation to its takeover bid for all the ordinary shares in Novus Petroleum Limited.

We attach, by way of service pursuant to paragraph 647(3)(b) of the Corporations Act, Sunov's sixth supplementary bidder's statement.

Yours faithfully  
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Aaron Kenavan  
Partner



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## **Sunov Petroleum Pty Ltd (ACN 108 045 361)**

### **Sixth Supplementary Bidder's Statement**

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#### **1 Introduction**

This document is a supplementary bidder's statement under section 643 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth). It is the sixth supplementary bidder's statement (Sixth Supplementary Bidder's Statement) issued by Sunov Petroleum Pty Ltd (Sunov) in relation to its off-market takeover bid for all the ordinary shares in Novus Petroleum Limited (ABN 17 067 777 440) (Novus). This Sixth Supplementary Bidder's Statement supplements, and should be read together with, Sunov's bidder's statement dated 5 March 2004 (Bidder's Statement), Sunov's first supplementary bidder's statement dated 22 April 2004, Sunov's second supplementary bidder's statement dated 25 May 2004, Sunov's third supplementary bidder's statement dated 26 May 2004, Sunov's fourth supplementary bidder's statement dated 31 May 2004 and Sunov's fifth supplementary bidder's statement dated 3 June 2004.

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#### **2 No increase in, or extension to, Sunov's Offer**

In its fifth supplementary bidder's statement, Sunov said it intended to issue a further update in relation to its Offer on 4 June 2004.

Sunov now confirms that it has decided that it will not be increasing or extending its Offer.

To ensure that all of the Novus shareholders who have accepted Sunov's Offer have the opportunity to accept Medco's offer before it closes, Sunov intends to apply to ASIC for its consent to enable Sunov to withdraw its Offer. If ASIC gives this consent, Sunov will make an announcement to the ASX.

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#### **3 Other notices**

Unless the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the Bidder's Statement have the same meaning as in this Sixth Supplementary Bidder's Statement.

A copy of this Sixth Supplementary Bidder's Statement has been lodged with ASIC. Neither ASIC nor any of its officers take any responsibility for its contents.

Signed for and on behalf of Sunov following a resolution of the directors of Sunov.



Ian Gibbs, Director

Dated: 4 June 2004