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Dear Sir

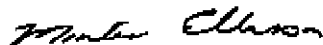
**Off-market bid by ACN 118 331 650 Pty Ltd ('Mega') to acquire all ordinary shares and options in Hindmarsh Resources Limited ('Hindmarsh')**

On behalf of Mega, we:

1. enclose a copy of a notice of variation of offers dated 30 March 2006, which has been served on Hindmarsh and will be sent to each person to whom an offer was made under the off-market bid; and
2. advise, as required by Listing Rule 3.2, that:
  - (a) the percentage of securities in each of the bid class in which Mega and its associates had a relevant interest when the first of the takeover offers under the off-market bid were made was nil except that Mega had reached agreements in relation to the unlisted options; and
  - (b) the percentage of securities in the bid classes in which Mega and its associates have a relevant interest at the date of the extension of the offer period was 58.75%.

Yours faithfully

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## ACN 118 337 650 PTY LTD

## NOTICE OF VARIATION OF OFFER (PERIOD)

TO: **Hiadmarsh Resources Limited**

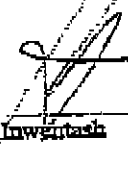
AND TO: Each person to whom an offer was sent under the off-market bid

ACN 118 331 650 Pty Ltd (Mega) gives notice under section 650D of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) of a variation of the takeover offers contained in Mega's Bidder's Statement, dated 8 March 2006 ('Bidder's Statement').

Mega varies the Bidder's Statement by extending the period during which the offers remain open for acceptance until 5.00pm on 27 April 2006.

DATE 30 March 2006

SIGNED for and on behalf of ACN 118 331 650 Pty Ltd pursuant to a circular resolution of directors dated 30 March 2006 authorising this notice to be signed.

  
Sheldon Invermash  
Stewart Taylor

A copy of this notice was lodged with the Australian Securities & Investments Commission on 31 March 2006. The Australian Securities & Investments Commission takes no responsibility as to the contents of this notice.