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### Alinta Declares 14.625 cent Transaction Dividend

Attached is a News Release regarding the above.

Patrick McCole Company Secretary

**Enclosure** 

# News Release



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#### ALINTA DECLARES 14.625 CENT TRANSACTION DIVIDEND

The Board of Alinta has today declared a fully franked dividend of 14.625 cents per ordinary share, conditional on approval and implementation of the Scheme of Arrangement to be voted on by shareholders on 6 October 2006. The dividend is to be paid on 24 October 2006.

The dividend is consistent with guidance provided in the Scheme Book and represents a pro rata allocation of the anticipated 2006 second half dividend of 23 cents for the period 1 July 2006 to 25 October 2006 (being the anticipated date of implementation of the Scheme).

The key dates for the transaction dividend are as follows:

Shareholder Meeting to approve Scheme	6 October
Final Court approval of Scheme	9 October
Ex-dividend date	10 October
Record date	16 October
Payment date	24 October

Should implementation of the Scheme be delayed for any unforeseen reasons, Alinta's intention is for the dividend to be adjusted on an equivalent pro rata basis and paid the day prior to the new implementation date.

As announced to the ASX on 12 September 2006, the transaction dividend will not be eligible to participate in Alinta's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP). Shareholders registered to participate in the DRP at the record date for the Transaction Dividend will receive payment of the dividend either by cheque or direct credit where a previous election has been made.



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