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Dear Sir/Madam,

## Promina receives Federal Court order regarding the Merger with Suncorp

Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of Promina Group Limited

Judith Howard Company Secretary



ASX / NZX Release

# PROMINA RECEIVES FEDERAL COURT ORDER REGARDING THE MERGER WITH SUNCORP

The Federal Court of Australia today ordered that the scheme of arrangement between Promina Group Limited (Promina) and its ordinary shareholders (Scheme), in relation to the proposed merger with Suncorp-Metway Limited (Suncorp), be approved.

The Scheme will become effective once a copy of the Court order is lodged with ASIC tomorrow, 13 March 2007.

As of close of business tomorrow, ordinary shares in Promina will be suspended from quotation on the ASX and NZX. Suncorp ordinary shares which are to be issued to Promina shareholders under the Scheme are expected to commence trading on a deferred settlement basis on 16 March 2007.

The Scheme is expected to be implemented on 20 March 2007. No further action is required from Promina shareholders.

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#### About Promina Group

Promina Group is a portfolio of specialised and focused general insurance and selected financial services businesses featuring well-known brands such as AAMI, Vero, Shannons, Tyndall, Asteron, AA Insurance and Australian Pensioners Insurance Agency (APIA).

Promina Group Limited is listed on the Australian and New Zealand Stock Exchanges. It employs over 7,200 people in 210 offices across Australia and New Zealand, and traces its operations back to 1833 in Australia and 1878 in New Zealand.

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