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The Manager Companies ASX Limited 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000

(11 pages by email)

## SHARE PLACEMENT TO RAISE \$1.2 MILLION TO ADVANCE THE COLLERINA NICKEL-COBALT PROJECT

The Directors of Augur Resources Ltd ('Augur' or 'the Company') are pleased to advise that the Company has received firm placement commitments from professional and sophisticated investors to raise up to \$1.2 million before costs, at a price of \$0.01 per share.

The funds raised pursuant to the placement will, in part, be used to advance the Company's Collerina nickel-cobalt project and to complete the Becker project earn-in acquisition agreement.

## **Collerina Nickel-Cobalt Project**

At the Collerina project, located 40 kilometres south of Nyngan, Augur has defined a JORC compliant resource estimate for the Homeville nickel-cobalt deposit of 16.3 Mt at 0.93% nickel and 0.05% cobalt comprised of 4.4 Mt of Indicated Resource at 0.99% nickel and 0.06% cobalt and 11.9 Mt of Inferred Resource at 0.91% nickel and 0.05% cobalt of (using a 0.7% nickel cut-off).

An estimated 40 shallow drill hole program is planned at the Collerina nickel-cobalt project to further define this resource which remains open at depth and along strike.

Counter-current atmospheric leaching testwork undertaken by the Company on Collerina ore has returned overall nickel recoveries of 90% and cobalt recoveries of 96% with very low overall acid consumption of 710 kg/tonne ore.

To further advance this testwork, the Company will further evaluate the Cobalt Manganese Nickel Direct SX Technology (CMN) which separates cobalt and nickel, to produce a high purity cobalt carbonate, cobalt sulphate or cobalt metal product and nickel cathodes.

Another opportunity that has been identified is the potential to recover about 1/3 of the aluminium in the ore as a high purity alumina (HPA) product. This would generate revenue exceeding the combined value of nickel and cobalt. This further testwork would involve countercurrent atmospheric leaching or pressure leaching with sulphuric acid, followed by iron precipitation and forwarding of samples for solvent extraction testwork by Canopean Pty Ltd for the CMN process. An alternative process option is the Direct Nickel nitric acid technology which has not been previously tested by the Company. The advantages this technology for an inland site are chiefly logistics. More than 90% of the nitric acid is regenerated in the process, minimising acid make-up, and the same process produces magnesia, MgO, from the magnesium contained in the ore which is subsequently used for all of the process pH control steps, eliminating the need for purchased limestone and lime. A variation of the CMN technology can be combined with the Direct Nickel nitric acid technology to separate cobalt from nickel. Recovery of aluminium as HPA is also possible with this process.

Based on the Collerina project's high grade and low stripping ratio, excellent leach characteristics and recoveries when compared to other Australian laterite projects and access to infrastructure and logistics the Company aims to advance the project to a scoping study stage during 2017.

### **Becker Project**

The Company continues its review of exploration properties in Chile and Argentina. Following the completion of due diligence exploration of the Becker property in Region VII of Chile, a decision has been reached by the Company to exercise its option and proceed to a Joint Venture Earn-in agreement.

The 2,000 hectare Becker property covers 2 zones of intermediate to low sulphidation epithermal gold-silver veining that were discovered in 1995. The two zones extend over a strike length of approximately 3.0 kilometres. No geophysics or drilling have been completed.

Previous exploration of the main Veta Lajuelas prospect in late 1995 by Arauco Resources Corporation returned anomalous gold values along the entire trend, with maximum values ranging from 23.5 g/t Au to 79.0 g/t Au. Follow-up geological mapping and geochemistry at the time encountered a total of 11 individual, steeply-dipping, massive, drusy and bladed textured, quartz veins over a total strike length of 350 metres and widths varying from 0.5 to 7.5 metres, with associated quart-sericite-carbonate replacement of andesitic wall rocks. Extensive hand pitting and backhoe trenching across the veins along strike returned 12.2 g/t Au over 3.0 metres, 9.6 g/t Au over 7.5 metres and 4.5 g/t Au over 2.5 metres.

## **The Placement**

The placement, with Bell Potter Securities as Lead Manager, is being undertaken in two tranches. Tranche 1, to raise \$473,727 through the issue of 47,372,729 fully paid ordinary shares has been made within the Company's 15% placement capacity pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1. The issue of securities under Tranche 2, to raise \$726,273 for the issue of 72,627,271 fully paid ordinary shares will be put before shareholders for approval at an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders expected to be held on 24 April 2017.

For further information, contact Peter Nightingale or Norman Seckold on +61 2 9300 3310.

Yours sincerely

Peter J. Nightingale Director

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In accordance with section 708A(6) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**Corporations Act**), the Company gives notice under paragraph 5(e) that:

- 1. The shares will be issued under a placement without disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Corporations Act.
- 2. As at the date of this notice:
  - (a) the Company has complied with the provisions of Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act;
  - (b) the Company has complied with section 674 of the Corporations Act; and
  - (c) there is no 'excluded information' within the meaning of sections 708A(7) and 708A(8) of the Corporations Act which is required to be disclosed under section 708A(6)(e) of the Corporations Act.

In accordance with Listing Rule 3.10, I attach an Appendix 3B - New Issue Announcement, Application for Quotation of Additional Securities.

#### **Statement of Compliance**

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results and Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Augur staff and contractors and approved by Mr Michael Corey, PGeo., who is a Member of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario (APGO) in Canada. Mr Corey is employed by the Company and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Corey has consented to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

# 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.

Introduced 01/07/96 Origin: Appendix 5 Amended 01/07/98, 01/09/99, 01/07/00, 30/09/01, 11/03/02, 01/01/03, 24/10/05, 01/08/12, 04/03/13

Name of entity

Augur Resources Ltd

ABN

79 106 879 690

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

# Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

1 <sup>+</sup>Class of <sup>+</sup>securities issued or to be issued

Fully paid ordinary shares

- 2 Number of <sup>+</sup>securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued
- <sup>3</sup> Principal terms of the <sup>+</sup>securities (e.g. 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)

47,372,729
 72,627,271

Fully paid ordinary shares ranking pari passu with existing fully paid ordinary shares

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

4	<ul> <li>Do the <sup>+</sup>securities rank equally in all respects from the <sup>+</sup>issue date with an existing <sup>+</sup>class of quoted <sup>+</sup>securities?</li> <li>If the additional <sup>+</sup>securities do not rank equally, please state:</li> <li>the date from which they do</li> <li>the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment</li> <li>the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend,</li> </ul>	Yes
	distribution or interest payment	
5	Issue price or consideration	1) \$473,727.29 2) \$726,272.71
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	Issue of ordinary shares to sophisticated and professional investors to raise funds for the continued exploration and development of the Company's existing projects, the securing of new projects and working capital requirements.
6a	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	N/A
6с	Number of <sup>+</sup> securities issued without security holder approval under rule 7.1	N/A
6d	Number of <sup>+</sup> securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.1A	N/A
бе	Number of <sup>+</sup> securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)	N/A

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

6f Number of +securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2

N/A

N/A

- 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 <sup>+</sup>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
  - <sup>+</sup>Issue dates Note: The issue date may be prescribed by ASX (refer to the definition of issue date in rule 19.12). For example, the issue date for a pro rata entitlement issue must comply with the applicable timetable in Appendix 7A.

Cross reference: item 33 of Appendix 3B.

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- 8 Number and <sup>+</sup>class of all <sup>+</sup>securities quoted on ASX (*including* the <sup>+</sup>securities in section 2 if applicable)
- 9 Number and <sup>+</sup>class of all <sup>+</sup>securities not quoted on ASX (*including* the <sup>+</sup>securities in section 2 if applicable)
- 10 Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)

Remains unchanged

N/A

- 1) 15 March 2017
- Following shareholder approval at an EGM proposed to be held on 24 April 2017

Number	+Class
435,818,198	Fully paid ordinary
	shares
Number	+Class
Number	+Class
Nil	

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

N/A

NT/A

# Part 2 - Pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	N/A
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	N/A
13	Ratio in which the <sup>+</sup> securities will be offered	N/A
14	<sup>+</sup> Class of <sup>+</sup> securities to which the offer relates	N/A
15	<sup>+</sup> Record date to determine entitlements	N/A
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	N/A
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	N/A
18	Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new offer documents	N/A
	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 acceptances or renunciations	N/A
20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
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 payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A

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

- 26 Date entitlement and acceptance form and offer documents will be sent to persons entitled
- 27 If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders

Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)

N/A

29 Date rights trading will end (if applicable)

N/A			

- 30 How do security holders sell their entitlements *in* N/A *full* through a broker?
- 31 How do security holders sell *part* of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?
- 32 How do security holders dispose of their N/A entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

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N/A

N/A

33 <sup>+</sup>Issue date

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# Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

34 Type of \*securities (*tick one*)
(a) \*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, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

# Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

#### Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

35 Not yet If the <sup>+</sup>securities are <sup>+</sup>equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional <sup>+</sup>securities, and the number and percentage of additional <sup>+</sup>securities held by those holders

Not yet known
 If the +securities are +equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional +securities setting out the number of holders in the categories
 1 - 1,000
 1,001 - 5,000
 5,001 - 10,000
 10,001 - 100,000

100,001 and over

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A copy of any trust deed for the additional +securities

# Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38 Number of <sup>+</sup>securities for which <sup>+</sup>quotation is sought

r which N/A

39 +Class of +securities for which quotation is sought

N/A

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

40 Do the <sup>+</sup>securities rank equally in all N/A respects from the <sup>+</sup>issue date with an existing <sup>+</sup>class of quoted <sup>+</sup>securities?

If the additional <sup>+</sup>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 now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another +security, clearly identify that other +security)

	N/A
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42 Number and <sup>+</sup>class of all <sup>+</sup>securities quoted on ASX (*including* the <sup>+</sup>securities in clause 38)

Number	+Class
N/A	N/A

### **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.
- 2 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 <sup>+</sup>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

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

- 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 <sup>+</sup>securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the <sup>+</sup>securities be quoted.
- 3 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 is not available now, we 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.

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Sign here:

Company secretary

Date: 15 March 2017

Print name: Richard Edwards

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