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EVANS & TATE: APPLICATION BY AUSTRALIAN BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTORS

Evans & Tate Limited (ASX:ETW) and its subsidiary Evans & Tate Premium Wines Pty Ltd, (formerly Cranswick Premium Wines Limited) (ETPW) has been informed by its Sydney lawyers that they have been notified of an Originating Process seeking the winding up of Evans & Tate Limited and Evans & Tate Premium Wines Pty Ltd, and a declaration that the Notice of Meeting to Noteholders of Evans & Tate's Unsecured Convertible Notes (ASX: ETWG), scheduled for 14th June 2006, is false and misleading.

The applicant is Australian Beverage Distributors Pty Ltd (ABD), a company with which Evans & Tate has been involved in litigation for over 2 years. This litigation relates to a commercial dispute being heard in the Newcastle District Court, arising from ABD's short-term position as a distributor of Cranswick wine products.

ABD's action is based on a costs order against ETPW for \$78,000, against which ETPW is owed a greater amount, including an amount of \$216,000 and which has been admitted by ABD in their Statement of Claim in the Newcastle District Court proceedings.

Therefore, based on legal advice Evans & Tate will argue that the latest application by ABD is not in accordance with the Corporations Act, is not supportable, misconceived and without foundation.

This latest application will be strenuously resisted, and Evans & Tate has instructed its lawyers to apply to have it summarily dismissed as an abuse of process. This would leave the ongoing commercial dispute to be heard in what Evans & Tate considers the proper forum, the Newcastle District Court.

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