

STRATA MINING CORPORATION LIMITED

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RESPONSE TO ASX RELEASE BY ASPERMONT LIMITED DATED 11 MAY 2005

Strata refers to the abovementioned release and repeats the content of its announcement dated 14 March 2005. Strata confirms that the claims by Aspermont and Drysdale Investments Limited, a company apparently incorporated in the Bahamas, will be vigorously defended.

With respect to the matter with Giants Reef Mining (Santexco); Strata advises that it has made application to the Supreme Court Western Australia for Security of Costs.

This application will be heard on 21 July 2005.

Yours sincerely



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