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# **FIRST AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES LIMITED**

*Incorporated in Western Australia*

19 February 2003

## **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT AND MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Issue of Supplementary Prospectus by the Company**

Enclosed is a copy of a supplementary prospectus the Company today lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC"). The supplementary prospectus is supplementary to the prospectus dated 7 February 2003 and lodged by the Company in relation to an offer of shares and options in the Company.

The supplementary prospectus was lodged in response to an interim stop order issued by ASIC on 18 February 2003 because ASIC was concerned that there was insufficient information on the effect on the Company if the share and option issue were not fully subscribed. ASIC have indicated that, by the issue of the supplementary prospectus, the Company has addressed ASIC's concerns and ASIC has revoked the interim order.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY PROSPECTUS**

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**THIS SUPPLEMENTARY PROSPECTUS IS INTENDED TO BE READ WITH  
THE PROSPECTUS DATED 7 FEBRUARY 2003 RELATING TO SHARES  
AND OPTIONS OF FIRST AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES LIMITED**

**THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT AND SHOULD BE READ IN ITS  
ENTIRETY. IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT ABOUT WHAT TO DO, YOU SHOULD  
CONSULT YOUR PROFESSIONAL ADVISER WITHOUT DELAY.**

**This Supplementary Prospectus will also be issued as an electronic prospectus**

## **Supplementary Prospectus**

This Supplementary Prospectus is dated 19 February 2003 and was lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") on that date. The ASIC and ASX take no responsibility for the contents of this Supplementary Prospectus.

This Supplementary Prospectus provides additional information to the information contained in the Prospectus issued by First Australian Resources Limited ("the Company") dated 7 February 2003 ("the Prospectus"). Accordingly, this Supplementary Prospectus is intended to be read with the Prospectus.

## **Additional Information About the Offer under the Prospectus**

### **No Minimum Subscription**

There is no minimum subscription amount in relation to the offer ("the Offer") of shares and options under the Prospectus. If the issue is not fully subscribed, the Company intends to proceed with the allotment of those shares and attaching options for which applications are received.

If the Offer is not fully subscribed, the Company will still be in a position to fund all its currently budgeted financial obligations for planned operations in the next twelve months.

### **Intended Use of the Funds Raised by the Offer**

As mentioned in the Prospectus, the funds raised pursuant to the Offer will be used to help fund the exploration activities of the Company, in particular offshore China and offshore Carnarvon Basin and to improve the Company's working capital position.

It is anticipated that the amount to be raised by the Offer, if fully subscribed, (\$900,000) will be expended in the following manner:

|                                      |                         |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Expenses of the Issue                | 55,000                  |
| Exploration Offshore Carnarvon Basin | 200,000                 |
| Exploration Offshore China           | 300,000                 |
| Working Capital                      | <u>345,000</u>          |
|                                      | <b><u>\$900,000</u></b> |

If the Offer is not fully subscribed, the amount raised by the Offer would be applied first against expenses of the issue, secondly exploration of the Offshore Carnarvon Basin and thereafter, subject to timing of expenditures, on either Offshore China or toward working capital in that order.

The Company is presently free carried for exploration in relation to Offshore China, including the cost of one well scheduled for drilling late 2003. The anticipated expenditure included above is to cover the eventuality that up to two additional wells may be drilled at that time, although no undertaking to that effect has been made by the China Joint Venture participants.

Given the speculative nature of exploration for petroleum the intended allocation of funds as set out above may change depending upon exploration results obtained by the Company or other explorers, market conditions and other commercial factors.

This may result in money originally allocated for exploration being used for working capital or money allocated for working capital being used for exploration. The Company's current cash reserves will, when aggregated with expected revenues from United States oil and gas interests, be adequate to fund anticipated financial obligations during the next twelve months. As the Company's activities primarily centre on exploration for oil and gas and programmes for such activities are generally adopted on a yearly basis, it is not possible to meaningfully forecast the Company's likely working capital requirements beyond the coming period of twelve months.

Further information concerning risk factors is set out under section 3 of the Prospectus.

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