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Company Announcements Officer
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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Shareholder Mail-out

The following documents will be mailed to shareholders tomorrow, 21st October 2005:

- Covering Letter to Shareholders
- Summary of questions asked at the company's AGM, and the answers.
- Chairman's Address
- CEO's Presentation

The Chairman's Address and CEO's Presentation were forwarded to ASX prior to the Annual General Meeting. The covering letter and summary of questions and answers are attached. This information will also be available on the Company's website.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Randall".

John Randall
Company Secretary



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Dear Shareholder

Enclosed with this letter are the following articles relating to the Company's recent Annual General Meeting:

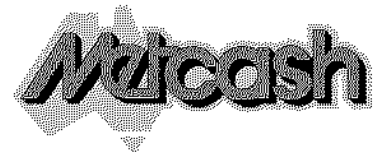
- Summary of questions asked at the meeting, and the answers;
- Chairman's Address
- CEO's Presentation

The information enclosed and other publications can be found on the company's web site; www.metcash.com

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**Metcash Limited
Annual General Meeting
1st September 2005**

Questions asked by Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting and answers provided.

Re-election of Directors

Q1 The Chairman's statement that additional non-executive directors were to be appointed is welcomed. Will the Board review the re-structuring option when establishing a majority of non-executive Directors?

A Restructuring will be considered.

Q2 In view of Mr Peter Barnes' Chairmanship of Yalumba & Ansell, both suppliers to Metcash, is he considered independent?

A Purchases from both of these companies are not material and Mr Barnes is independent.

Re-election of Ernst & Young as the company's Auditor

Q3 Can Ernst & Young provide assurance that the incoming lead partner was not involved in the audit of Sons of Gwalia?

A Mr Wykes was excluded from the audit process of the company.

Increase in total aggregate remuneration of Directors

Q4 Will the total aggregate Directors' remuneration be utilised in the first year?

A The present limit should be sufficient for another 3 years.

Q5 Does Metcash provide for Directors to take a portion of their remuneration as shares which have been purchased on the market?

A No, but this will be considered by the Remuneration & Nomination Committee.

Approval of the Employee Option Plan

Q6 Can the price at which options are exercised be varied downwards by Directors?

A The exercise price, when set, doesn't change. The exercise price of the options to be issued to Executive Directors is as stated in the Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Memorandum.

Q7 Did Metcash Trading Limited Options transfer to Metcash Limited?

A Yes, through the Schemes of Arrangement.



Q8 The hurdle rate for all options issued to Executive Directors has reduced from 20% compounding increase in earnings per share to 12.5%. Why has there been a reduction?

A The 20% compounded earnings per share hurdle was established when the company was at a lower profit base and was a demanding target. All targets were achieved. The company is now at a different level of profitability and 12.5% compounded growth in earnings per share is a tough target. To provide an incentive, targets have to be challenging but also achievable. A 20% compounding increase in earnings per share would not be possible to achieve in the current circumstances.

Q9 Will hurdle rates be applied for all senior executives?

A This will be taken into consideration when designing future long-term incentive schemes.

Remuneration Report

Q10 The Chairman's announcement that retirement allowances for non-executive directors was to be discontinued was welcomed. The application of hurdles to all senior managers would likewise be welcomed. Does the Board have a position on option price protection being used by option holders? This has the effect of removing risk. One ASX listed company prohibits the use of option price protection mechanisms.

A This will be investigated by the Remuneration & Nomination Committee.