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Dear Sir/Madam,

Merger with Suncorp implemented

Please see the attached release regarding the implementation of the merger with Suncorp-Metway Limited.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of
Promina Group Limited

Judith Howard
Company Secretary

Tuesday 20 March 2007

ASX / NZX Release

MERGER WITH SUNCORP IMPLEMENTED

Promina Group Limited (Promina) today confirmed that the merger between Promina and Suncorp-Metway Limited (Suncorp), by way of scheme of arrangement (Scheme), has been implemented.

In accordance with the terms of the Scheme, Promina ordinary shareholders (other than Ineligible Overseas Shareholders) have today been issued with 0.2703 Suncorp ordinary shares per Promina ordinary share and payment of the AUD\$1.80 per Promina ordinary share has been despatched. Holding statements in respect of the new Suncorp ordinary shares issued to Promina shareholders have also been despatched today.

Suncorp ordinary shares issued to Promina shareholders under the Scheme are expected to commence trading on a normal settlement basis from tomorrow, 21 March 2007.

Promina notes the following changes arising from the implementation:

- Michael Wilkins, Anna Hynes and Allan Diplock have today resigned from their positions as directors of Promina. The remaining non executive directors (Leo Tutt, Paula Dwyer, Ewoud Kulk and Geoffrey Ricketts) have been joined on the Promina board by:
 - John Mulcahy – Suncorp Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer;
 - John Story;
 - William Bartlett;
 - Ian Blackburne;
 - Cherrell Hirst;
 - Martin Kriewaldt;
 - Zygmunt Switkowski;
 - Christopher Skilton.
- As of today, Cliff Chuter, Corporate Secretary of Suncorp, has been appointed as company secretary of Promina and Michael Blair has resigned as additional

company secretary of Promina (but continues in his role as Promina Group's General Counsel). Judith Howard, Promina Group's company secretary, has resigned as company secretary effective from 23 March 2007 and following the implementation of the merger will be leaving Promina on that date.

- Promina has applied to the New Zealand Exchange Limited (NZX) to remove Promina from the NZSX (the main board equity security market operated by NZX) with effect from close of trade today. Promina will also request ASX to end quotation of its ordinary shares on ASX shortly.
- As of today, Promina's registered office will change to Level 18, Suncorp Centre, 36 Wickham Terrace, Brisbane Qld 4000. The registered office contact telephone number is 07 3835 5555 and facsimile number is 07 3836 1190.
- As of 26 March 2007, the share registry for Promina's Reset Preference Shares will change to Link Market Services, Level 12, 680 George Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

Promina's Reset Preference Shares will remain quoted securities on ASX at least until the close of Suncorp's current offer to acquire these shares, which is scheduled for 13 April 2007. For further information, Reset Preference Share holders should refer to the offer letter, which is available on Suncorp's website at www.suncorp.com.au.

Any Reset Preference Share holders, and Promina former ordinary shareholders who now hold Suncorp ordinary shares, may now contact the Suncorp-Metway Limited Investor Information Line on 1300 882 012.

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Promina Group Limited is listed on the Australian and New Zealand Stock Exchanges. It employs over 7,200 people in 210 offices across Australia and New Zealand, and traces its operations back to 1833 in Australia and 1878 in New Zealand.

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Unless otherwise stated, all references to "\$" are to Australian dollars.

The information in this Release is for general information only. To the extent that the information may constitute forward-looking statements, the information reflects Promina's current views at the date of this Release and is subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Promina's control, that may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied. Promina undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Release (subject to stock exchange disclosure requirements). The information is also not financial product advice. Investors should seek appropriate advice based on their own objectives, financial situation and needs.

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