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4 April 2005

The Manager
Company Announcements Office
Australian Stock Exchange Limited

Finalisation of Placement

Further to our announcement of 1 March 2005, we advise that we have now completed the placement of 20million shares at 20 cents per share with clients of Haywood Securities Limited.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 708A (5)(e) of the Corporations Act 2001 (the Act) under which this notice is given, the Company confirms that:

1. *The Company has issued the shares without disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Act;*
2. *As at the date of this notice, the Company has complied with the provisions of Chapter 2M of the Act, and Section 674 of the Act as they apply to the Company; and*
3. *There is no excluded information (as that expression is defined in sub-sections 708A (7) and 708A (8) of the Act) in relation to the Company.*

Please find attached an Appendix 3B outlining the issue of these shares.

Yours sincerely

Tim Hickman
Company Secretary

Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

Appendix 3B

New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix S. Amended 1/7/98, 1/9/99, 1/7/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/3/2002, 1/1/2003.

Name of entity

LAFAYETTE MINING LIMITED

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We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

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| 1 | +Class of +securities issued or to be issued | Fully Paid Ordinary Shares |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued | 20,000,000 |
| 3 | Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | |

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4 Do the ⁺securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing ⁺class of quoted ⁺securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment	Yes				
5 Issue price or consideration	20 cents per share for a total of \$4million.				
6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	Shares issued as a private placement to undertake an exploration programme on Rapu Rapu Island, and to fund miscellaneous working capital requirements.				
7 Dates of entering ⁺securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	31 March 2005				
8 Number and ⁺class of all ⁺securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	<table border="1"> <tr> <th data-bbox="706 1323 982 1375">Number</th> <th data-bbox="982 1323 1256 1375">⁺Class</th> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="706 1375 982 1583">499,395,722</td> <td data-bbox="982 1375 1256 1583">Ordinary Shares</td> </tr> </table>	Number	⁺ Class	499,395,722	Ordinary Shares
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9	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	⁺ Class
		22,000,000 options 3,165,000	Refer Attached Convertible Notes
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	N/A	

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	N/A	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	N/A	
13	Ratio in which the ⁺ securities will be offered	N/A	
14	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities to which the offer relates	N/A	
15	⁺ Record date to determine entitlements	N/A	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	N/A	
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	N/A	
18	Names of countries in which the entity has ⁺ security holders who will not be sent new issue documents	N/A	
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	N/A	

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20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	N/A
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	N/A
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	N/A
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	N/A
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	N/A
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	N/A
30	How do +security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	N/A
31	How do +security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	N/A

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- 32 How do ⁺security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)? N/A
- 33 ⁺Despatch date N/A

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

- 34 Type of securities
(tick one)

(a) ☒ Securities described in Part 1

(b) ☐ All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

- 35 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional ⁺securities, and the number and percentage of additional ⁺securities held by those holders
- 36 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional ⁺securities setting out the number of holders in the categories
1 - 1,000
1,001 - 5,000
5,001 - 10,000
10,001 - 100,000
100,001 and over
- 37 ☐ A copy of any trust deed for the additional ⁺securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38	Number of securities for which +quotation is sought					
39	Class of +securities for which quotation is sought					
40	Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment					
41	Reason for request for quotation now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)					
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;">Number</th> <th style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;">+Class</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="height: 60px;"></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Number	+Class		
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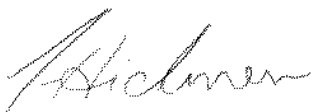
Quotation agreement

- 1 *Quotation of our additional *securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the *securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2 We warrant the following to ASX.
 - The issue of the *securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
 - There is no reason why those *securities should not be granted *quotation.
 - An offer of the *securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty
 - Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any *securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any *securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
 - We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the *securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
 - If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the *securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.

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- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before +quotation of the +securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here:  Date: 4 April 2005
Company Secretary

Print name:Tim Hickman.....

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LAFAYETTE MINING LIMITED
DETAILS OF SECURITIES NOT QUOTED ON ASX

Description	Number
Director options expiring 1 July 2007 exercisable at 9 cents	4,000,000
Director options expiring 1 July 2007 exercisable at 10 cents	750,000
Options expiring 7 July 2005 exercisable at 10 cents	5,000,000
Options expiring 5 January 2006 exercisable at 10 cents	5,000,000
Employee options expiring 1 July 2008 exercisable at 12 cents	1,167,400
Employee options expiring 1 July 2009 exercisable at 16 cents	791,300
Employee options expiring 1 July 2010 exercisable at 20 cents	791,300
Director options expiring 1 July 2009 exercisable at 17.25 cents	4,500,000
	<u>22,000,000</u>

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