



## MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

30 May 2006

### RECORD DATE FOR FINAL DIVIDEND

ASX wishes to advise that the ASX dividend for the 6 month period to 30 June 2006 will, if the proposed merger with SFE Corporation Limited (SFE) proceeds, be paid earlier than normal this year.

If the merger proceeds the final dividend is expected to be announced on 7 July 2006 and the record date will be the same record date as for the scheme of arrangement which is currently expected to be on or about 18 July 2006. This is expected to be paid on or about 9 August 2006.

If the proposed merger with SFE does not proceed, ASX's dividend will be announced on or about 17 August 2006 and paid in the normal course in September 2006.

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