

APPENDIX 3B

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New issue announcement,
application for quotation of additional securities.

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Name of entity

SANTOS LTD

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We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

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Part 1 – All issues

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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. | 32,400 |
| 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) | Consistent with all other ordinary shares on issue. |
| 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:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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

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| 5 Issue price or consideration | \$7.70 per share. |
| 6 Purpose of the issue
(If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets) | End of restriction period for 32,400 shares issued 26 November 2004 under the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan at the issue price of \$7.70 per share. |

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7	Dates of entering securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	28 November 2005	
8	Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	594,105,640	Fully paid ordinary shares.
		6,000,000	Franked Unsecured Equity Listed Securities (FUELS).
9	Number and class of all securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	Class
			Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan:
		49,800	(i) held by eligible employees; and
		114,369	(ii) held by Sesap Pty Ltd as trustee for the benefit of eligible executives.
		46,500	Executive share plan '0' shares of 25 cents each paid to 1 cent.
		41,500	Executive share plan '2' shares of 25 cents each paid to 1 cent.
		862,600	Share Acquisition Rights issued pursuant to the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan.
		2,450,290	Executive options issued pursuant to the Santos Executive Share Option Plan.
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Rank equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares.	

Part 2 – Bonus issue or pro rata issue *NOT APPLICABLE*

11	Is security holder approval required?	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	
13	Ratio in which the securities will be offered	

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| 14 | Class of securities to which the offer relates | |
| 15 | Record date to determine entitlements | |
| 16 | Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements? | |
| 17 | Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions | |
| 18 | Names of countries in which the entity has security holders who will not be sent new issue documents | |
| 19 | Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations | |
| 20 | Names of any underwriters | |
| 21 | Amount of any underwriting fee or commission | |
| 22 | Names of any brokers to the issue | |
| 23 | Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue | |
| 24 | Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders | |
| 25 | If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting | |
| 26 | Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled | |
| 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 | |
| 28 | Date rights trading will begin (if applicable) | |

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- 29 Date rights trading will end (if applicable)
- 30 How do security holders sell their entitlements *in full* through a broker?
- 31 How do security holders sell *part* of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?
- 32 How do security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?
- 33 Despatch date

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

Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38 Number of securities for which quotation is sought

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39 Class of securities for which quotation is sought

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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

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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)

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42 Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)

Number	Class

43 Number and class of all securities not quoted on ASX

Number	Class

