

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Order Granting Application to Strike from Listing and Registration on the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. (WMC Resources Ltd. American Depositary Shares (each representing 4 ordinary shares)) File No. 1-31554

August 4, 2005

On July 20, 2005, the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE" or "Exchange") filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 12d2-2(c) thereunder,² to strike the American Depositary Shares (each representing 4 ordinary shares) ("Security"), of WMC Resources Ltd. ("Company") from listing and registration on the NYSE.

NYSE Rule 499 states that securities admitted to the list may be suspended from dealings or removed from the list at any time. In addition, Section 802.01D of the Exchange's Listed Company Manual states, in part, that the Exchange is not limited by the criteria set forth in that section. Rather, the Exchange may make an appraisal of, and determine on an individual basis, the suitability for continued listing of an issue in the light of all pertinent facts whenever it deems such action appropriate, even though a security meets or fails to meet any enumerated criteria.

Other factors that may lead to a company's delisting include, among other things: (i) conduct not in keeping with sound public policy or any other event or condition which may exist or occur that makes further dealings or listing of the security on the Exchange inadvisable or unwarranted in the opinion of the Exchange; or (ii) the failure of a company to make timely, adequate, and accurate disclosures of information to its shareholders and the investing public.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78l(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c).

In the opinion of the NYSE, the Security is no longer suitable for continued listing and trading on the NYSE. The Exchange stated that the suspension of the Security is a result of the successful bid by BHP Billiton to take over the Company. On June 17, 2005, the expiration date of its offer for the Company's issued shares, BHP Billiton stated in a press release that it had a relevant interest in 90.59% of the Company's issued shares, and that it was proceeding to compulsorily acquire all of the outstanding shares of the Company. On June 20, 2005, the Australian Stock Exchange announced that the Company was suspended from quotation at the close of business on Friday, June 24, 2005.

On June 23, 2005, the Exchange determined that the Security should be immediately suspended from trading and directed the preparation and filing of this application with the Commission for the removal of the Security from listing and registration on the Exchange. The Exchange verbally notified the Company on June 23, 2005. The Exchange received an email on June 28, 2005 from the Company advising that it did not wish to have a hearing regarding the delisting of the Security.

The Commission, having considered the facts stated in the application and having due regard for the public interest and protection of investors, orders that the NYSE's application be, and it hereby is, granted, effective at the opening of business on August 5, 2005.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.³

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Secretary

³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).