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## **MMG LIMITED**

## 五礦資源有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

**(STOCK CODE: 1208)** 

# CONNECTED TRANSACTION DUGALD RIVER ZINC CONCENTRATE SALE AGREEMENT

#### **DUGALD RIVER ZINC CONCENTRATE SALE AGREEMENT**

On 27 March 2020, the Seller entered into the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement with Minmetals North-Europe in relation to the sale of the Product by the Seller to Minmetals North-Europe.

Minmetals North-Europe is a wholly owned subsidiary of CMC, the ultimate controlling shareholder of the Company, and is therefore an associate of CMC and a connected person of the Company under the Listing Rules. As a result, the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement constitutes a connected transaction for the Company.

As the relevant percentage ratios in respect of the maximum transaction value on an annual basis relating to the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement (when aggregated with the 2019 Agreement) are more than 0.1% and less than 5%, it constitutes a connected transaction which is subject to the reporting, annual review and announcement requirements under Rule 14A.76 of the Listing Rules, but exempt from the independent shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

#### **DUGALD RIVER ZINC CONCENTRATE SALE AGREEMENT**

As part of the ordinary and usual course of business, the Group sells its products to the CMC Group.

On 27 March 2020 the Seller entered into the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement with Minmetals North-Europe in relation to the sale of the Product to Minmetals North-Europe. The principal terms of the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement are set out below.

Parties : (1) Seller: MMG Dugald River

(2) Buyer: Minmetals North-Europe

Term : From the date of the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement

until all obligations of the parties are fulfilled.

Quantity : Approximately 10,000 dry metric tonnes of Product (+/- 10% at Seller's

option).

Pricing : The pricing of the concentrate was determined after arm's length

negotiations and is comparable with the market for concentrate

qualities such as Dugald River zinc concentrate.

#### Prices shall be:

calculated based on agreed amounts of:

o zinc contained in the Product at the Special High Grade Settlement Price for zinc as quoted on the

London Metal Exchange; and

silver contained in the Product at London Bullion
 Market Association Silver Price spot quotation,

each averaged over the agreed quotational period;

• less an agreed treatment charge which is consistent with treatment charges prevailing for comparable sales of zinc

concentrate at the time of this Agreement.

Transaction Value : If the transaction was executed on 27 March 2020, it would be valued

at approximately US\$5.5 million.

Delivery Terms : Shipment shall be arranged by the Seller from the delivery point

nominated by the Seller to the place of final destination nominated by

Minmetals North-Europe on a CIF (Incoterms 2020®) basis.

The Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement will also set out, among other things, specifications, shipping schedule, delivery terms, payment terms, quotational period and other usual conditions (including those dealing with title and risk, insurance requirements and termination and suspension rights).

The terms of the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement were arrived at after arm's length negotiations between the Seller and Minmetals North-Europe and these terms are consistent with prevailing market rates and conditions for comparable zinc concentrate.

### REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE DUGALD RIVER CONCENTRATE SALE AGREEMENT

The Group's principal activities include the production and sale of metal products, including copper, zinc and lead concentrates. As part of its ordinary and usual course of business, the Group sells some of its products to the CMC Group at prices and on terms which are consistent with prevailing market rates and conditions for the relevant products.

The Dugald River operation will produce approximately 350,000 dry metric tonnes of zinc concentrate at full production. China is an important market for zinc concentrate and the CMC Group has investments in several major Chinese zinc smelters which are in a position to process Dugald River zinc concentrates. CMC also has trading relationships with other Chinese zinc smelters which may process Dugald River zinc concentrates.

The Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors but excluding the Interested Directors), who are of the view that the terms of the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder are on normal commercial terms, and are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

The Interested Directors, each holding position(s) at CMC and/or CMN, have abstained from voting on the Board resolution approving the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement in order to avoid any possible conflict of interest issue.

#### **IMPLICATIONS UNDER THE LISTING RULES**

Minmetals North-Europe is a wholly owned subsidiary of CMC, the ultimate controlling shareholder of the Company, and is therefore an associate of CMC and a connected person of the Company under the Listing Rules. As a result, the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement constitutes a connected transaction for the Company.

As announced by the Company on 22 August 2019, the Seller entered into a sale agreement with the Buyer for the purchase of approximately 10,000 dry metric tonnes of the Product (2019 Agreement). The 2019 Agreement will therefore need to be aggregated with the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement.

As the relevant percentage ratios (as set out in Chapter 14 and Rule 14A.76 of the Listing Rules) in respect of the maximum transaction value relating to the Dugald River Zinc Concentrate Sale Agreement, when aggregated with the 2019 Agreement, are more than 0.1% but less than 5%, it constitutes a connected transaction which is subject to the reporting, annual review and announcement requirements under Rule 14A.76 of the Listing Rules, but exempt from the independent shareholders' approval requirements, under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE GROUP

The Group is engaged in the exploration, development and mining of copper, zinc, gold, silver and lead deposits around the world.

#### INFORMATION ABOUT THE CMC GROUP

The CMC Group is one of the largest state-owned enterprises in the mining sector in the PRC. It is engaged in the exploration, development, mining, processing and sale of a wide range of non-ferrous metals including tungsten, rare earth, copper, alumina, lead and zinc.

Minmetals North-Europe is engaged in the purchase and sale of a wide range of non-ferrous metals including copper, lead and zinc.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this announcement, the following expressions have the meanings set out below unless the context requires otherwise.

2019 Agreement the agreement dated 22 August 2019 between the Seller and

Minmetals North-Europe in relation to the sale of the Product

associates has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules

Board the board of directors of the Company

CMC 中國五礦集團有限公司 (China Minmetals Corporation), a state-owned

enterprise incorporated under the laws of the PRC and the ultimate

controlling shareholder of the Company

**CMC Group** CMC and its subsidiaries and associates from time to time (excluding

the Group)

CMN 五礦有色金屬股份有限公司 (China Minmetals Non-Ferrous Metals

Company Limited), a company incorporated under the laws of the PRC

and the controlling shareholder of the Company

Company or MMG MMG Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong, the securities

of which are listed and traded on the main board of the Stock Exchange

has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules connected person

controlling shareholder has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules

Director(s) the director(s) of the Company

Sale Agreement

Dugald River Zinc Concentrate the agreement dated 27 March 2020 between the Seller and

Minmetals North-Europe in relation to the sale of the Product

Group the Company and its subsidiaries from time to time

Hong Kong the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC

Interested Directors Guo Wenging, Zhang Shugiang, Jiao Jian, Xu Jiqing and Gao Xiaoyu

the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange Listing Rules

Minmetals North-Europe AB, a company incorporated in Sweden, an

indirect wholly owned subsidiary of CMC

PRC the People's Republic of China (for the purpose of this announcement,

excluding Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the

PRC and Taiwan)

Product zinc concentrates produced by the Group at its Dugald River Mine in

North-west Queensland, Australia

Seller MMG Dugald River Pty Ltd, a company incorporated in Victoria,

Australia, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company

Stock Exchange The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

subsidiary has the meaning ascribed to it under the Companies Ordinance

(Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong)

% Percentage

Unless otherwise specified, conversion of US\$ into HK\$ in this announcement is based on the exchange rate of US\$1.00 = HK\$7.80 for the purpose of illustration only. No representation is made and there is no assurance that US\$ or HK\$ can be purchased or sold at such rate.

By order of the Board

MMG Limited

Geoffrey Gao

CEO and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 27 March 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the Board consists of eight directors, of which one is an executive director, namely Mr Gao Xiaoyu; four are non-executive directors, namely Mr Guo Wenqing (Chairman), Mr Jiao Jian, Mr Zhang Shuqiang and Mr Xu Jiqing; and three are independent non-executive directors, namely Dr Peter William Cassidy, Mr Leung Cheuk Yan and Mr Chan Ka Keung, Peter.