

Adelaide Brighton Ltd announcement

regarding The Rugby Group PLC

Adelaide Brighton Ltd (“Adelaide Brighton”) announces that its 55% shareholder, The Rugby Group PLC (“Rugby”) has recommended an offer by RMC Group p.l.c. (“RMC”) to acquire the whole of the share capital of Rugby.

Adelaide Brighton understands that RMC has informally approached the Australian Securities and Investments Commission in order to determine what action, if any, should be taken in relation to the 45% of Adelaide Brighton shares not held by Rugby. A further announcement will be made following detailed discussions with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. At this stage it is not known whether a compliance bid will be required.

Signed

C J Foll
Secretary

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