# PASSPORT CAPITAL

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| TO:<br>ASX Company Announcements | FROM:<br>Danell Doty                     |  |  |  |
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| COMPANY:                         | FEBRUARY 10, 2011                        |  |  |  |
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Please find attached a Form 603 to be filed. Please contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Thank you, Danell Doty

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## Form 603

Corporations Act 2001 Section 671B

## Notice of initial substantial holder

| <u>To</u> Company Nar | me/Scheme   | Base Re           | esources Ltd.   |   |  | <u> </u>                                   |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|---|---|--|--|
| ACN/ARSN              |   | 125 546           | 910   |   |  | <u></u>                                    |
| 1. Details of su      | bştantial holder (1)  |                   |   |   |  |  |
| Name                  |   | Passpo<br>Bank of | rt Materials Master Fund, LP<br>Norway, Passport Advisors,        | , Passport Materials Master<br>LP, Passport Holdings, LLC | r Fund II, LP, Blackwell Part<br>C Passport Capital, LLC, an | ners LLC, Norges<br>d John H. Burbank III. |
| ACN/ARSN (if ap       | plicable)   | N/A               |   |   |  |  |
| The holder becan      | ne a substantial holde  | on                | 09/02/201 <u>1</u>  |   |  |  |
| 2. Details of vo      | of votes attached to a  | the voti          | ng shares in the company or vo<br>I holder became a substantial I | oting interests in the scheme                             | that the substantial holder or a                             | an associate (2) had a                     |
| relevant interest (   | <ol> <li>in on the date the s</li> <li>Class of securities</li> </ol> |                   | Number of securities  | Person's votes (5)  | Voting power (6)   |  |
|                       | Ordinary Sharet   |                   | 17 500 000  | 17,500,000  | 11.08%   |  |

### 3. Details of relevant interests

The nature of the relevant interest the substantial holder or an associate had in the following voting securities on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

| Holder of relevant interest           | Nature of relevant interest (7)   | Class and number of securities |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Passport Materials Master Fund, LP    | Entry into contracts for the purchase of<br>the securities on ASX. Holder of<br>securities pursuant to 608(1) of the<br>Corporations Act. | 5.472,900 Ordinary Shares      |
| Passport Materials Master Fund II, LP | Entry into contracts for the purchase of the securities on ASX. Holder of securities pursuant to 608(1) of the Corporations Act.          | 3,330,400 Ordinary Shares      |
| Blackwell Partners LLC                | Entry into contracts for the purchase of the securities on ASX, Holder of securities pursuant to 608(1) of the Corporations Act.          | 3,996.700 Ordinary Shares      |
| Norges Bank of Norway                 | Entry into contracts for the purchase of the securities on ASX. Holder of securities pursuant to 608(1) of the Corporations Act.          | 4,700.000 Ordinary Shares      |

| Passport Advisors, LP  | Taken under sections 608(1)(b) and 608(1)(c) of the Corporations Act to have a relevant interest by reason of having control of the securities as general partner to Passport Materials Master Fund, LP andPassport Materials Master Fund II, LP. | 8,803,300 Ordinary Shares  |  |  |
|------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|
| Passport Holdings, LLC | Taken under sections 608(1)(b) and 608(1)(c) of the Corporations Act to have a relevant interest by reason of having control of the securities as general partner to Passport Advisors, LP.   | 8,803,300 Ordinary Shares  |  |  |
| Pessport Capital. LLC  | Taken under section 608(3)(b) of the Corporations Act to have a relevant interest by reason of having control of Passport Advisors, LP and Passport Holdings, LLC, Investment advisor to Blackwell Partners LLC and Norges Bank of Norway.        | 17,500,000 Ordinary Shares |  |  |
| John H. Burbank III    | Taken under section 608(3)(b) of the Corporations Act to have a relevant interest by reason of having control of Passport Capital. LLC.   | 17,500,000 Ordinary Shares |  |  |

#### 4. Details of present registered holders

The persons registered as holders of the securities referred to in paragraph 3 above are as follows:

| Holder of relevant interest              | Registered holder of<br>securities       | Person entitled to be registered as holder (8) | Class and number<br>of securities |  |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| Passport Materials Master<br>Fund, LP    | Passport Materials Master Fund.<br>LP    | Passport Materials Master Fund,<br>LP          | 5,472,900 Ordinary<br>Shares      |  |
| Passport Materials Master Fund<br>II, LP | Passport Materials Master Fund<br>II, LP | Passport Meterials Master Fund<br>II. LP       | 3.330,400 Ordinary<br>Shares      |  |
| Blackwell Partners LLC                   | Blackwell Partners LLC                   | Blackwell Partners LLC                         | 3,996,700 Ordinary<br>Shares      |  |
| Norges Bank of Norway                    | Norges Bank of Norway                    | Norges Bank of Norway                          | 4,700,000 Ordinary<br>Shares      |  |

#### 5. Consideration

The consideration paid for each relevant interest referred to in paragraph 3 above, and acquired in the four months prior to the day that the substantial holder became a substantial holder is as follows:

| Holder of relevant interest | Date of acquisition | Consideration (9) |          | Class and number<br>of securities |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| See attached Annex          |                     | Cash              | Non-cash |                                   |

#### 6. Associates

The reasons the persons named in paragraph 3 above are associates of the substantial holder are as follows:

| Name and ACN/ARSN (if applicable) | Nature of association |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| N/A                               | N/A                   |

#### 7. Addresses

The addresses of persons named in this form are as follows:

| Name                                  | Address   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Passport Materials Master Fund. LP    | c/o WSmiths Finance Limited, Nemours Chambers, PO Box 3170, Road Town.<br>Tortola, British Virgin Islands |
| Passport Materials Master Fund II, LP | c/o W\$miths Finance Limited. Nemours Chambers, PO Box 3170. Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands   |
| Passport Advisors, LP                 | 30 Hotaling Place Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94111, United States of America                            |
| Passport Holdings, LLC                | 30 Hotaling Place Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94111, United States of America                            |
| Passport Capital, LLC                 | 30 Hotaling Place Suite 300. San Francisco, CA 94111, United States of America                            |
| John H. Burbank III                   | 30 Hotaling Place Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94111, United States of America                            |

#### Signature

| print name | Joanne Cormican     | <br>capacity | Authorised<br>Representative |
|------------|---------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| sign here  | /s/ Joanne Cormiçan | <br>date     | 09/02/2011                   |

#### DIRECTIONS

- (1) If there are a number of substantial holders with similar or related relevant interests (eg. a corporation and its related corporations, or the manager and trustee of an equity trust), the names could be included in an annexure to the form. If the relevant interests of a group of persons are essentially similar, they may be referred to throughout the form as a specifically named group if the membership of each group, with the names and addresses of members is clearly set out in paragraph 7 of the form.
- (2) See the definition of "associate" in section 9 of the Corporations Act 2001.
- (3) See the definition of "relevant interest" in sections 608 and 671B(7) of the Corporations Act 2001.
- (4) The voting shares of a company constitute one class unless divided into separate classes.
- (5) The total number of votes attached to all the voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme (if any) that the person or an associate has a relevant interest in.
- (6) The person's votes divided by the total votes in the body corporate or scheme multiplied by 100.
- (7) Include details of:
  - (a) any relevant agreement or other circumstances by which the relevant interest was acquired. If subsection 671B(4) applies, a copy of any document setting out the terms of any relevant agreement, and a statement by the person giving full and accurate details of any contract, scheme or arrangement, must accompany this form, together with a written statement certifying this contract, scheme or arrangement; and
  - (b) any qualification of the power of a person to exercise, control the exercise of, or influence the exercise of, the voting powers or disposal of the securities to which the relevant interest relates (indicating clearly the particular securities to which the qualification applies).

See the definition of "relevant agreement" in section 9 of the Corporations Act 2001.

- (8) If the substantial holder is unable to determine the identity of the person (eg. if the relevant interest arises because of an option) write "unknown."
- (9) Details of the consideration must include any and all benefits, moneys and other, that any person from whom a relevant interest was acquired has, or may, become entitled to receive in relation to that acquisition. Details must be included even if the benefit is conditional on the happening or not of a contingency. Details must be included of any benefit paid on behalf of the substantial holder or its associate in relation to the acquisitions, even if they are not paid directly to the person from whom the relevant interest was acquired.

## ANNEX A

## **Details of Transactions**

| Holder of Relevant Interest   | Date of<br>Acquisition   | Consideration   | Non  | Class and Number of Shares   |   |  |
|---|--|---|------|--|---|--|
| Passport Materials Master Fund, LP Passport Materials Master Fund, LP Blackwell Partners LLC Blackwell Partners LLC Norges Bank of Norway Passport Materials Master Fund II, LP | 07/02/2011<br>09/02/2011<br>07/02/2011<br>02/09/2011<br>02/09/2011<br>07/02/2011 | Cash AUD<br>87,519.81<br>2,486,563.20<br>75,632.72<br>1,803,700.20<br>2,213,418.00<br>63,700.27 | Cash | 192,900<br>5,280,000<br>166,700<br>3,830,000<br>4,700,00<br>140,400<br>3,190,000 | Ordinary Shares |  |
| Passport Materials Master Fund II,  | 02/09/2011   | 1,502,280.00  |      | 3,133,11   |   |  |