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Notice of initial substantial holder

Please find attached a notice of initial substantial holder in relation to shares in Focus Minerals Limited.

Regards

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Form 603

Corporations Act 2001 Section 6718

Notice of initial substantial holder

To Company Name/Scheme	Focus Minerals Ltd
ACN/ARSN	005 470 799
Details of substantial holder (1) Name	Van Eck Associates Corporation (and its essociates as referred to in paragraph 6).
ACN/ARSN (if applicable)	N/A
The holder became a substantial holde	er on 16/9/2011

2. Details of voting power

The total number of votes attached to all the voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme that the substantial holder or an associate (2) had a relevant interest (3) in on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

Class of securities (4)	Number of socurities					
Ordinary shares	214,974,346	214,974,346	5.04%			

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:

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	Holder of relevant interest Nature of relevant interest (7) Class and number of sec		Class and number of securities
	Van Eck Associates Corpora (VEAC)	VEAC holds its relevent interest by having the power 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 in the ordinary course of investment management business.	214,974,946
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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	Person entitled to be	Class and number
	securifies	registered as holder (8)	of securities
VEAC			Ordinary shares 214,974,346

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 of securities
VEAC	See Annexure A	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
VEAC	Associate under section 12(2) of the Corporations Act.

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Van Eck Securities Corporation	PERSONAL DITCH TELEVISION TELEVIS
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7. Addresses

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

Name	Address
VEAC	339 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10017
Ven Eck Securities Corporation	335 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10017
Van Eck Absolute Return Advisers, Inc.	335 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10017

Signature

print name Russell Brennan capacity Asalstani Vice President
sign here Russell Brennan date 9 / 20 / 1 /

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 relavant interests of a group of persons are assentially 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 essociate has a relevant interest in.
- (6) The person's votes divided by the total votes in the body corporate or achiene multiplied by 100.
- (7) include details of:
 - (a) any retevant agreement or other circumstances by which the relevant interest was acquired. If subsection 6718(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 conflying this contract, scheme or arrangement; and
 - (b) any qualification of the power of a person to exarcise, 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."
- (8) 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 acquirition. 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 acquiritions, even if they are not paid directly to the person from whom the relevant interest was acquired.

GUIDE

This guide does not form part of the prescribed form and is included by ASIC to assist you in completing and lodging form 603.

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This form must be signed by either a director or a secretary of the substantial holder. Signature Lodging period N0Nil **Lodging Fee** Other forms to be NII completed If additional space is required to complete a question, the information may be included on a separate piece of (a) Additional information paper annexed to the form. This notice must be given to a listed company, or the responsible entity for a listed managed investment scheme. A copy of this notice must also be given to each relevant securities exchange. The person must give a copy of this notice: within 2 business days after they become aware of the information; or (1) by 9.30 am on the next trading day of the relevant securities exchange after they become aware of the information if: a takeover bid is made for voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme; and (A) the person becomes aware of the information during the bid period. To make any annexure conform to the regulations, you must **Annexures** 1 use A4 size paper of white or light pastel colour with a margin of at least 10mm on all sides 2 show the corporation name and ACN or ARBN 3 number the pages consecutively 4 print of type in BLOCK tetters in dark blue or black ink so that the document is clearly legible when photocopied 5 identify the annexure with a mark such as A, B, C, etc. endorse the annexure with the words: This is annexure (mark) of (number) pages referred to in form (form number and title)

The annexure must be signed by the same person(s) who signed the form.

Information in this guide is intended as a guide only. Please consult your accountant or solicitor for further advice.

7 sign and date the annexure.

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Holder of relevant		ì	Co	nsideration	Consideration Non-	ŀ
Interest	Date of Acquisition	B/S		Cash	cash	Number of Securities
GDXJ	9/16/2011		\$	1,753,222	\$ -	24,333,274
GDXJ	6/14/2011		\$	402,122	\$ -	5,343,633
GDXJ	6/15/2011		\$	818,482	\$ -	10,905,456
GDXJ	6/16/2011		\$	921,582	\$ -	12,529,762
GDXU	6/17/2011		\$	8,778,446	\$ -	113,191,000
GDXJ	6/21/2011		\$	_	In-Kind	1,211,000
GDXU	6/22/2011		\$	_	In-Kind	1,210,800
GDXJ	6/29/2011		\$	-	in-Kind	968,816
GDXJ	6/30/2011		\$	_	In-Kind	1,210,940
GDXJ	7/S/2011		\$		in-Kind	1,695,344
GDXI	7/6/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,331,814
GDXU	7/7/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,089,648
GDXJ	7/8/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,089,639
GDXJ	7/11/2011		\$	-	In-Kind	242,144
GDXI	7/12/2011	_	\$		In-Kind	1,815,945
GDXJ	7/13/2011		\$		In-Kind	2,057,969
GDXJ	7/14/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,937,008
GDXJ	7/15/2011		\$		tn-Kind	968,472
	7/18/2011		\$	49,439	\$ -	686,178
GDX1	7/18/2011		\$	45,435	In-Kind	484,236
GDXI			\$	-	tn-Kind	364,512
GDXJ	7/19/2011				In-Kind	364,602
GDXI	7/21/2011		\$	<u> </u>	In-Kind	121,537
GDXJ	7/25/2011		\$		In-Kind	486,132
GDXJ	7/26/2011		\$	_	In-Kind	364,464
GDXJ	8/2/2011		\$			1,093,383
GDXI	8/4/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,457,316
GDXI	8/8/2011		\$		In-Kind	2,307,189
GDXJ	8/9/2011		\$	_	In-Kind	1,699,978
GDXI	8/10/2011		\$	_	In-Kind	
GDXJ	8/11/2011		\$		In-Kind	2,550,093
GDXJ	8/12/2011		\$		in-Kind	1,092,906
GDX)	8/15/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,092,861
GDXI	8/16/2011		\$		in-Kind	485,684
GDXJ	8/17/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,456,944
GDXJ	8/18/2011		\$	-	In-Kind	364,233
GDXJ	8/19/2011		\$		In-Kind	849,723
GDXJ	8/22/2011		\$	<u> </u>	In-Kind	1,092,474
GDXJ	8/30/2011		\$		In-Kind	485,500
GDXI	8/31/2011		\$		In-Kind	242,712
GDXU	9/1/2011		\$		In-Kind	849,471
GDXU	9/2/2011		\$		In-Kind	2,184,300
GDX)	9/6/2011		\$		In-Kind	2,063,307
GDXI	9/8/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,334,652
GDX J	9/9/2011		\$		in-Kind	1,577,628
GDXJ	9/12/2011	₿	\$	28 <u>8,107</u>	\$	4,107,064
GDXJ	9/12/2011	В	\$	*	In-Kind	970,824
	9/13/2011	В	\$	_	₹n-Kind	Russell Brenner 9.20.11

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Holder of relevant interest	Date of Acquisition	B/S	Cor	sideration Cash	Consideration Non- cash	Number of Securities
GDXJ	9/14/2011		\$	359,302	\$ -	5,181,100
GDXJ	9/15/2011		\$	304,659	\$ -	4,412,266
GDXJ	6/20/2011		\$	56,053	\$ -	758,010
GDX)	6/27/2011		\$		In-Kind	484,284
GDXJ	7/27/2011	\$	\$	-	In-Kind	1,093,581
GDXI	7/28/2011		\$		In-Kind	1,579,435
GDXU	8/5/2011		\$	-	In-Kind	242,922
GDXJ	8/23/2011		\$	- -	In-Kind	606,920
GDXI	8/24/2011		\$		(n-Kind	485,528
GDXJ	8/25/2011		\$		In-Kind	z,427,380
GDXJ	8/26/2011		\$	22,756	\$ -	361,461
GDXJ	8/26/2011		\$	-	In-Kind	1,092,438
GDXU	8/29/2011		\$	-	In-Kind	728,262
GDXJ	9/7/2011		5		In-Kind	121,343
GDXJ	9/15/2011		\$		In-Kind_	354,164
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In-Kind transactions result from GDXJ receiving a basket of securities (including Focus Minerals Ltd) in exchange for securities in GDXJ.

Russell Brenner 9.20.11