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APA Group



Australian Pipeline Ltd
ACN 091 344 704

Australian Pipeline Trust
ARSN 091 678 778

APT Investment Trust
ARSN 115 585 441

15 December 2011

The Manager

Company Announcements Office
Australian Securities Exchange
4th Floor, 20 Bridge Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Electronic Lodgement

Dear Sir or Madam

Company Announcement

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 3.10.3, please find attached the following announcement relating to a proposed issue of securities:

- Appendix 3B - New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement.

Yours faithfully

Mark Knapman
Company Secretary

Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

Appendix 3B

New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 5. Amended 1/7/98, 1/9/99, 1/7/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/3/2002, 1/1/2003, 24/10/2005.

Name of entity

APA Group (consisting of Australian Pipeline Trust and APT Investment Trust, both trusts of which Australian Pipeline Limited (RE) is the Responsible Entity)

ABN

Australian Pipeline Limited (RE) ABN 99 091 344 704
as Responsible Entity of Australian Pipeline Trust ARSN 091 678 778 (APT) and APT Investment Trust ARSN 115 585 441 (APTIT)

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

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| 1 | +Class of +securities issued or to be issued | Fully paid ordinary APA Group stapled securities, each comprising an ordinary unit in APT and APTIT, all stapled together (Stapled Securities). |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued | 144,311,053 |
| 3 | Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | Standard terms that attach to fully paid ordinary Stapled Securities. |

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4	Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment	Yes - the Stapled Securities will be fully paid and from the date of issue rank equally for distributions and other rights with existing Stapled Securities.	
5	Issue price or consideration	Refer to section 6.	
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	As part of consideration for the stapled securities being acquired under a Chapter 6 takeover of Hastings Diversified Utilities Fund (ASX: HDF), as per the Bidder's Statement dated 15 December 2011.	
7	Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	To be advised.	
8	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	639,334,625 + 144,311,053 783,645,678	Opening balance + issued securities Fully paid ordinary Stapled Securities

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9 Number and ⁺class of all ⁺securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="758 239 1062 286">Number</th><th data-bbox="1062 239 1359 286">⁺Class</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="758 286 1062 510">Nil</td><td data-bbox="1062 286 1359 510"></td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Number	⁺ Class	Nil	
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Nil					
10 Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Same as existing securities from the date of issue				

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11 Is security holder approval required?	Not applicable
12 Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable
13 Ratio in which the ⁺securities will be offered	Not applicable
14 ⁺Class of ⁺securities to which the offer relates	Not applicable
15 ⁺Record date to determine entitlements	Not applicable
16 Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	Not applicable
17 Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	Not applicable
18 Names of countries in which the entity has ⁺security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	Not applicable
19 Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	Not applicable

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20	Names of any underwriters	Not applicable
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	Not applicable
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	Not applicable
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	Not applicable
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of ⁺ security holders	Not applicable
25	If the issue is contingent on ⁺ security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	Not applicable
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	Not applicable
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	Not applicable
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	Not applicable
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	Not applicable
30	How do ⁺ security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	Not applicable
31	How do ⁺ security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	Not applicable
32	How do ⁺ security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	Not applicable

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33 ⁺Despatch date

Not applicable

Part 3 - Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

34 Type of securities
(tick one)

(a) ☒ Securities described in Part 1

(b) ☐ All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

35 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional ⁺securities, and the number and percentage of additional ⁺securities held by those holders

36 ☐ If the ⁺securities are ⁺equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional ⁺securities setting out the number of holders in the categories
1 - 1,000
1,001 - 5,000
5,001 - 10,000
10,001 - 100,000
100,001 and over

37 ☐ A copy of any trust deed for the additional ⁺securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38	Number of securities for which +quotation is sought					
39	Class of +securities for which quotation is sought					
40	Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment					
41	Reason for request for quotation now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)					
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"><thead><tr><th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Number</th><th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">+Class</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td style="height: 80px;"></td><td style="height: 80px;"></td></tr></tbody></table>	Number	+Class		
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Quotation agreement

- 1 +Quotation of our additional +securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the +securities on any conditions it decides.
- 2 We warrant the following to ASX.
 - The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
 - There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
 - An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty
 - Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any +securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any +securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
 - If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the +securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- 4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before +quotation of the +securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here:



Company Secretary

Date:15/12/2011.....

Print name:

..Mark Knappman.....

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