

RELEASE TO AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE ("ASX")

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NEW FUNDING AGREEMENT CLAIM AGAINST STANDARD & POOR'S

- 1. The Board of Directors of IMF (Australia) Ltd announces its agreement to fund litigation in the Federal Court of Australia on behalf of about 90 local councils, churches and charities ("the Investors") against McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc (the owner of Standard & Poor's).
- 2. The claim relates to investments in collateralised debt obligations ("CDOs") rated by Standard & Poor's and distributed by Lehman Brothers (Australia) Ltd (In Liquidation) ("Lehman").
- 3. Yesterday IMF announced that the Liquidators of Lehman have proposed a Scheme of Company Arrangement where admitted creditors may receive between 39.9 and 49.2 cents in the dollar if the Scheme is approved. The Investors' claims against Standard & Poor's will be for the balance of their losses after receipt of any monies from Lehman plus interest.
- 4. The litigation will be commenced by Moree Plains Shire Council and City of Swan each on their own behalf and as a representative of the other Investors.
- 5. IMF will include the claim value in its Quarterly Case Investment Portfolio Reports as they are published.
- 6. Further information is available by calling IMF on 1800 016 464 or on IMF's website at www.imf.com.au.

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