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## Corporate Update – Sale of 74% Interest in South African Subsidiary and Completion of Rights Issue

As previously announced, the Board of Continental Coal Limited (**ASX:CCC**)("**Continental**" or "**the Company**") advised shareholders that subsequent to the completion of the Rights Issue it had accepted an offer with offers from a consortium headed by LSP Energy (Pty) Ltd to acquire its 74% interest in South African subsidiary Continental Coal Limited SA ("**CCL SA**").

The Company is pleased to advise that as part of the formal due diligence, timetable and finalisation process, it has agreed to revised terms with a new purchaser consortium headed by Ivory Mint Holdings Corp. on the following key terms and conditions:

- i. Total purchase consideration of USD\$75.0m ("Purchase Price");
- ii. Proof of funds has been provided;
- iii. Final due diligence sign off and execution of formal contracts on or before 15 January 2015;
- iv. Deposit of USD\$5.0m has been paid into escrow with purchaser's solicitors which will be released to Continental Coal Limited upon relevant section 11 approval being obtained in South Africa, or if waived, on or before 31 January 2015;
- v. Purchase Price includes:
  - a. complete payout and settlement of the ABSA and EDF debt positions by Continental at closing;
  - b. assignment from CCC of its loan account with CCL SA of approximately AUD\$100m;
- vi. The passing of such resolutions as may be necessary to give effect to the transaction at a meeting of the Company's shareholders convened in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act;



- vii. Receipt of all necessary South African ministerial consent, government, regulatory and third party approvals, in respect of the Transaction including, but not limited to, Section 11 and waiver of SIOC Pre-emptives under the Shareholders Agreement that governs the two shareholders of CCL SA; and
- viii. Targeted completion date of 28 February 2015 unless otherwise mutually agreed in writing.

The Board is firmly of the view that the transaction would leave the company debt free with excess cash reserves at its disposal and the ability to pursue new opportunities.

## Completion of Rights Issue

The Company is pleased to advise the completion of the Rights Issue Supplementary Prospectus with 800m ordinary shares being issued at \$0.005 raising AUD\$4.0m before costs. Ivory Mint Holdings and investors introduced by them subscribed for 400m shares as part of the transaction.

An Appendix 3B to follow when all shares are issued with the re-commencement of trading scheduled on or before Friday, 16 January 2015.

For and on behalf of the Board

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## About Continental Coal Limited

Continental Coal Limited (ASX:CCC) is a South African thermal coal producer with a portfolio of projects located in South Africa's major coal fields including two operating mines, the Vlakvarkfontein and Penumbra Coal Mines, producing approx. 2Mtpa of thermal coal for the export and domestic markets. A Feasibility Study was also completed on a proposed third mine, the De Wittekrans Coal Project with a mining right granted in September 2013.

## Forward Looking Statement

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