

Form 603

Corporations Law
Section 671B

Notice of initial substantial holder

To: Company Name/Scheme Appen Limited

ACN/ARSN 138 878 298

1. Details of substantial holder (1)

Name Bank of America Corporation and its related bodies corporate (See Appendix C)

ACN/ARSN (if applicable) _____

The holder became a substantial holder on: 8 April 2015

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 securities	Persons' votes (5)	Voting power (6)
Ordinary	5,038,335	5,038,335	5.31%

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
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Power to control voting and/or disposal of securities in its capacity as ultimate beneficial owner having a principal position.	Ordinary 2,370,835
Merrill Lynch International (Australia) Ltd	Borrowing of securities pursuant to a Prime Brokerage Agreement (see Appendix B), with power to control the voting and/or disposal of borrowed securities.	Ordinary 2,667,500

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 securities	Person entitled to be registered as holder (8)	Class and number of securities
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Merrill Lynch (Australia) Nominees Pty Ltd	Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Ordinary 2,370,835
Merrill Lynch International (Australia) Ltd	MLEQ Nominees Pty Ltd	Merrill Lynch International (Australia) Ltd	Ordinary 2,667,500

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
		Cash	Non-cash	
Please see Annexure A.				

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
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Related body corporate
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Nominees Pty Ltd	Related body corporate
MLEQ Nominees Pty Ltd	Related body corporate

7. Addresses

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

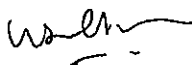
Name	Addresses
Bank of America Corporation	100 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, 28255, USA
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Level 38, Governor Phillip Tower, 1 Farrer Place, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Nominees Pty Ltd	Level 19, 120 Collins St, Melbourne Vic 3000, Australia
MLEQ Nominees Pty Ltd	Level 38, Governor Phillip Tower, 1 Farrer Place, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia

SIGNATURE

Print Name: Roland Chan

Capacity: Authorised signatory

Sign Here:



Date: 13 April 2015

APPENDIX A.

Date of change	Person whose relevant interest changed	Nature of change (4)	Consideration (5)	Class (6) of securities	Securities affected	Person's votes affected	Remark
12/15/2014	Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Purchase	-1535000.00	Ordinary	3,070,000	3,070,000	
1/7/2015	Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Purchase	-14524.50	Ordinary	29,049	29,049	
1/7/2015	Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Purchase	-57617.28	Ordinary	120,000	120,000	
2/2/2015	Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Ltd	Sale	479240.91	Ordinary	(848,214)	(848,214)	
4/8/2015	Merrill Lynch International Australia	Collateral Receive	NA	Ordinary	2,667,500	2,667,500	Refer to App. B-1

Appendix B-1: Prescribed information

Type of agreement	International Prime Brokerage Agreement
Parties to agreement	Merrill Lynch International, Merrill Lynch International (Australia) Limited and Regal Funds Management Pty Limited as Trustee of Atlantic Absolute Return Fund
Holder of voting rights	Securities borrower. Securities lender may instruct the registered holder to vote on securities.
Are there any restrictions on voting rights?	No
If yes, detail	N/A
Scheduled return date (if any)	On recall of the securities loan by the securities lender.
Does the borrower have the right to return early?	Yes
If yes, detail	Securities borrower will have right to return assets at any time.
Does the lender have the right to recall early?	Yes
If yes, detail	Securities lender will have right to recall assets at any time.
Will the securities be returned on settlement?	Yes
If yes, detail any exceptions	N/A

Appendix C

Related bodies corporate	Incorporated	ACN/Registration/Incorporation Number
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Futures Limited	Australia	003639674
Merrill Lynch International (Australia) Limited	Australia	002892846
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Nominees Pty. Limited	Australia	003925031
Berndale Securities Limited	Australia	006687467
Merrill Lynch Markets (Australia) Pty. Limited	Australia	075587816
Merrill Lynch (Australasia) Pty. Limited	Australia	075923894
Merrill Lynch International Incorporated	United States	0825826
NB Holdings Corporation	United States	2361372
Bank of America Corporation	United States	N/A628