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APA Group (ASX: APA)

ENTITLEMENT OFFER – LETTER TO RETAIL SECURITYHOLDERS

Attached is a copy of a letter being sent to retail securityholders in relation to the pro-rata accelerated institutional tradeable retail renounceable entitlement offer announced by APA Group (ASX: APA) on 21 February 2018.

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Dear Securityholder

APA Group (ASX: APA) – \$500 million underwritten pro-rata accelerated institutional tradeable retail renounceable entitlement offer

On 21 February 2018, APA Group (ASX:APA) announced an underwritten pro-rata accelerated institutional tradeable retail renounceable entitlement offer of 65,547,493 new APA stapled securities (**New Securities**) to raise approximately A\$500 million (the **Entitlement Offer**).

The Entitlement Offer

The Entitlement Offer comprises an offer to eligible institutional securityholders, and an offer to Eligible Retail Securityholders, as described below, (**Retail Entitlement Offer**) to participate at the same offer price and offer ratio. The offer price under the Entitlement Offer is A\$7.70 per New Security (**Offer Price**). Eligible Retail Securityholders will be able to subscribe for 1 New Security for every 17 existing APA stapled securities held (**Entitlement**) as at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 26 February 2018 (**Record Date**). Further details of the Entitlement Offer are set out in the ASX announcement dated 21 February 2018.

<u>This letter is not an offer document</u> but rather an advance notice of some key terms and conditions of the Entitlement Offer, including the opportunity to participate in early acceptance of the Retail Entitlement Offer.

Definition of Eligible Retail Securityholder

Eligible Retail Securityholders are those persons who are registered as holders of existing APA stapled securities as at the Record Date <u>and</u> satisfy each of the following requirements: (a) have a registered address on APA's security register in Australia or New Zealand, (b) are not in the United States and are not holding APA stapled securities for the account or benefit of a person in the United States (to the extent you hold APA stapled securities for the account or benefit of such person in the United States), (c) have not received an offer to participate (other than as a nominee), or were ineligible to participate, in the institutional component of the Entitlement Offer and (d) are eligible under all applicable securities laws to receive a Retail Entitlement Offer.

Retail Offer Booklet and personalised Entitlement and Acceptance Form

Full details of the Retail Entitlement Offer will be set out in an information booklet (**Retail Offer Booklet**), which will be sent to Eligible Retail Securityholders (either by mail or electronically in accordance with their nominated communication preference) on or around 2 March 2018. The Retail Offer Booklet will be accompanied by a personalised Entitlement and Acceptance Form, which will set out an Eligible Retail Securityholder's Entitlements and payment details.

Eligible Retail Securityholders may also access the Retail Offer Booklet and their Entitlement allocation and personalised payment details at www.apa.com.au from 2 March 2018. To access this website, Eligible Retail Securityholders will need their SRN or HIN.

Eligible Retail Securityholders should read the Retail Offer Booklet carefully before deciding whether to participate in the Retail Entitlement Offer.

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Action required by Eligible Retail Securityholders

Eligible Retail Securityholders have 4 options for dealing with their Entitlements:

- take up all or some of their Entitlements <u>early</u>, by 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 5 March 2018 (**Early Retail Application Closing Date**). Eligible Retail Securityholders who choose this option will have their New Securities allotted to them on the same date as the Eligible Institutional Securityholders. To choose this option, Eligible Retail Securityholders must apply and pay their application monies via the BPAY¹ facility online at www.apa.com.au by the Early Retail Application Closing Date. Eligible Retail Securityholders who have purchased Entitlements on ASX, or otherwise by off-market transfer, in the period from 26 February 2018 to 5 March 2018, cannot make an application before the Early Retail Application Closing Date in respect of those Entitlements; or
- take up all or some of their Entitlements by 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 14 March 2018 (**Retail Closing Date**), by paying their application monies via the online BPAY facility or by cheque, bank draft or money order; or
- 3 sell or transfer all or some of their Entitlements on ASX (or off-market); or
- do nothing (ie neither take up, sell nor transfer their Entitlements) and participate in the Retail Shortfall Bookbuild, under which they will receive the proceeds (if any) in excess of the Offer Price in respect of their Entitlements sold in the bookbuild.

The value realised for your Entitlements (if any) will be different depending on which option you take. As this letter provides a summary only of your relevant options under the Entitlement Offer, you should carefully read the Retail Offer Booklet (including the 'Key Risks' section) before making a decision in relation to your Entitlements.

Further information

For further information on the Entitlement Offer, please call the APA Group Investor Information Line on 1800 992 312 (toll free within Australia) or +61 1800 992 312 (from outside Australia) from 7.30am to 7.30pm (Sydney time) Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays). If you wish to accept the Retail Entitlement Offer by the Early Retail Application Closing Date, you will need to apply and pay via the BPAY facility online at www.apa.com.au by 5.00pm (Sydney time) on Monday, 5 March 2018.

If you have any further questions, you should seek professional advice from an advisor licensed by ASIC to give that advice.

Yours sincerely

Michael Fraser Chairman, APA Group

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