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.

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Name of Entity

SANTOS LIMITED

ABN

80 007 550 923

ASX: STO

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 – All issues

1	Class of securities issued or to be issued	
2	Number of securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	
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)	
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	

5	Issue price or consideration	
6	Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)	
6a	Is the entity an eligible entity that has obtained security holder approval under rule 7.1A? If Yes, complete sections 6b – 6h *in relation to the securities the subject of this Appendix 3B*, and comply with section 6i	
6b	The date the security holder resolution under rule 7.1A was passed	
6c	Number of securities issued without security holder approval under rule 7.1	
6d	Number of securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.1A	
6e	Number of securities issued with security holder approval under rule 7.3, or another specific security holder approval (specify date of meeting)	
6f	Number of securities issued under an exception in rule 7.2	
6g	If securities issued under rule 7.1A, was issue price at least 75% of 15 day VWAP as calculated under rule 7.1A.3? Include the issue date and both values. Include the source of the VWAP calculation.	
6h	If securities were issued under rule 7.1A for non-cash consideration, state date on which valuation of consideration was released to ASX Market Announcements	
6i	Calculate the entity's remaining issue capacity under rule 7.1 and rule 7.1A – complete Annexure 1 and release to ASX Market Announcements	
7	Dates of entering securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates	
8	Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (*including* the securities in section 2 if applicable)	**Number** / **Class**

		Number	Class
9	Number and class of all securities not quoted on ASX (*including* the securities in section 2 if applicable)		

10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	

Part 2 – Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	
13	Ratio in which the securities will be offered	
14	Class of securities to which the offer relates	
15	Record date to determine entitlements	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	
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	
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	
20	Names of any underwriters	
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	

22	Names of any brokers to the issue	
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of security holders	
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	
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	
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	
30	How do security holders sell their entitlements *in full* through a broker?	
31	How do security holders sell *part* of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	
32	How do security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	
33	Despatch date	

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

Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38	Number of securities for which quotation is sought	**1,023**
39	Class of securities for which quotation is sought	**Fully paid ordinary shares.**
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	**Yes**
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)	**End of restriction period for 1,023 shares issued pursuant to the ShareMatch Plan.**

		Number	Class
42	Number and class of all securities quoted on ASX (*including* the securities in clause 38)	**958,887,811**	**Fully paid ordinary shares**

		Number	Class
43	Number and class of all securities not quoted on ASX	**30,430**	**Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan (SESPP) held by SESAP Pty Ltd as trustee for the benefit of eligible executives.**
		27,250	**Executive share plan '0' shares of 25 cents each paid to 1 cent.**
		27,250	**Executive share plan '2' shares of 25 cents each paid to 1 cent.**
		3,183,574	**Share Acquisition Rights issued pursuant to the Santos Employee Share Purchase Plan.**
		4,294,973	**Executive options issued pursuant to the Santos Executive Share Option Plan.**
		944,970	**Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the vesting of SARs.**
		46,279	**Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the Non-Executive Director Share Plan.**
		1,120,901	**Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the ShareMatch Plan.**
		1,120,901	**Share Acquisition Rights issued pursuant to the ShareMatch Plan.**
		223,628	**Fully paid ordinary shares issued pursuant to the ESG Employee Incentive Plan.**

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 indemnity the 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 this information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

Sign here: _____ Date: 21 January 2013
Company Secretary

Print name: DAVID THUAN JIN LIM