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Takeover Bid by Charterhouse Pte. Ltd. For Hamilton James & Bruce Limited (ACN 091 302 975)

Wednesday, 5th August, 2009

The Directors of Hamilton James & Bruce (HJB) wish to advise Shareholders that on 4th August, 2009, an offer was made to all HJB Shareholders by Charterhouse Pte. Ltd.

The full terms of this offer can be viewed online at www.asx.com.au

At this time the Directors of Hamilton James & Bruce are considering the terms of the offer.

We wish to advise Shareholders that our recommendation with regard to this offer will be communicated in due course on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) website.

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The Hamilton James & Bruce Group Limited comprises the brands Hamilton James & Bruce, HJB Bowdens, and Provincial Personnel.

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