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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

27 May 2011

The Manager  
Company Announcements Office  
ASX Limited

### **Hamilton James & Bruce Group Limited (ASX: HJB): Notification of non-renounceable rights issue**

Hamilton James & Bruce Group Limited (**Company**) is pleased to announce that it will undertake a fully underwritten pro-rata non-renounceable rights issue of approximately 276,316,740 ordinary shares (**Offer Shares**).

The issue price for the Offer Shares is \$0.01 each on the basis of 1 Offer Share for every ordinary share held by all shareholders of the Company at 7:00 pm (AEST) on 6 June 2011 (**Record Date**) with registered addresses in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore (**Eligible Shareholders**) to raise \$2,763,167 before expenses (**Rights Issue**).

The Rights Issue is fully underwritten by Charterhouse Pte. Ltd. up to a maximum amount of \$2,763,167 (**Underwritten Amount**). The Company will pay the Underwriter a fee of 3% of the Underwritten Amount.

The purpose of the Rights Issue is to strengthen the Company's capital base and repay existing loans.

The timetable and important dates of the Rights Issue are set out below:

Event	Date
Company announces pro rata issue and applies for quotation (Appendix 3B) and lodges Cleansing Notice with ASX.	27 May 2011
Company sends notice to security holders containing the information required by Appendix 3B.	30 May 2011
'Ex' date	31 May 2011
Record date	6 June 2011
Company sends Offer Document (and entitlement and acceptance forms). Company announces that despatch has been completed.	7 June 2011
Acceptances close at 5pm. At least 6 business days' notice must be given to extend the date.	22 June 2011
Shares quoted (on deferred settlement basis).	23 June 2011
Company notifies ASX of under-subscriptions.	24 June 2011
Despatch date. Deferred settlement trading ends.	29 June 2011

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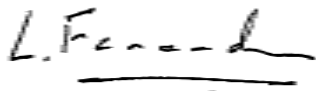
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On the basis that all Offer Shares offered under the Rights Issue are allotted, the share capital of the company will double.

In calculating entitlements under the Rights Issue, fractions will be rounded down to the nearest whole number. The offer under the Rights Issue is only made to shareholders, on the Record Date, with registered addresses in Australia, New Zealand or Singapore. The offer is not being made to any overseas shareholders (other than shareholders with registered addresses in New Zealand and Singapore).

I would urge you to carefully read the Offer Document when you receive it and consider participating in the Rights Issue.

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Company:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Fernandes", with a horizontal line underneath the name.

**Lance Fernandes**  
Director and Company Secretary