

3 July 2007

Market and Media Announcement

PARTIAL OFFER FOR 10 % OF RURAL EQUITIES LIMITED (REL)

H&G Limited (H&G) advises that its partial offer for 2,223,791 shares in REL at \$2.75 per share, closed at 11.00am this morning.

The offer was successful with acceptances received in respect of exactly 2,223,791 REL shares. There will be no scaling of acceptances. The other conditions of the offer have been waived and the offer has now been declared unconditional.

On Monday 9 July 2007 cheques will be posted to those shareholders who accepted the offer.

Following registration of the acceptance forms, H&G will own 50.8% of REL and, with the other Cushing family interests collectively, 60.1% of REL.

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