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Dear Sir/Madam

PLACEMENT OF SECURITIES

The Company has completed a placement of 5,882,250 ordinary shares at a price of \$0.30 as an excluded offer to various Investors including Australian and International Institutional Investors. Argonaut Securities Pty Limited is the Manager to the placement.

A total of \$1,658,794 will be raised after accounting for costs of the issue.

Upon allotment of these shares the new capital structure will be

- 1) 45,097,250 fully paid shares (**SFR**); and
- 2) 12,666,728 contributing shares (**SFRCA**)

The funds raised will be used to further the exploration at the Company's Doolgunna project and for working capital.

RAB and RC drilling rigs have been booked for May.

RAB drilling is expected to recommence in early May to infill and extend the testing of the known structures and to continue the assessment of untested geochemical anomalies.

RC drilling is planned for the second half of May. This drilling will be used to obtain deeper intersections of the structures defined by the RAB drilling.

The Appendix 3B is being released contemporaneously with this announcement.

Malcolm Smartt
Company Secretary
24th April 2006