



14 May 2008

The Manager
Australian Stock Exchange Limited
Level 4
20 Bridge Street
Sydney, NSW 2000

Dear Sir

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Board of Aditya Birla Minerals Limited (ABML) is pleased to advise that Mr Ramakrishna Rao Maruwada is to be appointed as the Company's Chief Financial Officer upon obtaining the necessary work visas. This appointment follows the resignation of Mr Sanjay Bhartia from this position.

Mr Rao's candidature was presented to the Remuneration and Nomination Committee, which recommended his appointment.

Mr Rao has twenty years of experience with the Aditya Birla Group in such diverse areas as, Corporate Finance, Plant Finance and Accounts, Management Information Systems, Business Finance, Commodity Risk Management, Materials Management and Logistics, Imports and Exports.

Mr Rao was previously the Financial Controller reporting to both the President and Chief Financial Officer for Hindalco Industries Limited, a company ranked among India's top 10 in terms of market capitalisation.

Mr Rao will assume responsibility for key finance, treasury, financial reporting and corporate services and will significantly contribute to the Company's corporate strategy and growth plans. The Board welcomes Mr Rao and looks forward to his invaluable contribution.

The Board will also like to take this opportunity to extend its appreciation to Mr Bhartia for the many years of service to the Aditya Birla Group, in particular his efforts in establishing operations in Australia and the listing of the Company on the Australian Securities Exchange. The Board wishes him well in his future endeavours.

Yours faithfully

Peter Torre
Company Secretary

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