



CITIC Resources Holdings Limited
Announced Acquisition and Increase of Interest in Macarthur Coal Limited to 19.99%

CITIC Resources as the Second Largest Shareholder of Macarthur Coal
Strengthen the Existing Portfolio of the Group

(Hong Kong, 4 July 2007) CITIC Resources Holdings Limited (“CITIC Resources” or the “Group”) (SEHK: 1205) announced on 2 July 2007 that, CITIC Australia Coal Pty Limited (“CACL”), its indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, entered into a share purchase agreement with Talbot Group Investments Pty Limited (“Talbot Group”), pursuant to which CACL has agreed to purchase 15,683,735 existing fully paid Macarthur Coal Limited (“Macarthur Coal”) shares (“Macarthur Sale Shares”). Macarthur Sale Shares represent 8.37% of the total Macarthur Shares in issue on 2 July 2007 (the “Last ASX Trading Day”) in the Australian Stock Exchange (the “ASX”). Following completion of the acquisition, CACL will increase its shareholding in Macarthur from 11.62% to 19.99% of the total Macarthur Shares in issue on the Last ASX Trading Day. The sale price is A\$7.20 (HK\$43.92) per Macarthur Sale Share, and is payable in cash at completion of the acquisition. The aggregate sale price of A\$112,922,892.00 (HK\$688,829,641.20) will be financed from internal resources of the Group. Completion of the acquisition will take place on 6 July 2007. The trading in the Group’s shares has been resumed with effect from 2:30 p.m. on 4 July 2007.

The sale price of Macarthur Sale Shares represents (i) premium of 6.19% to the closing price of A\$6.78 (HK\$41.36) per Macarthur Share as quoted on the ASX on the Last ASX Trading Day; and (ii) a premium of 6.98% to the average closing price of A\$6.73 (HK\$41.10) per Macarthur Share as quoted on the ASX for the ten trading days immediately prior and including the Last ASX Trading Day.

Mr. KWOK Peter Viem, Chairman of the Group, said, “We are delighted to announce the increase of interest in Macarthur Coal. Macarthur Coal’s assets are in strong demand particularly from steel mills in Asia, Europe and the Americas. We believe the acquisition will strengthen the existing portfolio of the Group, and will further enhance the return for its shareholders.”

Information on Macarthur Coal

Macarthur Coal is a public company listed on the ASX. It is involved in operation, exploration, development and mining activities in the Bowen Basin in the State of Queensland, Australia. Macarthur Coal’s principal product is low volatile PCI coal for use in the production of steel. Macarthur Coal is a key supplier of low volatile PCI coal to steel mills in Asia, Europe and the Americas, providing about 44% of the low volatile PCI coal exported from Australia. Macarthur Coal has interests in two open-cut coal mines, the Coppabella Mine and the Moorvale Mine and plans to develop up to five new mines in Australia by 2010. The projects proposed for development are Olive Downs Open-cut Project, Moorvale Underground Project, Moorvale West Project, Vermont East/Wilunga Project, and Burton West and North Underground Project.

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About CITIC Resources Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 1205)

CITIC Resources Holdings Limited (Stock code: 1205 HK) (CITIC Resources) was listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange since 1997. CITIC Group is the parent company of CITIC Resources with majority stake of about 53%. CITIC Resources positions itself as an integrated provider of key natural resources with particular focus in the oil business. The principal activities of CITIC Resources and its subsidiaries are in the fields of oil, aluminium, coal, import and export of commodities, and manganese.

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