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## **Asia Resources Holdings Limited**

亞洲資源控股有限公司\*

*(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

(stock code : 899)

### **VERY SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF THE SALE SHARES AND SALE DEBTS**

#### **DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR**

Pursuant to Rules 14.38A and 14.48 of the Listing Rules, the Company is required to despatch the Circular regarding a very substantial acquisition to the Shareholders on or before 23 February 2009, being 21 days after publication of the Announcement.

Since additional time is required to finalize, among other matters, the financial information of the Target Group (i.e. accountants' report on the Target Group and pro forma financial information of the Group as enlarged by the Acquisition) and the valuation reports of the Target Mines to be included in the Circular, the despatch of the Circular will be postponed. The Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from the strict compliance with Rules 14.38A and 14.48 of the Listing Rules by extending the despatch date of the Circular from 23 February 2009 to no later than 31 March 2009.

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 2 February 2009 ("**Announcement**") regarding, among other things, the very substantial acquisition. Terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement, unless the context otherwise requires.

Pursuant to Rules 14.38A and 14.48 of the Listing Rules, the Company is required to despatch a circular ("**Circular**") regarding, among other matters, the Acquisition to the Shareholders on or before 23 February 2009, being 21 days after the publication of the Announcement. However, additional time is required to finalize, among other matters, the financial information of the Target Group (i.e. accountants' report on the Target Group and pro forma financial information of the Group as enlarged by the Acquisition) and the valuation reports of the Target Mines to be included in the Circular. The Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rules 14.38A and 14.48 of the Listing Rules for an extension of time to despatch the Circular to no later than 31 March 2009.

By Order of the Board  
**Asia Resources Holdings Limited**  
**Chim Kim Lun, Ricky**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 20 February 2009

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Chim Kim Lun, Ricky and Mr. Chan Sung Wai, and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Yiu Fai Ming, Mr. Zhang Xianlin and Mr. Tse Yuk Kong.*

\* For identification only