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Receipt of proposal from Macquarie Group Limited

Central Petroleum Limited ("Company" or "Central") announces that it received on 10 November 2016 an unsolicited, indicative and non-binding proposal from Macquarie Group Limited ("Macquarie") to acquire 100% of the issued capital of Central by way of a scheme of arrangement at 17.5 cents per share ("Proposal").

Macquarie is currently a shareholder of Central as well as the principal financier to Central.

The Proposal is subject to various conditions including due diligence and entry by the parties into definitive transaction documents. The Board of Directors of the Company has determined that the Proposal is not in the best interests of shareholders.

In the circumstances, however, the Board considers it appropriate to grant due diligence access, subject to appropriate documentation, to provide Macquarie every opportunity to reconsider its Proposal. Central will provide a further update to the market as appropriate.

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