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Mitsui extends the offer period for its unconditional recommended cash takeover offer for AWE

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (“**Mitsui**”, Head Office: Tokyo, President and CEO: Tatsuo Yasunaga) announces today that it has extended the Offer Period for its unconditional recommended cash takeover offer for AWE Limited (“**AWE**”) (the “**Offer**”) so that it will now close at 7:00pm (Sydney time) on 2 May 2018.

Mitsui currently has an interest of 93.19% in AWE shares.

Given Mitsui has an interest of more than 90% in AWE shares it intends to proceed with the compulsory acquisition of outstanding AWE shares¹.

Remaining AWE shareholders are strongly encouraged to accept the Offer prior to the end of the Offer Period, as shareholders that do accept will receive their consideration within 7 business days of their valid acceptance being received, a faster timeframe than that under compulsory acquisition.

A further announcement regarding Mitsui’s compulsory acquisition of outstanding AWE shares will be made at a later date.

For further information regarding the Offer, including details on how to accept, please refer to the Bidder’s Statement dated 9 February 2018 which was sent to AWE shareholders and is available on the ASX or at the Offer’s website (<https://events.miraqle.com/Mitsui-Takeover/>). Personalised Acceptance Forms can also be downloaded from this website. AWE shareholders can also call the Mitsui Offer Information Line on 1800 095 654 (toll free Australia) or +61 1800 095 654 (for international callers) if they require further information or assistance.

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¹ in accordance with Part 6A.1 of the Corporations Act