

## Cleansing Notice

In respect to the recent issues of ordinary shares as follows

1. 7,109,005 fully paid ordinary shares issued on 1 December 2010 upon partial conversion of a Convertible Note; and
2. 10,101,010 fully paid ordinary shares issued on 7 January 2011 upon partial conversion of a Convertible Note.

and pursuant to Section 708A(5)(e) of the Corporations Act 2001 (the Act) the Company advises that the Act restricts the on-sale of securities issued without disclosure, unless the sale is exempt under the section 708 or 708A. By the Company giving this notice, a sale of the Securities noted above will fall within the exemptions in sections 708(1) and 708A(5) of the Act.

The Company hereby notifies ASX under paragraphs 708(1) and 708A(5)(e) of the Act that:

- a) the Company issued the Securities without disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Act;
- b) as at 7 January 2011 the Company has complied with the provisions of Chapter 2M of the Act as they apply to the Company, and section 674 of the Act; and
- c) as at 7 January 2011 there is no information:
  - 1) that has been excluded from a continuous disclosure notice in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules; and
  - 2) that investors and their professional advisers would reasonably require for the purpose of making an informed assessment of:
    - (i) the assets and liabilities, financial position and performance, profits and losses and prospects of the Company; or
    - (ii) the rights and liabilities attaching to the Securities.

Signed for and on behalf of the Issuer



John Rawling  
Company Secretary

7 January 2011

# Appendix 3B

## New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

*Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.*

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appendix 5. Amended 1/7/98, 1/9/99, 1/7/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/3/2002, 1/1/2003.

Name of entity

BENITEC LIMITED

ABN

64 068 943 662

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

### Part 1 - All issues

*You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).*

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|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1 | +Class of +securities issued or to be issued   | Ordinary shares            |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued  | 10,101,010 ordinary shares |
| 3 | Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | Fully paid ordinary shares |

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<p>4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?</p>	<p>The ordinary shares will rank equally with current quoted ordinary shares from the date of allotment.</p>
<p>If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the date from which they do</li> <li>• the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment</li> <li>• the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment</li> </ul>	
<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>\$0.0198 cents per share</p>
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Conversion of portion of Convertible Note</p>
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>7 January 2011</p>

8	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	+Class
		478,968,067	Ordinary Shares
		56,081,915	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.15 on or before 3 April 2011
		46,673,907	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.10 on or before 8 April 2014
9	Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	+Class
		17,560	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.03 on or before 30 September 2013
		6,126,962	Warrants to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.90 on or before 4 August 2014
		1,953,125	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.17 on or before 23 October 2015
		2,780,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.0224 on or before 4 September 2011
		1,000,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.0599 on or before 14 December 2011
		4,666,666	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.131 on or before 31 December 2012
		3,300,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.115 on or before 21 February 2013
		22,244,444	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.10 on or before 31 December 2012
		12,000,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.10 on or before 10 April 2015
		6,500,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.03 on or before 19 August 2014
		3,000,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.03364 on or before 19 August 2014
		5,000,000	Options to acquire fully paid shares at \$0.0425 on or before 9 June 2013
		10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)

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## Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue

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| 11 | Is security holder approval required?   | N/A |
| 12 | Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?  | N/A |
| 13 | Ratio in which the +securities will be offered  | N/A |
| 14 | +Class of +securities to which the offer relates  | N/A |
| 15 | +Record date to determine entitlements  | N/A |
| 16 | Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?  | N/A |
| 17 | Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions   | N/A |
| 18 | Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents<br><br>Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with.<br><br>Cross reference: rule 7.7. | N/A |
| 19 | Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations  | N/A |

20	Names of any underwriters	N/A
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	N/A
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	N/A
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	N/A
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders	N/A
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	N/A
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	N/A
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	N/A
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	N/A
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	N/A
30	How do +security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	N/A
31	How do +security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	N/A

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32 How do +security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?

33 +Despatch date

### Part 3 - Quotation of securities

*You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities*

34 Type of securities  
(tick one)

(a)  Securities described in Part 1

(b)  All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

#### Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

#### Additional securities forming a new class of securities

*Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents*

35  If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional +securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders

36  If the +securities are +equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional +securities setting out the number of holders in the categories  
1 - 1,000  
1,001 - 5,000  
5,001 - 10,000  
10,001 - 100,000  
100,001 and over

37  A copy of any trust deed for the additional +securities

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**Entities that have ticked box 34(b)**

38 Number of securities for which +quotation is sought 

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39 Class of +securities for which quotation is sought 

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40 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment



41 Reason for request for quotation now

Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period

(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)



	Number	+Class
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)	

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## Quotation agreement

1 +Quotation of our additional +securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the +securities on any conditions it decides.

2 We warrant the following to ASX.

- The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
- There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
- An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any +securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any +securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the +securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.
- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the +securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the +securities be quoted.

3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.

4 We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before +quotation of the +securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.



Sign here:

(~~Director~~/Company Secretary)

Date: 7 January 2011

Print name: JOHN RAWLING

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