IN THE PRIVY COUNCIL

No. 14 of 1968

ON APPEAL

FROM THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

BETWEEN:

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED Appellants

- and -

R.W. DILLEY AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED Respondents

(and consolidated appeals)

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

Appellant

- and -

R.W. DILLEY, BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Respondents

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FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

IN THE MATTER OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover offer by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and THE COLONIAL

SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

- and -

IN THE MATTER of The Companies Act 1961 Sections 155

and 185

AND IN THE MATTER of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

- and -

IN THE MATTER of a Takeover offer by BLUE METAL

INDUSTRIES LIMITED and THE COLONIAL

SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of an application by R.W. Dilley

- and -

IN THE MATTER

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(Consolidated Appeals)

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- and -

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Respondents

(and consolidated appeals)

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

NO. 1

SUMMONS FOR RECTIFICATION OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW

SOUTH WALES

No.365 of 1965

20 <u>IN EQUITY</u>

IN THE MATTER of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover offer by
BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED
and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961, Sections 155 and 185.

LET all parties concerned attend at the Chambers of the Honourable Charles McLelland

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.1

Summons for Rectification of Register of Members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited

6th April 1965

No.1

Summons for Rectification of Register of Members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited

6th April 1965 (Contd.) Chief Judge in Equity sitting in Equity at the Equity Court, Mena House, Macquarie Street, Sydney on the 10th day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty five at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard on the hearing of an application on behalf of R.W. Dilley for an order that the register of members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be rectified by (SC.01) 10 restoring thereto the applicant as a holder of 17,142 shares of alternatively for an order that the period of one month fixed by Section 185 for the Companies Act 1961 as the period within which applications must be made by dissenting shareholders be enlarged to permit the bringing of these proceedings by the said R.W. Dilley a dissenting shareholder and for an order that Blue Metal Industries 20 Limited and the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited be not entitled to acquire from the said R.W. Dilley the shares held by him in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and that Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited be restrained from taking any steps purporting to acquire compulsorily the shares of the said R.W. Dilley AND f an Order that the said Blue Metal Industries 30 I imited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company pay the costs of and incidental to these proceedings and for such further or other order as to his Honour may seem fit upon the grounds appearing in and by the affidavit of John Richard Hunt intended to be sworn and filed herein.

Dated this 6th day of April one thousand nine hundred and sixty five.

Amended pursuant to leave granted 23rd May 1966, J.J. Carroll, Cecil O'Dea & Co.

I. HAYES

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For

CHIEF CLERK IN EQUITY

NOTE: It is intended to serve this Summons upon Blue Metal Industries Limited *and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Ready Mixed Concrete Limited /amended by leave given 23rd May 19667

This Summons is taken out by J.J. Carroll, Cecil O'Dea & Co., of 82 Elizabeth Street, Sydney, the Solicitors for R.W. Dilley of 4 Southampton Place, London, England.

If Blue Metal Industries Limited or The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited or* Ready Mixed Concrete /amended by leave given 23rd May 1966/ does not enter an appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned such order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge thinks fit and expedient.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.1

Summons for Rectification of Register of Members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited

6th April 1965 (Contd.)

NO.2

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT SWORN 29th APRIL 1965

No.2

Applicants Evidence

Affidavit of John Richard Hunt

Sworn 29th April 1965

IN THE SUPREME COURT

OF NEW SOUTH WALES

No. 365 of 1965.

IN THE MATTER

IN EQUITY

of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover offer by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING and

COMPANY LIMITED

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AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act 1961. Sections 155 and 185.

ON the twenty ninth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and sixty five, JOHN RICHARD HUNT of 82 Elizabeth Street, Sydney in the State of New South Wales, Solicitor being duly sworn makes oath and says as follows:-

- l. I am the Solicitor for Robert William Dilley the Applicant in these proceedings, 20 referred to in the Summons as R.W. Dilley.
- 2. I am informed and verily believe that prior to the takeover offer made by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, the said Robert William Dilley was the registered holder of 17,142 shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.
- I am informed by the said Robert 3. William Dilley and verily believe that on or about the fifteenth day of January, last, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited removed his name from the register of members. Hereunto annexed and marked with the letters "A 1-4" are true copies of circulars and correspondence passing

between the Applicant and the Secretary of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

- 4. The Applicant does not reside within New South Wales and is permanently resident in the County of Surrey in England.
- 5. I am informed by the Applicant and verily believe that following receipt of the circular letter dated the 23rd November, 1964 issued by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited purporting to invoke Section 185 of The Companies Act, 1961, the Applicant wrote initially to the Supreme Court in Canberra, and subsequently to the Master in Equity in Sydney seeking to protect his interests as a Shareholder in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. Hereunto annexed and marked with the letters "B 1-4" are copies of the following:-
 - B.1 The circular letter from Blue Metal Industries Limited and the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited dated the 23rd November, 1964.
 - B.2 Letter dated 30th November, 1964 from the Applicant to the Supreme Court of The Australian Capital Territory.
 - B.3 Letter dated 14th December, 1964, from the Applicant to The Master in Equity.
 - B.4 Letter dated 30th December, 1964, from The Master In Equity to the Applicant.
- 6. On or about the 26th day of January, 1965 the Applicant wrote to me requesting me to join him as a coapplicant in certain proceedings then being brought by me on behalf of

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No.2

Applicants Evidence

Affidavit of John Richard Hunt

Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.)

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Affidavit of John Richard Hunt

Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.)

David De Carvalho and Stanislaus Carroll dissenting shareholders in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. Further correspondence then ensued between myself and the Applicant and on or about the 10th day of February 1965 I wrote to Messrs. Stephen Jaques & Stephen and Messrs. Allen Allen & Hemsley Solicitors for the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited respectively. Hereunto annexed and marked with the letters "C 1" and "C 2" respectively is a true copy of each such letter.

On or about the 18th February, 1965, I received firm instructions from the 7. Applicant to make this application on his behalf. Following upon receipt of these instructions I briefed Counsel to consider the matter and to settle the necessary process.

8. To the best of my knowledge and belief the takeover offer made by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to the applicant in respect of his shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited is contained in a document dated the 16th day of July, 1964. Exhibited to me at the time of swearing this my Affidavit and marked with the letter

"D" is a true copy of such document. 9. I respectfully submit to this Honourable

Court that the takeover scheme and offer made by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited does not come within the ambit of Section 185 of The Companies Act 1961 in that such section does not apply to takeover offers made In the circumstances by a consortium. I respectfully submit the name of the said Robert William Dilley was improperly removed from the Register of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and should be restored thereto. Alternatively I

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respectfully submit that the time within which the present proceedings may be brought should be extended to permit the bringing thereof and that the Court should make orders that Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited be not entitled to acquire from the said Robert William Dilley the shares held by him in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

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SWORN by the Deponent on the day and year first above mentioned at SYDNEY

John R. Hunt

BEFORE ME:

Dorothy Allardice J.P. A Justice of the Peace.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.2

Applicants Evidence

Affidavit of John Richard Hunt

Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.)

No.3

Applicants Evidence

Circular letter Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to R.W. Dilley

15th January 1965

Annexure
"A.1" to
Affidavit of
John Richard
Hunt
Sworn 29th
April 1965

NO.3

ANNEXURE A.1. TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT. CIRCULAR LETTER - READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED TO R.W.DILLEY

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READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED, 181, CLARENCE STREET, SYDNEY.

Box 491 G.P.O. Sydney, Cables: "Readymix" Sydney Telephone: 29-3861

15th January, 1965

Dear Sir/Madam,

We refer to the Notice to Dissenting Share-holders dated 23rd November sent to you by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited pursuant to Section 185 (1) of the New South Wales Companies Act, 1961.

In accordance with Section 185 (5) of the Act, your former holding of R.M.C. shares has been transferred to B.M.I. and C.S.R. jointly.

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Enclosed herewith is a statement showing particulars of the holding acquired from you and of the shares, if any, and cash covering the consideration to which you are entitled in exchange for your holding. In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, such consideration is held in trust by this company, on your behalf, pending settlement.

In addition, we are holding in trust the following dividends which will be paid to those entitled to them at the time of settlement.

Final dividend of 4½d. per stock unit on each 5/- unit in Blue Metal Industries Limited. Interim dividend of 1/3d. per share on each £l share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

PROCEDURE FOR SETTLEMENT

The following forms are enclosed. They should be completed, if applicable, and returned in the addressed envelope also enclosed.

Form 1 Application for Settlement. (White)

*Form 2 Transfer of Shares form in (Pink) respect of Blue Metal Industries Limited (to be completed if your entitlement includes B.M.I. shares).

*Form 3 Transfer of Shares form in respect
(Blue) of The Colonial Sugar Refining
Company Limited (to be completed
if your entitlement includes
C.S.R. shares).

Form 4 Declaration re Lost Scrip (to (Green) be completed if the share certificate covering all or some of your R.M.C. shares has been lost).

*NOTE: If the attached statement indicates that you are entitled to cash only, Forms 2 and 3 should not be completed.

Where the consideration due to you includes shares in B.M.I. or C.S.R., New South Wales stamp duty is payable on the transfers, and such duty is payable by you as transferee. For your convenience the stamping of the transfer forms will be attended to by this office, unless you direct otherwise, and the amount of duty will be deducted from the cash consideration payable to you.

In the case of deceased shareholders, settlement will be subject to the completion of legal formalities. If the executors of a deceased's estate desire to have the estate's entitlement of B.M.I. and/or C.S.R. shares transmitted to their names, a standard form

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No.3

Applicants Evidence

Circular letter Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to R.W. Dilley

15th January 1965

Annexure
"A.1" to
Affidavit of
John Richard
Hunt
Sworn 29th
April 1965
(Contd.)

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Applicants Evidence

Circular letter Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to R.W. Dilley

15th January 1965

Annexure
"A.1" to
Affidavit of
John Richard
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Sworn 29th
April 1965
(Contd.)

of transmission application should be completed in lieu of the Transfer of Shares forms referred to above.

Any enquiries in connection with this matter should be referred to Mr. ALLMOND at this office.

In order that settlement may be promptly attended to, it is recommended that you complete the enclosed documents and return them without delay.

Yours faithfully,

R.F. STREET.

Secretary.

Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

This is the annexure marked Al referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965.

Dorothy Allardice J.P.

NO. 3

ANNEXURE "A2" TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT - FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SETTLEMENT TO READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED (Undated)

Form 1 - APPLICATION FOR SETTLEMENT

To The Directors,

Ready Mixed Concrete Limited,

Box 491, G.P.O.,

SYDNEY, N.S.W.

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I/We, being the former shareholder(s) of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited entitled thereto, hereby apply to have transferred and/or paid to me/us the consideration and dividends, if any, in respect of the shares previously held by me/us in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited which were acquired by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited pursuant to Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961 of

Full name of

Fill in)former RMC Mrs. (BLOCK shareholding LETTERS)

New South Wales.

Fill in Address (BLOCK LETTERS)

I/We enclose the following:

*Strike out (RMC share certificate(s) Nos whichever * (does not (for shares apply * (Declaration re lost scrip

((form 3)

Court of New South Wales In Equity

In the Supreme

No.3

Applicants Evidence

Form of Application for Settlement to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited (Undated)

Annexure "A.2" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965

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Applicants Evidence

Form of Application for Settlement to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited (Undated)

Annexure "A.2" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.) *(The RMC share certificate (covering my/our former (holding has already been (lodged

Also enclosed is/are the following completed form(s):

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)Form 2 which I/we have completed If the entitlement)(pink) as transferee(s) in consists of) respect of my/our entitlement of shares cash only, in Blue Metal Industries neither Limited form should be Form 3 which I/we have completed completed (blue) as transferee(s) in respect of my/our entitlement of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

Signed by the above named former RMC shareholder(s) this day of 1965.

This is the annexure marked A2 referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965.

Dorothy Allardice J.P.

NO. 3

ANNEXURE "A3"TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT -LETTER R.W. DILLEY TO READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

> 4 Southampton Place, London, W.C.1.

Telephone: London Chancery 5374-7

10 C O N - M E C H Engineers Limited

Cables: Conmech Westcent London

Telex: 25275

Our Ref: RWD/DMM

26th January 1965

Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, 181, Clarence Street, G.P.O. Box 491, Sydney, New South Wales, AUSTRALIA.

Dear Sirs,

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED, THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LTD. - offer to acquire the shares of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED.

I have received your letter of the 15th January, informing me that the above-named have invoked Section 185 (5) of the New South Wales Companies Act, 1961, and that you have transferred to them the shares I hold in your Company without my authority.

Both you and they are aware that I have made application under Section 185 to have a complete investigation made into the activities of the above-named firms in connection with their offer for Ready Mixed Concrete. A copy letter received from the

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.3

Applicants Evidence

Letter R.W. Dilley to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 26th January 1965

Annexure
"A.3" to
Affidavit of
John Richard
Hunt
Sworn 29th
April 1965

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No.3

Applicants Evidence

Letter R.W. Dilley to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 26th January 1965

Annexure
"A.3" to
Affidavit of
John Richard
Hunt
Sworn 29th
April 1965
(Contd.)

Supreme Court of New South Wales is attached from which it will be clearly seen that I have joined the persons named in making application for this investigation. It should, therefore, be evident to you that you have no right whatever to transfer my shares to these Companies while the matter is sub judice and I take this opportunity of informing you that I shall immediately institute proceedings against your Company should it be evidence that this transfer has been made.

I require your confirmation by return of post, or by cable within seven days, that the shares I hold in your Company have not been transferred to the above-named.

Yours faithfully,

p.p. CON-MECH (ENGINEERS) LTD.

R.W. Dilley

Chairman

This is the annexure marked A3 referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965

Dorothy Allardice J.P.

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NO.3

ANNEXURE "A4" TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT - LETTER READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED TO R.W. DILLEY

READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

181 Clarence Street, Sydney.

Box 491 G.P.O. Sydney Cables: "Readymix" Sydney.

Telephone: 29-3861

RFS: DT

5th February, 1965.

Mr. R.W. Dilley, C/- Con-Mech Engineers Limited, 4 Southampton Place, LONDON, W.C.1. UNITED KINGDOM.

Dear Sir.

Re: BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - OFFER TO ACQUIRE SHARES OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 26th January. This Company's solicitors have caused a search to be made in the office of the Equity Court and have informed me that such search discloses that no application has been made by you to the Court.

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1961 the shares formerly held by you in this Company have been compulsorily acquired by the offeror companies and the consideration for such compulsory acquisition is now held by this Company. That consideration consists of

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No.3

Applicants Evidence

Letter Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to R.W. Dilley 5th February 1965

Annexure "A.4" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965

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No.3

Applicants Evidence

Letter Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to R.W. Dilley 5th February 1965

Annexure "A.4" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.)

4,799 B.M.I. shares, 1,371 C.S.R. shares and cash £2,248. 3. 6.

The consideration will be transferred to you upon receipt properly completed, of the appropriate forms forwarded with my letter of 15th January.

Yours faithfully,

R.F. Street

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Director and Secretary

This is the annexure marked A4 referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965.

Dorothy Allardice J.P.

NO. 4

ANNEXURE "B1" TO AFFIDAVIT
OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT NOTICE TO DISSENTING SHAREHOLDERS OF READY MIXED
CONCRETE LIMITED FROM THE
COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY LIMITED AND BLUE
METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited - Blue Metal Industries Limited

1-7 O'Connell Street, 34 Martin Place, Sydney. Sydney.

Please address all correspondence to:-

Box 645, G.P.O. Sydney.

NOTICE TO DISSENTING SHAREHOLDER

New South Wales Companies Act, 1961 (Section 185 (1)) Regulation 15 (1)

In this notice -

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Ready Mixed Concrete Limited is referred to as "the transferor company", and

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited are referred to as "the transferee company".

On the sixteenth day of July, 1964, the transferee company made an offer to all the holders of shares in the transferor company of:

For each 100 such shares of 3/- each,

- (i) the allotment of 28 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited, AND
- (ii) the allotment of 8 shares of £1

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(iii) the sum of £13.2.0. in cash.

For parcels of shares not exactly divisible by 100 a pro rata consideration was offered.

If a holding of shares was such that the transfer of such holding pursuant to the offer would result in the allotment to the holder of:

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- (i) a fraction of a share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and/or a fraction of a share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and/or
- (ii) a number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which was not divisible exactly by 50 and/or

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(iii) a number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which was not divisible exactly by 25

then

- (i) in respect of each such fraction the holder should and
- (ii) in respect of each share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited where his entitlement was less than 50 shares or in respect of each share in

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excess of the multiple of 50 immediately below the total number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which would otherwise be allotted to him and in respect of each share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited where his entitlement was less than 25 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of 25 immediately below the total number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which would otherwise be allotted to him he might at his option notified with his acceptance of the offer receive in lieu of such fractions and/or such shares cash at the rate of 26/6 for each whole share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and 87/for each whole share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

Up to the third day of November, 1964 (being a date within four months after the making of the offer in that behalf by the transferee company), the offer was approved by the holders of not less than nine-tenths in nominal value of the shares (other than shares already held at the date of the offer by, or by a nominee for, the transferee company or its subsidiary).

The transferee company hereby gives you notice, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act, 1961, that it desires to acquire the shares held by you in the transferor company.

You are entitled within one month after the receipt of this notice to require the transferee company, by demand in writing served on it, to supply you with a statement of the names and addresses of all other In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

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Sworn
29th April
1965
(Contd.)

dissenting shareholders, and the transferee company will not be entitled or bound to acquire the shares of those dissenting shareholders until fourteen days after the posting to you of the statement of those names and addresses.

Unless upon an application made to the Supreme Court by you -

- (a) on or before the twenty third day of December, 1964 (being one month from the date of this notice); or
- (b) on a date within seven days of a statement being supplied to you pursuant to subsection (3) of Section 185 of the Companies Act, 1961,

whichever is the later date, the Supreme Court orders otherwise, the transferee company will, in pursuance of those provisions be entitled and bound to acquire the shares held by you in the transferor company on the terms which, under the scheme or contract to which the above mentioned offer relates, the shares of the approving shareholders in the transferor company are to be transferred to the transferee company.

DATED this twenty third day of November 1964.

A.C. ISAACS Secretary THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED K.J. MILLER Secretary BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

This is page 2 of the annexure marked Bl referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965.

Dorothy Allardice J.P.

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NO. 4

ANNEXURE "B2" TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT - LETTER R.W. DILLEY TO THE SUPREME COURT, CANBERRA

> 4 Southampton Place, London, W.C.1.

Telephone: London Chancery 5374-7

10 Crest C O N - M E C H Engineers Limited. CABLES Conmech Westcent Telex. 25275 Our Ref: RWD/DMM 30th November 1964

> (This is page 1 of the annexure marked B2 referred to in the affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965) Dorothy Allardice April 1965

The Supreme Court, Law Courts, London Circuit, Canberra, A.C.T. AUSTRALIA

Dear Sirs.

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BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED. THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LTD. - offer to acquire the shares of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED are seeking to acquire shares I hold in READY MIXED CONCRETE LTD. in pursuance of the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961.

I am a Dissenting Shareholder and do not wish to sell my shares to these Companies. It is my belief that the takeover bid by these Companies is surrounded by various suspicious circumstances.

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Letter R.W. Dilley to The Supreme Court Canberra 30th November 1964

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Annexure "B2" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.) In the first place, I believe that these Companies acquired substantial number of shares in READY MIXED CONCRETE prior to their bid, with the object of ensuring acquisition of 90%, thus being able to invoke the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961.

I further believe that the shares of their respective Companies were deliberately and intentionally enhanced in value on the Melbourne and Sydney Stock Exchanges by purchases made through nominees. This view is strengthened by the following comparison of the shares at the date of the bid and those ruling today, 30th November 1964.:

Date of Bid 30th November 1964

Blue Metal
Industries Ltd. 26/6d. 22/7d.
The Colonial
Sugar Refining
Company Ltd. 87/-d. 73/-d.

I further believe that the substantial falls in these shares are due to the large holdings held by nominees being disposed of since the bid was made. I would request that a full investigation be made into the circumstances surrounding this bid and all the events connected with it, including the situation of all the Circulars issued by the COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING CO., BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LTD. and READY MIXED CONCRETE LTD.

I would also request that the Supreme Court protects my position regarding the sale of my shares which these Firms are seeking to acquire by invoking the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act of 1961.

Yours faithfully, p.p. CON-MECH (ENGINEERS) LTD.

R.W. Dilley - Chairman

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Dorothy Allardice J.P.

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NO.4

ANNEXURE "B3" TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT - LETTER R.W. DILLEY TO THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES

RWD/DMM

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14th December 1964.

The Supreme Court of New South Wales, King Street, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.

Dear Sirs,

I have received the enclosed letter from the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory, who have suggested that correspondence should probably be directed to you.

Accordingly, I am enclosing the original letter sent to the Supreme Court, A.C.T., together with other documents forwarded to them on the 30th November 1964, and shall be pleased to hear from you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

p.p. CON-MECH (ENGINEERS) LTD.
R.W. Dilley,
Chairman

Encls:

This is the annexure marked B3 referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965.

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Letter R.W.
Dilley to The
Supreme Court
of New South
Wales
14th December
1964

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Letter Acting Chief Clerk in Equity, Supreme Court of New South Wales to Secretary Con-Mech Engineers Limited 30th December 1964

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ANNEXURE "B4" TO AFFIDAVIT
OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT LETTER ACTING CHIEF CLERK
IN EQUITY SUPREME COURT OF
NEW SOUTH WALES TO SECRETARY
CON-MECH (ENGINEERS) LIMITED

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SUPREME COURT OF N.S.V.

EQUITY

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MASTER IN EQUITY'S OFFICE,

Supreme Court, Elizabeth Street,

Sydney, 30th December, 1964

Telephone: 2 056, ext.

The Secretary, Con-Mech Engineers Limited, 4, Southampton Place, London, W.C.1.

Dear Sir,

re: Blue Metal Industries Limited,
The Colonial Sugar Refining
Company Ltd - offer to acquire
the shares of Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited.

Your Reference RWD/DMM

I refer to your letter of the 14th instant.

If you desire to make application to the Court pursuant to the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961 you should do so by your solicitor in the usual manner.

An application under Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961 has been made to 10

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the Court on behalf of David Anthony De Carvalho and Stanislaus John Carroll dissenting shareholders in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. This application is listed for hearing on 15th February 1965. I suggest that if you desire any information about this application you contact Messrs. J.J. Carroll, Cecil O'Dea & Co., of 82 Elizabeth Street, Sydney, the solicitors for the applicants.

I am returning herewith the circular letters enclosed with your letter.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

ACTING CHIEF CLERK IN EQUITY

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Letter Acting Chief Clerk in Equity, Supreme Court of New South Wales to Secretary Con-Mech Engineers Limited 30th December 1964

Annexure "B4" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965 (Contd.)

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Applicants Evidence

Letter J.J.
Carroll,
Cecil O Dea &
Co. to Stephen
Jaques &
Stephen
10th February
1965

Annexure "C1" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965

NO.5

ANNEXURE "C1" TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT - LETTER J.J. CARROLL, CECIL O'DEA & CO. TO STEPHEN JAQUES AND STEPHEN

JRH/JB

10th February 65

Your Reference: 3/MGC

Messrs. Stephen Jaques & Stephen, Solicitors, A.M.P. Building, CIRCULAR QUAYSYDNEY

Dear Sirs,

re: Ready Mixed Concrete Limited

We give you notice that we have received instructions from Mr. R.W. Dilley of London to make application to the Court on Monday next for leave to join in this application as a Co-Applicant with David Anthony De Carvalho and Stanislaus John Carroll.

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We have only recently received instructions from Mr. Dilley who as you know, is the holder of 17,142 shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, so we have not yet had the opportunity of proceeding very far with the preparation of the evidence necessary in support of his application.

In the circumstances unless your client is prepared to consent to Mr. Dilley being joined as an Applicant, it may be necessary for this action to be adjourned on Monday next although of course we are ready to proceed with the application in so far as it affects the existing Applicants.

Yours faithfully,

J.J. CARROLL. CECIL O'DEA & CO. PER/-

This is the annexure marked Cl referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965 - Dorothy Allardice J.P.

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NO. 5

ANNEXURE "C2" TO AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RICHARD HUNT - LETTER J.J. CARROLL, CECIL O'DEA & CO. TO ALLEN ALLEN & HEMSLEY.

JRH/JB

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10th February 65

Your Ref: CCB/FWM

Messrs. Allen Allen & Hemsley, Solicitors, P. & O. Building, 55 Hunter Street, SYDNEY.

Dear Sirs,

re: Ready Mixed Concrete Limited

Thank you for your letter of the 5th February, 1965. Our Counsel is Mr. F.S. Mc Alary who is currently settling a reply to your request for particulars.

We give you notice that we have received instructions from Mr. R.W. Dilley of London to make application to the Court on Monday next for leave to join in this application as a Co-Applicant with David Anthony De Carvalho and Stanislaus John Carroll.

We have only recently received instructions from Mr. Dilley who as you know, is the holder of 17,142 shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited so we have not yet had the opportunity of proceeding very far with the preparation of the evidence necessary in support of his application.

In the circumstances unless your client is prepared to consent to Mr. Dilley being joined as an Applicant, it may be necessary for this action to be adjourned on Monday next although of course we are ready to proceed with the application in so far as it affects the existing applicants.

Yours faithfully, J.J. CARROLL, CECIL O'DEA & CO., PER/-

This is the annexure marked C2 referred to in the Affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn before me at Sydney this 29th day of April 1965 - Dorothy Allardice J.P.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.5

Applicants Evidence

Letter J.J. Carroll, Cecil O'Dea & Co., to Allen Allen & Hemsley 10th February 1965

Annexure "C2" to Affidavit of John Richard Hunt Sworn 29th April 1965

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No.6

Summons issued by the Respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited 25th May 1966

NO.6

SUMMONS ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED DATED 25th MAY 1966.

IN THE SUPREME COURT

OF NEW SOUTH WALES

No. 526 of 1966.

IN EQUITY

IN THE MATTER

of READY MIXED CONCRETE

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AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover Offer

by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES

LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING

CO. LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of an application by R.W. DILLEY

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961 Sections 155, 185 and 366.

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Let all parties concerned attend at the Chambers of the Honourable Charles McLelland, Chief Justice in Equity at No. 9 Equity Court, Mena House, 225 Macquarie Street, Sydney on the 25th day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six at 12.00 in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard on the hearing of an application on behalf of BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED.

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l. For an order declaring that the takeover offer made by The Colonial Sugar
Refining Co. Limited and Blue Metal
Industries Limited on 16th July, 1964 for
all the shares in the capital of Ready
Mixed Concrete Limited be valid notwithstanding any deficiency or irregularity
in such offer arising from the failure
(if any) of the said offer to comply

with the requirements of the 10th Schedule to the Companies Act 1961 in one or more of the following respects:

- (a) That paragraph 3(a) of the offer allegedly infringed the provisions of paragraph 3(a) of Part A of the 10th Schedule of the Act;
- (b) that paragraph 6 of the offer allegedly infringed the provisions of paragraphs 3 (b) and 3 (c) of Part A of the 10th Schedule of the Act;
 - (c) that paragraph 7 of the offer allegedly infringed the provisions of paragraph 4 (b) of Part A of the 10th Schedule of the Act.
- That the Court being satisfied that it would do no injustice to Blue Metal Industries Limited or The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Limited or any member or creditor of either such company, the offer made by Blue Metal 20 Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Limited for the acquisition of all the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be declared and be a valid and lawful offer notwithstanding that it may not have complied with the requirements of the 10th Schedule to the Companies Act in one or more of the respects set out in 1 above 30 and that the acquisition under Section 185 of the shares of the dissenting shareholders be valid notwithstanding any failure of the offer to comply as aforesaid with such Schedule and notwithstanding that it has been alleged that the said acquisition be rendered invalid as a result of such alleged failure to comply AND for an order that the said R.W. Dilley pay the costs of and incidental to these proceedings and 40 for such further or other order as to his Honour may seem fit upon the grounds appearing in and by the affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs sworn on 23rd May, One thousand nine hundred and sixty six and filed in 365 of 1965.

Dated this 25th day of May, 1966

G. Whalan - Chief Clerk in Equity.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No. 6

Summons issued by the Respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited 25th May 1966 (Contd.)

No.6

Summons issued by the Respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited 25th May 1966 NOTE: It is intended to serve this summons upon the Solicitor for R.W. Dilley

This Summons is taken out by ALLEN ALLEN & HEMSLEY Solicitors, P. and O. Building, 55 Hunter Street, Sydney, the Solicitors for Blue Metal Industries Limited, 70 Pitt Street, Sydney.

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Summons issued by the Respondent Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 25th May 1966

NO. 7

SUMMONS ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED.

IN THE SUPREME COURT

No. 526 of 1966

IN EQUITY

IN THE MATTER

of READY MIXED CONCRETE

LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER

of a Takeover Offer by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES

LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING

CO. LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER

of an application by R.W.

DILLEY

AND IN THE MATTER

of the Companies Act 1961 Sections 155, 185 and 366

Let all parties concerned attend at the Chambers of the Honourable Charles McLelland, Chief Justice in Equity at No. 9 Equity Court, Mena House, 225 Macquarie Street, Sydney on the 25th May, One thousand nine hundred and sixty six at 12.00 in the forenoon

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or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard on the hearing of an application on behalf of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED for an order declaring:

1. That the Court being satisfied that it would do no injustice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or any member or creditor of such company the registration by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Limited as the holders of the shares of members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited who did not accept the takeover offer made by The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited on 16th July, 1964 be valid notwithstanding any failure of the said offer to comply with the requirements of the 10th Schedule to the Companies Act in one or more of the respects set out in the Summons dated 25th May, 1966, and filed herein by Blue Metal Industries Limited and notwithstanding that it has been alleged that the acquisition of such shares by Blue Metal Industries Limited and the Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Limited has been rendered invalid as a result of such alleged failure to comply AND

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2. For an order that the said R.W. Dilley pay the costs of and incidental to these proceedings and for such further or other order as to his Honour may seem fit upon the grounds appearing in and by the affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs sworn on 23rd May, 1966 and filed in the matter 365 of 1965.

Dated the 25th day of May, One thousand nine hundred and sixty six.

G. WHALAN - Chief Clerk in Equity

NOTE: It is intended to serve this Summons upon the Solicitor for R.W. Dilley This Summons is taken out by ALLEN ALLEN & HEMSLEY, P. and O. Building, 55 Hunter Street, Sydney, the Solicitors for Blue Metal Industries Limited, 70 Pitt Street, Sydney.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.7

Summons issued by the Respondent Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 25th May 1966 (Contd.)

No.8

Respondents Evidence

Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966

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RESPONDENTS EVIDENCE
AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS
SWORN 23RD MAY 1966

IN THE SUPREME COURT)
OF NEW SOUTH WALES
IN EQUITY

No. 365 of 1965

IN THE MATTER of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of Takeover offer by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961 Sections 155 and 185

ON the 23rd day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS of 1-7 O'Connell Street Sydney in the State of New South Wales, Company Secretary being duly sworn makes oath and says as follows:

- 1. I am the Secretary of the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which together with Blue Metal Industries Limited are hereinafter called the Offerors.
- 2. Annexed hereto and marked with the letters "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E" are copies of notices to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited (hereinafter called "R.M.C.") extending the period within which the offer to stockholders of R.M.C. dated the 16th of July 1964 would remain open for acceptance.
- 3. Annexed hereto and marked with the letter "F" is a copy of an announcement made on the 8th of September 1964 by the Offerors to the stock exchanges upon which the stock units of R.M.C. were listed declaring the said offer to be unconditional.

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- 4. Annexed hereto and marked with the letter "G" is a notice dated the 17th of September 1964 sent to all stockholders of R.M.C. who have accepted the said offer advising that the said offer had become unconditional.
- 5. On the 8th of September 1964 being the date upon which the said offer became unconditional the percentage of the nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of R.M.C. in respect of which acceptances had been received by the Offerors was approximately seventy-seven percentum (77%).

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- 6. Acceptances in respect of nine-tenths in nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of R.M.C. had been received by the Offerors on or about the 6th of October 1964 and on the 8th of October 1964 a notice was sent to the Sydney Stock Exchange a copy of which is annexed hereto and marked with the letter "H".
- The payment of such part of the consideration offered as was payable in cash and the delivery of certificates for shares in the Offerors took place within one month of the 7th of October 1964 as to all who had by then accepted except in cases in which an estate was involved and the legal 30 personal representative was not yet entitled to furnish a registrable transfer of his stock units in R.M.C. to the Offerors or in which the Offeree had failed to deliver to the Offerors certificates for his stock units in R.M.C. or had failed to comply with formalities in some respect. As to all who accepted after 7th of October payment and delivery took place more or less simultaneously with delivery of transfers 40 and certificates in respect of the R.M.C. stock.
 - 8. On the 12th of January 1965 payment of cash and delivery of certificates as aforesaid in respect of all stockholders in R.M.C. who had not accepted the said

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

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Respondents Evidence

Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.)

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Respondents Evidence

Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.) offer with the exception of one Pavid de Carvalho were made to R.M.C. as trustee. On the 15th of February 1965 payment and delivery as aforesaid were made to the said David de Carvalho in respect of his stock units in R.M.C.

- 9. There are at the present time sixty six former stockholders in R.M.C. who have not accepted the consideration for the said offer. Their holdings together totalled approximately one-quarter of one percentum (1%) of the nominal value at all relevant times of the issued stock units in the capital of R.M.C.
- 10. In respect of the said sixty six former stockholders in R.M.C. to whose holdings the power of acquisition pursuant to section 185 of the Companies Act 1961 was applied only Robert William Dilley the applicant herein has commenced proceedings. The said former stockholders other than the applicant consist mainly of deceased estates in which a grant has not been obtained or duties paid and of persons who have failed to respond in any way to the said offer.

SWORN by the deponent on the day and year first hereinbefore written at Sydney:

Curzon Isaacs

Before me:

A.O. Wardle
A Justice of the Peace.

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NO. 9

ANNEXURE "A" TO AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS LETTER - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED TO READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

14th August, 1964.

To The Chairman of Directors,
Ready Mixed Concrete Limited,
Wales House,
27 O'Connell Street,
SYDNEY.

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Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited being the "Offeror Company" named in the Offer to Stockholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16th July 1964 HEREBY GIVE notice that the said Offer will remain open for acceptance in accordance with the terms of the said Offer until 31st August 1964 and that the period mentioned in Clause 3 (a) of the Offer within which the acceptances therein mentioned are received is hereby extended until 31st August 1964.

Dated this fourteenth day of August 1964.

For and on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

General Manager and Director of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

Chairman of Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.9

Respondents Evidence

Letter
Blue Metal
Industries Limited
and The Colonial
Sugar Refining
Company Limited
to Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
14th August
1964

Annexure "A" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966

No.9

Respondents Evidence

Letter
Blue Metal
Industries Limited
and The Colonial
Sugar Refining
Company Limited
to Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
14th August
1964

Annexure "A" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.) THIS is the annexure marked "A" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May, 1966;

Before me:

A.O. Wardle

A Justice of the Peace

NO. 10

ANNEXURE "B" TO AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS -LETTER BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED TO READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

10 1-7 O'CONNELL, STREET, SYDNEY.

34 Martin Place, Sydney.

(Please address all correspondence to: Box 645, G.P.O. Sydney)

31st August, 1964.

To The Chairman of Directors, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, Wales House, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

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Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited being the "Offeror Company" named in the Offer to Stockholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16th July 1964 HEREBY GIVE notice that the said Offer will remain open for acceptance in accordance with the terms of the said Offer until 7th September 1964 and that the period mentioned in Clause 3(a) of the Offer within which the acceptances therein mentioned are received is hereby extended until 7th September 1964.

Dated this thirty first day of August 1964

For and on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

J.W. Dunlop Chairman of Directors of

The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.10

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to
Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
31st August
1964

Annexure "B" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966

No.10

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to
Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
31st August
1964

Annexure "B" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.)

J.W. Austin

Chairman of Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited

THIS IS the annexure marked "B" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May 1966;

Before me:

A.O. Wardle

A Justice of the Peace

NO. 11

ANNEXURE "C" TO AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS - LETTER BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED TO READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

7th September 1964

Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

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Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited hereby give notice pursuant to paragraph 7 of their offer dated the 16th July 1964 to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited that the offer will remain open for acceptance until the 16th September 1964 or for such longer period as Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited may from time to time by notice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify.

The Colonial Sugar Refining
Co. Ltd.
J.W. Dunlop
Chairman of Directors

Blue Metal Industries
Ltd.
J.W. Austin
Chairman of Directors

THIS IS the annexure marked "C" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May, 1966:

Before me:

A.O. Wardle
A Justice of the Peace

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.11

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and
The Colonial
Sugar Refining
Company Limited
to Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
7th September
1964

Annexure "C" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs sworn 23rd May 1966

No.12

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and
The Colonial
Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to Ready
Mixed Concrete
Limited
16th September
1964

Annexure "D" to the Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs sworn 23rd May 1966

NO.12

ANNEXURE "D" TO AFFIDAVIT
OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS LETTER BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES
LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL
SUGAR REFINING COMPANY
LIMITED TO READY MIXED
CONCRETE LIMITED

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

1-7 O'CONNELL STREET, SYDNEY,

34 MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY

(Please address all correspondence to: Box 645, G.P.O. Sydney)

To: The Chairman of Directors, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, Wales House, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited being the Offeror Company named in the Offer to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16 July 1964 hereby give notice pursuant to Clause 7 of the said Offer that the Offer will remain open for acceptance in accordance with the terms of the said Offer until the 14th October 1964.

Dated this sixteenth day of September 1964.

For and on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

J.W. Dunlop J.W. Dunlop Chairman of Directors

of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 30

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J.W. Austin J.W. Austin

Chairman of Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited

THIS IS the annexure marked "D" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May 1966;

Before me:

A.O. Wardle

A Justice of the Peace

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.12

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and
The Colonial
Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to Ready
Mixed Concrete
Limited
16th September
1964

Annexure "D"
to the
Affidavit of
Arthur Curzon
Isaacs
Sworn 23rd
May 1966
(Contd.)

No.13

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to
Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
14th October
1964

Annexure "E" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966

NO.13

ANNEXURE "E" TO AFFIDAVIT
OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS LETTER BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES
LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL
SUGAR REFINING COMPANY
LIMITED TO READY MIXED
CONCRETE LIMITED

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

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1-7 O'CONNELL STREET, SYDNEY
34 MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY

(Please address all correspondence to: Box 645, G.P.O. Sydney)

To: The Chairman of Directors, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, Wales House, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial 20 Sugar Refining Company Limited being the Offeror Company named in the Offer to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16th July 1964 hereby give notice pursuant to Clause 7 of the said Offer that the Offer will remain open for acceptance in accordance with the terms of the said Offer until the 3rd November 1964.

DATED this fourteenth day of October 1964.

For and on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

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J.W. Dunlop Chairman of Directors of The Colonial Sugar Ref

The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

J.W. Austin Chairman of Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited

THIS IS the annexure marked "E" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May 1966;

Before me:

A.O. Wardle

A Justice of the Peace

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.13

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to
Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
14th October
1964

Annexure "E" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.)

No.14

Respondents Evidence

Joint Statement by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 8th September 1964

Annexure "F" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966

NO.14

ANNEXURE "F" TO AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS - JOINT STATEMENT BY BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

1-7 O'CONNELL STREET, SYDNEY

34 MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY.

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(Please address all correspondence to: Box 645, G.P.O. Sydney)

8th September 1964

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following is a joint statement by the Chairman of Blue Metal Industries Ltd., Mr. J.W. Austin, and the Chairman of The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Ltd., Mr. J.W. Dunlop.

B.M.I. and C.S.R. announce that their offer to R.M.C. shareholders is now unconditional in all respects, following the resignation of five directors from the Board of R.M.C., and the appointment to that Board of nominees of the offeror companies.

The offer remains open for acceptance, as previously announced, until 16th September or such later date as may be advised.

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A notice conveying the foregoing and other information about the settlement of the consideration due to all accepting R.M.C. shareholders will be despatched to them as soon as practicable.

J.W. Dunlop Chairman of

The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Limited

J.W. Austin Chairman of Blue Metal Industries Ltd.

THIS IS the annexure marked "F" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May 1966:

Before me:

A.O. Wardle

A Justice of the Peace

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.14

Respondents Evidence

Joint Statement by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 8th September 1964

Annexure "F" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.)

No.15

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to
Shareholders of
Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
17th September
1964

Annexure "G" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966

NO.15

ANNEXURE "G" TO AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS - LETTER BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED TO SHAREHOLDERS OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

1-7 O'CONNELL STREET, SYDNEY 34 MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY.

(Please address all correspondence to:-Box 645, G.P.O., Sydney)

17th September 1964.

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We thank you for the signed removal/ transfer form(s) accepting our offer of 16th July 1964 to purchase your shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd.

The offer was formally declared by our two companies to be unconditional in all respects on the 8th September 1964, thus committing our two companies to acquire, on the terms stated in the offer, the shares in R.M.C. in respect of which we have received your acceptance, and thus binding the contract in all respects.

R.M.C. shareholders whose acceptances are now in order and in respect of which we have received all the related R.M.C. share certificates, will have posted to them by 8th October 1964 the consideration due to them as stated in the offer, viz. the cash or cash and shares in B.M.I. and C.S.R.

As to other acceptances, the consideration will be forwarded as soon as practicable after the share certificates have been received and any other necessary steps carried out by the accepting R.M.C. shareholders.

WOULD THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHO HAVE NOT YET SENT IN THEIR R.M.C. SHARE CERTIFICATES PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SO THAT SETTLEMENT CAN BE MADE IN THEIR FAVOUR.

Where acceptances have been signed under power of attorney and the power has not yet been exhibited to us, this should be attended to promptly, again so that the acceptances may be cleared for payment of the consideration.

Some shareholders of R.M.C. who have accepted the offer will receive a notice of the annual general meeting to be held on 30th September. This will be because the formalities of transfer to B.M.I./C.S.R. had not been completed when the notice was despatched. If you happen to be one of the accepting shareholders of R.M.C. to receive a notice of the meeting and a form of proxy, please disregard them.

Yours faithfully,

N.C. Edwards N.C. Edwards

For Blue Metal Industries Ltd. and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

THIS IS the annexure marked "G" referred to in the Affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May 1966;

Before me:

A.O. Wardle
A Justice of the Peace

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.15

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to
Shareholders of
Ready Mixed
Concrete Limited
17th September
1964

Annexure "G" to Affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs Sworn 23rd May 1966 (Contd.)

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No.16

Respondents Evidence

Letter Blue
Metal Industries
Limited and The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited to The
Secretary
Sydney Stock
Exchange
8th October 1964

Annexure "H"
to Affidavit
of Arthur Curzon
Isaacs
Sworn 23rd
May 1966

NO.16

ANNEXURE "H" TO AFFIDAVIT OF ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS - LETTER BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED TO THE SECRETARY SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED - BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

1-7 O'CONNELL STREET, SYDNEY,
34 MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY.

(Please address all correspondence to:-Box 645, G.P.O., Sydney)

8th October 1964.

The Secretary, Sydney Stock Exchange, 20 O'Connell Street, Sydney.

Dear Sir,

We advise that our offer of 16th July 1964 to the shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. has been approved by the holders of more than 90% in nominal value of the shares of R.M.C. (other than shares already held at the date of the offer by B.M.I. and C.S.R.).

We therefore request that, as provided in the rules of the Stock Exchange, the official quotation of the shares of Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. be terminated.

As previously advised, our offer to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. is open until 14th October 1964.

Yours faithfully,

N.C. Edwards (N.C. Edwards)

For Blue Metal Industries Ltd. and The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.

THIS is the annexure marked "H" referred to in the affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn at Sydney the 23rd day of May, 1966; Before me:

A.O. Wardle - A Justice of the Peace.

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NO. 17

SUMMONS ISSUED BY THE RESPONDENT THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED DATED 25th MAY 1966

IN THE SUPREME COURT
OF NEW SOUTH WALES
IN EQUITY

No. 365 of 1965

of READY MIXED CONCRETE

LIMITED

IN THE MATTER

AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover offer by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR
REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of an application by R.W. DILLEY

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961 Sections 155, 185 and 366.

LET all parties concerned attend at the Chambers of the Honourable Charles McLelland Chief Judge in Equity sitting in Equity at No. 9 Equity Court, Mena House, 225 Macquarie Street, Sydney on the Twenty fifth day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard on the hearing of an application on behalf of THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED -

1. For an order declaring that the takeover offer made by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited on the 16th July 1964 for all the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be valid notwithstanding any deficiency or irregularity in such offer arising from the failure (if any) of the said offer

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.17

Summons issued by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 25th May 1966

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No.17

Summons issued by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 25th May 1966 (Contd.) to comply with the requirements of the Tenth Schedule to the Companies Act 1961 in one or more of the following respects:

- (a) That paragraph 3 (a) of the offer infringed the provisions of para. 3 (a) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule of the Act;
- (b) That para. 6 of the offer infringed the provisions of paras. 3(b) and 3(c) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule of the Act:

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- (c) That para. 7 of the offer infringed the provisions of Para. 4 (b) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule to the Act.
- That the Court being satisfied that it 2. would do no injustice to Blue Metal Industries Limited or The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited or any member or creditor of either such Company, declare that the offer made by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited for the acquisition of all the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be a valid and lawful offer notwithstanding that it may not have complied with the requirements of the Tenth Schedule to the Companies Act in one or more of the respects set out in 1 above and declare that the acquisition under Section 185 of the shares of the dissenting shareholders be valid notwithstanding the failure if any such offer to comply as aforesaid with such Schedule and notwithstanding that it has been alleged that the said acquisition has been rendered invalid as a result of such failure to comply.

AND for an order providing for the costs of this summons and for such further or other order as to his Honour may seem fit

upon the grounds appearing in and by the affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs sworn on the twenty third day of May 1966 and filed in matter no. 365 of 1965.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

DATED this 25th day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six.

No.17

A.G. NEVILL

Summons issued by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 25th May 1966 (Contd.)

FOR CHIEF CLERK IN EQUITY

NOTE: It is intended to serve this Summons upon the Solicitor for R.W. Dilley.

This Summons is taken out by Stephen Jaques & Stephen of A.M.P. Building, Circular Quay, Sydney, the Solicitors for The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited, 1-7 O'Connell Street, Sydney.

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Judges Notes

JUDGES NOTES MCLELLAND C.J. IN EQUITY

McLelland C.J. in Equity

IN THE SUPREME COURT
OF NEW SOUTH WALES
IN EQUITY

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CORAM: McLELLAND, C.J. IN EQ. MONDAY, 10th May, 1965

READY MIXED CONCRETE LTD.

MACALARY for Applicant.
HOLMES Q.C. & SHEPPARD for Respondent,
Blue Metal Industries.
SINCLAIR & SMART for Respondent, Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.
Summons 6/4/65.

10th May 1965

I order that proceedings pursuant to this summons be stayed until security for costs has been given by the applicant in an amount

In the Supreme to be fixed by the Master. I refer the question to the Master-Court of New Summons S.O.G. Liberty to restore in 7 South Wales In Equity days notice. No. 18 Judges Notes McLelland C.J. in Equity (Contd.) 10th May 1965 1st November MONDAY, 1st NOV., 1965 1965 Summons to rectify register. MACALARY for Applicant. SHEPPARD for Respondent Blue Metal Industries SINCLAIR for Respondent Colonial Sugar 10 Refining Co. Ltd. S.O. to 6/12/65. MONDAY, 6th DEC., 1965 6th December 1965 MACALARY for Applicant. BYERS Q.C. & SHEPPARD for Blue Metal Industries. OFFICER Q.C. & SINCLAIR for Colonial Sugar Refining Co. S.Ö. till 14/2/66. 20 MONDAY, 18th APRIL, 1966 18th April 1966 Appearances as before. I fix hearing for 23/5/66. I direct that particulars be supplied in writing on or before 9/5/66. 23rd May MONDAY, 23rd MAY, 1966 1966 HOPE Q.C. & MACALARY for Applicant. BYERS Q.C. & I. SHEPPARD for Blue Metal Industries Ltd. OFFICER Q.C. & SINCLAIR for Colonial 30 Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.

Summons 6/4/65.

On application of applicant I give leave to amend the summons by adding Ready Mixed Concrete Limited as a party respondent. Costs reserved.

Macalary reads affidavit of John Richard Hunt.

Exhibit A. Hope tenders offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

I give leave to respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to amend its appearance to a disputing appearance. Costs reserved.

Macalary reads affidavit of John Richard Hunt 29/4/65.

Officer objects to para. 5 all words after "The Companies Act 1961" except B(1). Rejected.

Para. 6 not read.

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Applicant closes case.
No evidence on behalf of Blue Metal Industries
Limited.
Officer states Colonial Sugar Refining Company
Limited proposes to file an affidavit.

Hope to Court. Byers to Court.

TUESDAY, 24th MAY, 1966

Byers continues to Court.
Officer to Court.
Reads affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs.

WEDNESDAY, 25th MAY, 1966

Officer continues to Court. Hope in reply. Hope reads affidavit of John Richard Hunt 29/4/65.

Officer objects to para. 5 and documents

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.18

Judges Notes

McLelland C.J. in Equity (Contd.)

23rd May 1966 (Exhibit "A")

24th May 1966

25th MAY 1966

In the Supreme B2, B3, & B.4 on ground of irrelevance Court of New and on ground letters were not letters South Wales inter parties and in any event irrelevant and on information and In Equity belief. No.18 Admitted subject to relevance and Judges Notes admissibility. McLelland Para. 6 and documents Cl, C2 objected to. C.J. in Equity Admitted subject to relevance. (Contd.) Officer to Court. 25th May 1966 10 (Judgment reserved). THURSDAY, 13th APRIL, 1967 13th April 1967 HULME for Applicant. SHEPPARD for Respondent Blue Metal Industries. SINCLAIR for Respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Co.
I give Judgment. S.Ö. till 20/4/67. WEDNESDAY, 26th APRIL, 1967 26th April 1967 Appearances as before. 20 S.O. till 27/4/67-27th April THURSDAY, 27th APRIL, 1967 1967 No. 365 of 1965 - Application by R.W. Dilley Appearances as before. I make declarations and orders in accordance with short minutes of order initialled by me and placed with the papers. The judgment and orders in this matter will be taken as delivered and made on the 27/4/67-30 No. 365 of 1965. Application by The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.

OFFICER Q.C. & SINCLAIR for Applicant. HOPE Q.C. & MACALARY for Respondent.

This order will be taken as made on 27/4/67-

I dismiss application with costs.

Summons 25/5/66.

No. 526 of 1966.

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Applications by Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. and Blue Metal Industries Limited.

2 Summonses dated 25/5/66
BYERS Q.C. & SHEPPARD for Applicants.
HOPE Q.C. & MACALARY for Respondent.
I dismiss each of these summonses with costs.

This Order will be taken as made on 27/4/67.

NO. 19

REASONS FOR JUDGMENT MC LELLAND C.J. IN EQUITY

IN THE SUPREME COURT)
OF NEW SOUTH WALES)
IN EQUITY

CORAM: McLEILLAND, C.J. in Eq. Thursday, 13th April, 1967

IN THE MATTER OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF A TAKEOVER OFFER BY BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1961.

JUDGMENT

HIS HONOUR: These are proceedings arising out of an offer dated 16th July, 1964 made by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited jointly, to whom I shall refer as the Offerors, to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, to which I shall refer as the Company, the offer being described on its face as made "Pursuant to the provisions of s.184 of the Companies Act 1961".

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.18

Judges Notes

McLelland C.J. in Equity (Contd.) 27th April 1967

No.19

Reasons for Judgment McLelland C.J. in Equity 13th April 1967

No.19

Reasons for Judgment McLelland C.J. in Equity 13th April 1967 (Contd.)

The offer was in the following terms:

- 1. BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED a Company duly incorporated according to the laws of New South Wales and having its registered office at 34 Martin Place, Sydney in that State and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED a Company similarly incorporated and having its registered office at 1-7 O'Connell Street, Sydney aforesaid (which companies are hereinafter called the "Offeror Company") having given Notice of the Takeover Scheme pursuant to Section 184 of the Companies Act 1961 hereby offer to acquire from you the whole of the Stock Units in the capital of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED held by you.
- 2. The consideration offered for each 100 such Stock Units of 3/- each is:
- (i) the allotment of 28 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited, 20 AND
- (ii) the allotment of 8 shares of £1 each fully paid in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited AND
- (iii) the sum of £13/2/- in cash.

 For parcels of stock units not exactly divisible by 100 a pro rata consideration is offered. If your holding of stock units is such that the transfer of such holding pursuant to the offer to be made would result in the allotment to you of:
 - (i) a fraction of a share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and/or a fraction of a share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining 40 Company Limited and/or
 - (ii) a number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which is not divisible

exactly by 50 and/or

(iii) a number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which is not divisible exactly by 25

then

- (i) in respect of each such fraction you shall and
- (ii) in respect of each share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited where your entitlement is less than 50 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of 50 immediately below the total number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which would otherwise be allotted to you and in respect of each share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited where your entitlement is less than 25 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of 25 immediately below the total number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which would otherwise be allotted to you, you may at your option notified with your acceptance of this offer receive in lieu of such fractions and/or such shares cash at the rate of 26/6 for each whole share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and 87/- for each whole share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.
- 3. Simultaneously with this offer, offers are being made by the "Offeror Company" to the holders of all other issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and the offer to you and to each such other stockholder is made upon and subject

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.19

Reasons for Judgment McLelland C.J. in Equity 13th April 1967 (Contd.)

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No.19

Reasons for Judgment McLelland C.J. in Equity 13th April 1967 (Contd.) to the following terms and conditions, namely:

- (a) That acceptances of offers made to the holders of all the issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are received within one (1) month of the date of such offers (or such longer period as the "Offeror Company" may from time to time by notice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 10 specify) in respect of not less than ninetenths in nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or such lesser percentage as the "Offeror Company" may decide to accept.
- (b) That Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and each and every subsidiary thereof will between the Twenty-sixth day of June, 1964 (being the date upon which notice of the Take-Over Scheme pursuant to which this offer is made was given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited) and the date upon which the said offers become unconditional:
 - (i) carry on its and their business in the normal and usual way;
 - (ii) not make any unusual or exceptional arrangements or disposals of assets;

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- (iii) not increase or further reduce its or their issued and paid up capital, and
- (iv) not pay or declare any dividend or make or declare any other distribution of any kind whatsoever to its stockholders (other than the proposed return of capital of 2/- per stock unit, to determine the entitlement to which the Registers of Stockholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited were closed on Wednesday, 3rd June, 1964).

(c) That upon the offers being accepted in respect of nine-tenths in nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or such lesser percentage thereof as the "Offeror Company" may decide to accept such of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited at that date as may be specified by the "Offeror Company" will resign, the Board of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited appointing as Directors of that Company such persons as may be nominated by the "Offeror Company".

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No. 19

Reasons for Judgment McLelland C.J. in Equity 13th April 1967 (Contd.)

(d) The passing at an Extraordinary General Meeting of Blue Metal Industries Limited of a Special Resolution increasing the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited to £15,000,000 by the creation of 40,000,000 new shares of 5/- each.

(NOTE: The "Offeror Company" advise that:

The Extraordinary General Meeting referred to in Condition 3 (d) above has been duly held and the Special Resolution increasing the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited to £15,000,000 by the creation of 40,000,000 new shares of 5/- each has been duly passed. Such condition has accordingly been complied with.)

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- 4. This offer is dated the sixteenth day of July 1964 and except in so far as it and all other Take-Over offers made under the Take-Over Scheme may be totally withdrawn and every person released from any obligation incurred thereunder it will remain open for acceptance for one (1) month from that date and for such longer period as the "Offeror Company" may from time to time by notice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify.
- 5. The offer is not conditional upon your approving or consenting to any payment or other benefit being made or given to any Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or of any other corporation which is deemed by virtue of sub-section

No.19

Reasons for Judgment McLelland C.J. in Equity 13th April 1967 (Contd.)

- (5) of Section 6 of the Companies Act, 1961 (or any corresponding enactment in force in any State or Territory of the Commonwealth) to be related to that corporation as compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his retirement from office.
 - 6. The payment of such part of the consideration offered as is payable in cash 10 and the delivery of certificates for the stock units in Blue Metal Industries Limited (into which units the shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited intended to be issued in consideration of the transfer of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited will be converted immediately after allotment) and the delivery of certificates for the shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company 20 Limited will be made to each accepting stockholder within one (1) month after the date upon which the offers become unconditional and the certificates for the stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in respect of which such payment and delivery are to be made have been delivered to the "Offeror Company". Payment of the cash portion of such consideration will be made by cheque 30 drawn on behalf of the "Offeror Company" in your favour.
 - 7. The latest date upon which the "Offeror Company" may declare this offer to have become free from the condition contained in paragraph 3(a) above shall be the 9th day of September 1964 and in such case the offer will remain open for acceptance for a further period of seven (7) days or such longer period as the "Offeror Company" may from time to time by notice in writing to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify.

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Instructions as to the method by which this offer may be accepted appear on page 1 of this booklet.

Annexed hereto is a copy of

- (a) The Statement complying with Part B of the Tenth Schedule of the Act given by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited; and
- (b) The Statement complying with Part C of the Tenth Schedule of the Act given by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

DATED the sixteenth day of July, 1964.

For and on behalf of BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

20 Included with the offer was a "Statement Pursuant to Part B of The Tenth Schedule Of The Companies Act 1961" in the following terms:

> 1. The names, descriptions and addresses of all the Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited and of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited (hereinafter jointly called the "Offeror Company") are:

OF BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

John Worroker Austin of 50 Bower Street, Manly, New South Wales, Company Director.

John Delmont Patience, of 32a Darling Point Road, Darling Point, New South Wales, Company Director.

Harold Wenham Robinson of 1 Kintore Street, Wahroonga, New South Wales, Managing Director.

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Galliano Eugene Melocco of 33 Nelson Street, Gordon, New South Wales, Company Director.

John Alwyn Bruce of "Gold Creek", Ginninderra, Australian Capital Territory, Civil Engineer.

OF THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

John Wallace Dunlop of 17 Etham Avenue, Darling Point, New South Wales, Company Director.

Edward Ritchie Knox of 22 Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill, New South Wales, Chartered Accountant.

Gregory Blaxland Kater of 106 Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill, New South Wales, Electrical Engineer.

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Clifford Gordon Crane of 6 Water Street, Wahroonga, New South Wales, Company Director.

James Vernon of 27 Manning Road, Double Bay, New South Wales, Company General Manager.

John Edward Menzies Dixon of 84 Eastern Road, Turramurra, New South Wales, Company Deputy General Manager.

Bernard Blomfield Riley of 12 Arnold Street, Killara, New South Wales, Barrister-at-law.

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2. (a) The principal activities of Blue Metal Industries Limited are that it is a holding company for a group of companies engaged in the production, distribution and sale of blue metal aggregates, gravel, sand and road base materials, the production, sale and laying

of hot and cold bituminous mix. the laying of bituminous roads and pavements, the production, delivery and sale of readymixed concrete, the manufacture of high quality texture bricks, the businesses of general contractors in marble, terrazzo and other facing materials and of timber and joinery merchants and flooring specialists.

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- (b) The principal activities of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited together with its subsidiary companies are the production and sale of raw and refined sugar, building materials, chemicals and distillery products.
- 3. (a) 207,248 ordinary stock units of 20 3/- each in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are held by or on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited.
 - (b) 684,500 ordinary stock units of 3/- each in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are held by or on behalf of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.
- 4. (a) A copy of a Report dated the 24th day of June 1964 made to the 30 Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited by Messrs. Smith, Johnson & Co., Registered Company Auditors, is set out in Appendix "A" hereto.
 - (b) A copy of a Report dated the 24th day of June 1964 made to the Directors of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited by Messrs. Yarwood Vane & Co., Registered Company Auditors, is set out in Appendix "B" hereto.
 - 5. (a) The Directors of Blue Metal Industries

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- (i) The business of Blue Metal Industries Limited has in their opinion been satisfactorily maintained
- (ii) There have not, in their opinion, arisen any circumstances adversely affecting that Company's trading or the value of its assets.
- (iii) The current assets of Blue
 Metal Industries Limited
 appear in the books at
 values which are believed
 to be realisable in the
 ordinary course of business.
- (iv) There are contingent
 liabilities by reason of
 guarantees given to Banks by
 one or more of the subsidiary
 companies of Blue Metal
 Industries Limited in respect
 of overdraft accommodation
 made available from time to
 time to companies within the
 group
- (v) Since the last Annual Report there have been minor changes in the published Reserves resulting in small increases therein and there have not been any unusual factors affecting the profit of Blue Metal Industries Limited and its subsidiaries.

(b) The Directors of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited after due enquiry by them in relation to the interval between the date to which the last Accounts of that Company have been made up (namely the 31st day of March 1964) and a date not earlier than fourteen days before the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, report that:

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- (i) The business of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited has in their opinion been satisfactorily maintained
- (ii) There have not, in their opinion, arisen any circumstances adversely affecting that Company's trading or the value of its assets
- (iii) The current assets of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited appear in the books at values which are believed to be realisable in the ordinary course of business.
- (iv) There are contingent liabilities by reason of guarantees given by the Company and its subsidiary companies.
- (v) Since the last Annual Report there have been no changes in the published Reserves and there have not been any unusual factors affecting the profit of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and its subsidiaries.
- 40 6. (a) Details of all alterations in the capital structure of Blue Metal Industries Limited and its subsidiary companies which have occurred during the period of five years immediately

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preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited together with the source of any increase in capital is shown in Appendix "C"hereto.

(b) Details of all alterations in the capital structure of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and its subsidiary companies which have occurred during the period of five years immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited together with the source of any increase in capital is shown in Appendix "D" hereto.

7. There is no restriction on the right to transfer the stock units to which the Take-Over Scheme relates contained in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited which has the effect of requiring the holders of those stock units before transferring them to offer them for purchase to members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or to any other person.

The consideration offered by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited includes the sum of £13.2.0. in cash for each one hundred fully paid ordinary stock units of 3/- each in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. In addition Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited will pay each accepting stockholder in cash for any resulting fractions of shares, the equivalent value of the fractions at the rate of 26/6 for each whole share in Blue Metal Industries Limited and 87/- for each whole share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited. Further a holder of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited who as a result of transferring those stock units pursuant

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to the proposed offer would otherwise receive a number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited not exactly divisible by 50 and/or a number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited not exactly divisible by 25 may in certain circumstances to be specified in the proposed offer elect to have in lieu of each share in Blue Metal Industries Limited where the entitlement is less than 50 shares or each share in excess of the multiple of 50 immediately below the total number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which would otherwise be allotted to the stockholder the sum of 26/6 in cash and in lieu of each share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited where the entitlement is less than 25 shares or each share in excess of the multiple of 25 immediately below the total number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which would otherwise be allotted to that stockholder the sum of 87/- in cash. Such cash as may be required for the purposes aforesaid will be provided from the resources of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and from moneys arranged to be made available by way of overdraft accommodation by the Bankers of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company

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(a) 9. It is not proposed in connection with the Take-Over Scheme that any payment or other benefit shall be made or given to any Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or any corporation which is by virtue of sub-section (5) of Section 6 of the Companies Act 1961 (or any corresponding enactment in force in any State or Territory of the Commonwealth) deemed to be related to that corporation as compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his retirement from that office.

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- (b) There is no other agreement or arrangement made between Blue Metal Industries Limited and any of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or between The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and any of such Directors in connection with or conditional upon the outcome of the Scheme.
- (c) There has not been within the knowledge 10 of either Blue Metal Industries Limited or of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited any material change in the financial position of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited since the date of the last Balance Sheet laid before that corporation in General Meeting save and except it is known that Company and/or 20 its subsidiaries sold the whole of the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete (United Kingdom) Limited held by them for the sum of approximately £7,411,696 and that from the funds so made available to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited that Company had announced that it has made provision to repay the sum of £753,308 previously borrowed to finance the purchase of part of 30 such shares and to return to stockholders by way of reduction of the nominal value of stock units from 5/- to 3/- each a sum aggregating £3,303,900.
- (d) There is an agreement or arrangement whereby stock units acquired jointly by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited in pursuance of the Scheme will be transferred to other persons. The parties to that agreement are Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and the agreement is that one half of the total number of stock units so

acquired will be transferred to Blue Metal Industries Limited and the other one half thereof will be transferred to The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited. The number of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited held by or on behalf of each of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited is set out earlier in this Statement. Pursuant to the said agreements Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited will equalise their holdings of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

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- 10. (a) Ordinary stock units of Blue Metal Industries Limited are listed on and dealt in on The Sydney Stock Exchange; and
 - (i) The latest available market sale price of the 5/- ordinary stock units in Blue Metal Industries
 Limited on The Sydney Stock Exchange prior to the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete
 Limited was 27/3 per stock unit.

(ii) The highest and lowest market sale price of the 5/- ordinary stock units in Blue Metal Industries Limited and the respective dates of the relevant sales during the three months immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited were:

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Lowest price - 24/3 on 4th June, 1964.

(iii) The Take-Over Scheme was the subject of a public announcement in newspapers prior to this notice being given. Such public announcement occurred on the 22nd day of June, 1964. The latest market sale price of the 5/-ordinary stock units in Blue Metal Industries Limited immediately prior to such public announcement was 26/6 per stock unit.

It is the intention of Blue Metal Industries Limited upon the joint offers becoming unconditional to seek listing on the Stock Exchange of each capital city in Australia.

- (b) Ordinary shares of The Colonial
 Sugar Refining Company Limited are
 listed on and dealt in on the
 Sydney Stock Exchange, The Stock
 Exchange of Melbourne, the Brisbane
 Stock Exchange, The Stock Exchange
 of Adelaide Limited, the Stock
 Exchange of Perth, The Hobart Stock
 Exchange, the Auckland Stock
 Exchange, the Christchurch Stock
 Exchange, the Dunedin Stock Exchange,
 the Wellington Stock Exchange and
 the Invercargill Stock Exchange;
 and
 - (i) The latest available market sale price of the £l ordinary shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited on The Sydney Stock Exchange (being the Stock Exchange at which there have been

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the greatest number of recorded dealings in the said Court of New shares in the three months immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited) prior to the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited was 84/3 per share.

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(ii) The highest and lowest market sale price of the £1 ordinary shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and the respective dates of the relevant sales during the three months immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited (being sales recorded on The Sydney Stock Exchange) were:

> Highest price - 89/9 on 12th June, 1964

> -78/3 on 26th Lowest price March, 1964 and 2nd April, 1964

(iii) The Take-Over Scheme was the subject of a public announcement in newspapers prior to this notice being Such public announcegiven. ment occurred on the 22nd day of June, 1964. The latest market sale price of the £1 ordinary shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited immediately

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DATED this twenty-sixth day of June, 1964.

For and on behalf of BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

There was also included a "Statement In Pursuance Of Part C Of The Tenth Schedule Of The Companies Act 1961" in the following terms:

This statement is made by the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in connection with a Notice of a Take-Over Scheme dated 26th June, 1964, which is the subject of intended take-over offers from Blue Metal Industries Limited and the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

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(A) The Board of Directors of Ready
Mixed Concrete Limited being in a
position to assess the real worth
of the Ready Mixed Concrete Limited
Group is convinced that the value of
each R.M.C. share is not less than
18/- cash and therefore does not
recommend to shareholders the
acceptance of the intended take-over
offers for this and other reasons
set out herein.

(B) The number of marketable securities held by or on behalf of each Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are detailed as hereunder:

J.G. Palmer	4,000	shares	
J.H. Stephenson	4,000	Ħ	
A. Richards	10,831	17	
R.F. Street	6,800	11	
G.J. Dingle	5,500	11	40
N.A. Pardoe	5,000	11	70
F.C. Mitchell	500	11	

(C) The present intention of each of

the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, except Messrs. G.J. Dingle and N.A. Pardoe, is not to accept the take-over offer to be made in pursuance of the take-over Scheme in respect of the shares held by or on their behalf. Messrs. Dingle and Pardoe have stated that it is their present intention to accept such take-over offer in respect of their shares.

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(D) The number of marketable securities held in the Offeror Companies by the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are as detailed hereunder:

	B.M. I.	C.S.R.
J.G.Palmer	Nil	Nil
J.H.Stephenson	Nil	Nil
A.Richards	Nil	Nil
R.F.Street	Nil	275
		(as Trustees)
G.J.Dingle	11,000*	Nil
N.A.Pardoe	Ńil	Nil
F.C.Michell	Nil	Nil

*As Trustee for a deceased estate.

(E) It is not proposed in connection with the take-over scheme which is the subject of the proposed take-over offer that any payment or other benefit shall be made or given to any Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or of any related corporation as compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his or her retirement from office.

(F) There is no other agreement or arrangement made between any of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and any other person in connection with or conditional

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- upon the outcome of the take-over scheme.
- (G) None of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited has any interest in any contract entered into by Blue Metal Industries Limited or The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.
- (H) The shares of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are listed on the Stock Exchanges of Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Newcastle.

- (I) The following material changes have occurred in the financial position of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited since the date of the last consolidated balance sheet laid before the Company in General meeting:
 - (i) Shares held in Ready Mixed 20 Concrete (United Kingdom)
 Limited have been sold for the sum of £A7,411,696.
 - (ii) The paid up capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited was increased from £8,259,699 to £8,259,750 in December, 1963.
 - (iii) The paid up capital of Ready
 Mixed Concrete Limited has 30
 been reduced from £8,259,750
 to £4,955,850 by the repayment
 to shareholders of the sum of
 2/- per share in cash.
 - (iv) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited through a subsidiary acquired in February 1964 for £35,000 cash the assets and undertaking of J.J. Lyons & Son, sand merchants of Oxley, 40 Queensland.

(v) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited has acquired for £270,000 cash the 100,000 "B" Class Ordinary Shares held by Reids' Quarries Limited in Ready Mixed Concrete (Melbourne) Pty. Limited.

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(vi) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited through a subsidiary has agreed to purchase for £65,000 cash (subject to adjustments for stocktaking, etc.) the whole of the issued shares in Barrigan Querries Pty. Limited.

(vii) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited through a subsidiary has agreed to organise a joint company with J. Henrick & Sons for the purchase of the assets and undertaking of Tumut Lime & Marble Pty. Limited for £75,000 cash subject to adjustments for stocktaking, etc.

(viii) An interim dividend, of 34d. per share absorbing £516,234 was declared and paid on 31st March, 1964, the amount of which was more than covered by current profits.

(ix)Dividends were declared on 25th June, 1964 by subsidiaries of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited payable to the Parent Company in pursuance of normal intercompany procedures.

Apart from the foregoing there have been no material changes in the financial position of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited since the date of the last consolidated balance sheet

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laid before the company in general meeting other than those brought about in the ordinary course of the conduct of the business of the company.

- (J) The reasons for the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited not recommending the take-over offers are:
 - (1) The offer, inter alia for 100 3/- shares in Ready Mixed Concrete will be:

(i) The allotment of 28 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited, AND

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- (ii) The allotment of 8 shares of £1, each fully paid in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited, AND
- (iii) The sum of £13/2/- in cash.
- (2) The consideration set out in the offers, even if regarded as being equivalent to 17/- cash per R.M.C. share does not reflect the true value of the shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. The market value of the R.M.C. shares has been depressed for some time. The Offeror Companies are obviously of the same opinion as they have purchased large numbers of R.M.C. shares at current prices.
- R.M.C. shareholders do not have any choice of accepting cash (other than for odd lots and fractions) instead of shares in the Offeror Companies and the value of the offer depends on market prices of these shares from day to day. There is no

guarantee that present market prices will be maintained and it is quite possible for market values of shares in the Offeror Companies to fluctuate within wide limits as Stock Exchange records show.

The Directors understand that market prices of shares particularly in one of the Offeror Companies, have been affected by unusually heavy market support in recent works by interested parties. Therefore present prices cannot be taken as a reliable guide to future values especially when the number of shares to be issued in terms of the take-over proposals is taken into account.

The offer if accepted will place large numbers of R.M.C. shareholders in possession of relatively small parcels of B.M.I. and C.S.R. shares and as usual in take-overs many of these will be disposed of. This may well have a depressing effect on market values.

Brokerage at the rate of 5d. for each B.M.I. share and approximately 1/- for each C.S.R. share would be incurred by shareholders wishing to dispose of their shares, other than odd lotts of fractions paid for in cash should the offer be successful.

- (4) The aggregate nett profit (unaudited) of R.M.C. for the 11 months to 31st May, 1964 amounted to £1,559,000 prior to taxation provision of £556,000.
- (5) Attention must be drawn to the omission from the formal Notice of Take-over Scheme of a definite

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The dividend position must have a very material effect on the value of the offer-

(6) Of the two Offeror Companies, only B.M.I. is at present engaged in the industries in which R.M.C. operates. The value of C.S.R.'s interest in R.M.C. would represent only approximately 10% of the nett tangible assets of that company.

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(7) Another factor to be taken into account is that between them B.M.I. and C.S.R. would control approximately 80% of the Sydney blue metal market. The apparent strength of this situation is a weakness in that the reduction of competition facilitates gaining an increased share of the market by existing and new competitors. Monopoly control of an industry is always undesirable particularly at the present time when legislative curbs are impending.

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(8) The proposed offer has far greater advantages to the shareholders in B.M.I. and C.S.R. than it has for the shareholders in R.M.C. There are undoubted advantages to R.M.C. shareholders in having their company carry on as an independent enterprise with its shares listed on the stock exchanges.

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The offer has come to R.M.C. at a time when it is engaged in transferring

funds previously invested overseas into operations in Australia where opportunities in this company's industries have never been better and R.M.C. is properly prepared to share extensively in such opportunities.

R.M.C. is already engaged in all states of Australia (metropolitan and country) in concrete production and (except in Victoria) in quarrying whereas the activities of B.M.I. are concentrated in the Sydney-Newcastle-Wollongong area. C.S.R. does not at present operate in the quarrying and concrete industries at all.

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(9) During the last six months R.M.C. has been implementing its programme involving the extension of its Australian activities. The recently 20 announced acquisitions of Barrigan Quarries Pty. Limited and of a 50% interest in gravel, quarrying and concrete operations in Tumut are part of a plan for expansion into the N.S.W. Riverina area. Negotiations have been in progress for several months for these acquisitions, the cost of which is considered favourable and an excellent return is confidently expected.

> R.M.C. is well advanced in the establishment of permanent quarry and concrete operations in Darwin.

- (10)In addition to its quarrying and concrete operations R.M.C. engages in the following activities:
 - (a) Distribution and service in all States of Australia of Foden Trucks and (except in Victoria) Mercedes Benz Trucks. franchise for Mercedes Benz Trucks has only recently been granted and is expected to contribute to profits of the 1964/65 year.

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- (b) Tin dredging operations in Malaysia. The local company has recently been successful in obtaining mining titles to rich new areas in the vicinity of its present areas. Present tin prices and the new areas obtained indicate the prospect of many future years of profitable operation.
- (c) Operations of mobile concrete and quarrying plants in Australia. These plants are designed to be able to take advantage of contracts for airport, road construction and other works offering in all parts of Australia, and R.M.C. has proved successful in this type of operation. Additional mobile units of this kind are at present under construction for early delivery.
- (d) Plants for the production and laying of hot and cold bituminous mix are at present on order and the first will be delivered at the beginning of August. These plants are transportable and designed to take advantage of the substantial road building programmes which have been announced by Federal and State Governments.
- (e) Increased profits may also be expected from R.M.C.'s other interests which include sale of dry bagged premixed products (Sakrete), precast and prestressed concrete products, an agency for the sale of Gardner diesel engines and from the current utilisation for milk production of lands held for long term development as raw material deposits.
- (11) A further important development of benefit to R.M.C. is its investment of 400,000 £1 shares in The Victoria

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Portland Cement Co. Pty. Limited.
R.M.C. has been informed by The
Commonwealth Portland Cement Co. Pty.
Limited that it is intended to form a
public holding company embracing the
Blue Circle Cement Companies' interests
in Australia, including The Victoria
Portland Cement Co. Pty. Limited
and that the public company will be
making a public issue at a premium
in the near future.

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R.M.C.'s 400,000 shares will be exchanged for shares in this new public company and this conversion will substantially increase the value of R.M.C's investment as well as making it income producing immediately.

(12)R.M.C. has substantial cash resources and reserves and is in a sound position to increase its profit earning capacity while at the same time maintaining dividend payments at the rate of 61d per 3/- share (18.05% p.a.) with the prospect of an early increase in dividend rate as the company's development plans are progressively impelemented. Even a dividend rate of $6\frac{1}{2}$ d per share is better than that available under the B.M.I./C.S.R. takeover offer if it is assumed that the cash portion is invested to return 4% p.a. which is a realistic figure. is doubtful whether an investment in equity shares of equivalent standing to R.M.C. shares can be found which will yield a higher return.

(13) To sum up, the Board of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited is confident that greater returns will accrue to share-holders by pursuance of the company's existing expansion plans unfettered by absorption by the Offeror Companies.

It is also the view of the Board that the shares plus cash offer is of transient value and will not match the

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value of the R.M.C. shares consequent upon the implementation of its expansion plans and normal growth.

The offer is therefore not recommended by the Board and shareholders are advised to retain their shares in R.M.C.

(14) In view of the fact that the Offeror Companies have already asked that our Share Department address envelopes to shareholders and for other assistance, 10 which has been made available, we believe that the Offeror Companies will make a direct approach to R.M.C. shareholders.

It is to be remembered that in the notice of intended take-over scheme C.S.R. disclosed that it then held 684,500 shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and B.M.I. held 207,248 shares. Shareholders should not be surprised if these shares were sold thus temporarily depressing the R.M.C. market.

For and on behalf of The Board of Directors.

SYDNEY, 9th July, 1964.

On or about the 14th August, 1964 a notice dated 14th August, 1964 was sent to the Company on behalf of the Offerors in the following terms:

The Chairman of Directors, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, Wales House, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited being the "Offeror Company" named in the Offer to Stockholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16th July 1964 HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that the said Offer will remain open for acceptance in accordance with the terms

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of the said Offer until 31st August 1964 and that the period mentioned in Clause 3(a) of the Offer within which the acceptances therein mentioned are received is hereby extended until 31st August 1964.

Dated this fourteenth day of August 1964.

For and on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

On or about the 31st August, 1964 a notice dated 31st August 1964 in similar terms was sent extending the time for acceptance until 7th September, 1964.

On or about the 7th September, 1964 a notice dated the 7th September, 1964 was sent to the Company on behalf of the Offerors in the following terms:

Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited hereby give notice pursuant to paragraph 7 of their offer dated the 16th July 1964 to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited that the offer will remain open for acceptance until the 16th September 1964 or for such longer period as Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited may from time to time by notice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify.

The Colonial Sugar Blue Metal Industries Refining Co. Ltd. Ltd.

On the 8th September, 1964 the percentage of the nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of the Company in respect of which acceptances had been received by the Offerors was approximately 77%.

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On the 8th September, 1964 an announcement was made by the Offerors to the stock exchanges upon which the stock units of the Company were listed declaring the said offer to be unconditional in the following terms:

The following is a joint statement by the Chairman of Blue Metal Industries Ltd., Mr. J.W. Austin, and the Chairman of The Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Ltd., Mr. J.W. Dunlop.

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B.M.I. and C.S.R. announce that their offer to R.M.C. shareholders is now unconditional in all respects, following the resignation of five directors from the Board of R.M.C., and the appointment to that Board of nominees of the offeror companies.

The offer remains open for acceptance, as previously announced, until 16th September or such later date as may be advised.

A notice conveying the foregoing and other information about the settlement of the consideration due to all accepting R.M.C. shareholders will be despatched to them as soon as practicable.

On or about the 16th September, 1964 a notice was sent to the Company on behalf of the Offerors in the following terms:

The Chairman of Directors, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, Wales House, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited being the Offeror Company named in the Offer to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16th July 1964 hereby give notice pursuant to Clause 7 of the said Offer that the Offer will remain open for acceptance in

accordance with the terms of the said Offer until the 14th October 1964.

Dated this sixteenth day of September 1964.

For and on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

On or about the 17th September, 1964 a notice dated the 17th September, 1964 was sent to all stockholders of the Company who had accepted the offer of the Offerors advising that the offer had become unconditional in the following terms:

Dear Sir/Madam,

We thank you for the signed removal/ transfer form(s) accepting our offer of 16th July 1964 to purchase your shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd.

The offer was formally declared by our two companies to be unconditional in all respects on the 8th September 1964, thus committing our two companies to acquire on the terms stated in the offer, the shares in R.M.C. in respect of which we have received your acceptance, and thus binding the contract in all respects.

R.M.C. shareholders whose acceptances are now in order and in respect of which we have received all the related R.M.C. share certificates, will have posted to them by 8th October 1964 the consideration due to them as stated in the offer, viz. the cash or cash and shares in B.M.I. and C.S.R.

As to other acceptances, the consideration will be forwarded as soon as practicable after the share certificates have been received and any other necessary steps carried out by the accepting R.M.C. shareholders.

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Where acceptances have been signed under power of attorney and the power has not yet been exhibited to us, this should be attended to promptly, again so that the acceptances may be cleared for payment of the consideration.

Some shareholders of R.M.C. who have accepted the offer will receive a notice of the annual general meeting to be held on 30th September. This will be because the formalities of transfer to B.M.I./C.S.R. had not been completed when the notice was despatched. If you happen to be one of the accepting shareholders of R.M.C. to receive a notice of the meeting and a form of proxy, please disregard them.

Yours faithfully,

On or about the 6th October, 1964 acceptances in respect of nine tenths nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of the Company had been received by the Offerors.

On the 8th October, 1964 a notice was sent to the Sydney Stock Exchange in the following terms:

The Secretary, Sydney Stock Exchange, 20, O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Dear Sir,

We advise that our offer of 16th July 1964 to the shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. has been approved by the holders of more than 90% in nominal value of the

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shares of R.M.C. (other than shares already held at the date of the offer by B.M.I. and C.S.R.).

We therefore request that, as provided in the rules of the Stock Exchange, the official quotation of the shares of Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. be terminated.

As previously advised, our offer to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Ltd. is open until 14th October 1964.

Yours faithfully,

On or about the 14th October, 1964 a notice dated the 14th October 1964 was sent to the Company on behalf of the Offerors in the following terms:

The Chairman of Directors, Ready Mired Concrete Limited, Wales House, 27 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited being the Offeror Company named in the Offer to shareholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited dated 16th July 1964 hereby give notice pursuant to Clause 7 of the said Offer that the Offer will remain open for acceptance in accordance with the terms of the said Offer until the 3rd November 1964.

Dated this fourteenth day of October 1964.

In respect of acceptances of the offer the payment of such part of the consideration offered as was payable in cash and the delivery of certificates for shares in the Offerors took place within one month of the 7th October, 1964 as to all who had then accepted except in cases in which an estate In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

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On or about the 23rd November the Offerors sent a notice dated 23rd November, 1964 to all the dissenting shareholders in the following terms:

In this notice -

Ready Mixed Concrete Limited is referred to as "the transferor company", and

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Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited are referred to as "the transferee company".

On the sixteenth day of July, 1964 the transferee company made an offer to all the holders of shares in the transferor company of:

For each 100 such shares of 3/- each,

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- (i) the allotment of 28 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited, AND
- (ii) the allotment of 8 shares of £1 each fully paid in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited AND
- (iii) the sum of £13/2/- in cash.

For parcels of shares not exactly divisible by 100 a pro rata consideration

was offered.

If a holding of shares was such that the transfer of such holding pursuant to the offer would result in the allotment to the holder of:

(i) a fraction of a share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and/or a fraction of a share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and/or

(ii) a number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which was not divisible exactly by 50 and/or

(iii) a number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which was not divisible exactly by 25

then

(i) in respect of each such fraction the holder should and

in respect of each share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries (ii) Limited where his entitlement was less than 50 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of 50 immediately below the total number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which would otherwise be allotted to him and in respect of each share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited where his entitlement was less than 25 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of 25 immediately below the total number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which would otherwise be allotted to him he might at his option notified with his acceptance of the offer

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Up to the third day of November, 1964 (being a date within four months after the making of the offer in that behalf by the transferee company), the offer was approved by the holders of not less thanmine-tenths in nominal value of the shares (other than shares already held at the date of the offer by, or by a nominee for, the transferee company or its subsidiary).

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The transferee company hereby gives you notice, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act, 1961, that it desires to acquire the shares held by you in the transferor company.

You are entitled within one month after the receipt of this notice to require the transferee company, by demand in writing served on it, to supply you with a statement of the names and addresses of all other dissenting shareholders, and the transferee company will not be entitled or bound to acquire the shares of those dissenting shareholders until fourteen days after the posting to you of the statement of those names and addresses.

Unless upon an application made to the Supreme Court by you

- (a) on or before the twenty third day of December, 1964 (being one month from the date of this notice); or
- (b) on a date within seven days of a statement being supplied to you pursuant to subsection (3) of Section 185 of the Companies Act, 1961,

whichever is the later date, the Supreme Court orders otherwise, the transferee company will, in pursuance of these provisions be entitled and bound to acquire the shares held by you in the transferor company on the terms which, under the scheme or contrary to which the above-mentioned offer relates, the shares of the approving shareholders in the transferor company are to be transferred to the transferee company-

DATED this twenty third day of November, 1964

On the 12th January, 1965 payment of cash and delivery of certificates in respect of all stockholders in the Company who had not accepted the offer, with the exception of one, David de Carvalho, were made to the Company as trustee, payment and delivery to the said David de Carvalho being made on the 15th February, 1965.

On or about the 15th January, 1965 the Company sent a notice dated the 15th January, 1965 to all the dissenting shareholders in the following terms:

Dear Sir/Madam,

We refer to the Notice to Dissenting Shareholders dated 23rd November sent to you by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited pursuant to Section 185(1) of the New South Wales Companies Act, 1961.

In accordance with Section 185(5) of the Act, your former holding of R.M.C. shares has been transferred to B.M.I. and C.S.R. jointly.

Enclosed herewith is a statement showing particulars of the holding acquired from you and of the shares, if any, and each covering the consideration to which you are entitled in exchange for your holding. In accordance with the provisions of the

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In addition, we are holding in trust the following dividends which will be paid to those entitled to them at the time of settlement.

Final dividend of 1/2d per stock unit on each 5/- unit in Blue Metal Industries Limited.

Interim dividend of 1/3d. per share on each £1 share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

A procedure for settlement was sent out and an application for settlement was enclosed.

As at the 23rd May, 1966 there were sixty six former stockholders of the Company who had not accepted the consideration for the offer of the Offerors. Their holdings together totalled approximately one quarter of one per cent of the nominal value at all relevant times of the issued stock units in the capital of the Company.

In respect of the said sixty six former stockholders to whose holdings the power of acquisition pursuant to s.185 of the Companies Act was applied by the Offerors, only one, Robert William Dilley, to whom I shall refer as the applicant, took any proceedings.

The applicant, who at the time of the offer was the holder of 17142 stock units in the capital of the Company, commenced these proceedings by summons dated the 6th April, 1965 in which the respondents named were the Offerors.

The substantive relief asked for is as follows:

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......for an order that the register of members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be rectified by restoring thereto the applicant as a holder of 17,142 shares or alternatively for an order that the period of one month fixed by Section 185 for the Companies Act 1961 as the period within which applications must be made by dissenting shareholders be enlarged to permit the bringing of these proceedings by the said R.W. Dilley a dissenting shareholder and for an order that Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited be not entitled to acquire from the said R.W. Dilley the shares held by him in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and that Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited be restrained from taking any steps purporting to acquire compulsorily the shares of the said R.W. Dilley

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A disputing appearance was entered on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited and a submitting appearance on behalf of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

The summons came on for hearing on the 23rd May, 1966.

On that day I gave the applicant leave to amend the summons by adding Ready Mixed Concrete Limited as a party respondent and the summons was amended accordingly.

On the same day I gave leave to the respondent The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to amend its appearance to a disputing appearance and this amendment was made.

When the hearing commenced counsel for the applicant stated that the applicant did not intend to proceed with the application made in the alternative.

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On the 25th May, 1966 each of the three parties respondent to the summons filed a summons asking for relief under s.366 of the Companies Act 1961.

In each of the summonses filed on behalf of the Offerors the relief asked for is in similar terms as follows:

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- 1. For an order declaring that the takeover offer made by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited on the 16th July 1964 for all the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be valid notwithstanding any deficiency or irregularity in such offer arising from the failure (if any) of the said offer to comply with the requirements of the Tenth Schedule to the Companies Act 1961 in one or more of the following respects:
 - (a) That para. 3(a) of the offer allegedly infringed the provisions of para. 3(a) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule of the Act;
 - (b) That para. 6 of the offer allegedly infringed the provisions of paras. 3(b) and 3(c) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule of the Act;
 - (c) That para. 7 of the offer allegedly infringed the provisions of para. 4(b) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule of the Act.
- 2. That the Court being satisfied

that it would do no injustice to Blue Metal Industries Limited or The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited or any member or creditor of either such company, the offer made by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited for the acquisition of all the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be declared and be a valid and lawful offer notwithstanding that it may not have complied with the requirements of the Tenth Schedule to the Companies Act in one or more of the respects set out in 1 above and that the acquisition under Section 185 of the shares of the dissenting shareholders be valid notwithstanding any failure of the offer to comply as aforesaid with such Schedule and notwithstanding that it has been alleged that the said acquisition has been rendered invalid as a result of such alleged failure to comply.

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In the summons filed on behalf of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited the substantive relief asked for is as follows:

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That the Court being satisfied that it would do no injustice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or any member or creditor of such Company the registration by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited as the holders of the shares of members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited who did not accept the takeover offer made by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited on the 16th July, 1964 be valid notwithstanding any failure of the said offer to

comply with the requirements of

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The principal submissions made on behalf of the applicant were:

(1) S.185 of the Companies Act 1961 does not apply to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares in a company to two other companies jointly, but only applies to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares to another company alone.

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(2) That if s.185 can be applied to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares in a company to two other companies jointly, the takeover offer made in the present case failed to comply in certain respects with the provisions of s.184 and with the requirements set out in the Tenth Schedule of the Act with the consequence that the offer was an illegal offer and could not be regarded as having any effect under s.185, the offer itself being prohibited.

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S.184(2) (a) provides:

- (2) A take-over offer shall not be made unless -
 - (a) the offeror corporation has, not earlier than twenty-eight days, and not later than fourteen days, before the offer is made, given or caused

to be given to the offeree corporation notice in writing Court of New of the take-over scheme containing particulars of the terms of the take-over offers to be made under the scheme, together with a statement that complies with the requirements set out in Part B of the Tenth Schedule;

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S.184(6) provides:

(6) Where a take-over offer is made in contravention of this section or an offeror corporation fails to comply with subsection (5) of this section, the offeror corporation and every officer of the corporation who is in default, shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and, where an offeree corporation fails to comply with subsection (3) of this section, the offeree corporation, and every officer of that corporation who is in default, shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

With respect to noncompliance with 30 the Tenth Schedule the applicant relied on the following circumstances.

> Paragraph 3 of Part A of the Tenth Schedule provides:

- 3. The offer shall state -
 - (a) whether or not the offer is conditional upon acceptances of offers made under the take-over scheme being received in respect of a minimum number of shares and, if so, that number;

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- (b) if the shares are to be acquired in whole or in part for cash, the period within which payment will be made and the method of payment; and
- (c) if the shares are to be acquired for a consideration other than cash, the period within which the offeree will receive that consideration.

Paragraph 3(a) of the offer it was said did not state the number as the Schedule requires. It said nine tenths or any other number decided

The period mentioned in paragraph 6 of the offer is one month after the date upon which the offer becomes unconditional. was said was an uncertain time and was not a statement of a period within the meaning of paragraphs 3(b) and 3(c) of Part A.

Paragraph 4(b) of Part A of the Tenth Schedule provides:

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4. Where the offer is conditional upon acceptances in respect of a minimum number of shares being received. the offer shall specify -

> (b) a further period of not less than seven days during which the offer will remain open for acceptance.

Paragraph 7 of the offer it was said did not specify a date. To say "seven days or such longer period as the 'Offeror Company' may from time to time by notice in writing to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify" does not specify within the meaning of paragraph 4(b).

The principal submissions on behalf of the respondents were:

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- (1) S.185 does apply to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares in a company to two other companies jointly.
- (2) The offer did not infringe any of the provisions of the Tenth Schedule.
- (3) Even if there were infringements of any of the provisions of the Tenth Schedule this would not affect the result. It would still be an offer to which s.185 applies. The offerors would be subject to a penalty but the offer would still be capable of producing the results provided for by s.185.

(4) If there were infringements of the Tenth Schedule the provisions of s.366 of the Act would be applicable. The irregularities would be cured under s.366(1) unless the Court was of opinion that substantial injustice had been or may be caused thereby which could not be remedied by any order of the Court. That there was no evidence that any injustice had been caused.

I have come to the conclusion that the first submission made on behalf of the applicant is correct.

S.21 (b) of the Interpretation Act 1897 provides:

In all Acts the following words shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:-

Words in the singular shall include the plural and words in the plural shall include the singular.

Reading s.185 as a whole it appears to contemplate singularities only and in particular the use of the words "transferee company or its subsidiary" in s.185(1) and in s.185(4) and the terms of s.185(4) indicate that the Legislature did not intend that a "transferee company" would or could for the purposes of s.185 consist of more than one

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Reading s.184 as a whole and the provisions of the Tenth Schedule which are incorporated in it, this section also appears to contemplate singularity only and in particular the provisions of paragraphs 1(c), 4(c) and 8 of Part B indicate that the Legislature did not intend that an "offeror corporation" would or could for the purposes of s.184 consist of more than one corporation.

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Some reliance was placed by the respondents on s.185 (10) as a guide to construction but this provision, dealing as it does with offers made before the commencement of the Companies Act 1961, does not, I think, throw any light on the problem.

I am of opinion that s.184 and s.185 are intended to work together, s.185 providing the power of acquisition and s.184 providing the machinery by which the interests of those affected would be safeguarded. The fact that s.184 does not apply to joint take over offers confirms the view that s.185 does not apply to joint take over offers.

I have come to the conclusion that s.185 does not apply to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares in a company to two other companies jointly.

Having come to this conclusion it is unnecessary to consider whether the take over was an illegal offer by reason of the terms of s.184 or what results would flow from such illegality and I say nothing about these questions.

A good deal of argument took place before me as to the meaning and application of s.366 of the Act but it seems to me quite clear that if s.185 has no application to a scheme or contract involving an offer by two or more companies jointly then the purported implementation of such a scheme or contract cannot be "a proceeding under

this Act" within the meaning of s.366 and that no remedy is available under this section.

In the result I find that the applicant is entitled to an order restoring him to the register of members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

The respective summonses of the respondents should be dismissed.

I shall stand the further hearing of the proceedings over for a short time to enable counsel to speak on the question of what specific orders should be made in the applicant's summons and as to what orders should be made in respect of costs.

I certify that this and the preceding 46 pages are a true copy of the reasons for judgment herein of His Honour the Chief Judge in Equity.

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ASSOCIATE.

Date: 13.4.67

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IN EQUITY FOR RECTIFICATION
OF SHARE REGISTER OF READY
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27th APRIL 1967

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN EQUITY

No. 365 of 1965.

IN THE MATTER of

READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

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AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover Offer by

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES

LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act 1961 Sections 155 and 185.

THURSDAY, the 27th day of APRIL, 1967

UPON application made herein on the 10th May 1965, 1st November 1965, 6th December 1965, 18th April 1966, 23rd, 24th and 25th May last, 13th and 26th April instant and this day on behalf of R.W. Dilley in pursuance of the summons filed herein on the 6th April 1965 WHEREUPON AND UPON HEARING what was alleged by Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the applicant, by Mr. Holmes of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the respondent BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMISED and by Mr. Sinclair of Counsel with whom was Mr. Smart of Counsel for the respondent COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED I DID on the said 10th May 1965 ORDER that the proceedings pursuant to the said summons be stayed until security for costs had been given by the applicant in an amount to be fixed by the Master and I DID REFER such issue to the Master

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I DID STAND THE FURTHER HEARING of the summons over with liberty to all parties to restore the same upon seven days notice AND THE SAID SUMMONS COMING ON to be heard 1st of November 1965 UPON HEARING what was alleged by Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the applicant by Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited and by Mr. Sinclair of Counsel for the respondent Colonial 10 Sugar Refining Company Limited I DID that the further hearing of the said summons stand over until the 6th December 1965 AND THE SAID SUMMONS COMING ON to be further heard on that day UPON what was alleged by Mr. McAlary HEARING of Counsel for the applicant by Mr. Byers of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the respondent 20 Blue Metal Industries Limited and by Mr. Officer of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sinclair of Counsel for the respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited I DID ORDER THAT the further hearing of the said summons stand over until the 14th February 1966 AND THE SAID SUMMONS COMING to be further heard on that day UPON HEARING what was alleged by Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the applicant by Mr. Byers 30 of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited and by Mr. Officer of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sinclair of Counsel for the respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited I DID DIRECT that the applicant supply particulars in writing on or before the 9th May 1966 AND I DID FIX the further hearing of the said summons for the 23rd May last AND THE SAID SUMMONS COMING ON 40 to be further heard on that day and upon 24th and 25th May last WHEREUPON AND UPON HEARING READ said summons the affidavit JOHN RICHARD HUNT sworn the 29th day ofof April 1965 and the affidavit of ARTHUR CURZON ISAACS sworn the 23rd day of May 1965 and both filed herein AND UPON READING AND EXAMINING the exhibit put in evidence on behalf of the applicant and marked with

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Letter A and UPON HEARING what was further alleged by Mr. Hope of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the applicant by Mr. Byers of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited and by Mr. Officer of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sinclair of Counsel for the respondent Colonial Sugar 10 Refining Company Limited and Ready Mixed Concrete Limited I DID on the said 23rd day of May last GRANT LEAVE to the applicant to amend the said summons by adding Ready Mixed Concrete Limited as a respondent party thereto AND I DID on the said 23rd day of May last GRANT LEAVE to the respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to amend its appearance to a disputing appearance and the said amendments having been made 20 accordingly I DID ORDER that the said summens should stand for judgment and the same standing in the list on the 13th and 26th days of April instant and this day for judgment accordingly I DO DECIARE that the respondents Blue Metal Industries Limited and Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited never acquired the 17,142 stock units held by the applicant in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and I DO ORDER that the register of Ready 30 Mixed Concrete Limited be rectified by restoring thereto the applicant as the helder of 17,142 stock units in Ready *xed Concrete Limited such restoration to be made by equal reduction in the shareholdings in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited held by the respondents Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited AND I DO FURTHER 40 DECLARE that the applicant is entitled to all dividends declared by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in respect of the said 17,142 stock units AND I DO FURTHER DECLARE that the applicant has no interest in the shares issued by the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited in respect of the purported acquisition of the 17,142 stock

units held by the applicant in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited AND I DO FURTHER ORDER that the amount paid into Court by the applicant as security for the costs of the respondents The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited be paid out of Court to the applicant's solicitors AND I DO FURTHER ORDER that it be referred to the Deputy Master and Registrar, the Deputy Registrar or Chief Clerk in Equity to tax and certify the costs of the applicant of this application and that such costs when so taxed and certified as aforesaid be paid by the respondents to the said applicant or his solicitor within fourteen (14) days after service upon them or their solicitors of an office copy of the certificate of such taxation.

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Order of Mc Lelland C.J. in Equity for rectification of Share Register of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 27th April 1967 (Contd.)

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Chief Judge in Equity

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.21

Order of McLelland C.J. in Equity dismissing Summons of Blue Metal Industries Limited 27th April 1967

NO.21

ORDER OF MCLEILAND C.J. IN EQUITY DISMISSING SUMMONS OF BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED - DATED 27TH APRIL 1967

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES No. 526 of 1966
IN EQUITY

IN THE MATTER of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of a takeover offer by BLUE 10
METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED
and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961 Sections 155 and 185.

Thursday the twenty seventh day of April One thousand nine hundred and sixty seven.

UPON APPLICATION made this day on behalf of the Applicant Blue Metal Industries Limited 20 in pursuance of the Summons filed herein 25th May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six WHEREUPON AND UPON HEARING READ the said Summons AND UPON HEARING what was alleged by Mr. Byers of Queens Counsel with whom was Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the said Applicant, and by Mr. Hope of Queens Counsel with whom was Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the Respondent R.W. Dilley I DO ORDER THAT the said Application be and the same is hereby dismissed AND I DO FURTHER ORDER it be referred to the Deputy Master and Registrar the Deputy Registrar or Chief Clerk in Equity to tax and certify the costs of the respondent of this application and that such costs when so taxed and certified as aforesaid be paid by the applicant to the said respondent or his solicitor within 14 days after service upon the applicant or its solicitor of an office copy of the certificate of such taxation. 40

C. McLelland Chief Judge in Equity.

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NO. 22

ORDER OF MCLELLAND C.J. IN EQUITY DISMISSING SUMMONS OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED DATED 27TH APRIL 1967

IN THE SUPREME COURT) OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN EQUITY

No. 526 of 1966.

IN THE MATTER of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

10 AND IN THE MATTER of a takeover offer by BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961 Sections 155 and 185

Thursday the twenty seventh day of April One thousand nine hundred and sixty seven.

UPON APPLICATION made this day on behalf of 20 the Applicant Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in pursuance of the Summons filed herein 25th May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six WHEREUPON AND UPON HEARING READ said Summons AND UPON HEARING what was alleged by Mr. Byers of Queens Counsel with whom was Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the said Applicant, and by Mr. Hope of Queens Counsel with whom was Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the Respondent R.W. Dilley 30 I DO ORDER THAT the said Application be and the same is hereby dismissed AND I DO FURTHER ORDER that it be referred to the Deputy Master and Registrar the Deputy Registrar or Chief Clerk in Equity to tax and certify the costs of the respondent of this application and that such costs when so taxed and certified as aforesaid be paid by the applicant to the said respondent or his solicitor within 14 days after service 40 upon the applicant or its solicitor of an office copy of the certificate of such taxation.

> C. McLelland Chief Judge in Equity.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.22

Order of McLelland C.J. in Equity dismissing Summons of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 27th April 1967

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.23

Order of Mc Lelland C.J. in Equity dismissing Summons of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 27th April 1967

NO.23

ORDER OF MCLELLAND C.J. IN EQUITY DISMISSING SUMMONS OF THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED DATED 27TH APRIL 1967

IN THE SUPREME COURT)
OF NEW SOUTH WALES
IN EQUITY

No. 365 of 1966

IN THE MATTER of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of a Takeover Offer by

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES

LIMITED

and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINI

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

AND IN THE MATTER of the Companies Act, 1961 Sections 155 and 185.

THURSDAY the twenty seventh day of April One thousand nine hundred and sixty seven.

UPON APPLICATION made on the twenty fifth day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six on behalf of the Applicant The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited in pursuance of the summons filed herein the twenty fifth day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six WHEREUPON AND UPON HEARING READ the said Summons the affidavit of John Richard Hunt sworn the twenty ninth day of April One thousand nine hundred and sixty five and the affidavit of Arthur Curzon Isaacs sworn the twenty third day of May One thousand nine hundred and sixty six, both filed herein AND UPON HEARING what was alleged by Mr. Hope of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the Respondent R.W. Dilley by Mr. Officer of Queen's Counsel with whom was Mr. Sinclair of Counsel for the said

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Applicant I DID ORDER that the said Summons should stand for judgment and the same standing in the list on the Thirteenth and twenty sixth days of April instant and this day for judgment accordingly I DO ORDER that the said Application be and the same is hereby dismissed AND I DO FURTHER ORDER that it be referred to the Deputy Master and Registrar Deputy Registrar or Chief Clerk in Equity to tax and certify the costs of the respondent R.W. Dilley of this application and that such costs when so taxed and certified as aforesaid be paid by the applicant to the said respondent or his solicitor within fourteen days after service upon it of an office copy of the certificate of such taxation.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales In Equity

No.23

Order of Mc Lelland C.J. in Equity dismissing Summons of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 27th April 1967 (Contd.)

C. McLelland CHIEF JUDGE IN EQUITY

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In The High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.24

Amended Notice of Appeal of Blue Metal Industries Limited 4th May 1967

NO. 24

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL OF BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED DATED 4TH MAY 1967

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA No. 34 of 1967 NEW SOUTH WALES REGISTRY

ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

BETWEEN:

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

<u>Appellants</u>

- and -

R.W. DILLEY AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

Respondents

NOTICE OF APPEAL

TAKE NOTICE that the Appellants herein appeal to the High Court of Australia from the whole of the order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction made by the Honourable Charles McLelland the Chief Judge in Equity of the said Supreme Court on the 26th 27th day of April, 1967 in matter No. 365 of 1965 by which his Honour made the following orders and declarations:

A declaration that the Respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and the Appellant Blue Metal Industries Limited (two of the Respondents in the above mentioned matter) never acquired the 17,142 stock units held by the Respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned matter) in the capital of Ready

Amended pursuant to leave granted 13th July 1967 Allen Allen &

Hemsley

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An order that the register of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be rectified by restoring thereto the Respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned matter) as the holder of 17,142 stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, such restoration to be made by equal reduction in the shareholdings in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited of Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited.

A declaration that the Respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned matter) is entitled to all dividends declared by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in respect of the said 17,142 stock units.

A declaration that the Respondent, R.W.
Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned
matter) has no interest in the shares issued
by the Colonial Sugar Refining Company
Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited in
respect of the purported acquisition of
the 17,142 stock units held by the Respondent,
R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above
mentioned matter) in Ready Mixed Concrete
Limited, upon the following grounds:

- 1. That his Honour was in error in coming to the conclusion that Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961 did not apply to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares in a company to two other companies jointly.
- 2. That his Honour was in error in holding that Section 184 of the Companies Act 1961 did not apply to joint takeover offers.
- 3. That his Honour should have dismissed the said Summons
- 40 AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Appellants in lieu of the order appealed from will

In The High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.24

Amended Notice of Appeal of Blue Metal Industries Limited 4th May 1967 (Contd.) In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.24

Amended Notice of Appeal of Blue Metal Industries Limited 4th May 1967 (Contd.) seek an order that the summons issued by the Respondent be dismissed and that the Respondent R.W. Dilley pay the Appellants' costs thereof and of this appeal.

DATED the 4th day of May, 1967-

I. Sheppard

Counsel for the Appellants

This notice of Appeal is filed by Messrs. Allen Allen & Hemsley of 55 Hunter Street, Sydney the solicitors for the Appellants Blue Metal Industries Limited and Ready Mixed Concrete Limited whose registered offices are situated at 70 Pitt Street, Sydney and 181 Clarence Street, Sydney in the State of New South Wales, respectively.

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- TO The District Registrar, High Court of Australia, Sydney.
- AND TO The Master in Equity, Supreme Court of New South Wales

- AND TO The Respondent R.W. Dilley and his Solicitor, Messrs. J.J. Carroll, Cecil O'Dea, & Co., 82 Elizabeth Street, Sydney.
- AND TO The Respondent The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and its Solicitors, Messrs. Stephen Jaques & Stephen, A.M.P. Building, Circular Quay, Sydney.

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NO.25

AFFIDAVIT OF EZEKIEL SOLOMON LODGED WITH AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL SWORN 4TH MAY 1967.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA No. 34 of NEW SOUTH WALES REGISTRY 1967

ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

BETWEEN:

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Appellants

- and -

R.W. DILLEY and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED Respondents

AFFIDAVIT TO BE LODGED WITH NOTICE OF APPEAL

- I, EZEKIEL SOLOMON, of 55 Hunter Street, Sydney, Solicitor, being duly sworn make oath and say as follows:
 - 1. I am a member of the firm of Messrs.
 Allen Allen & Hemsley the Solicitors
 for the above named appellant and as
 such have the conduct of this matter.
 - 2. On the 26th day of April 1967 his Honour Mr. Justice McLelland the Chief Judge in Equity of the Supreme Court of New South Wales made an order by which the Respondent R.W. Dilley's name was restored to the register of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in respect of 17,142 shares which shares had been acquired by the appellant and the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited pursuant to the provisions of Section 185 of

In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.25

Affidavit of Ezekiel Solomon lodged with amended Notice of Appeal sworn 4th May 1967

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In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.25

Affidavit of Ezekiel Solomon lodged with amended Notice of Appeal sworn 4th May 1967 (Contd.) the Companies Act 1961.

This order was made in an application made by the Respondent R.W. Dilley for the rectification of the register of the Appellant Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in which he joined the Appellant Blue Metal Industries Limited and the Respondent Colonial Sugar Refining Company as Respondents.

- 3. I am informed on behalf of the Secretary, R.F. Street, by James Eaton McNeil, the Chief Accountant of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited that as at the date of his Honour's said order the shares were worth not less than \$3,000.
- 4. His Honour's order involves directly or indirectly a claim, demand or question, to or respecting property namely the said shares amounting to or of the value of at least \$3000.

SWORN by the Deponent on the 4th day of May E. Solomon 1967:

Before me:

J. McAuley A Justice of the Peace 10

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NO. 26

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL OF THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED DATED 4TH MAY 1967

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA)
NEW SOUTH WALES REGISTRY

No. 33 of
1967

ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

BETWEEN:

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

Appellant

- and -

R.W. DILLEY, BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Respondents

NOTICE OF APPEAL

TAKE NOTICE that the Appellant herein appeals to the High Court of Australia from the whole of the order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction made by the Honourable Charles McLelland the Chief Judge in Equity of the said Supreme Court on the 26th 27th day of April, 1967, in matter No. 365 of 1965 by which His Honour made the following orders and declarations:

Amended pursuant to leave granted 25th July 1967 Stephen Jaques & Stephen.

A declaration that the Appellant and the Respondent Blue Metal Industries Limited (the Respondents in the above mentioned matter) never acquired the 17,142 stock units held by the Respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned matter) in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.26

Amended Notice of Appeal of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 4th May 1967 In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.26

Amended Notice of Appeal of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 4th May 1967 (Contd.) An order that the register of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited be rectified by restoring thereto the Respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned matter) as the holder of 17,142 stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, such restoration to be made by equal reduction in the shareholdings in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited.

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A declaration that the respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above mentioned matter) is entitled to all dividends declared by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in respect of the said 17,142 stock units.

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A declaration that the respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above-mentioned matter) has no interest in the shares issued by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Blue Metal Industries Limited in respect of the purported acquisition of the 17,142 stock units held by the Respondent, R.W. Dilley (the Applicant in the above-mentioned matter) in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, upon the following grounds:

1. That his Honour was in error in coming to the conclusion that Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961 did not apply to a scheme or contract involving the transfer of shares in a company to two other companies jointly.

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2. That his Honour was in error in holding that Section 184 of the Companies Act 1961 did not apply to joint takeover offers.

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3. That his Honour should have dismissed the said summons.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Appellant in lieu of the order appealed from will

seek an order that the summons issued by the Respondent R.W. Dilley be dismissed and that the Respondent R.W. Dilley pay the Appellant's costs thereof and of this appeal.

Dated the 4th day of May, 1967.

Forbes Officer,
Counsel for the Appellant

THIS Notice of Appeal is filed by Messrs.

Stephen, Jaques & Stephen of A.M.P.

Building, Circular Quay, Sydney, the
solicitors for the Appellant The Colonial
Sugar Refining Company Limited whose
registered office is situated at 1-7 O'Connell
Street, Sydney in the State of New South Wales.

To the District Registrar,

And to the Respondent, R.W. Dilley, Blue Metal Industries Limited, Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, and to their solicitors, C.C. Carroll O'Day & Co. and to the Master in Equity. In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No. 26

Amended Notice of Appeal of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 4th May 1967 (Contd.) In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.27

Affidavit of Michael Geoffrey Chate lodged with Amended Notice of Appeal sworn lst June 1967

NO.27

AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL GEOFFREY CHATE LODGED WITH AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL SWORN 1st JUNE 1967

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA)

NEW SOUTH WALES REGISTRY

No. 33 of 1967

ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

BETWEEN:

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THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

Appellant

- and -

R.W. DILLEY, BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Respondents

AFFIDAVIT TO BE LODGED WITH NOTICE OF APPEAL

I, MICHAEL GEOFFREY CHATE of A.M.P. Building, Circular Quay, Sydney, Solicitor, being duly sworn make oath and say as follows:-

- I am a member of the firm of Stephen Jaques & Stephen, the Solicitors for the Appellant herein and as such have the conduct of this matter-
- 2. On the 26th day of April 1967 his Honour Mr. Justice McLelland the Chief Justice in Equity of the Supreme Court of New South Wales made an order by which the Respondent R.W. Dilley's name was restored to the Register of Ready Mixed Concrete

Limited in respect of 17,142 shares which shares had been acquired by the Appellant and Blue Metal Industries Limited pursuant to the provisions of Section 185 of the Companies Act 1961. This order was made in an application made by the Respondent R.W. Dilley for the rectification of the Register of the Respondent Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in which he joined the Appellant The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and the Respondents Blue Metal Industries Limited and Ready Mixed Concrete Limited as Respondents.

In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.27

Affidavit of Michael Geoffrey Chate lodged with Amended Notice of Appeal sworn lst June 1967 (Contd.)

- J. I am informed by the Secretary of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, R.F. Street, that as at the date of his Honour's said Order the shares were worth not less than \$3,000.
- 4. His Honour's Order involves directly or indirectly a claim, demand or question to or respecting property namely the said shares amounting to or of the value of at least \$3,000.

SWORN by the Deponent) on the 1st day of June) M.G. Chate 1967:

Before me:-

30 W.R. McAuley

A Justice of the Peace

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In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry NO.28

REASONS FOR JUDGMENT DATED 17TH OCTOBER 1967

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

No.28

Reasons for Judgment 17th October 1967 V.

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BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND ANOTHER

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The proceedings which have led to these appeals arose out of an offer said to have been made jointly on 16th July 1964 by Blue Metal Industries Limited (B.M.I.) and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited (C.S.R.) to acquire the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited (the Company). It is unnecessary for the purpose of the appeals to refer in detail to the terms of the offer. But it is not without importance to say that it purported to be made pursuant to s. 184 of the Companies Act, 1961 and that, in accordance with subs. (2) of that section, notice of it was given to the Company. It should also be mentioned that the consideration offered for each 100 of such stock units was: (i) the allotment of 23 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of B.M.I.; (ii) the allotment of 8 shares of £1 each fully paid in the capital of C.S.R.; and (iii) the sum of £13.2.0. in cash. A full account of the steps taken in connection with the proposed take-over is set out in the reasons of the learned judge of first instance. Further, it is necessary to mention that one Robert William Dilley was the holder of 17.142 shares in the capital of the Company and that on or

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about the 15th January 1965 his name was removed by the Company from its register of This was done after acceptances had been received from all but sixtysix stock holders in the Company who, together, held approximately only one-quarter of one per cent of the nominal capital value of all issued stock of the Company. Dilley was one of those who had not 10 accepted the offer and he was notified by the Company's letter of the last-mentioned date that "In accordance with section 185 (5) of the Act, your former holding of R.M.C. shares has been transferred to B.M.I. and C.S.R. jointly". In these circumstances Dilley commenced proceedings for rectification of the Company's register and he was successful in obtaining a declaration that B.M.I. and C.S.R. "never acquired the 17,142 stock units held" by him in the capital of the Company and an order that the register of the Company "be rectified by restoring thereto the applicant as the holder of 17,142 stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited such restoration to be made by equal reduction in the shareholdings in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited held by the respondents Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited". In other proceedings instituted by B.M.I. and C.S.R. respectively orders were sought declaring, inter alia, that the take-over offer made by C.S.R. and B.M.I. for all the shares in the capital of the Company was a valid lawful offer notwithstanding that certain specified irregularities may have occurred. A similar proceeding was instituted by the Company but in the result all three sets of proceedings failed. Before this Court there are appeals by C.S.R. against Dilley to one of which B.M.I. and the Company are also parties, by B.M.I., and the Company against Dilley to which C.S.R. is also a party and three applications for special leave to appeal - one instituted by B.M.I., one by C.S.R. and the third by the Company. To each of these last-mentioned applications Dilley is the respondent.

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Reasons for Judgment 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

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Reasons for Judgment 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

The substantial matter in dispute is whether the provisions of ss. 184 or 185 of the Companies Act apply to a "takeover" offer made by two companies jointly or whether they are applicable only to the case of such an offer when made by one company. It is clear enough that s.184 was introduced for the purpose of protecting the shareholders of a company to whom a takeover offer is made and there can be no 10 doubt that it was the purpose of the legislature to require that "take-over" offers should be made only in conformity with its provisions (see sub-s.(6)). it certainly appears that in enacting its provisions, and also those of s.185, the legislature did not contemplate the possibility of a so-called joint takeover offer being made. But, having regard to s. 21(b) of the Interpretation Act, it 20 was contended before us that the provisions are capable of being applied and are applicable to cases such as the present. That subsection, which is in a well-known form, provides, in effect, that unless the contrary intention appears, words in the statute expressed in the singular shall include the plural and words in the plural shall include the singular.

It seemed to the learned judge of first 30 instance that, reading s. 184 as a whole and the provisions of the Tenth Schedule to the Act, which prescribe conditions to be observed in "take-over" proceedings, it was not possible to give effect to the appellants' contention. Likewise he thought that s. 185 read as a whole contemplated "singularity" and that sufficient appeared to preclude the application of the statutory rule. Moreover he was of the 40 opinion that "s. 184 and s. 185 are intended to work together, s. 185 providing the power of acquisition and s. 184 providing the machinery by which the interests of those affected would be safeguarded" and that "the fact that s. 184 does not apply to joint take-over offers confirms the view that s. 185 does not apply to joint take-over offers".

Then by sub-s.(7) of s. 184 it is provided that the provisions of ss. 46 and 47 shall apply to and in relation to a statement given by an offeror corporation to an offeree corporation in pursuance of paragraph (a) of sub-s. (2) of the section ... as if (a) each reference in those sections to a prospectus were a reference to such a statement or copy of such a statement; (b) the reference in sub-s. (1) of s. 46 to persons who subscribe for or purchase any shares or debentures were a reference to a person who accepts a takeover offer: and (c) each reference in those sections to the allotment or sale of shares or debentures were a reference to the acceptance of a takeover. Section 46 of the Act provides that each of the following persons shall be liable to pay compensation to all persons who subscribe for or purchase any shares or debentures on the faith of a prospectus for any loss or damage sustained by reason of any untrue statement therein, or by reason of the wilful non-disclosure therein of any matter of which he had knowledge and which he knew to be material, that is to say every person who is a director of the corporation at the time of the issue of the prospectus and certain other persons.

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Reasons for Judgment 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

The insuperable difficulties in the way of applying those provisions to so-called joint take-over offers are mentioned by way of example only but it seems to us that their language cannot be accommodated to the case of such an offer; the language is, we think singularly appropriate to, and only appropriate to, the case of a take-over offer made by one company and accordingly we are of opinion that s. 184 can have no application to such an offer.

We also agree with the learned judge of first instance that s. 185 provides merely for the consequences of a take-over offer made pursuant to s. 184. But we also think that the language of that section makes it clear that its provisions are inapplicable to the case of a joint take-over. Without

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Reasons for Judgment 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

referring to all the difficulties arising on the face of the section it should be noticed that sub-s. (2) (a) provides that notwithstanding anything in sub-s. (1), where shares in the transferor company of the same class or classes as shares whose transfer is involved are already held to a nominal value greater than one-tenth of the aggregate of their nominal value and that of the shares (other than those already held as 10 aforesaid) whose transfer is involved the provisions of sub-s. (1) of that section shall not apply unless - "(a) the transferee company offers the same terms to all holders of the shares (other than those already held as aforesaid) whose transfer is involved, or, where those shares include shares of different classes, of each class of them." It is impossible to accommodate the language of these provisions to a case such as the 20 present where, although the offer is called a joint offer, it contains an offer by each of the companies concerned to allot shares as part of the consideration. Equally, it seems impossible to accommodate the language of sub-s. (3), which entitles a dissenting shareholder "to require the company by a demand in writing served on that company ... to be supplied with a statement in writing of the names and addresses of all other dissenting shareholders", to the notion of a joint take-over. Again, sub-s. (4) provides that "Where in pursuance of any such scheme or contract shares in a company are transferred to another company or its nominee and those shares together with any other shares in the firstmentioned company held by, or by a nominee for, the transferee company or its subsidiary at the date of the transfer 40 comprise or include nine-tenths in nominal value of the shares in the firstmentioned company or of any class of those shares, then - (a) the transferee company shall within one month from the date of the transfer ... give notice of that fact in the prescribed manner to the holders of the remaining shares ...

of that class who have not assented to

the scheme or contract; and (b) any such holder may within three months from the giving of the notice to him require the transferee company to acquire the shares in question."

These provisions, again, are referred to by way of illustration only and are not exhaustive. But it is apparent that the possibility of a so-called joint take-over offer never presented itself to the legislature and that it has not made provision for such a case. Indeed the language of the section is quite clearly appropriate only to deal with a take-over offer made by one company alone. For these reasons we think that it is impossible to achieve the result for which the appellants contend simply by the application of s. 21(b) of the Interpretation Act; indeed it is clear that the provisions of that subsection cannot be applied and that the argument in support of the appeals must be rejected. Accordingly the appeals and the motions for special leave should be dismissed.

In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

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Reasons for Judgment 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

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ORDER DISMISSING APPEALS DATED 17TH OCTOBER 1967 No. 29

Order dismissing Appeals 17th October 1967

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

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ORDER

Appeals dismissed with costs. Applications for special leave dismissed with costs.

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In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.30

Order dismissing Appeal of Blue Metal Industries Limited 17th October 1967

NO.30

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL OF BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED DATED 17TH OCTOBER 1967

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA) No. 34 of 1967

ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

BETWEEN:

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Appellants

- and -

R.W. DILLEY AND THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

Respondents

BEFORE THEIR HONOURS THE CHIEF JUSTICE SIR GARFIELD BARWICK, MR. JUSTICE MCTIERNAN AND MR. JUSTICE TAYLOR

Tuesday the 17th day of October 1967 20

THIS APPEAL from the whole of the Judgment and Order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction (McLelland C.J.) made the 27th day of April, 1967 coming on for hearing before this Court at Sydney on the 28th and 29th days of August 1967 UPON READING the transcript record of proceedings herein AND UPON HEARING Mr. Byers of Queen's Counsel and Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the Appellants and Mr. Officer of Queen's Counsel and Mr. Meagher of Counsel for the Respondent The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and Mr. Hope of Queen's Counsel and Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the Respondent R.W. Dilley THIS COURT DID ORDER

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on the said 29th day of August 1967 that this appeal should stand for judgment and the same standing for judgment this day accordingly at Sydney THIS COURT DOTH ORDER that this appeal be and the same is hereby dismissed AND THIS COURT DOTH FURTHER ORDER that it be referred to the proper officer of this Court to tax and certify the costs of the respondents of this appeal and that such costs when so taxed and certified be paid by the Appellants to the Respondents respectively or to their respective Solicitors, Messrs. J.J. Carroll Cecil O'Dea and Co. for the Respondent R.W. Dilley and Messrs. Stephen, Jacques & Stephen for the Respondent The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited AND THIS COURT DOTH BY CONSENT FURTHER ORDER that the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) paid into Court as security for the costs of this appeal be paid out to the Appellants or to their Solicitors Messrs. Allen Allen & Hemsley.

In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.30

Order dismissing Appeal of Blue Metal Industries Limited 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

By the Court,

H. Cannon

District Registrar.

In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

NO. 31

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL OF THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED DATED 17TH OCTOBER 1967

No.31

Order
dismissing
Appeal of The
Colonial Sugar
Refining Company
Limited
17th October
1967

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA)

No. 33 of 1967

NEW SOUTH WALES REGISTRY

ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES IN ITS EQUITABLE JURISDICTION

BETWEEN:

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THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

<u>Appellant</u>

- and -

R.W. DILLEY, BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Respondents

BEFORE THEIR HONOURS THE CHIEF JUSTICE SIR GARFIELD BARWICK, MR. JUSTICE McTIERNAN AND MR. JUSTICE TAYLOR.

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TUESDAY the 17th day of October 1967

THIS APPEAL from the whole of the judgment and order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in its Equitable Jurisdiction (McLelland, C.J.) made the 27th day of April 1967, coming on for hearing before this Court at Sydney on the 28th and 29th days of August, 1967, UPON READING the transcript record of proceedings herein AND UPON HEARING Mr. Officer of Queen's Counsel and Mr. Meagher of Counsel for the Appellant and Mr. Hope of Queen's Counsel and Mr. McAlary of Counsel for the Respondent R.W. Dilley and Mr. Byers of Queen's Counsel and Mr. Sheppard of Counsel for the Respondents Blue Metal Industries Limited and Ready Mixed Concrete Limited THIS COURT

DID ORDER on the said 29th day of August, 1967, that this appeal should stand for judgment and the same standing for judgment this day accordingly at Sydney THIS COURT DOTH ORDER that this appeal be and the same is hereby dismissed AND THIS COURT DOTH FURTHER ORDER that it be referred to the proper officer of this Court to tax and certify the costs of the Respondents of this appeal and that such costs when so taxed and certified be paid by the Appellant to the Respondents respectively or to their respective solicitors, Messrs. J.J. Carroll, Cecil O'Dea & Co. for the Respondent R.W. Dilley and Messrs. Allen, Allen & Hemsley for the Respondents Blue Metal Industries Limited and Ready Mixed AND THIS COURT DOTH BY Concrete Limited CONSENT FURTHER ORDER that the sum of One hundred dollars (\$100.00) paid into Court as security for the costs of this appeal be paid out to the Appellant or to its solicitors Messrs. Stephen, Jaques & Stephen.

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In the High Court of Australia New South Wales Registry

No.31

Order dismissing Appeal of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited 17th October 1967 (Contd.)

BY THIS COURT

(Sgd) H. CANNON

(L.S.) DISTRICT REGISTRAR

In the Privy Council

No.32

Order granting Leave to Appeal to Her Majesty in Council 23rd January 1968

NO. 32

ORDER GRANTING LEAVE TO APPEAL TO HER MAJESTY IN COUNCIL, DATED 23rd JANUARY, 1968

AT THE COURT AT SANDRINGHAM

The 26th day of January, 1968

PRESENT

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY

Lord Privy Seal Sir Elwyn Jones Lord Beswick Mrs. Hart Mr. Short

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WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Report from the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council dated the 23rd day of January 1968 in the words following, viz.:

"WHEREAS by virtue of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh's Order in Council of the 18th day of October 1909 there was referred unto this Committee a humble Petition of (1) Blue Metal 20 Industries Limited and (2) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in the matter of an Appeal from the High Court of Australia between the Petitioners and (1) R.W. Dilley and (2) The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited Respondents setting forth that the Petitioners desire to obtain special leave to appeal from a Judgment of the High 30 Court of Australia (Appellate Jurisdiction) delivered on the 17th October 1967 dismissing two appeals (Numbers 33 and 34 of 1967) and three motions for special leave to appeal all arising from a Judgment of the Supreme Court of New South Wales: that on Application by Summons by the 1st Respondent made pursuant to the provisions of Section 155 of the Companies Act 1961-1966 (New South 40 Wales) to which summons the Petitioners

and the 2nd Respondent were Respondents it was declared by the said Supreme Court that the 1st Petitioner and the 2nd Respondent never acquired the 17,142 stock units held by the 1st Respondent in the capital of the 2nd Petitioner: that the said Supreme Court by Judgment dated the 13th April 1967 ordered that the Register of the 2nd Petitioner be rectified by restoring thereto the 1st Respondent as the holder of 17,142 stock units in the 2nd Petitioner such restoration to be made by equal reduction in the shareholdings in the 2nd Petitioner held by the 1st Petitioner and the 2nd Respondent and made Declarations and Orders accordingly on the 27th April 1967: that the Petitioners appealed to the High Court of Australia which by its Judgment dated the 17th October 1967 dismissed the Appeal: And humbly praying Your Majesty in Council to grant the Petitioners special leave to appeal from the Judgment of the High Court of Australia delivered on the 17th October 1967 and for further or other relief:

"AND WHEREAS by virtue of the aforesaid Order in Council of the 18th day of October 1909 there was also referred unto this Committee the humble Petition of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited in the matter of an Appeal from the High Court of Australia between the Petitioner and (1) R.W. Dilley (2) Blue Metal Industries Limited and (3) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited Respondents setting forth that the Petitioner is desirous of obtaining special leave to appeal from certain Orders of the High Court of Australia dated the 17th October 1967 dismissing the Appeal of the Petitioner from an Order made by the Supreme Court of New South Wales and dismissing a certain other Appeal and cortain other Applications: that the 1st Respondent by a Summons dated the

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Order granting Leave to Appeal to Her Majesty in Council 23rd January 1968 (Contd.)

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Order granting Leave to Appeal to Her Majesty in Council 23rd January 1968 (Contd.) 6th April 1965 numbered 365 of 1965 sought an Order that the Register of the 3rd Respondent be rectified by restoring thereto the 1st Respondent as a holder of 17,142 stock units: that the Petitioner and the 2nd and 3rd Respondents were Respondents to that Summons: that on the 13th April 1967 the said Supreme Court gave Judgment and on the 27th April 1967 made the Order sought by the 1st 10 Respondent and also dismissed three Summonses which had been taken out respectively by the Petitioner and the 2nd and 3rd Respondents under which they had sought Declarations under Section 366 of the said Companies Act: that Notices of Appeal to the High Court of Australia against the said Order of the 27th April 1967 were lodged by the Petitioner and by the 2nd and 3rd 20 Respondents numbered 33 and 34 respectively of 1967: that by three several Notices of Motion numbered 32 35 and 36 respectively of 1967 the Petitioner the 2nd Respondent and the 3rd Respondent sought special leave to appeal from the Orders made by the said Supreme Court dismissing the Summonses under Section 366 of the said Companies Act: that on the 17th October 1967 the said High Court of 30 Australia made Orders dismissing the said two Appeals and dismissing the said three Applications for special leave to appeal: that all five matters were heard together: And humbly praying Your Majesty in Council to grant the Petitioner special leave to appeal from the said Judgment of the High Court of Australia delivered on the 17th October 40 1967 and the Orders made thereon:

"AND WHEREAS by virtue of the aforesaid Order in Council of the 18th day of October 1909 there was also referred unto this Committee the humble Petition of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited in the matter of an Appeal from the Supreme Court of New South Wales between the Petitioner and R.W. Dilley Respondent

setting forth that the Petitioner is desirous of obtaining special leave to appeal from the Judgment and Order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales dated the 13th and 27th April 1967 respectively dismissing a certain Summons of the Petitioner for relief under Section 366 of the Companies Act 1961 (as amended) of New South Wales: And humbly praying Your Majesty in Council to grant the Petitioner special leave to appeal from the said Judgment of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the Order made pursuant thereto of the 27th April 1967:

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"AND WHEREAS by virtue of the aforesaid Order in Council of the 18th day of October 1909 there was also referred unto this Committee the humble Petition of Blue Metal Industries Limited in the matter of an Appeal from the Supreme Court of New South Wales between the Petitioner and R.W. Dilley Respondent setting forth that the Petitioner is desirous of obtaining special leave to appeal against an Order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales made on the 27th April 1967: the Petitioner took out a Summons seeking relief under Section 366 of the Companies Act 1961 which the Supreme Court dismissed on the 27th April 1967 without giving any reasons therefor: that the Petitioner applied to the High Court for special leave to appeal against the Order dismissing the said Summons but the High Court dismissed the said Application: And humbly praying Your Majesty in Council to grant the Petitioner special leave to appeal against the Judgment of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the Order made pursuant thereto of the 27th April 1967:

"AND WHEREAS by virtue of the aforesaid Order in Council of the 18th day of October 1909 there was also referred

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Order granting Leave to Appeal to Her Majesty in Council 23rd January 1968 (Contd.) unto this Committee the humble
Petition of Ready Mixed Concrete
Limited in the matter of an Appeal
from the Supreme Court of New South
Wales between the Petitioner and R.W.
Dilley Respondent reciting the
proceedings in the suit as set forth
in the Petition recited immediately
above: And humbly praying Your
Majesty in Council to grant the
Petitioner special leave to appeal
against the Judgment of the Supreme
Court of New South Wales and the Order
made pursuant thereto of the 27th
April 1967:

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"THE LORDS OF THE COMMITTEE obedience to His late Majesty's said Order in Council have taken the humble Petitions into consideration and having heard Counsel in support thereof and 20 in opposition thereto Their Lordships do this day agree humbly to report to Your Majesty as their opinion that leave ought to be granted to the Petitioners to enter and prosecute their Appeals against the Judgment and Order of the High Court of Australia dated the 17th October 1967 the Judgment and Order of the Supreme Court of New South Wales dated the 13th April 1967 and 30 the 27th April 1967 respectively upon depositing in the Registry of the Privy Council the sum of £400 as security for costs:

"AND Their Lordships do further report to Your Majesty that the proper officer of the said High Court and of the said Supreme Court ought to be directed to transmit to the Registrar of the Privy Council without delay an authenticated copy under seal of the Record proper to be laid before Your Majesty on the hearing of the Appeals upon payment by the Petitioners of the usual fees for the same:

"AND in case Your Majesty should be pleased to approve of this Report Their Lordships do direct that the five Appeals be Consolidated and heard together on one Case on each side such cases relating to the first two above-mentioned Appeals only no case being lodged in respect of the other three Appeals."

HER MAJESTY having taken the said Report into consideration was pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to approve thereof and to order as it is hereby ordered that the same be punctually observed obeyed and carried into execution.

Whereof the Governor-General or Officer administering the Government of the Common-wealth of Australia for the time being and all other persons whom it may concern are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

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W.G. AGNEW

Exhibit "A"
Offer by
Blue Metal
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The Colonial
Sugar Refining
Company Limited
to acquire the
whole of the
issued stock
units of Ready
Mixed Concrete
Limited
16th July 1964

(APPLICANT) RESPONDENTS EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT "A" DATED 16TH JULY 1964

OFFER

(Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 184 of the Companies Act 1961)

BY

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

AND

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THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED

JOINTLY

To acquire the whole of the issued stock units of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED from the HOLDERS thereof.

THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED 1-7 O'Connell Street, Sydney.

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES
LIMITED 20
34 Martin Place,
Sydney.

UPON APPROVING THE OFFER

- 1. Please fill in all the details required in, and sign, the blue Removal/Transfer document.
- 2. Place the completed blue document and your Stock Certificate(s) in the prepaid envelope provided and post it to Blue Metal Industries Limited.

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NOTE: Should your Stock Certificate(s)

be not readily available, please complete and post the blue Removal/Transfer document immediately AND forward the Stock Certificate(s) as soon as possible.

Should you wish to make any enquiries in regard to this offer please 'phone Mr. N.C. Edwards at SYDNEY, BW2106 or write to Blue Metal Industries Limited, 34 Martin Place, Sydney.

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ENTITLEMENTS READY RECKONER

Your entitlements under the offer may be ascertained from the following tables:

	Number of R.M.C. Stock	Share Entitlement		Cash Entitlement	
	Units	B.M.I.	C.S.R.		
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units of Ready
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Limited
16th July 1964
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Number of R.M.C. Stock Units	Share En	ntitlement C.S.R.	Cash Entitlement	
300 400 500 600 700 800 900 1,000 2,000 4,000 5,000 5,000	84 112 140 168 196 224 252 280 5,260 840 1,400 1,680 1,680	24 32 43 43 564 780 160 240 480 480 480 480 480	39 6 0 52 8 0 65 10 0 78 12 0 91 14 0 104 16 0 117 18 0 131 0 0 131 0 0 393 0 0 524 0 0 655 0 0 786 0	10
8,000 9,000 10,000	2,240 2,520 2,800	640 720 800	1,048 0 0 1,179 0 0 1,310 0 0	20

ODD LOTS READY RECKONER

Should you elect to take cash in lieu of those shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited and/or The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which do not constitute a marketable parcel, the following table will give you the cash equivalents.

B.M.I. SHARES				
Number in Odd Lot	Cash Equivalent @ 26/6 per share £ s. d.			
1 2 3 4 5 6	1 6 6 2 13 0 3 19 6 5 6 12 6 7 19 0			

	В.	M.I. SHARES
	Number in Odd Lot	Cash Equivalent @ 26/6 per share £ s. d.
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Limited
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C.	S.R. SHARES
Number in Odd Lot	Cash Equivalent @ 87∕- per share £ s. d.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 1 2 1 3 1 4 1 9 1 1 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	4 7 0 14 0 13 1 17 15 2 17 15 2 17 15 2 17 15 2 18 17 18 5 18 18 5 19 19 6 10 0 10 0

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THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED, 1-7 O'Connell Street, Sydney.

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED, 34 Martin Place, Sydney.

OFFER TO STOCKHOLDERS OF READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED.

1. BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED a Company duly incorporated according to the laws of New South Wales and having its registered office at 34 Martin Place, Sydney in that State and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED a Company similarly incorporated and having its registered office at 1-7 O'Connell Street, Sydney aforesaid (which companies are hereinafter called the "Offeror Company") having given Notice of the Take-Over Scheme pursuant to Section 184 of the Companies Act 1961 hereby offer to acquire from you the whole of the Stock Units in the capital of READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED held by you.

2. The consideration offered for each 100 such Stock Units of 3/- each is:

(i) the allotment of 28 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited, AND

- (ii) the allotment of 8 shares of £l each fully paid in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited AND
- (iii) the sum of £13/2/- in cash.

 For parcels of stock units not exactly divisible by 100 a pro rata consideration is offered. If your holding of

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

stock units is such that	the
transfer of such holding	
pursuant to the offer to	
made would result in the	allot-
ment to you of:	

(i) a fraction of a share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and/or a fraction of a share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and/or

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- (ii) a number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which is not divisible exactly by 50 and/or
- (iii) a number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which is not divisible exactly by 25

then

- (i) in respect of each such fraction you shall and
- (ii) in respect of each share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited where your entitlement is less than 50 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of 50 immediately below the total number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which would otherwise be allotted to you and in respect of each share in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited where your entitlement is less than 25 shares or in respect of each share in excess of the multiple of

25 immediately below the total number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which would otherwise be allotted to you, you may at your option notified with your acceptance of this offer

receive in lieu of such fractions and/or such shares cash at the rate of 26/6 for each whole share in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited and 87/for each whole share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

3. Simultaneously with this offer, offers are being made by the "Offeror Company" to the holders of all other issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and the offer to you and to each such other stockholder is made upon and subject to the following terms and conditions, namely:

- (a) That acceptances of offers made to the holders of all the issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are received within one (1) month of the date of such offers (or such longer period as the "Offeror Company may from time to time by notice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify) in respect of not less than nine-tenths in nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or such lesser percentage as the "Offeror Company" may decide to accept.
- (b) That Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and each and every subsidiary thereof will between the Twenty-sixth day of June, 1964 (being the date upon which notice of the Take-Over Scheme pursuant to which

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

this offer is made was given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited) and the date upon which the said offers become unconditional:

- (i) carry on its and their business in the normal and usual way;
- (ii) not make any unusual or exceptional arrangements or disposals of assets;

(iii) not increase or further reduce its or their issued and paid up capital, and

- (iv) not pay or declare any dividend or make or declare any other distribution of any kind whatsoever to its stockholders (other than the proposed return of capital of 2/- per stock unit, to determine the entitlement to which the Registers of Stockholders of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited were closed on Wednesday 3rd June, 1964).
- (c) That upon the offers being accepted in respect of nine-tenths in nominal value of the issued stock units in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or such 30 lesser percentage thereof as the "Offeror Company" may decide to accept such of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited at that date as may be specified by the "Offeror Company" will resign, the Board of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited appointing as Directors of that Company such persons as may be nominated by the 40 "Offeror Company".
- (d) The passing at an Extraordinary General Meeting of Blue Metal Industries Limited of a Special

Resolution increasing the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited to £15,000,000 by the creation of 40,000,000 new shares of 5/-each.

(NOTE: The "Offeror Company" advise that:

The Extraordinary General Meeting referred to in Condition 3 (d) above has been duly held and the Special Resolution increasing the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited to £15,000,000 by the creation of 40,000,000 new shares of 5/- each has been duly passed. Such condition has accordingly been complied with).

day of July 1964 and except in so far as it and all other Take-Over offers made under the Take-Over Scheme may be totally withdrawn and every person released from any obligation incurred thereunder it will remain open for acceptance for one (1) month from that date and for such longer period as the "Offeror Company" may from time to time by notice to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify.

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5. The offer is not conditional upon your approving or consenting to any payment or other benefit being made or given to any Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or of any other corporation which is deemed by virtue of sub-section (5) of Section 6 of the Companies Act, 1961 (or any corresponding enactment in force in any State or Territory of the Commonwealth) to be related to that corporation as compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his retirement from office.

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

6. The payment of such part of the consideration offered as is payable in cash and the delivery of certificates for the stock units in Blue Metal Industries Limited (into which units the shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited intended to be issued in consideration of the transfer of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited will be converted immediately after allotment) and the delivery 10 of certificates for the shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited will be made to each accepting stockholder within one (1) month after the date upon which the offers become unconditional and the certificates for the stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in respect of which such payment and delivery are to be made have been delivered to the "Offeror Company". of the cash portion of such consideration 20 will be made by cheque drawn on behalf of the "Offeror Company" in your favour.

7. The latest date upon which the "Offeror Company" may declare this offer to have become free from the condition contained in paragraph 3 (a) above shall be the 9th day of September 1964 and in such case the offer will remain open for acceptance for a further period of seven (7) days or such longer period as the "Offeror Company" may from time to time by notice in writing to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited specify.

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Instructions as to the method by which this offer may be accepted appear on page 1 of this booklet.

Annexed hereto is a copy of

(a) The Statement complying with
Part B of the Tenth Schedule
of the Act given by Blue Metal
Industries Limited and The
Colonial Sugar Refining Company
Limited to Ready Mixed Concrete
Limited; and

(b) The Statement complying with Part C of the Tenth Schedule of the Act given by Ready Mixed Concrete Limited to Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

DATED the sixteenth day of July, 1964.

For and on behalf of BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

J.W. DUNLOP

Chairman of Directors of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

J.W. AUSTIN

Chairman of Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO PART B OF THE TENTH SCHEDULE OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1961.

1. The names, descriptions and addresses
of all the Directors of Blue Metal
Industries Limited and of The Colonial
Sugar Refining Company Limited (hereinafter jointly called the "Offeror
Company") are:

OF BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

John Worroker Austin of 50 Bower Street, Manly, New South Wales, Company Director

John Delmont Patience, of 32a Darling Point Road, Darling Point, New South Wales, Company Director.

Harold Wenham Robinson of 1 Kintore Street, Wahroonga, New South Wales, Managing Director.

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

John Joseph Carson of 14 Kissing Point Road, Turramurra, New South Wales, Company Director.

Galliano Eugene Melocco of 33 Nelson Street, Gordon, New South Wales, Company Director.

John Alwyne Bruce of "Gold Creek", Ginninderra, Australian Capital Territory, Civil Engineer.

OF THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED 10

John Wallace Dunlop of 17 Etham Avenue, Darling Point, New South Wales, Company Director.

Edward Ritchie Knox of 22 Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill, New South Wales, Chartered Accountant.

Gregory Blaxland Kater of 106 Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill, New South Wales, Electrical Engineer.

Clifford Gordon Crane of 6 Water Street, Wahroonga, New South Wales, Company Director.

James Vernon of 27 Manning Road, Double Bay, New South Wales, Company General Manager.

John Edward Menzies Dixon of 84 Eastern Road, Turramurra, New South Wales, Company Deputy General Manager.

Bernard Blomfield Riley of 12 Arnold Street, Killara, New South Wales, Barrister-at-Law.

2. (a) The principal activities of Blue Metal Industries Limited are that it is a holding company for a group of companies engaged in the production, distribution and sale of blue metal aggregates,

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gravel, sand and road base materials, the production, sale and laying of hot and cold bituminous mix, the laying of bituminous roads and pavements, the production delivery and sale of ready-mixed concrete, the manufacture of high quality texture bricks, the business of general contractors in marble, terrazzo and other facing materials and of timber and joinery merchants and flooring specialists.

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(b) The principal activities of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited together with its subsidiary companies are the production and sale of raw and refined sugar, building materials, chemicals and distillery products.

Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

- 20 3. (a) 207,248 ordinary stock units of 3/each in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are held by or on behalf of Blue Metal Industries Limited.
 - 684,500 ordinary stock units of 3/each in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are held by or on behalf of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.
- 30 4. (a) A copy of a Report dated the 24th day of June 1964 made to the Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited by Messrs. Smith, Johnson & Co., Registered Company Auditors. is set out in Appendix "A" hereto.
 - (b) A copy of a Report dated the 24th day of June 1964 made to the Directors of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited by Messrs. Yarwood Vane & Co. Registered Company Auditors, is set out in Appendix "B" hereto.

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(Applicant) Respondents Exhibits

Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

(a)	The Directors of Blue Metal Industries Limited after due enquiry by them in relation to the interval between the date to which the last Accounts of that Company have been made up (namely the 31st day of March 1964) and a date not earlier than fourteen days before
	the date on which notice of the
	Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, report that:

- (i) The business of Blue Metal Industries Limited has in their opinion been satisfactorily maintained
- (ii) There have not, in their opinion, arisen any circumstances adversely affecting that Company's trading or the value of its assets

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(iii) The current assets of Blue Metal Industries Limited appear in the books at values which are believed to be realisable in the ordinary course of business

- (iv) There are contingent
 liabilities by reason of
 guarantees given to Banks
 by one or more of the
 subsidiary companies of Blue
 Metal Industries Limited in
 respect of overdraft
 accommodation made available
 from time to time to companies
 within the group
- (v) Since the last Annual Report there have been minor changes in the published Reserves 40 resulting in small increases therein and there have not been any unusual factors affecting the profit of

Blue Metal Industries Limited and its subsidiaries Respondents

(Applicant) Exhibits

Exhibit "A"

Offer by

(b) The Directors of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited after due enquiry by them in relation to the interval between the date to which the last Accounts of that Company have been made up (namely the 31st day of March 1964) and a date not earlier than fourteen days before the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, report that:

Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

- (i) The business of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited has in their opinion been satisfactorily maintained
- (ii) There have not, in their opinion, arisen any circumstances adversely affecting that Company's trading or the value of its assets
- (iii) The current assets of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited appear in the books at values which are believed to be realisable in the ordinary course of business
- (iv) There are contingent liabilities by reason of guarantees given by the Company and its subsidiary companies
- (v) Since the last Annual Report there have been no changes in the published Reserves and there have not been any unusual factors affecting the profit of The

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and its subsidiaries.

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- 6. (a) Details of all alterations in the capital structure of Blue Metal Industries Limited and its subsidiary companies which have occurred during the period of five years immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited together with the source of any increase in capital is shown in Appendix "C" hereto.
 - (b) Details of all alterations in the capital structure of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and its subsidiary companies which have occurred during the period of five years immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited together with the source of any increase in capital is shown in Appendix "D" hereto.
- 7. There is no restriction on the right to transfer the stock units to which the Take-Over Scheme relates contained in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited which has the effect of requiring the holders of those stock units before transferring them to offer them for purchase to members of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or to any other person.
- 8. The consideration offered by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited includes the sum of £13/2/- in cash for each one hundred fully paid ordinary stock units of 3/- each in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. In addition Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited

will pay each accepting stockholder in cash for any resulting fractions of shares, the equivalent value of the fractions at the rate of 26/6 for each whole share in Blue Metal Industries Limited and 87/- for each whole share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited. Further a holder of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited who as a result of transferring those stock units pursuant to the proposed offer would otherwise receive a number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited not exactly divisible by 50 and/or a number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited not exactly divisible by 25 may in certain circumstances to be specified in the proposed offer elect to have in lieu of each share in Blue Metal Industries Limited where the entitlement is less than 50 shares or each share in excess of the multiple of 50 immediately below the total number of shares in Blue Metal Industries Limited which would otherwise be allotted to the stockholder the sum of 26/6 in cash and in lieu of each share in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited where the entitlement is less than 25 shares or each share in excess of the multiple of 25 immediately below the total number of shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited which would otherwise be allotted to that stockholder the sum of 87/- in cash. Such cash as may be required for the purposes aforesaid will be provided from the resources of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and from moneys arranged to be made available by way of overdraft accommodation by the Bankers of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

9. (a) It is not proposed in connection with the Take-Over Scheme that any payment or other benefit shall be made or given to any Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or any corporation which is by virtue of sub-section (5) of Section 6 of the Companies Act 1961 (or any corresponding enactment in force in any State or Territory of the Commonwealth) deemed to be related to that corporation as compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his retirement from that office.

- (b) There is no other agreement or arrangement made between Blue Metal Industries Limited and any of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or between The Colonial 20 Sugar Refining Company Limited and any of such Directors in connection with or conditional upon the outcome of the Scheme.
- (c) There has not been within the knowledge of either Blue Metal Industries Limited or of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited any material change in 30 the financial position of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited since the date of the last Balance Sheet laid before that corporation in General Meeting save and except it is known that Company and/or its subsidiaries sold the whole of the shares in the capital of Ready Mixed Concrete (United Kingdom) Limited held by them for the sum of approximately £7,411,696 and that 40 from the funds so made available to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited that Company had announced that it has made provision to repay the sum of £753,308 previously borrowed to finance the purchase

of part of such shares and to return to stockholders by way of reduction of the nominal value of stock units from 5/- to 3/- each a sum aggregating £3,303,900.

(d) There is an agreement or arrangement whereby stock units acquired jointly by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited in pursuance of the Scheme will be transferred to other persons. The parties to that agreement are Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and the agreement is that one half of the total number of stock units so acquired will be transferred to Blue Metal Industries Limited and the other one half thereof will be transferred to The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited. The number of stock units in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited held by or on behalf of each of Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited is set out earlier in this Statement. Pursuant to the said agreements Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited will equalise their holdings of stock units in Ready Mixed

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10. (a) Ordinary stock units of Blue Metal Industries Limited are listed on and dealt in on The Sydney Stock Exchange; and

Concrete Limited.

(i) The latest available
market sale price of the
5/- ordinary stock units
in Blue Metal Industries
Limited on The Sydney
Stock Exchange prior to the
date on which notice of the

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited was 27/3 per stock unit.

(ii) The highest and lowest market sale price of the 5/- ordinary stock units in Blue Metal Industries Limited and the respective dates of the relevant sales during the three months immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited were:

Highest price - 27/3 on

25th June, 1964

Lowest price - 24/3 on 4th June, 1964

(iii) 20 The Take-Over Scheme was the subject of a public announcement in newspapers prior to this notice being Such public announcegiven. ment occurred on the 22nd day of June, 1964. The latest market sale price of the 5/- ordinary stock units in Blue Metal Industries 30 Limited, immediately prior to such public announcement was 26/6 per stock unit.

It is the intention of Blue Metal Industries Limited upon the joint offers becoming unconditional to seck listing on the Stock Exchange of each capital city in Australia.

(b) Ordinary shares of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited are listed on and dealt in on the Sydney Stock Exchange, The Stock Exchange of Melbourne, the Brisbane Stock Exchange, The Stock Exchange of Adelaide Limited, the Stock

Exchange of Perth. The Hobart Stock Exchange the Auckland Stock Exchange, the Christchurch Stock Exchange, the Dunedin Stock Exchange, the Wellington Stock Exchange and the Invercargill Stock Exchange; and

(i) The latest available market sale price of the £1 ordinary shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited on The Sydney Stock Exchange (being the Stock Exchange at which there have been the greatest number of recorded dealings in the said shares in the three months immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited) prior to the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited was 84/3 per share.

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(ii) The highest and lowest market sale price of the £1 ordinary shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and the respective dates of the relevant sales during the three months immediately preceding the date on which notice of the Take-Over Scheme is given to Ready Mixed Concrete Limited (being sales recorded on The Sydney Stock Exchange) were:

Highest price - 89/9 on 12th June 1964

Lowest price - 78/3 on 26th March, 1964 and 2nd April 1964.

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Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

(iii) The Take-Over Scheme was the subject of a public announcement in newspapers prior to this notice being given. Such public announcement occurred on the 22nd day of June, 1964. The latest market sale price of the £1 ordinary shares in The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited immediately prior to such public announcement was 87/- per share (being sales recorded on The Sydney Stock Exchange).

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DATED this twenty-sixth day of June, 1964.

For and on behalf of BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED and THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

J.W. DUNLOP Chairman of Directors of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited. J.W. AUSTIN Chairman of Directors 20 of Blue Metal Industries Limited. 163.

APPENDIX "A"

SMITH, JOHNSON & CO., Chartered Accountants 82 Pitt Street, Sydney.

24th June, 1964

AUDITORS' REPORT

The Directors
Blue Metal Industries Limited
34 Martin Place,
SYDNEY.

Gentlemen,

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Pursuant to your request we have examined the audited balance sheet and accounts of Blue Metal Industries Limited for each of the five years ended 30th September, 1963 and of its subsidiary companies for each of the five years ended 30th June, 1963. We have also examined balance sheets and accounts prepared by the companies in respect of the half years ended 31st March, 1964 for Blue Metal Industries Limited and 31st December, 1963 for the subsidiary companies, being the last accounts compiled by the respective companies. Whilst the normal audit of the transactions of each company for the half-yearly periods has been completed, the balance sheets and accounts, as is customary for the Group with its interim accounts, have not been formally audited.

PROFITS

The profits of Blue Metal Industries Limited, and the combined profits of Blue Metal Industries Limited and its subsidiaries for the periods covered by our examination, after making such adjustments as we considered appropriate were:-

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(Applicant) Respondents Exhibits	Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited	to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964, (Contd.)	164.
Industries Limited diary Companies	Profit applicable to B.M.I. interests	£419,911 737,974 813,555 915,865 926,439	522,575
•	Minority interest	£14,500 10,671 16,460 33,381	15,110
Blue Metal and Subs	Combined profit after pro- viding for income tax	£434,411 748,645 830,015 949,246 957,336	537,685
Blue Metal Industries Limited	Profit after providing for income tax	£301,360 504,513 666,786 746,094 756,508	400,010
E	Year ended 50th September (Blue Metal Industries Limited) and 50th June (subsidiaries)	1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 Half year ended Zlst March, 1964	(B.M.I.) 31st December, 1963 (subsidiaries)

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The assets and liabilities of Blue Metal Industries Limited at 31st March, 1964 and the combined assets and liabilities of Blue Metal Industries Limited at that date and its subsidiaries at 31st December, 1963, in accordance with the balance sheets examined by us and after making such adjustments as we considered appropriate were:-

	as we considered abbrobits to were:-					
		Blue Metal Limit			tal Industrie Subsidiary Com	
••	FIXED ASSETS: Freehold and Leasehold	£	£	€	£	€
10	Properties Independent Valuation in 1957 Independent Valuation in 1960 Directors' Valuation in 1961				32,500 638,365 178,521	
	Cost		50,103		1,650,110	
	Toga Provision for Donnosistic	n			2,499,496	
	Less Provision for Depreciatio and Amortisation	п			175,312	2,324,184
20	Plant and Equipment - Cost				7,920,301	
	Less Provision for Depreciation	n			3,492,608	4,427,693
	TNUTECHNENING		50,103			6,751,877
	INVESTMENTS - at cost: Commonwealth Government Bonds (Market Value at 31st December, 1963 - £7,640)				7,4 60	
3 0	Listed Companies - Market Value at balance dates: £211,768 £218,366	45 , 8 2 5			- 64 , 625	
	Subsidiary Companies - Shares Advances (Net)	3,214,995 2,739,208			=	
	Associated Companies - Shares Advances	515,518 47,340	6,562,886		544,863 59,147	676 , 095
	CURRENT ASSETS: Stocks on Hand -					
**	At cost At cost less provision			1,216,782		
40	for handling charges At cost less provision for retreatment and handling			309,102		
	charges Livestock - at income tax			20,675		
	values			5,820	1,552,379	
	Work in Progress - cost Less Progress Claims			1,211,308 727,280	484,028	
50	Trade Debtors			1,789,133		
	Less Provision for Doubtful Debts			86,020		
				1,703,113		
	Other Debtors	423		43,749		***************************************
	CARRIED FORWARD:	423	6,612,989	1,746,862	2,036,407	7,427,972

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Continued)

	Blu		Metal Industries Limited		Blue Metal Industries Limited Subsidiary Companies		
	BROUGHT FORWARD:	423	6,612,989	1,746,862	2,036,407	7,427,972	
	CURRENT ASSETS (Continued) Loans to Directors of Subsidiary Companies			3 , 352			
	Prepayments, Deposits and Deferred Expenditure	89		141,123	1,891,337		
10	Cash at Bank and in Hand	208	720		21,738		
			6,613,709		3,949,482		
	Less CURRENT LIABILITIES:		0,029,709		3, 7, 7, 102		
	Bank Overdraft (secured) Short Term Loans Trade Creditors Other Creditors and Accrued	207,115 473,681		530,549 473,681 725,563			
	Expenditure Provision for Plant Maintenance	9,807		521,418			
20	Provision for Income Tax Provision for Interim Dividend	62,819 269,720	1,023,142	127,327 1,019,421 269,720	3,667,679	281,803	
			5,590,567			7,709,775	
	Less LONG TERM LIABILITIES:						
	Secured Unsecured		23 , 670		63,054 148,508	211,562	
	NET TANGIBLE ASSETS:		£5,566,897			£7,498,213	
	representing -						
	ISSUED CAPITAL:						
30	13,764,180 Ordinary Stock Units) of 5/- each 620,878 Special Class Ordinary Stock Units of 5/- each		3,596,265			3 , 596 , 265	
	SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT		561,277			561,277	
	RESERVES (used in the business): Capital Reserve Preference Capital Redemption	41,000			288,798		
	Reserve Dividend Equalisation Reserve General Reserve	- - -			7,500 9,839 102,739		
40	UNAPPROPRIATED PROFITS	1,368,355	1,409,355		2,827,486	3,236,362	
			5,566,897			7,393,904	
	Less Goodwill on Consolidation		-			73,206	
	MEMBERS' FUNDS:		5,566,897			7,320,698	
	Add Minority Interest in Sub- sidiary Companies		-			177,515	
	COMBINED FUNDS:		£5,566,897			£7,498,213	

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DIVIDENDS PAID

The rates of dividends paid on the issued capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited in respect of the immediate past five financial years, and particulars of capital on which such dividends have been paid were:-

Share and stock units of 5/- each

Dividend Rates

	Ordinary	Special Class Rate	Rate	Annual Rate
Dividend paid on:-				
17th April, 1959 11th December, 1959	6,332,065 6,332,065	<u>-</u>	6 1 % 6 1 %	12 1 %
22nd April, 1960 7th December, 1960	6,432,065 8,209,120	1,664,371	6 1 % 8 3 %	15%
8th May, 1961 14th December, 1961	8,352,770 11,824,048	1,611,721 1,286,386	7 1 % 7 1 %	15%
lst May, 1962 10th December, 1962	12,811,716 13,409,217	936,786 840,841	7 1 % 7 1 %	15%
8th May, 1963 10th December, 1963	13,554,217 13,736,680	830,841 648,378	7 <u>1</u> % 7 <u>1</u> %	15%

In addition an interim dividend of 7½% was paid on 8th May, 1964 on 13,926,080 ordinary and 458,978 special class ordinary stock units in respect of the year ending 30th September, 1964.

GENERAL

This report has been prepared for inclusion with the statement required under Section 184 of the Companies Act, 1961 in connection with the proposed take-over offer to be made jointly by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited for the whole of the issued capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

Yours faithfully,

Smith, Johnson & Co., Chartered Accountants

Registered under the Public Accountants Registration Act 1945, as amended.

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Company Limited
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issued stock
units of Ready
Mixed Concrete
Limited
16th July 1964
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APPENDIX "C"

BLUE METAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES Details of alterations in capital structure during the five years ended 25th June, 1964

	Company	Date	Nominal Capital Increased by	Number of shares allotted	Class of Shares	Total par value of Shares allotted	s	ource of Increase
	Blue Metal Industries Limited	30/11/59	£	100,000	Ordinary	£ 25,000	Issued : for She Limited	in exchange ares in Carson Bros. Pty d.
10		14/3/60		449,955 449,955	Ordinary Special Class	112,489 112,489	Do.	Investments Pty.Limite
		22/3/60		480,000	Ordinary Ordinary	120,000	Do.	Do. Clark Kilns (N.S.W.). Pty. Limited.
		28/3/60		301,600	Ordinary	75,400	Do.	Melocco Bros. Pty. Limited and Subsidiary
		28/3/60		1,281,416	Special Class Ordinary	320,354	Do.	Companies. Do.
20		6/4/60		24,000	Ordinary	6,000	Do.	Wollongong Concrete Pty. Limited.
		4/5/60	2,500,000					
		13/7/60		152,000	Ordinary	38,000	Do.	De Marco Bros. Pty Limited.
		10/8/60 to 20/9/60		302 , 500	Ordinary	75 , 625	Do.	D. Y. Ready Mixed Concrete Pty.Limited D.Y. Concrete (Liver- pool) Pty. Limited and Arncliffe Ready Mixed Concrete Pty.Limited
30		20/12/60		47,000	Ordinary	11,750	Issued to	o acquire a gravel and perty.

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	Company	Date	Nominal Capital Increased by	Number of shares allotted	Class of Shares	Total par value of Shares allotted	Source of Increase
	Blue Metal Industries Limited (Contd.)	29/3/61	£	44,000	Ordinary	11,000	Issued in exchange for shares in Mascot Granite Works Pty. Limited.
10		21/4/61		241,800	Ordinary	60,450	Issued in exchange for shares in Charles Heath & Sons Pty. Limited and De Martin & Gasparini Pty. Limited.
		23/6/61		2,551,573	Ordinary	637,893	Issued for cash.
		31/7/61		352 ,571	Ordinary	88,143	Issued in exchange for shares in Loveridge & Hudson Pty. Limited
		21/12/61		638,068	Ordinary	159,517	Issued in exchange for shares in Frost Develop-ments Pty. Limited, and C.A.M. Pre-Mixed Concrete Engineering Pty. Limited
20		6/8/62 to 23/8/62		456 , 000	Ordinary	114,000	Issued in exchange for shares in Thatcher & Oberg Pty. Limited, L.H. Armstrong Pty. Limited, South Coast Paving & Terazzo Pty. Limited, Kembla Concrete Construction Pty. Limited, and Architectural Surfaces Pty. Limited
30		9/11/62		35 , 556	Ordinary	8,889	Issued to acquire quarrying deposits at Port Stephens.
		1/3/63		145 , 000	Ordinary	36,250	Issued in exchange for shares in Furney Bros. (Dubbo) Pty. Limited, Furney Bros. (Wellington) Pty. Limited and Betta Mix Concrete Pty. Limited.
	Architectural Surfaces	12/4/61		2	Ordinary	2	Issued for cash.
	Pty. Limited	9/5/61		298	Ordinary	298	Do.
40	Arncliffe Ready Mixed Concrete Pty. Limited	13/11/59		4,000	Ordinary	4,000	Issued for cash.

	Company	Date	Nominal Capital Increased by	Number of shares allotted	Class of Shares	Total par value of Shares allotted	Source of Increase
	Bituminous Pavements	31/ 10/63	£ 800,000			£	
	Pty. Limited	17/12/63	800,000	240,000	Ordinary	240,000	Issued for cash.
	1 0 <i>y</i> • 22 m2 00 d	16/4/64		150,000	Ordinary	150,000	Do.
	Blue Metal and Gravel (Newcastle) Pty. Limited	18/11/60 27/10/61 30/10/61		2 6 496	Ordinary	10/- £1.10.0.	Issued for cash. Do. Do.
10	C.A.M. Pre-Mixed	28/11/61	25,000		Preference	·	
	Concrete Engineering Pty. Limited	28/11/61		20,252	n n	20,252	Issued for cash - and converted to Ordinary Shares
	Clark Kilns (N.S.W.) Pty. Limited	13/8/59		9,526	Ordinary	9,526	Issued in exchange for Shares in Indelco Pty. Limited.
		22/3/60		5,424	"	5,424	Issued for cash.
	De Marco Bros. Pty. Limited (now Occolem Pty. Limited)	8/7/60		72,000	6% Preference	72,000	Issued for cash - since converted to Ordinary Shares.
	Flooring Industries	24/4/63	40,000		Ordinary		
20	Pty. Limited	14/5/64	,	39,000	11	39,000	Issued for cash.
	Frost Developments Pty. Limited	17/6/60	45,000		Ordinary		
		11/3/60	1	4	II II	4	Issued for cash
		30/ 6/60		25,000	11	25,000	Do.
		2/10/61	250,000		TI		
	-	9/11/61		84,076	11	84,076	Do.
		23/11/61		165,400	Preference	165,400	Do. since converted to Ordinary Shares
	Gosford Ready Mixed Concrete Pty.Limited	21/1/60		2,000	Ordinary	2,000	Issued for cash.
30	Loveridge & Hudson Pty. Limited	30/6/61					20,000 Preference Shares of £1 each converted to 20,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each. 5,000 Employees' Shares of 2/- each converted into 500 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.
	Melocco Bros. Pty.	25/3/60	100,000		Ordinary		
		21/2/59	100,000	50,000	OLUTINATY	50,000	Issued for cash.
40		25/3/60		111,941	rt .	111,941	Do.
10	F	29/6/60					16,008 5% Preference Shares of £1 converted to 16,008 Ordinary Shares of £1 each

Company	Date	Nominal Capital Increased by	Number of shares allotted	Class of Shares	Total par value of Shares allotted	Source of Increase
Newcastle Blue Metal Pty. Limited	30/6/61 1/4/63 1/4/63	£	200 1,800 8,800	Ordinary	200 1,800 8,800	Issued for cash. Do. Do.
	174705		(paid to 5A)		0,000	50.
N.W. McIntyre Transport Pty.Limited	17/6/60		3,000	Ordinary	3,000	Issued for cash
Quarries Pty. Limited	17/12/63 17/12/63	800,000	329,997	Ordinary	329,997	Issued for cash
Shortland Cement Distributors Pty. Limited	17/8/59 11/3/60 30/10/61		2 4 305	Ordinary	2 4 305	Issued for cash. Do. Do.
Specified Concrete (Newcastle) Pty. Limited	3/7/61		2,000	Ordinary	2,000	Issued for cash
Specified Concrete Pty. Limited	27/7/60	240,000		Ordinary		
The N.S.W. Associated Blue Metal Quarries Pty. Limited	30/11/59		12,500	Ordinary	6,250	Issued in exchange for shares in Carson Bros. Pty. Limited.
The Terrace Blue Metal Pty. Limited	17/8/59 11/3/60 30/10/61		2 4 399	Ordinary	2 4 399	Issued for cash. Do. Do.
The Universal Ready Mixed Concrete Pty. Limited	13/7/60 13/7/60	15,000	16,329	Preference	16,329	Issued for cash - since converted to Ordinary Shares
Wilson & Porter Holdings Pty.Limited	22/1/60 20/6/62		8,000 27,594	Ordinary	8,000 27,594	Issued for cash. Bonus issue ex Asset Revaluation Reserve.
Wilson & Porter Pty. Limited	21/3/59 28/4/59		4,000 2,000	11	4,000 2,000	Issued for cash.
Yarramundi Properties Pty. Limited	21/2/59 16/3/59 25/3/60	82,000	. 40,000	11	40,000	Issued for cash.

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APPENDIX "B"

YARWOOD VANE & CO., Chartered Accountants 28 & 30 O'Connell Street, SYDNEY.

AUDITORS' REPORT

24th June, 1964.

The Directors,
The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited,
1-7, O'Connell Street,
SYDNEY.

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with your request, we have examined the audited accounts of your Company for each of the five years to 31st March, 1964, and of its subsidiary companies for each of the five years to the same date, or to 31st December, 1963, where subsidiaries balance at 51st December annually. For the purpose of our examination we have relied upon the audited accounts reported upon by other Auditors for subsidiaries not audited by us, including some major subsidiaries.

PROFITS

The figures set out hereunder in respect of the years ended 31st March, 1961, 1962, 1963 and 1964 are those shown in the Parent Company's accounts and the Consolidated accounts presented to the Annual Meetings of Members. For the year ended 31st March, 1960, the combined profits of the group are based on those for the financial year of the Parent Company and the annual profits of the subsidiaries adjusted to bring their accounting periods into line with those used in subsequent years. No other adjustments have been made to the profits, but it is noted that in 1960 £365,000 of the income tax for the year was charged against taxation provisions previously made.

Certain amounts relating to prior years shown in the audited accounts for 1962, 1963 and 1964 have for various reasons not been re-allocated to the years to which they relate and, in our opinion, this does not materially affect the results.

During the past five financial years, particularly in 1962, the Parent Company took over the trading operations of certain building materials subsidiaries, while in 1963 a subsidiary was formed to take over the Fiji sugar mills from the Parent Company. These matters affect comparisons between the years of the Parent Company's results, but do not materially affect the combined results.

The profits and losses of subsidiary companies acquired during the five years have been included in the following summary as from the dates of acquisition by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

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Year ended 31st March (Parent) and 31st December or 31st March (Subsidiaries)	Profit after Income Tax	Combined Profit after Income Tax	Minority Interest	Profit Applicable to C.S.R. Interest
1960	£2,882,633 2,605,734 3,045,267 4,350,408 5,576,452	£3,844,903	£213,450	£3,631,453
1961		2,778,726	160,991	2,617,735
1962		3,151,850	22,171	3,129,679
1963		4,719,990	131,624	4,588,366
1964		7,620,950	136,177	7,484,773

174. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

We set out in the following statement the assets and liabilities of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited at 31st March, 1964, also the combined assets and liabilities of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited at that date and its subsidiary companies at the same date, or to 31st December, 1963 in the case of those subsidiaries which balance at 31st December annually. Such assets and liabilities are in accordance with the balance sheets examined by us and after making such adjustments as we considered appropriate.

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	Refining Con	nial Sugar mpany Limited	The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited and its Subsidiary Companies		
FIXED ASSETS: Freehold Land, Office and Residential	£	చ్	£	£	
Property - At Valuation March, 1962 At Valuation at dates prior to 31st	6,455,184		6,455,184		
March, 1962 At Valuation 31st March, 1964 At cost	1,209,598		305,717 390,149 2,224,988		
		7,664,782		9,376,038	
Machinery, Plant, Equipment and Factory Buildings -	43 607 530		43,607,539		
At Valuation 31st March 1962 At Valuation at dates prior to	43,607,539				
31st March, 1962 At cost	6,973,626	•	4,045,102 34,359,365		
		50,581,165		82,012,006	
INVESTMENTS: In Government and Municipal Stock or Bonds, at cost In Companies the Shares in or Debentures of which are dealt in on prescribed stock exchanges (Market	22,438		22,43 8		
value - Parent £5,545,444. Combined £5,553,700) In Other Companies, at cost	3,595,813 957,075		3,598,085 3,546,098		
		4,575,326		7,166,621	
INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES: (Directors' valuation at 31st		03 500 055			
March, 1964) CURRENT ASSETS:		21,769,855		_	
Stocks and Work in Progress (Note 1) Trade Debtors, less provision	12,994,340		23,471,158		
for doubtful debts (Parent £338,835. Combined £441,183)	12,823,571		14,649,794		
Loans to Directors of the Company and its subsidiaries Other Debtors Cash at Banks, on Hand and at Call	70,696 2,216,961 5,251,931		78,553 2,736,817 5,420,775		
		33,357,499		46,357,097	
AMOUNTS OWING BY SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES:		1,059,723			
CARRIED FORWARD:		119,008,350		144,911,762	

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Continued)

	The Coloni Refining Comp		The Colonial Company Lim Subsidiary	Sugar Refining aited and its Companies £
BROUGHT FORWARD:		119,008,350		144,911,762
OTHER ASSETS: Patents, Trade Marks and Goodwill at cost less amounts written off		-		141,153
NEW ZEALAND SUGAR PRICE STABILISATION SCHEME (See contra)		-		1,860,739
FIJI SUGAR PRICE STABILISATION AND CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDS		-		305,371
		£119,008,350		£147,219,025
TERM LIABILITIES: 7% Registered Mortgage Debentures Redeemable 1964-1968 (£200,000 within twelve months) Redeemable 1972-1974 Other Secured Loans £60,000 within twelve months)		2,366,100		450,000 2,366,100 660,000
CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS: Bank Overdrafts, less credit balances Unsecured Loans repayable within twelve months Trade Creditors Other Creditors Provision for Taxation Sundry Provisions Provision for Final Dividends (Parent Company)	112,839 739,843 15,753,739 263,670 5,405,914 2,342,305 1,814,276	26,432,586	3,321,898 748,839 21,544,040 420,895 7,319,876 3,629,801 1,814,276	38,799,62 5
AMOUNTS OWING TO SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES		4,397,776		-
DIFFERENCES DUE TO VARIATIONS IN BALANCING DATES		-		587,680
BANK OVERDRAFT RE NEW ZEALAND SUGAR PRICE STABILISATION SCHEME (Note 2)		_		1,860,739
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (Note 3)		_		
PROVISION FOR REPLACEMENT		33,196,462 14,186,251		44,724,144 25,480,802
CAPITAL: Authorised Capital - 35,000,000 shares of £1 each £35,000,000	01. 200 710	47,382,713	0/1 300 7/10	70,204,946
Issued Capital (fully paid)	24,190,348		24,190,348	
CARRIED FORWARD:	24,190,348	47,382,713	24,190,348	70,204,946

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	The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited		The Colonial S Company Limi Subsidiary	ted and its
	£	£	€	£
BROUGHT FORWARD:	24,190,348	47,382,713	24,190,348	70,204,946
SHARE PREMIUM RESERVE	3,522,409		3,522,409	
OTHER RESERVES (including capital and revenue reserves)	41,228,070		41,422,110	
UNAPPROPRIATED PROFITS	1,523,545		3,492,642	
OVERSEAS EXCHANGE FLUCTUATION ACCOUNT	1,161,265		1,161,265	
		71,625,637		73,788,774
INTEREST OF OUTSIDE SHAREHOLDERS: Capital of Subsidiary Companies held by outside shareholders and their proportion of undistributed profits				
and reserves		-		3,225,305
	£	2119,008,350		£147,219,025

Exhibit "A" Offer by Blue Metal Industries Limited and The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited to acquire the whole of the issued stock units of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited 16th July 1964 (Contd.)

NOTES: -

1. Stocks and Work in Progress.

The value of stock on hand has been determined by applying to each of the various stock groups, normal and customary methods of valuation, after taking into account the nature of the product, the cost, market or selling value and having regard to the requirements of the respective industries. The basis of valuation of sugar stocks in New Zealand is in accordance with the conditions of the New Zealand Sugar Price Stabilisation Scheme.

The amount shown in the balance sheet has been arrived at after making the following deductions for possible diminution in the value of stocks:-

2. New Zealand Sugar Price Stabilisation Scheme.
Bank Overdraft re New Zealand Sugar Price Stabilisation Scheme.

These items relate to an agreement between the New Zealand subsidiary (New Zealand Sugar Co. Ltd.) and the New Zealand Government, which is designed to operate for a limited period where by domestic selling prices of refined products in New Zealand are fixed on the basis of an agreed notional price for raw sugar. The New Zealand Sugar Price Stabilisation Fund is a deferred cost. The amount reflects the difference between the actual purchase price of raw sugar and the notional value for domestic pricing purposes, and the profit of the subsidiary for the year has been arrived at in accordance with this arrangement. The Bank overdraft is guaranteed by the New Zealand Government.

3. Contingent Liabilities.

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Sundry unsecured (parent includes £474,425 uncalled capital of subsidiaries)	3,708,000	3,531,000
Contracts for Capital Expenditure	4,501,000	4,566,000

4. Currency Conversion (Parent and Combined).

The figures for all overseas assets and liabilities and of all overseas profits and losses have been converted to Australian currency at exchange rates ruling at balancing dates.

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DIVIDENDS PAID - PARENT COMPANY

The whole of the paid up capital is in Ordinary Shares. Dividends paid thereon in respect of each of the last five financial years were as follows:

In respect of year ended	Dividend	Dividend Rates	
31st March	on Ordinary Capital	Rate	Annual Rate
Dividend paid on:-	€	%	%
2nd December, 1959	897,449 1,003,791	4 <u>7</u> 4 2	9
8th December, 1960	950,960 952,471	413 412	9
8th December, 1961	952,471 1,058,301	42 5	9 1
7th December, 1962	1,005,386 1,190,605	4 <u>2</u> 5 <u>4</u>	10
6th December, 1963 1964	1,209,517	5	
Proposed to be payable:-			
22nd July, 1964 1964	1,814,276	7 1	12 1

GENERAL

This report has been prepared for inclusion in the statement required under Section 184 of the Companies Act, 1961 of New South Wales, in connection with the proposed take-over offer to be made by The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited jointly with Blue Metal Industries Limited for the whole of the issued capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited.

Yours faithfully, YARWOOD VANE & CO. Chartered Accountants.

Registered under the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945, as amended.

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THE COLONIAL SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Details of Alterations in Capital Structure During the five years ended 25th June, 1964.

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Company	Date	Nominal Capital Increased by	Number of Shares Allotted	Class of Shares	Total par value of shares allotted	Source of Increase
The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited	29/7/59 to 16/9/59	\$	10,450	Ordinary £20	£ 209,000	Issued in exchange for share in B.I. Holdings Pty.Limited
	26/8/59 to 20/1/60		109,372	Ordinary £20	2,187,440	Issued in exchange for share in Masonite Holdings Limited
	19/11/59		800	Ordinary £20	16,000	Issued in exchange for share in Bradford Insulation (S.A.) Limited.
	15/2/61 to 31/3/61		1,679	Ordinary £20	33,580	Issued in exchange for share in Ingham Plaster Co.Limited
	18/7/62	·				1,058,301 ordinary shares of £20 each converted to 21,166,020 ordinary shares of £1 each.
	18/7/62 31/7/62	5,000,000	3,024,328	Ordinary £1	3,024,328	Issued for cash.
B.I. Holdings Pty. Limited	24/2/61					2,500 preference shares of £1 each converted to 2,500 ordinary shares of £1 each
	21/6/62	1,440,000				ordered of our od or
	4/12/62		358,722	Ordinary £1	358,722	Issued for cash.
B.I. (Sydney) Pty. Limited (in liquid- ation)	13/5/60	140,000	141,000	Ordinary £1	141,000	Issued for cash - 4,000 deferred shares of £1 each converted to 4,000 ordinary shares of £1 each.
Bradford Insulation Industries Pty.Limited	17/6/60		150,000	Ordinary £1	150,000	Issued in exchange for shares in B.I. (Sydney) Pty. Limited.
	17/6/60	900,000				
	21/6/62		135,000	Ordinary £1	135,000	Issue ex share premium reserve and profit and loss appropriation account balance
	21/6/62		144,412	Ordinary £1	144,412	Issued for cash.
Bradford Insulation (Victoria) Pty.	13/5/60		30,000	Ordinary £1	30,000	Issued for cash and other assets.
Limited	21/6/62	800,000	273,430	Ordinary £1	273,430	Issued for cash.

Company	Date	Nominal Capital Increased by	Number of Shares Allotted	Class of Shares	Total par value of shares allotted	Source of Increase
		£			£	
Commonwealth Distille-	, ,					
ries Pty. Limited	to 13/4/60		10,000	Ordinary £1	10,000	Issued for cash.
Emana CO2 & Day Tag	22/2/60		6.000	0-74	6 000	T1
Frome CO2 & Dry Ice Works Pty.Limited	22/2/00		6,000	Ordinary £1	6,000	Issued for cash.
McCaffrey Services	20/10/60	460,000				
Pty. Limited.	2/2/61		128,000	Ordinary £1	128,000	Issue ex Reserves.
Mount Hawthorn Modelling Works (1941) Pty.Limited	16/3/62		13,477	Ordinary £1	13,477	Issue ex Reserves.
Perth Modelling Works Pty. Limited	16/3/62					2,100 preference shares of £1 each converted to 2,100 ordinary shares of £1 each
	16/3/62		8,241	Ordinary £1	8,241	Issue ex Reserves.
	1/12/62					1,550 employees' shares each converted to 1,550 ordinary shares of £1 each
Pyneboard Pty.Limited	3/4/59 5/5/61		500,000	Ordinary £1	500,000	Issued for cash.
	5/5/61		500,000	Ordinary £1	500,000	Issued for cash.
The Ruberoid Co. of	3/11/60		60,000	Ordinary £1	60,000	Issued for cash.
Australia Pty.Limited	29/6/61		40,000	Ordinary £1	40,000	Issued for cash.
	6/7/61		30,000	Ordinary £1	30,000	Issued for cash.
	30/11/61		20,000	Ordinary £l	20,000	Issued for cash.
South Pacific Sugar	19/12/61		2	Ordinary £1	2	Issued for cash.
Mills Limited	13/6/62		6,999,998	Ordinary £1	6,999,998	Issued for cash.
	31/3/64		2,250,000	Ordinary £1	2,250,000	Issue ex Reserves.
West Australian Plaster Mills Pty. Limited	16/3/62	490,000	35,762	Ordinary £l	35 , 762	Issue ex Reserves.

READY MIXED CONCRETE LIMITED

Statement in Pursuance of Part C of the Tenth Exhibits
Schedule of the Companies Act, 1961

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This statement is made by the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited in connection with a Notice of a Take-Over Scheme dated 26th June, 1964, which is the subject of intended take-over offers from Blue Metal Industries Limited and the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited.

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- (A) The Board of Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited being in a position to assess the real worth of the Ready Mixed Concrete Limited Group is convinced that the value of each R.M.C. share is not less than 18/- cash and therefore does not recommend to shareholders the acceptance of the intended take-over offers for this and other reasons set out herein.
- (B) The number of marketable securities held by or on behalf of each Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are detailed as hereunder:-

J.G. Palmer	4,000	shares
J.H. Stephenson	4.000	tt
A. Richardsl	.0.831	11
R.F. Street	6.800	
G.J. Dingle	5,500	Ħ
N.A. Pardoe	5,000	11
F.C. Michell	[′] 500	tt

- (C) The present intention of each of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited, except Messrs. G.J. Dingle and N.A. Pardoe, is not to accept the take-over offer to be made in pursuance of the take-over scheme in respect of shares held by or on their behalf. Messrs. Dingle and Pardoe have stated that it is their present intention to accept such take-over offer in respect of their shares.
- (D) The number of marketable securities

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held in the Offeror Companies by the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are as detailed hereunder:-

	B.M.I.	U.S.R.	
J.G. Palmer		Nil	
J.H. Stephenson	\mathtt{Nil}	Nil	
R.F. Street		(as Trustee)	
G.J. Dingle		Nil Nil	10
F.C. Michell	Nil	Nil	

*As Trustee for a deceased estate.

- (E) It is not proposed in connection with the take-over scheme which is the subject of the proposed take-over offer that any payment or other benefit shall be made or given to any Director of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited or of any related corporation as compensation for loss of office or as consideration for or in connection with his or her retirement from office.
- (F) There is no other agreement or arrangement made between any of the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and any other person in connection with or conditional upon the outcome of the take-over scheme.
- (G) None of the Directors of Ready Mixed
 Concrete Limited has any interest in
 any contract entered into by Blue Metal
 Industries Limited or The Colonial
 Sugar Refining Company Limited.
- (H) The shares of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited are listed on the Stock Exchanges of Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Newcastle.
- (I) The following material changes have occurred in the financial position of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited since

the date of the last consolidated balance sheet laid before the Company in General meeting:-

- (i) Shares held in Ready Mixed Concrete (United Kingdom) Limited have been sold for the sum of £A7,411,696.
- (ii) The paid up capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited was increased from £8,259,699 to £8,259,750 in December, 1963.
- (iii) The paid up capital of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited has been reduced from £8,259,750 to £4,955,850 by the repayment to shareholders of the sum of 2/- per share in cash.
- (iv) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited through a subsidiary acquired in February 1964 for £35,000 cash the assets and undertaking of J.J. Lyons & Son, sand merchants of Oxley, Queensland.
- (v) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited has acquired for £270,000 cash the 100,000 "B" Class Ordinary Shares held by Reids' Quarries Limited in Ready Mixed Concrete (Melbourne) Pty. Limited.
- (vi) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited through a subsidiary has agreed to purchase for £65,000 cash (subject to adjustments for stocktaking, etc.) the whole of the issued shares in Berrigan Quarries Pty. Limited.
- (vii) Ready Mixed Concrete Limited through a subsidiary has agreed to organise a joint company with J. Henrick & Sons for the purchase of the assets and undertaking of Tumut Lime & Marble Pty. Limited for £75,000 cash subject to adjustments

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for stocktaking, etc.

- (viii) An interim dividend of 32d. per share absorbing £516,234 was declared and paid on 31st March 1964, the amount of which was more than covered by current profits.
- (ix) Dividends were declared on 25th June, 1964 by subsidiaries of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited payable to the Parent Company in pursuance of normal intercompany procedures.

Apart from the foregoing there have been no material changes in the financial position of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited since the date of the last consolidated balance sheet laid before the company in general meeting other than those brought about in the ordinary course of the conduct of the business of the company.

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- (J) The reasons for the Directors of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited not recommending the take-over offers are:-
 - (1)The offer, inter alia for 100 3/shares in Ready Mixed Concrete will be:-
 - (i) The allotment of 28 ordinary shares of 5/- each fully paid in the capital of Blue Metal Industries Limited, AND
 - (ii) The allotment of 8 shares of £1, each fully paid in the capital of The Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited, AND
 - (iii) The sum of £13/2/- in cash.
 - (2) The consideration set out in the offers, even if regarded as being

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equivalent to 17/- cash per R.M.C. share does not reflect the true value of the shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited. The market value of the R.M.C. shares has been depressed for some time. The Offeror Companies are obviously of the same opinion as they have purchased large numbers of R.M.C. shares at current prices.

(3) R.M.C. shareholders do not have any choice of accepting cash (other than for odd lots and fractions) instead of shares in the Offeror Companies and the value of the offer depends on market prices of these shares from day to day. There is no guarantee that present market prices will be maintained and it is quite possible for market values of shares in the Offeror Companies to fluctuate within wide limits as Stock Exchange records show.

The Directors understand that market prices of shares particularly in one of the Offeror Companies, have been affected by unusually heavy market support in recent weeks by interested parties. Therefore present prices cannot be taken as a reliable guide to future values especially when the number of shares to be issued in terms of the take-over proposals is taken into account.

The offer if accepted will place large numbers of R.M.C. shareholders in possession of relatively small parcels of B.M.I. and C.S.R. shares and as usual in take-overs many of these will be disposed of. This may well have a depressing effect on market values.

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Brokerage at the rate of 5d for each B.M.I. share and approximately 1/- for each C.S.R. share would be incurred by shareholders wishing to dispose of their shares, other than odd lots or fractions paid for in cash should the offer be successful.

- (4) The aggregate nett profit (unaudited) of R.M.C. for the 11 months to 31st May, 1964 amounted to £1,559,000 prior to taxation provision of £556,000.
- (5) Attention must be drawn to the omission from the formal Notice of Take-over Scheme of a definite statement by the Offeror Companies as to whether the shares to be issued will rank 20 pari passu with their existing Their attitude to the shares. declaration of the R.M.C. final dividend for the year ended 30th June, 1964, in the month of September next (32d. per 3/share), is not clear. The Offeror Companies have purported to impose conditions that dividends are not to be declared. 30

The dividend position must have a very material effect on the value of the offer.

- (6) Of the two Offeror Companies, only B.M.I. is at present engaged in the industries in which R.M.C. operates. The value of C.S.R.'s interest in R.M.C. would represent only approximately 10% of the nett tangible assets 40 of that company.
- (7) Another factor to be taken into account is that between them B.M.I. and C.S.R. would control

approximately 80% of the Sydney blue metal market. The apparent strength of this situation is a weakness in that the reduction of competition facilitates gaining an increased share of the market by existing and new competitors. Monopoly control of an industry is always undesirable particularly at the present time when legislative curbs are impending.

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Exhibit "A"
Offer by
Blue Metal
Industries
Limited and
The Colonial
Sugar Refining
Company Limited
to acquire the
whole of the
issued stock
units of Ready
Mixed Concrete
Limited
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(8) The proposed offer has far greater whole of the advantages to the shareholders in issued stock B.M.I. and C.S.R. then it has units of Rea for the shareholders in R.M.C. Mixed Concre There are undoubted advantages to R.M.C. shareholders in l6th July 19 having their company carry on as an independent enterprise with its shares listed on the stock exchanges.

The offer has come to R.M.C. at a time when it is engaged in transferring funds previously invested overseas into operations in Australia where opportunities in this company's industries have never been better and R.M.C. is properly prepared to share extensively in such opportunities.

R.M.C. is already engaged in all States of Australia (metropolitan and country) in concrete production and (except in Victoria) in quarrying whereas the activities of B.M.I. are concentrated in the Sydney-Newcastle-Wollongong area. C.S.R. does not at present operate in the quarrying and concrete industries at all.

(9) During the last six months R.M.C. has been implementing its

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programme involving the extension of its Australian activities. The recently announced acquisitions of Berrigan Quarries Pty. Limited and of a 50% interest in gravel, quarrying and concrete operations in Tumut are part of a plan for expansion into the N.S.W. Riverina area. Negotiations have been in progress for several months for these acquisitions, the cost of which is considered favourable and an excellent return is confidently expected.

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R.M.C. is well advanced in the establishment of permanent quarry and concrete operations in Darwin.

- (10) In addition to its quarrying and concrete operations R.M.C. 20 engages in the following activities:-
 - (a) Distribution and service in all States of Australia of Foden Trucks and (except in Victoria) Mercedes Benz Trucks. The franchise for Mercedes Benz Trucks has only recently been granted and is expected to contribute 30 to profits of the 1964/65 year.
 - (b) Tin dredging operations in Malaysia. The local company has recently been successful in obtaining mining titles to rich new areas in the vicinity of its present areas. Present tin prices and the new areas obtained 40 indicate the prospect of many future years of profitable operation.
 - (c) Operations of mobile concrete

and quarrying plants in Australia. These plants are designed to be able to take advantage of contracts for airport, road construction and other works offering in all parts of Australia, and R.M.C. has proved successful in this type of operation. Additional mobile units of this kind are at present under construction for early delivery.

(d) Plants for the production and laying of hot and cold bituminous mix are at present on order and the first will be delivered at the beginning of August. These plants are transportable and designed to take advantage of the substantial road building programmes which have been announced by Federal and State Governments.

(e) Increased profits may also be expected from R.M.C.'s other interests which include sale of dry bagged premixed products (Sakrete), precast and prestressed concrete products, an agency for the sale of Gardner diesel engines and from the current utilisation for milk production of lands held for long term development as raw material deposits.

(11) A further important development of benefit to R.M.C. is its investment of 400,000 £1 shares in The Victoria Portland Cement Co. Pty. Limited. R.M.C. has

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been informed by The Commonwealth Portland Cement Co. Pty. Limited that it is intended to form a public holding company embracing the Blue Circle Cement Companies' interests in Australia, including The Victoria Portland Cement Co. Pty. Limited and that the public company will be making a public issue at a premium in the near future.

R.M.C.'s 400,000 shares will be exchanged for shares in this new public company and this conversion will substantially increase the value of R.M.C.'s investment as well as making it income producing immediately.

- (12) R.M.C. has substantial cash resources and reserves and is in a sound position to increase its profit earning capacity while at the same time maintaining 20 dividend payments at the rate of 6½d per 3/- share (18.05% p.a.) with the prospect of an early increase in dividend rate as the company's development plans are progressively implemented. Even a dividend rate of 6½d per share is better than that available under the B.M.I./C.S.R. take-over offer if it is assumed that the cash portion is invested to return 30 4% p.a. which is a realistic figure. It is doubtful whether an investment in equity shares of equivalent standing to R.M.C. shares can be found which will yield a higher return.
- (13) To sum up, the Board of Ready Mixed Concrete Limited is confident that greater returns will accrue to shareholders by pursuance of the company's existing expansion plans unfettered by absorption by the Offeror Companies.

It is also the view of the Board that the shares plus cash offer is of transient value and will not match

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the value of the R.M.C. shares consequent upon the implementation of its expansion plans and normal growth.

The offer is therefore not recommended by the Board and share-holders are advised to retain their shares in R.M.C.

(14) In view of the fact that the Offeror Companies have already asked that our Share Department address envelopes to shareholders and for other assistance, which has been made available, we believe that the Offeror Companies will make a direct approach to R.M.C. shareholders.

It is to be remembered that in the notice of intended take-over scheme C.S.R. disclosed that it then held 684,500 shares in Ready Mixed Concrete Limited and B.M.I. held 207,248 shares. Shareholders should not be surprised if these shares were sold thus temporarily depressing the R.M.C. market.

For and on behalf of The Board of Directors

J.G. Palmer, Chairman

SYDNEY, 9th July, 1964.

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- and -

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