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Reference is made to the announcements (the "**Announcements**") of the Company dated 22 August 2013 and 28 August 2013 regarding (i) the Disposal of Equity Interests and Assets Agreement and (ii) the CCT Agreement entered into between the Company and the Parent Company on 22 August 2013. Unless otherwise stated, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meaning as those defined in the Announcements.

As disclosed in the Announcements, a circular relating to the Disposal Agreement and the CCT Agreement was expected to be despatched by the Company to its shareholders for information purposes on or before 12 September 2013. As additional time is required to finalise the contents of the circular, the Company expects that the date of despatch of the circular will be postponed to a date falling on or before 25 September 2013.

By order of the Board Maanshan Iron & Steel Company Limited Ren Tianbao Secretary to the Board

12 September 2013 Maanshan City, Anhui Province, the PRC

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company include: Executive Directors: Ding Yi, Qian Haifan, Ren Tianbao Non-executive Directors: Su Shihuai Independent Non-executive Directors: Qin Tongzhou, Yang Yada, Liu Fangduan