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DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR

Reference is made to the announcement of Maanshan Iron & Steel Company Limited (the "Company") dated 10 September 2015 (the "Announcement") in relation to the New Sale and Purchase of Ore Agreement for 2016 to 2018, entered into between the Company and Magang (Group) Holding Company Limited (the "Parent Company") on 10 September 2015, the transactions contemplated under the agreement and the Proposed Annual Caps, the New Energy Saving and Environmental Protection Agreement for 2016 to 2018, entered into between the Company and Anhui Xinchuang Energy Saving and Environmental Protection Technology Company Limited on 10 September 2015, the transactions contemplated under the agreement and the Proposed Annual Caps, and the New CCT Agreement for 2016 to 2018, entered into between the Company and the Parent Company on 10 September 2015, the transactions contemplated under the agreement and the Proposed Annual Caps. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meaning as those defined in the Announcement.

As disclosed in the Announcement, the circular regarding the above-mentioned matters will be despatched to the Shareholders on or before 5 October 2015. As the Company needs additional time in preparing and confirming the information contained in the circular, the despatch date of the circular is estimated to be postponed to no later than 19 October 2015.

By Order of the Board

Hu Shunliang

Company Secretary

2 October 2015

Maanshan City, Anhui Province, the PRC

As at the date of this notice, the directors of the Company include:

Executive Directors: Ding Yi, Qian Haifan

Non-executive Directors: Su Shihuai, Ren Tianbao

Independent Non-executive Directors: Qin Tongzhou, Yang Yada, Liu Fangduan