



Chairman's Address

Dear Fellow Shareholders and Guests

I welcome you to this, the 2005 Annual General Meeting of Marengo Mining Limited and thank you for showing your interest by attending today.

I would also like to introduce my fellow directors, firstly our Managing Director, Les Emery, our Exploration Director, Ron Smit, our Finance Director and Company Secretary, Dennis Wilkins and finally Doug Dunnet who, as a Non-Executive Director, completes our Board.

In addition, I make special mention of Ms Fiona Hardouin-Riddle, our Office Manager, who is with us today. It is upon Fiona's shoulders that the day to day running of Marengo and its office falls. With a small team and at most times a busy workload Fiona ensures that all facets of our activities are well supported.

I also take this opportunity to introduce Mr Peter Dendle, who was recently appointed as Project Manager for our Yandera Project in PNG. Peter is a geologist with more than thirty years of experience in Africa, North America, Europe South East Asia and Australia. During this time he was involved in projects at all stages of development, in at times logistically difficult areas.

We welcome Peter on board as another key member of the Marengo team.

It is just over two years since Marengo was listed on the Australian Stock Exchange and, as I indicated this time last year, we have continued to seek out opportunities which your board believes will give our shareholders the rewards they deserve.

In January of this year our attention was drawn to a number of project opportunities in Papua New Guinea, Australia's nearest neighbour, a country with a well demonstrated mineral potential and close historical links to Australia.

As stated last year, we always look at projects which can provide a "value add" for our shareholders and we believe that our move into PNG has all the ingredients to provide that "value add".

I will leave it to Les Emery and Ron Smit to give you some more background on our PNG activities. However, I would mention that our involvement in PNG has been made a lot easier by the tremendous assistance provided to us by the PNG government, commercial organisations and our own industry colleagues. We have incorporated a PNG subsidiary (Marengo Mining (PNG) Limited) to undertake our activities on these projects and in addition to the Marengo Mining members, that board welcomes Mrs Janet Sios as a director.

Janet is the principal of a Port Moresby based accounting practice and provides full-time representation in PNG for us.

Recently, both Doug Dunnet and I had the opportunity to visit our Yandera project area and meet with the local communities, who showed great enthusiasm for the work we are doing and pledged their full support for our future activities. This visit also gave us an opportunity to meet with senior government and industry members and again I cannot speak highly enough of the manner in which we were received.

As you will hear later, Marengo has an active and aggressive campaign planned for PNG (and in particular Yandera) in calendar 2006. To achieve this it has been necessary to look at our funding requirements to ensure that we can carry out this work.

In September of this year we set in place a strategy to raise this capital and a combination of things worked in our favour, our tight capital structure was attractive, our key projects in PNG were well received and commodity markets continue to be buoyant, due to world demand for metals.

Our raising was completed last week, with shareholders overwhelmingly supporting the placement to professional investors, including Australian, British and Papua New Guinea based institutions. With this raising Marengo is fully funded with some A\$7.2 million at bank, representing a cash backing of some 11.5 cents per share at our current share price.

I would also like to thank The Venture Group in Sydney and DJ Carmichael Pty Limited in Perth and in particular Gordon Hart and Craig McGown, for their very professional and able assistance, which contributed greatly to the success of the issue.

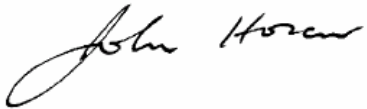
I should also make the point that we looked at various methods which would have allowed shareholder participation in this raising. A number of factors, however, precluded this, including existing corporate regulations and the need to complete the issue with certainty. To be able to take full advantage of the 2006 field season in PNG it is necessary for a number of contracts to be let almost immediately and to be able to do this the funds needed to be in place.

During the year we also carried out exploration on a number of Australian projects, however as is the case with exploration, there are no guarantees and results were generally not of a level to justify further expenditure. In these cases we are in the process of discussing farm-out opportunities on some and on others we have or will proceed to outright relinquishment.

We run a lean and mean operation at Marengo. Numerically, we have a small but experienced and professional team that is completely dedicated and focussed on success and the resultant rewards for all shareholders.

We truly appreciate the continuing support of our shareholders and others in the industry. Your encouragement and positive responses are always welcomed and noted.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow directors for their efforts and support during a very busy year and I will ask Les Emery to commence our presentation, following the formal part of this meeting.



John Horan
Chairman
17 November 2005