

United Group Limited
ABN 85 009 180 287
Level 7, 40 Miller Street
North Sydney NSW 2060
Australia
Telephone: 61 2 9492 8888
Facsimile: 61 2 9492 8844

www.unitedgroup.com



New Issue Announcement

TO: ASX Company Announcements

FROM: Dennis Mentzines **DATE:** 18 November 2008

PAGES : 8 (including this page)

SUBJECT: Award of Options

Please find attached an Appendix 3B for the award of:

- (a) 1,220,141 options under the Australian and United States of America Employee Share Option Plans. The award of these options was advised in the announcement to the ASX on 3 October 2008; and
- (b) 144,900 options under the Australian Employee Share Option Plan.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Dennis Mentzines'.

Dennis Mentzines
Company Secretary

Appendix 3B

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

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

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

Name of entity

United Group Limited

ABN

85 009 180 287

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 - All issues

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

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | +Class of +securities issued or to be issued | Unquoted options |
| 2 | Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued | (1) 1,220,141
(2) 144,900 |
| 3 | Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion) | (1) (a) 505,380 options vesting on 1 September 2011 with an exercise price of \$13.12 and expiring on 31/12/2011.
(b) 448,635 options vesting on 1 September 2013 with an exercise price of \$13.12 and expiring on 31/12/2013.
(c) 179,131 options vesting on 1 September 2011 with an exercise price of \$13.30 and expiring on 31/12/2011.
(d) 86,995 options vesting on 1 September 2013 with an exercise price of \$13.30 and expiring on 31/12/2013.

(2) 144,900 options vesting in 3 tranches (one third on 1 September 2011, one third on 1 September 2012 and one third on 1 September 2013) with an exercise price of \$10.37 and an expiry date of 31 December 2013. |

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

<p>4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?</p> <p>If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment 	<p>N/A</p>				
<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>NIL</p>				
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Options issued under US and Australian Employee Share Option Plans</p>				
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>18 November 2008</p>				
<p>8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="750 1321 1053 1388">Number</th> <th data-bbox="1053 1321 1348 1388">+Class</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="750 1388 1053 1583">164,396,368</td> <td data-bbox="1053 1388 1348 1583">Ordinary shares</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Number	+Class	164,396,368	Ordinary shares
Number	+Class				
164,396,368	Ordinary shares				

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

9	Number and ⁺ class of all ⁺ securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Total	8,866,016	Unquoted Options
		Options	Exercise Price (\$)	Expiry Date
		26,667	7.23	31/12/2008
		398,600	10.73	31/12/2008
		33,600	11.39	31/12/2008
		103,334	9.34	31/12/2009
		562,003	4.45	31/12/2009
		435,300	13.75	31/12/2009
		22,500	13.39	31/12/2009
		300,000	7.64	31/12/2010
		993,654	16.63	31/12/2010
		147,700	19.44	31/12/2010
		1,350,000	13.77	31/08/2011
		366,667	10.83	31/12/2011
		272,394	13.09	31/12/2011
		355,463	14.30	31/12/2011
		262,400	13.75	31/12/2011
		390,764	13.52	31/12/2011
		126,457	15.43	31/12/2012
		668,456	18.26	31/12/2012
		541,540	16.63	31/12/2012
		103,476	15.05	31/12/2012
		30,000	14.92	31/12/2012
		10,000	12.41	31/12/2012
		505,380	13.12	31/12/2011
		448,635	13.12	31/12/2013
		179,131	13.30	31/12/2011
		86,995	13.30	31/12/2013
		144,900	10.37	31/12/2013
10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	No Change		

Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue – Not applicable

11	Is security holder approval required?	
12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	
13	Ratio in which the ⁺ securities will be offered	
14	⁺ Class of ⁺ securities to which the offer relates	
15	⁺ Record date to determine entitlements	

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

-
- 16 Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?
- 17 Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions
- 18 Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents
 Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with.
 Cross reference: rule 7.7.
- 19 Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations
- 20 Names of any underwriters
- 21 Amount of any underwriting fee or commission
- 22 Names of any brokers to the issue
- 23 Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue
- 24 Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders
- 25 If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting
- 26 Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled
- 27 If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders
- 28 Date rights trading will begin (if
-

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

- applicable)
- 29 Date rights trading will end (if applicable)
- 30 How do +security holders sell their entitlements *in full* through a broker?
- 31 How do +security holders sell *part* of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?
- 32 How do +security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?
- 33 +Despatch date

Part 3 - Quotation of securities – (Not Applicable)

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

- 34 Type of securities
(tick one)
- (a) Securities described in Part 1 – for ordinary shares
- (b) All other securities
Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a) – Not Applicable

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

- 35 If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional +securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders
- 36 If the +securities are +equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional +securities setting out the number of holders in the categories
 1 - 1,000
 1,001 - 5,000
 5,001 - 10,000

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

10,001 - 100,000
100,001 and over

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

Entities that have ticked box 34(b) – Not applicable

38 Number of securities for which +quotation is sought

39 Class of +securities for which quotation is sought

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

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

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

41 Reason for request for quotation now

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

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

	Number	+Class
42 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

Quotation agreement

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

2 We warrant the following to ASX.

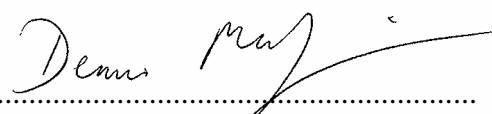
- The issue of the +securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
- There is no reason why those +securities should not be granted +quotation.
- An offer of the +securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3)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

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

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

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

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

Sign here: 
.....
(Director/Company Secretary)

Date: 18 November 2008

Print name: Dennis Mentzines

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.