

EXTENSION OF DEADLINE TO MAKE STELLAR OFFER

ASX Code: **NWF**

Attached is a statement released by AIM-listed Stellar Diamonds plc (“Stellar”) regarding an extension of the deadline by which Newfield Resources Limited is required to either (i) announce a firm intention to make an offer for Stellar in accordance with Rule 2.7 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers (“Code”) or (ii) announce that it does not intend to make an offer for Stellar.

In accordance with Rule 2.6(c) of the Code, at the request of the Board of Stellar, the Panel on Takeovers & Mergers has consented to an extension of the relevant deadline until 16 March 2018, to enable the parties to continue their ongoing discussions.

Kim Hogg
Company Secretary



Photographs of diamonds recovered from dredging activities in EL 15/2012

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28 February 2018

Stellar Diamonds plc (“Stellar” or the “Company”)

Statement re. Rule 2.6 Extension

On 1 February 2018, the Board of Stellar announced it was in advanced negotiations regarding a possible share offer for the entire issued and to be issued share capital of the Company by Newfield Resources Limited (“NWF”) (“Possible Offer”).

In accordance with Rule 2.4(c) of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the “Code”), NWF was required, pursuant to Rule 2.6(a) of the Code, by 5:00 p.m. on 1 March 2018 (the “relevant deadline”), to either (i) announce a firm intention to make an offer for Stellar in accordance with Rule 2.7 of the Code or (ii) announce that it does not intend to make an offer for Stellar.

In accordance with Rule 2.6(c) of the Code, at the request of the Board of Stellar, the Panel on Takeovers & Mergers (the “Panel”) has consented to an extension of the relevant deadline until 5:00 p.m. on 16 March 2018, to enable the parties to continue their ongoing discussions. By this time NWF must either announce a firm intention to make an offer for Stellar in accordance with Rule 2.7 of the Code or announce that it does not intend to make an offer for Stellar, in which case the announcement will be treated as a statement to which Rule 2.8 of the Code applies. This new deadline can be only extended with the consent of the Panel in accordance with Rule 2.6(c) of the Code.

Further announcements will be made as and when appropriate.

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