

SHARE PURCHASE PLAN



Insurance Australia Group Limited ABN 60 090 739 923

This is an important document offering eligible shareholders the opportunity to buy up to 909 IAG ordinary shares without brokerage or transaction costs. If you are unsure about what to do, please contact your professional adviser.

If you have any questions about the Share Purchase Plan after reading this booklet, please call the Share Purchase Plan information line on 1300 666 635 (telephone outside Australia 61 3 9415 4210).

6 December 2006

Dear Shareholder

On behalf of the Directors of Insurance Australia Group Limited (IAG), I am pleased to offer you the opportunity to participate in a Share Purchase Plan (SPP), allowing you to buy up to 909 IAG ordinary shares (Shares) without brokerage and transaction costs.

IAG recently conducted a placement of Shares to institutional investors, raising A\$750 million (Placement). The SPP gives you a chance to increase your IAG shareholding at the same price as institutional investors paid in the Placement, being A\$5.50 per Share (Issue Price).

Funds raised through the SPP and the Placement will be used to finance the acquisition of Equity Insurance Group, which was announced on 4 December 2006. This acquisition will further build IAG's UK insurance business and help meet our aim to grow and diversify our earnings in key general insurance markets. You can read more about the acquisition by visiting our website www.iag.com.au and from the announcements lodged with ASX Limited (ASX).

Participation in the SPP is entirely voluntary. If you are an eligible shareholder, you may apply for one of four different parcels of Shares set out below:

Number of Shares	Application amount at Issue Price of A\$5.50
272	A\$1,496.00
545	A\$2,997.50
727	A\$3,998.50
909	A\$4,999.50

Shares issued under the SPP will be eligible for the 2007 interim dividend.

If the total value of applications for Shares under the SPP is more than A\$125 million, IAG may undertake a Scaleback. Should this happen you may be allocated less Shares than the Parcel of Shares for which you applied and the difference will be refunded to you.

On behalf of the Board, I invite you to consider this opportunity to increase your investment in IAG.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Strong".

James Strong
Chairman



KEY DATES*

6 December 2006

Record Date 7.00pm (Sydney time)

The date on which IAG determines Eligible Shareholders.

2 January 2007

Opening Date

The date on which the SPP opens.

19 January 2007

Closing Date

The date on which the SPP closes. Applications must be received by 5.00pm (Sydney time).

31 January 2007

Allotment Date

The date on which Shares are allotted. Announce any Scaleback.

2 February 2007

Despatch Date

The date on which transaction confirmations are sent to shareholders.

5 February 2007

Share Trading Date

Shares begin trading.

*Insurance Australia Group Limited has the discretion to alter some Key Dates.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- If you would like to participate in the SPP, follow the step-by-step instructions on the back of the enclosed Application Form.
- To participate, you can make a payment by BPay® **or** complete the Application Form and provide a cheque or money order in accordance with the instructions on the Application Form.
- BPay® customers should use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) shown on the Application Form, which is required to identify your holding. **If you make your payment with BPay® you do not need to return your Application Form.**
- Cheques and money orders should be made payable to "IAG Share Purchase Plan" and sent with an Application Form in the reply paid envelope enclosed to Insurance Australia Group Limited, c/- Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited, GPO Box 253, Sydney NSW 2001. New Zealand holders will need to affix the appropriate postage. Deliveries can be made in person by visiting Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited, Level 3, 60 Carrington Street, Sydney NSW 2001.
- All payments and applications must be received no later than **5.00pm (Sydney time) on 19 January 2007**. You will not be able to withdraw or revoke your application or BPay® payment once you have sent it in.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you apply to participate in the SPP by completing and returning the Application Form or making a BPay® payment, you are accepting the risk that the market price of Shares may change between the Record Date, the date on which you send in an Application Form or make a BPay® payment and the Allotment Date. This means it is possible that, up to or after the Allotment Date, you may be able to buy Shares at a lower price than the Issue Price of A\$5.50.

We encourage you to seek your own professional advice regarding your participation in the SPP.

1 Offer timetable

- 1.1 This offer is dated, and taken to be made on, 6 December 2006.
- 1.2 The offer opens on 2 January 2007 and closes at 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 19 January 2007. Payment by BPay®, Application Forms and cheques or money orders may not be processed or may not be valid if they have not been received by IAG by this time.
- 1.3 The Shares are proposed to be allotted on 31 January 2007.
- 1.4 Any reduction in the allotments of Shares under the SPP will be announced on 31 January 2007. This could occur if IAG receives applications for more than A\$125 million of Shares under the SPP (Scaleback). See section 5 for more information on how a Scaleback would work.
- 1.5 On or around 2 February 2007, IAG expects to send a transaction confirmation and, if applicable, a direct credit deposit to your nominated bank account or refund cheque as a result of a Scaleback being applied to your allotment.
- 1.6 IAG expects the Shares will commence trading on the ASX on 5 February 2007.
- 1.7 IAG can change, at any time, the Closing Date, Allotment Date, Despatch Date and the Share Trading Date (even if the offer has opened, or BPay® or Application Forms have been received) by lodging a revised timetable with ASX.

2 Eligible Shareholders

- 2.1 You are an Eligible Shareholder and may participate in the SPP if you were a registered holder of IAG Shares with an address in Australia or New Zealand at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 6 December 2006, unless:
 - a) you hold Shares on behalf of another person who resides outside Australia or New Zealand; or
 - b) you are a "US Person" as defined in Regulation S under the US Securities Act of 1933, or acting for the account or benefit of a US Person.
- 2.2 For the purposes of determining eligibility, joint holders of Shares are taken to be a single registered holder of Shares and the certification on the Application Form is taken to have been given by all joint holders.
- 2.3 Where a trustee or nominee is a registered holder of Shares and is expressly noted on the register as holding Shares on account of a beneficiary, the beneficiary will be taken to be the registered holder of those Shares. An application for Shares, certification or issue of Shares to the trustee or nominee will be taken to be an application or certification by, or an issue to, the beneficiary.
- 2.4 If you are an Eligible Shareholder, your rights under this offer are personal to you and non-renounceable, so you may not transfer them.

3 Applications for Shares

Limitations on applications

- 3.1 If you are an Eligible Shareholder, you may apply to buy the number of Shares you select on the Application Form.
- 3.2 This Parcel may be subject to a Scaleback and rounding (see part 5).

- 3.3 Eligible Shareholders who receive more than one offer under the SPP (for example, because they hold Shares in more than one capacity) may apply on different Application Forms for more than one Parcel, but may not apply for Shares with an aggregate value of more than A\$5,000.

Completing the Application Form and paying for Shares

- 3.4 If you would like to participate in the SPP, you must:
 - (a) make payment by BPay®; or
 - (b) complete the Application Form and provide a cheque or money order,in accordance with the instructions on the Application Form.

IAG's discretion regarding applications

- 3.5 IAG may accept or reject applications to buy Shares under the SPP, including (but not limited to) cases where:
 - (a) an Application Form is incorrectly completed, incomplete or otherwise determined by IAG to be invalid;
 - (b) a cheque is dishonoured or has not been completed correctly;
 - (c) a cheque or money order is not made out for the exact amount of the Parcel selected on the Application Form;
 - (d) a BPay® payment is not received, or is incomplete or invalid;
 - (e) an applicant appears to be buying more than A\$5,000 of Shares (in aggregate) at the Issue Price;
 - (f) an Application Form is received after the Closing Date. While IAG has a discretion to accept late BPay® payments, Application Forms and cheques or money orders, there is no assurance that it will do so. Late BPay® payments, Application Forms and cheques or money orders, if not processed, will be returned to you at your registered address or refunded; or
 - (g) IAG believes an applicant is not an Eligible Shareholder (subject to compliance with any applicable Australian Securities and Investments Commission or ASX requirements).

Interest

- 3.6 No interest will be paid on any application money returned to you.

Significance of sending in an application

- 3.7 If you apply to participate in the SPP by submitting a BPay® payment or completing and returning the Application Form:
 - (a) you acknowledge that you are an Eligible Shareholder;
 - (b) you confirm that you have not applied for more than A\$5,000 of Shares under the SPP and any similar arrangement in the 12 months prior to your application, even though you may have received more than one offer under the SPP or received offers in more than one capacity under the SPP;
 - (c) you agree that your application is made on the Terms and Conditions of the SPP set out in this booklet and the Application Form;
 - (d) you accept that you will not be able to withdraw or revoke your application or BPay® payment once you have sent it in;
 - (e) you authorise IAG (and its officers or agents) to correct any error or omission in your Application Form and to complete the Application Form by the insertion of any missing details;
 - (f) you acknowledge that IAG may at any time determine that your Application Form is valid, in accordance with the Terms and Conditions, even if the Application Form is incomplete, contains errors or is otherwise defective;
 - (g) you accept the risk associated with any refund that may be sent to you by direct credit or cheque to your address shown on IAG's register;

- (h) you are responsible for any dishonour fees or other costs IAG may incur in presenting a cheque for payment which is dishonoured;
- (i) you acknowledge that neither IAG nor Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited has provided you with investment advice or financial product advice, and that neither has any obligation to provide this advice, concerning your decision to apply for and buy Shares;
- (j) you acknowledge that IAG is not liable for any exercise of its discretions referred to in these Terms and Conditions; and
- (k) you irrevocably and unconditionally agree to the Terms and Conditions and agree not to do any act or thing which would be contrary to the spirit, intention or purpose of the SPP.

4 Issue Price

4.1 You agree to pay the Issue Price per Share for the number of Shares you have selected on the Application Form.

4.2 The Issue Price is A\$5.50.

5 Scaleback

5.1 If IAG receives applications for more than A\$125 million of Shares, it may in its discretion undertake a Scaleback to the extent and in the manner that it sees fit.

5.2 If there is a Scaleback you may not receive all the Shares for which you have applied. If a Scaleback produces a fractional number when applied to your Parcel, the number of Shares you will be allotted will be rounded down to the nearest whole number of Shares.

5.3 In the event of a Scaleback the difference between the Shares you are allocated and the Parcel you selected, calculated at the Issue Price, will be refunded to you by direct credit or cheque as soon as practicable. For example, if you applied for 909 Shares and you were allotted 900 Shares after Scaleback, you will receive a refund of A\$49.50 (9 Shares x the Issue Price of A\$5.50).

6 The Shares

6.1 Shares issued under the SPP will rank equally with existing Shares quoted on ASX, with the same voting rights, dividend rights and other entitlements.

7 Waiver of compliance and withdrawal of the offer

7.1 IAG reserves the right to waive compliance with any provision of these Terms and Conditions.

7.2 IAG reserves the right to withdraw the offer at any time up to the Allotment Date.

8 Governing Law

8.1 These Terms and Conditions are governed by the laws in force in New South Wales and are to be interpreted in accordance with their spirit, intention and purpose.

9 Underwriting

9.1 The SPP will not be underwritten.

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