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## **HONBRIDGE HOLDINGS LIMITED**

*(incorporated in the Cayman islands with limited liability)*

(stock code : 8137)

### **VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT**

This announcement is made by the Company on a voluntary basis to keep the Shareholders and potential investors of the Company informed of the latest business development of the Group.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Reference is made to (i) the announcement of the Company dated 16 April 2010 (the “**Announcement**”) regarding the entering into of the definitive Share Purchase Agreement in relation to the Acquisition between Lit Mining and VNN as the sellers, Esperento and Mineral Ventures; Infinite Sky, as the buyer, New Trinity, and the Company; and (ii) the circular of the Company dated 5 November 2010 (the “**Circular**”) in relation to, among others, the Acquisition, which is subsequently approved by the Shareholders at the EGM dated 23 November 2010 as disclosed in the notice of EGM published on the same date. Unless otherwise defined, capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Circular.

#### **LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF THE BRAZIL SAM PROJECT – SAM HAS OFFICIALLY SUBMITTED THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

SAM has submitted the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to relevant Brazilian government departments on 3 July 2012. The EIA covers the mining area in Block 8, beneficiation plant, and the slurry pipelines from the beneficiation plant to the port.

The EIA has been carried out by SAM and experts which appointed by SAM for almost two years, and completed with a report of approximately 8,700 pages. The report covers a comprehensive investigation on the impact to the natural environment such as water, soil, air, vibration, noise, dust, etc.; flora and fauna ecological environment including the impact to flying mammals and mammals on the ground, birds, reptiles and amphibians, insects, fish, aquatic organisms; and social economic environment. The report also provides some compromising and compensative solutions.

According to the relevant mining regulations of the Federative Republic of Brazil, submission for the EIA is a prerequisite of obtaining a Preliminary Environmental License (Licença Prévia) (LP). This is another milestone of the Project after obtaining the approval from the Brazil Mining Department for the final geological exploration report on 7 March 2012 and a water usage right for 20 years which was granted by the Brazil Water Department in March 2012.

On behalf of the Board  
**Honbridge Holdings Limited**  
**LIU Wei, William**  
*Director and CEO*

Hong Kong, 4 July 2012

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. He Xuechu, Mr. Liu Wei, William and Mr. Shi Li Xin as executive directors; Mr. Ang Siu Lun, Lawrence and Mr. Yan Weimin as non-executive directors and Mr. Chan Chun Wai, Tony, Mr. Fok Hon and Mr. Ma Gang as independent non-executive directors. This announcement, for which the Directors of the Company collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the "GEM Listing Rules" for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief: (1) the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading; (2) there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading; and (3) all opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and are founded on bases and assumptions that are fair and reasonable.*

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