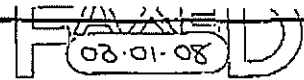


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Message:

Dear Sir

Please find attached ASIC Form 603 (Notice of Initial Substantial Holder) given by Elph Pty Ltd and others in relation to their relevant interests in the securities of National Hire Group Limited.

Yours faithfully
Elph Pty Ltd

Vince De Santis
COMPANY SECRETARY

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Form 603Corporations Act 2001
Section 671B**Notice of initial substantial holder**To Company Name/Scheme National Hire Group LimitedACN/ARSN 076 688 938**1. Details of substantial holder (1)**Name Elph Pty LtdACN/ARSN (if applicable) 070 012 252The holder became a substantial holder on 31/12/07**2. Details of voting power**

The total number of votes attached to all the voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme that the substantial holder or an associate (2) had a relevant interest (3) in on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

Class of securities (4)	Number of securities	Person's votes (5)	Voting power (6)
Ordinary	29,500,000	29,500,000	19.9%

3. Details of relevant interests

The nature of the relevant interest the substantial holder or an associate had in the following voting securities on the date the substantial holder became a substantial holder are as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Nature of relevant interest (7)	Class and number of securities
Elph Pty Ltd	Holder of securities	29,500,000 ordinary
See Annexure A		

4. Details of present registered holders

The persons registered as holders of the securities referred to in paragraph 3 above are as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Registered holder of securities	Person entitled to be registered as holder (8)	Class and number of securities
Elph Pty Ltd	Elph Pty Ltd	N/A	29,500,000 ordinary
See Annexure A			

5. Consideration

The consideration paid for each relevant interest referred to in paragraph 3 above, and acquired in the four months prior to the day that the substantial holder became a substantial holder is as follows:

Holder of relevant interest	Date of acquisition	Consideration (9)		Class and number of securities
		Cash	Non-cash	
Elph Pty Ltd	31/12/2007	\$3.00 per share	N/A	29,500,000 ordinary

6. Associates

The reasons the persons named in paragraph 3 above are associates of the substantial holder are as follows:


Name and ACN/ARSN (if applicable)	Nature of association
N/A	

7. Addresses

The addresses of persons named in this form are as follows:

Name	Address
See Annexure A	

Signature

print name **Vincent De Santis** capacity **Company Secretary**
 sign here  date **03 / 01 / 2008**

DIRECTIONS

- (1) If there are a number of substantial holders with similar or related relevant interests (eg. a corporation and its related corporations, or the manager and trustee of an equity trust), the names could be included in an annexure to the form. If the relevant interests of a group of persons are essentially similar, they may be referred to throughout the form as a specifically named group if the membership of each group, with the names and addresses of members is clearly set out in paragraph 7 of the form.
- (2) See the definition of "associate" in section 9 of the Corporations Act 2001.
- (3) See the definition of "relevant interest" in sections 608 and 671B(7) of the Corporations Act 2001.
- (4) The voting shares of a company constitute one class unless divided into separate classes.
- (5) The total number of votes attached to all the voting shares in the company or voting interests in the scheme (if any) that the person or an associate has a relevant interest in.
- (6) The person's votes divided by the total votes in the body corporate or scheme multiplied by 100.
- (7) Include details of:
 - (a) any relevant agreement or other circumstances by which the relevant interest was acquired. If subsection 671B(4) applies, a copy of any document setting out the terms of any relevant agreement, and a statement by the person giving full and accurate details of any contract, scheme or arrangement, must accompany this form, together with a written statement certifying this contract, scheme or arrangement; and
 - (b) any qualification of the power of a person to exercise, control the exercise of, or influence the exercise of, the voting powers or disposal of the securities to which the relevant interest relates (indicating clearly the particular securities to which the qualification applies).

See the definition of "relevant agreement" in section 9 of the Corporations Act 2001.
- (8) If the substantial holder is unable to determine the identity of the person (eg. if the relevant interest arises because of an option) write "unknown".
- (9) Details of the consideration must include any and all benefits, money and other, that any person from whom a relevant interest was acquired has, or may, become entitled to receive in relation to that acquisition. Details must be included even if the benefit is conditional on the happening or not of a contingency. Details must be included of any benefit paid on behalf of the substantial holder or its associate in relation to the acquisitions, even if they are not paid directly to the person from whom the relevant interest was acquired.

"A"

This is Annexure "A" of 1 page referred to in ASIC Form 603 (Notice of Initial Substantial Holder).

Signed: 

Name: Vince De Santis

Date: 3rd January, 2008

3. Details of relevant interests

Holder of relevant interest	Nature of relevant interest (7)	Class and number of securities
Elphinstone Holdings Pty Ltd (ACN 009 508 105)	Voting power in Elph Pty Ltd of 100%	29,500,000 ordinary
Dale Brendon Elphinstone	"Control" of Elph Pty Ltd as defined in section 608(4)	29,500,000 ordinary

4. Details of present registered holders

Holder of relevant interest	Registered holder of securities	Person entitled to be registered as holder (8)	Class and number of securities
Elphinstone Holdings Pty Ltd (ACN 009 508 105)	Elph Pty Ltd	N/A	29,500,000 ordinary
Dale Brendon Elphinstone	Elph Pty Ltd	N/A	29,500,000 ordinary

7. Addresses

Name	Address
Elph Pty Ltd	141 - 143 Wilson Street Burnie, Tas 7320
Elphinstone Holdings Pty Ltd	141 - 143 Wilson Street Burnie, Tas 7320
Dale Brendon Elphinstone	48 Panorama Crescent Cooee, Tas 7320