



This document is a supplementary target's statement under section 644 of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth). It is the sixth supplementary target's statement (**Sixth Supplementary Target's Statement**) issued by Boral Limited ABN 13 008 421 761 (**Boral**) in response to the off-market takeover bid made by Network Investment Holdings Pty Limited ACN 078 448 512, a wholly owned subsidiary of Seven Group Holdings Limited ACN 142 003 469, for all the ordinary shares in Boral. This Sixth Supplementary Target's Statement supplements, and should be read together with, Boral's supplementary target's statement dated 6 July 2021 (**Fifth Supplementary Target's Statement**), Boral's supplementary target's statement dated 1 July 2021 (**Fourth Supplementary Target's Statement**), Boral's supplementary target's statement dated 25 June 2021 (**Third Supplementary Target's Statement**), Boral's supplementary target's statement dated 22 June 2021 (**Second Supplementary Target's Statement**), Boral's supplementary target's statement dated 21 June 2021 (**First Supplementary Target's Statement**) and Boral's target's statement dated 10 June 2021 (**Original Target's Statement**).

Unless the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the Original Target's Statement have the same meaning as in this Sixth Supplementary Target's Statement.

This Sixth Supplementary Target's Statement prevails to the extent of any inconsistency with the Original Target's Statement, First Supplementary Target's Statement, Second Supplementary Target's Statement, Third Supplementary Target's Statement, Fourth Supplementary Target's Statement and Fifth Supplementary Target's Statement.

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15 July 2021

## SIXTH SUPPLEMENTARY TARGET'S STATEMENT

This Sixth Supplementary Target's Statement provides important information relevant to Boral Shareholders in their consideration of the SGH Offer.

**THE BORAL INDEPENDENT BOARD COMMITTEE CONTINUES TO  
UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU**

# REJECT

**THE SGH OFFER AS IT STILL UNDERVALUES YOUR BORAL SHARES  
YOU SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER THE POTENTIAL CONSEQUENCES OF  
SGH'S MAJORITY OWNERSHIP OF BORAL**

# 1. Continuing unanimous recommendation to REJECT the SGH Offer

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On 15 July 2021, Seven Group Holdings (SGH) announced the Offer Period had automatically been extended and is scheduled to close at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 29 July 2021, which will have been as a result of SGH attaining voting power in Boral of more than 50%.

The Boral Independent Board Committee continues to believe that the SGH Offer of \$7.40 per Boral Share undervalues Boral Shares and maintains its unanimous recommendation that Boral Shareholders **REJECT** the SGH Offer. Each of the Boral Independent Board Committee members who have a Relevant Interest in Boral Shares intend not to accept the SGH Offer in relation to their Boral Shares.

The Boral Independent Board Committee continues to unanimously recommend that you **REJECT** the SGH Offer of \$7.40 per Boral Share as it undervalues your Boral Shares.

To **REJECT** the SGH Offer of \$7.40 per Boral Share, the Boral Independent Board Committee encourages you to **DO NOTHING** and **TAKE NO ACTION**.

The reasons for the Boral Independent Board Committee's recommendation are summarised below:

1. The SGH Offer of \$7.40 per Boral Share is **materially below the Independent Expert's assessment of value of \$8.25 - \$9.13 per share**. In addition, and as noted in the First Supplementary Target's Statement dated 21 June 2021, Grant Samuel advised Boral that the final price agreed for the sale of its North American Building Products business of US\$2.15 billion exceeds the US\$1.8 - US\$2.0 billion valuation range attributed to it in its Independent Expert's Report.
2. **Boral's renewed strategy (i) is expected to unlock significant value in the near-term from potential divestment of assets, notably in North America, and (ii) will aim to drive value creation and earnings growth, including through its transformation program.**

As outlined in Boral's Third Supplementary Target's Statement dated 25 June 2021, following the completion of the sale of its North American Building Products business, and based on Boral's financial framework, Boral estimates it will have surplus capital (prior to any reinvestment alternatives) of ~\$3.6 billion which equates to \$3.02 per Boral share<sup>1</sup>. The Company will determine the appropriate form of any return to shareholders, which may involve further shareholder approvals.

3. The SGH Offer is **opportunistic and appears to be timed to take advantage of an improving outlook for Boral**.
4. **SGH is attempting to increase its influence over Boral without paying fair value for it.** Following SGH's initial nil premium Offer of \$6.50, Boral's share price closed at its then 52 week high of \$7.16 on 23 June 2021 and at \$6.90 per share on 24 June 2021 (the last trading day prior to SGH's Second Supplementary Bidder's Statement). The increased SGH Offer of \$7.40 per Boral Share represents a 3.4% premium to Boral's share price of \$7.16 as at 23 June 2021 and a 7.2% premium to Boral's share price of \$6.90 as at 24 June 2021 and **does not reflect a sufficient premium for an increase in control**.

The Target's Statement dated 10 June 2021 provides further information regarding the reasons for the Independent Board Committee's recommendation.

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<sup>1</sup> Based on cash balance and number of shares as at 31 May 2021. Includes additional proceeds of US\$125 million (A\$167 million) expected from the announced divestment of Meridian Brick, anticipated to complete in the first quarter of FY22.

## 2. Potential consequences for Boral Shareholders of SGH acquiring a majority ownership of Boral

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In light of SGH's majority ownership, the Boral Independent Board Committee advises that Boral Shareholders should again have regard to their own personal circumstances and seek professional advice when deciding whether to accept SGH's Offer or maintain their holding in Boral.

In particular, Boral Shareholders should consider the following factors:

- the Boral Independent Board Committee will seek the governance arrangements detailed in section 3, noting SGH's commitment to a majority of independent directors set out in its release dated 15 July 2021, however SGH will be in a position to cast the majority of votes at a general meeting of Boral. As such, SGH will be able to control the composition of the Boral Board and influence Boral's dividend policy, the composition of Boral's Management and the strategic direction of the businesses of Boral and its Subsidiaries;
- in its Bidder's Statement dated 10 May 2021 SGH indicated that, should it own less than 90% of Boral's Shares, it intended to "continue to support the current publicly disclosed strategy of the Boral board", and in its release dated 15 July 2021 SGH stated it "looks forward to re-engaging with the Boral board to collectively drive Boral's renewed strategy and maximise value for all shareholders". However these intentions may change at any time and without notice;
- Boral's share price may fall after the end of the Offer Period. However, since the commencement of the SGH Offer there have been a number of positive announcements, including the sale of Boral's North American Building Products business for US\$2.15 billion (~A\$2.9 billion) and Boral's estimated surplus capital (prior to any reinvestment alternatives) of ~\$3.6 billion which equates to \$3.02 per Boral share<sup>1</sup> following the completion of the sale of its North American Building Products business. Following these announcements, Boral's share price closed as high as \$7.16 prior to the announcement of SGH's conditional Offer increase to \$7.40;
- a number of Boral's financing arrangements and material contracts have provisions which can be triggered by a change of control of Boral (see section 13.1 of Boral's Target's Statement dated 10 June 2021 for further information in this regard), however no material detriment is expected to result from these provisions;
- while Boral will likely continue to have a substantial free float, the liquidity of Boral Shares may be lower and Boral's weighting in S&P/ASX market indices may be reduced; and
- the Corporations Act allows SGH to increase its holding by up to 3% every six months without making a full takeover offer, which could increase its ability to control Boral over time. SGH has stated that it will not acquire Boral Shares at a price that exceeds \$7.40 per Boral Share for twelve months from 25 June 2021.

## 3. Governance Protocols

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As noted in the SGH Bidder's Statement dated 10 May 2021, SGH would review its representation on the Boral board and may seek additional representation that is reasonably proportionate to its interest in Boral Shares.

The Boral Independent Board Committee notes its commitment to ensuring it has governance protocols in place that are in the best interests of all shareholders. Any proposal for additional SGH representation on the Board will be considered by the Independent Directors of Boral on its merits at the appropriate time.

As noted in Boral's Target's Statement dated 10 June 2021, the Boral Independent Board Committee will look to ensure the following governance structure is in place:

- the Board to comprise a majority of independent directors, which SGH has indicated it supports;
- the Chairman to be an independent director;
- each Board committee to consist of a majority of independent directors and to be chaired by an independent director; and
- other enhanced protocols so that the governance of Boral is conducted in the best interests of all Boral Shareholders.

## 4. Timetable and process

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The SGH Offer is scheduled to close at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 29 July 2021 (unless extended).

The Boral Independent Board Committee advises that Boral Shareholders should have regard to their own personal circumstances and seek professional advice when deciding whether to accept SGH's Offer or maintain their holding in Boral.

Boral Shareholders who have any questions in relation to the SGH Offer should call the shareholder information line on 1300 513 794 (for callers within Australia) or +61 2 9066 4081 (for callers outside Australia) between 9.00am to 6.00pm (Sydney time) Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).

Signed for and on behalf of Boral Limited following a resolution by the Boral Independent Board Committee.

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Chairman

*print name*

Kathryn Fagg

*date* ► 15 July 2021

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Boral has relied on the modification to Section 638(5) of the Corporations Act set out in paragraph 5(e) of ASIC Class Order 13/521 "Takeover Bids" to include references to certain statements which are made or based on statements made in documents lodged with ASIC or ASX. Pursuant to Class Order 13/521, the consent of the relevant person is not required for the inclusion of such statements in this Target's Statement. As required by Class Order 13/521, Boral will make available a copy of these documents (or of relevant extracts from these documents), free of charge, to Boral Shareholders who request them during the Offer Period. To obtain a copy of these documents (or the relevant extracts) Boral Shareholders may contact the shareholder information line on 1300 513 794 (for calls made from within Australia) or +61 2 9066 4081 (for calls made from outside Australia) between 9am to 6pm (Sydney Time) Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays).