

19 January 2023

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Dear Sam,

RE: Douugh Limited ('DOU'): Query Letter

In reference to your letter dated 18 January 2023, Douugh Limited's ('DOU' or the 'Company') response to your queries in number order is as follows:

1. Does DOU consider the Information to be information that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of its securities?

Yes.

2. If the answer to question 1 is "no", please advise the basis for that view.

N/A.

3. When did DOU first become aware of the Information?

The Information concerns the roll-out of the Douugh App based Member-Get-Member (MGM) feature. The feature was first completed, tested and capable of entering production around 5pm EST 17 January 2023. The roll-out occurred immediately after dissemination of the Company's Announcement on ASX on the morning of 18 January 2023 via email to existing customers.

4. If DOU first became aware of the Information before the relevant date, did DOU make any announcement prior to the relevant date which disclosed the information? If so, please provide details. If not, please explain why this information was not released to the market at an earlier time, commenting specifically on when you believe DOU was obliged to release the information under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A and what steps DOU took to ensure that the information was released promptly and without delay.

N/A.

5. Please confirm that DOU is complying with the Listing Rules and, in particular, Listing Rule 3.1.

The Company confirms that it is in compliance with the Listing Rules and, in particular, Listing Rule 3.1.

6. Please confirm that DOU's responses to the questions above have been authorised and approved under its published continuous disclosure policy or otherwise by its board or an officer of DOU with delegated authority from the board to respond to ASX on disclosure matters.

The Company confirms that its responses to the questions above have been authorised and approved by an officer of the Company with delegated authority from the board to respond to the ASX on disclosure matters.

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# **About Douugh**

<u>Douugh</u> is a consumer fintech, on a mission to help customers autonomously manage and grow their money to live financially healthier lives. Douugh was founded in 2016 by Andy Taylor, Co-founder of SocietyOne, Australia's first P2P Lending platform, recently acquired by MoneyMe.

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18 January 2023

Reference: 66685

Mr Derek Hall Company Secretary Douugh Limited Level 5, 24 Campbell Street HAYMARKET NSW 2000

By email: secretary@douugh.com

Dear Mr Hall

## Douugh Limited ('DOU'): Aware Query

ASX refers to the following:

- A. DOU's announcement entitled "Douugh rolls out App Based MGM feature to accelerate growth in lead up to full market launch" lodged on the ASX Market Announcements Platform and released at 10.00 AM AWST on 18 January 2023 (the 'Announcement'), disclosing the roll-out of a new app-based "Member-Get-Member" feature" ('Information').
- B. Listing Rule 3.1, which requires a listed entity to immediately give ASX any information concerning it that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the entity's securities.
- C. The definition of "aware" in Chapter 19 of the Listing Rules, which states that:

"an entity becomes aware of information if, and as soon as, an officer of the entity (or, in the case of a trust, an officer of the responsible entity) has, or ought reasonably to have, come into possession of the information in the course of the performance of their duties as an officer of that entity" and section 4.4 in Guidance Note 8 Continuous Disclosure: Listing Rules 3.1-3.1B "When does an entity become aware of information."

- D. Listing Rule 3.1A, which sets out exceptions from the requirement to make immediate disclosure, provided that each of the following are satisfied.
  - "3.1A Listing rule 3.1 does not apply to particular information while each of the following is satisfied in relation to the information:
  - 3.1A.1 One or more of the following applies:
    - It would be a breach of a law to disclose the information;
    - The information concerns an incomplete proposal or negotiation;
    - The information comprises matters of supposition or is insufficiently definite to warrant disclosure;
    - The information is generated for the internal management purposes of the entity; or
    - The information is a trade secret; and
  - 3.1A.2 The information is confidential and ASX has not formed the view that the information has ceased to be confidential; and
  - 3.1A.3 A reasonable person would not expect the information to be disclosed."

E. ASX's policy position on the concept of "confidentiality", which is detailed in section 5.8 of Guidance Note 8 *Continuous Disclosure*: Listing Rules 3.1 – 3.1B. In particular, the Guidance Note states that:

"Whether information has the quality of being confidential is a question of fact, not one of the intention or desire of the listed entity. Accordingly, even though an entity may consider information to be confidential and its disclosure to be a breach of confidence, if it is in fact disclosed by those who know it, then it ceases to be confidential information for the purposes of this rule."

#### Request for information

Having regard to the above, ASX asks DOU to respond separately to each of the following questions and requests for information:

- 1. Does DOU consider the Information to be information that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of its securities?
- 2. If the answer to question 1 is "no", please advise the basis for that view.
- 3. When did DOU first become aware of the Information?
- 4. If DOU first became aware of the Information before the relevant date, did DOU make any announcement prior to the relevant date which disclosed the information? If so, please provide details. If not, please explain why this information was not released to the market at an earlier time, commenting specifically on when you believe DOU was obliged to release the information under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A and what steps DOU took to ensure that the information was released promptly and without delay.
- 5. Please confirm that DOU is complying with the Listing Rules and, in particular, Listing Rule 3.1.
- 6. Please confirm that DOU's responses to the questions above have been authorised and approved in accordance with its published continuous disclosure policy or otherwise by its board or an officer of DOU with delegated authority from the board to respond to ASX on disclosure matters.

## When and where to send your response

This request is made under Listing Rule 18.7. Your response is required as soon as reasonably possible and, in any event, by no later than **10.00 AM AWST Friday, 20 January 2023**. You should note that if the information requested by this letter is information required to be given to ASX under Listing Rule 3.1 and it does not fall within the exceptions mentioned in Listing Rule 3.1A, DOU's obligation is to disclose the information 'immediately'. This may require the information to be disclosed before the deadline set out in the previous paragraph and may require DOU to request a trading halt immediately.

Your response should be sent to me by e-mail at ListingsCompliancePerth@asx.com.au. It should not be sent directly to the ASX Market Announcements Office. This is to allow me to review your response to confirm that it is in a form appropriate for release to the market, before it is published on the ASX Market Announcements Platform.

## **Trading halt**

If you are unable to respond to this letter by the time specified above, you should discuss with us whether it is appropriate to request a trading halt in DOU's securities under Listing Rule 17.1. If you wish a trading halt, you must tell us:

- the reasons for the trading halt;
- how long you want the trading halt to last;

- the event you expect to happen that will end the trading halt;
- that you are not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted; and
- any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt, or that we ask for.

We require the request for a trading halt to be in writing. The trading halt cannot extend past the commencement of normal trading on the second day after the day on which it is granted. You can find further information about trading halts in Guidance Note 16 *Trading Halts & Voluntary Suspensions*.

### Suspension

If you are unable to respond to this letter by the time specified above, ASX will likely suspend trading in DOU's securities under Listing Rule 17.3.

#### Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A

In responding to this letter, you should have regard to DOU's obligations under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A and also to Guidance Note 8 *Continuous Disclosure*: Listing Rules 3.1 - 3.1B. It should be noted that DOU's obligation to disclose information under Listing Rule 3.1 is not confined to, nor is it necessarily satisfied by, answering the questions set out in this letter.

## Release of correspondence between ASX and entity

We reserve the right to release a copy of this letter, your reply and any other related correspondence between us to the market under listing rule 18.7A.

### Questions

If you have any questions in relation to the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Sam Dorland

Adviser, Listings Compliance