



# Colonial Holding Company Limited

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Colonial Group Subordinated Notes**

**Sydney, Thursday 29 March 2012:**

#### **Pre-Quotation Disclosure**

The following information is required to be provided to ASX Limited for release to the market in connection with the official quotation and deferred settlement trading of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes, being interest bearing subordinated unsecured notes issued by Colonial Holding Company Limited.

#### **Colonial Holding Company Limited closes Colonial Group Subordinated Notes offer**

Colonial Holding Company Limited has successfully completed the offer of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes, raising \$1 billion. Through the offer, 10,000,000 Colonial Group Subordinated Notes have been issued at \$100 per security.

#### **The basis of allocations and procedures for determining allocations**

The basis of allocation and the procedures by which applicants can determine their precise allocations are described in the attached advertisement set out in the attached document. This advertisement has been published in this morning's edition of the Australian Financial Review, The Australian, The Sydney Morning Herald and The Age.

As stated in the attached advertisement, applicants can receive information regarding Colonial Group Subordinated Notes, allocations or make general enquiries regarding the offer, by contacting the Colonial Group Subordinated Notes information line on 1800 427 320 (Monday to Friday 8.00am – 7.30pm, Sydney time). Applicants may also contact their broker if they are a Broker Firm Offer applicant. Their broker will also advise on refund monies (if any) due following allocation.

#### **Confirmation that the securities have been allotted and issued**

Colonial Group Subordinated Notes have been allotted and issued.

**Despatch Date – CHESS sub-register**

CHESS allotment advices and issuer-sponsored holding statements, which set out the number of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes issued to each successful applicant and provide a refund of monies in respect of unsuccessful applications, are expected to be mailed on Tuesday, 3 April 2012.

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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR INVESTORS**

*Colonial Group Subordinated Notes are unsecured notes. They are not bank deposits. There is a risk that investors could lose some or all of their money or may not be paid the interest. This release is not advice and has not taken into account any person's objectives, financial situation or needs. Investors should seek advice from their financial adviser or other professional adviser before deciding whether to invest in Colonial Group Subordinated Notes.*

*This release is not an offer of securities for sale in any jurisdiction and does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, securities in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933).*

# COLONIAL GROUP SUBORDINATED NOTES OFFER ALLOCATION POLICY

Colonial Holding Company Limited is pleased to announce that the Offer of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes has now closed. \$1 billion worth of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes will be issued to successful applicants on Thursday, 29 March 2012 at an application price of \$100 each. Participants in the Customer Offer and the General Offer have been accommodated from securities available through the syndicate brokers. The allocation policy follows.

## Allocation Policy

<b>Customer Offer Applicants</b>	Valid applications received on or before the Closing Date of 5.00pm (Sydney time) Wednesday 21 March 2012 under the Customer Offer have been accepted in full. Applications received after that date will not receive an allocation and applicants will receive a refund of the total amount applied for.
<b>Broker Firm Offer Applicants</b>	Your broker is responsible for determining allocations made to Broker Firm Offer Applicants. Please confirm your allocation with your broker.
<b>General Offer Applicants</b>	Valid applications received on or before the Closing Date of 5.00pm (Sydney time) Wednesday 21 March 2012 under the General Offer have been accepted in full. Applications received after that date will not receive an allocation and applicants will receive a refund of the total amount applied for.

CHESS allotment advices and issuer-sponsored holding statements, which set out the number of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes issued to each successful applicant, are expected to be mailed to holders on Tuesday, 3 April 2012.

**All successful applicants are responsible for determining and confirming the number of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes allocated to them prior to selling any Colonial Group Subordinated Notes to avoid the risk of selling Colonial Group Subordinated Notes they do not own. Applicants who sell Colonial Group Subordinated Notes before receiving their CHESS allotment advice or issuer-sponsored holding statement do so at their own risk.**

Applicants may call their broker or the Colonial Group Subordinated Notes Information Line on **1800 427 320** (Monday to Friday 8.00am – 7.30pm, Sydney time) to confirm their holding.

## Deferred Settlement Trading of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes

Colonial Group Subordinated Notes are expected to commence trading on a deferred settlement trading basis at 12.00pm (Sydney time) on Thursday 29 March 2012 under ASX code "CNGHA". Deferred settlement trading will continue until despatch of CHESS allotment advices and issuer-sponsored holding statements, which is expected to occur on Tuesday, 3 April 2012.

Trading on a normal settlement basis is expected to commence on Wednesday, 4 April 2012.

## Interest Rate

The Interest Rate on Colonial Group Subordinated Notes is equal to the sum of the Market Rate (as defined in the Note terms in the prospectus) on the first Business Day of the Interest Period plus the Margin of 3.25% per annum. The Market Rate is a primary benchmark interest rate for the Australian money market. It is based on an average of rates at which major Australian financial institutions lend short-term cash to each other over a 90 day period. It changes to reflect supply and demand within the cash and currency markets.

The Interest Rate for the first Interest Period (beginning on Thursday, 29 March 2012 and ending on (and including) Saturday, 30 June 2012) will be the higher of 7.50% per annum and the rate calculated above. This rate will be announced to ASX on Thursday 29 March 2012.

## Further Information

For further information regarding Colonial Group Subordinated Notes, allocations or other enquiries, please call the Colonial Group Subordinated Notes Information Line on 1800 427 320 (Monday to Friday 8.00am – 7.30pm, Sydney time). You may also contact your broker if you are a Broker Firm Offer Applicant. The Colonial Group Subordinated Notes Offer was made under a Prospectus dated 24 February 2012.

**Important information:** This release is not an offer of securities for sale in any jurisdiction and does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, securities in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended). The issuer of Colonial Group Subordinated Notes is Colonial Holding Company Limited ABN 61 074 706 782. CHC0006\_B