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KATHERINE CONTAMINATION CLASS ACTION

Summary

- IMF announces that it proposes to fund a new Australian contamination class action
- The new matter will be funded through IMF's new Australian investment vehicles

New Australian Contamination Class Action

IMF Bentham Limited (**IMF**) announces that it has made a formal decision to fund a new matter through its Australian investment vehicles, Fund 2 and Fund 3. For further information on Fund 2 and Fund 3 please refer to IMF's previous announcement of 3 October 2017.

The new matter, which is to be funded on a conditional basis, involves a proposed class action against the Commonwealth of Australia (Department of Defence) (**DoD**) relating to the contamination alleged to have been caused by the DOD's use of aqueous film forming foam at the Tindal RAAF Base in the Northern Territory. IMF's funding is conditional on sufficient claimants with valid claims entering into funding agreements with IMF.

Property owners and businesses affected by the contamination are potentially eligible to participate. IMF is currently taking registrations from persons interested in participating in the proposed class action.

It is proposed that the proceedings will be conducted by Shine Lawyers.

IMF background

IMF is one of the leading global litigation funders, headquartered in Australia and with offices also in the US, Singapore and Canada. IMF has built its reputation as a trusted provider of innovative litigation funding solutions and has established an increasingly diverse portfolio of litigation funding assets.

IMF has been a leading pioneer of litigation funding in Australia since 2001, playing a significant role in the initial steps towards a globalised industry via its international expansion in the US, Canada and Singapore. IMF has a highly experienced litigation funding team overseeing its investments, delivering, as at 30 June 2017, a 91% success rate across 162 completed cases.

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