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### **AUSNUTRIA DAIRY CORPORATION LTD**

## 澳優乳業股份有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock code: 1717)

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The Board wishes to inform the Shareholders and potential investors that the publication of the Interim Results and the Annual Results and the despatch of the Interim Report and the Annual Report will be delayed. Publication of the Interim Results and the Annual Results, and despatch of the Interim Report and Annual Report, will be made as soon as reasonably practicable.

At the Company's request, trading in the Company's shares was suspended from 9:00 a.m. on 29 March 2012, and will remain suspended until further notice.

### **INTRODUCTION**

References are made to the announcements of Ausnutria Dairy Corporation Ltd (the "Company") dated 29 March 2012, 10 April 2012, 7 May 2012 and 3 July 2012 (collectively, the "Announcements") in relation to, among others, suspension of trading of shares (the "Shares") of the Company, delay in issuing annual results announcement for the year ended 2011 and despatch of annual report, appointment of an Independent Professional Adviser and an internal control consultant and conditions for resumption of trading of the Shares. Unless otherwise stated, capitalised terms used herein shall bear the same meanings as defined in the Announcements.

### **REASON FOR THE DELAYS**

Pursuant to Rules 13.49(1), 13.46(1), 13.49(6) and 13.48(1) of the Listing Rules, the Company is required (i) to publish its preliminary Annual Results on a date not later than three months after the end of the financial year, to send the Annual Report to the Shareholders not less than 21 days before the date of the annual general meeting of the Company and in any event not more than four months after the end of the financial year to which they relate, and (ii) to publish the Interim Results announcement not later than two months after the end of the relevant financial period, and to send the Interim Report to the Shareholders not later than three months after the end of the relevant financial period.

The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") has engaged (i) an Independent Professional Adviser to assist the Special Review Committee to review certain observations made by the Company's auditors, Ernst & Young in the EY Letter in respect of the Unresolved Issues and (ii) an internal control consultant to assist the Special Review Committee in the review of the internal control policies of the Company and Ausnutria China relevant to the Unresolved Issues. The review by the Independent Professional Adviser is ongoing and more time is required by the Independent Professional Adviser to complete the investigation and finalise the investigation results. The Company shall keep the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") and potential investors informed of the progress as and when appropriate.

Due to the above reason, the Board wishes to inform the Shareholders and potential investors that the publication of the interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2012 (the "Interim Results"), the annual results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2011 (the "Annual Results") and the despatch of the interim report of the Group (the "Interim Report") and the annual report of the Group (the "Annual Report") will be delayed. Publication of the Interim Results and the Annual Results, and despatch of the Interim Report and Annual Report, will be made as soon as reasonably practicable.

Further announcement(s) will be made to inform the Shareholders the date of release of the Annual Results and the Interim Results, when appropriate.

Notwithstanding the above, the Board considers that there is no material adverse effect on the business, cashflow and financial position of the Group.

### SUSPENSION OF TRADING

At the Company's request, trading in the Company's shares was suspended from 9:00 a.m. on 29 March 2012, and will remain suspended until further notice.

By order of the Board

Ausnutria Dairy Corporation Ltd

Wu Yueshi

Chairman

Changsha City, the People's Republic of China, 30 August 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises four executive directors, namely, Mr. Wu Yueshi, Mr. Yan Weibin, Mr. Chen Yuanrong and Ms. Ng Siu Hung, and three independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Qiu Weifa, Mr. Jason Wan and Mr. Chan Yuk Tong.