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內蒙古伊泰煤炭股份有限公司

INNER MONGOLIA YITAI COAL CO., LTD.*

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 3948)

CHANGE OF JOINT COMPANY SECRETARY, AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE AND BOARD SECRETARY

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Inner Mongolia Yitai Coal Co., Ltd. (the “**Company**”) hereby announces that Ms. Jian Qing’e has resigned as a joint company secretary, an authorised representative and the secretary to the Board of the Company with effect from 24 September 2012. The Board further announces that Mr. Lian Tao has been appointed by the Board as a joint company secretary, an authorised representative and the secretary to the Board of the Company with effect from 24 September 2012. The Company has applied for, and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”) has granted the Company, a waiver from strict compliance with the company secretary qualification requirements under Rule 8.17 and Rule 3.28 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”).

The Board hereby announces that, due to a career promotion of Ms. Jian Qing’e, Ms. Jian has resigned as a joint company secretary, an authorised representative and the secretary to the Board of the Company with effect from 24 September 2012, so as to devote more time and energy on her new position in the Company. Ms. Jian has confirmed that she has no disagreement with the Board and there is no other matter in relation to her resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

The Board further announces that Mr. Lian Tao has been appointed by the Board as a joint company secretary, an authorised representative and the secretary to the Board of the Company with effect from 24 September 2012, while Ms. Lee Mei Yi will continue to be the other joint company secretary of the Company.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to Ms. Jian for her valuable contribution to the Company during her tenure as a joint company secretary, an authorised representative and the secretary to the Board of the Company, and to express its welcome to Mr. Lian on his new appointment.

Particulars of Mr. Lian are set out as follows:

Mr. Lian, born in 1977, holds a bachelor's degree of law of Tsinghua University, a master degree of commerce of University of New South Wales, Australia and a master degree of law of Saarland University, Germany. In August 1998, he joined North China Power Corporation and served as an accountant. From December 2001 to November 2003, Mr. Lian served as the head of legal affairs of CapitalBio Corporation (博奧生物芯片有限公司) of Tsinghua University Enterprise Group. From November 2003 to October 2006, he served as the general manager of group legal department of Sunco China Holdings Limited (順馳中國控股有限公司). From July 2008 to October 2011, Mr. Lian served as general legal counsel and board secretary of Vtion Wireless Technology AG at Frankfurt, Germany. Since January 2012, he has been serving as the deputy chief accountant of the Company.

Mr. Lian currently does not possess the qualifications of company secretary as required under Rule 8.17 and Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. The Company will continue to engage Ms. Lee Mei Yi, the other existing joint company secretary, who possesses the relevant professional qualifications of company secretary required under Rule 8.17 and Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules (an associate member of both The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries and The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators), to provide assistance to Mr. Lian to discharge his duties as one of the joint company secretaries of the Company.

The Company has applied for, and the Stock Exchange has granted the Company, a waiver from strict compliance with the company secretary qualification requirements under Rule 8.17 and Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules for a period of three years commencing from 21 September 2012. The Company shall notify the Stock Exchange at the end of the waiver period for the Stock Exchange to re-visit the situation.

By order of the Board
Inner Mongolia Yitai Coal Co., Ltd.
Zhang Donghai
Chairman

Inner Mongolia, the PRC, 24 September 2012

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Zhang Donghai, Mr. Liu Chunlin, Mr. Ge Yaoyong, Mr. Zhang Dongsheng, Mr. Kang Zhi, Mr. Zhang Xinrong and Mr. Lv Guiliang; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Xie Xianghua, Mr. Lian Junhai, Ms. Song Jianzhong and Mr. Tam Kwok Ming, Banny.

* *For identification purpose only*