



**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**27 AUGUST 2009**

**APPOINTMENT OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Coal of Africa Limited ("CoAL" or "Company"), the AIM/ASX/JSE listed coal mining and development company operating in South Africa (ticker: CZA), is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Hendrik ("Kobus") Verster as ArcelorMittal's nominee non-executive director, effective immediately. Consequently, Mr Pierre Leonard, has stepped down from the Board as non-executive director.

Mr Verster has 15 year's finance experience within the ArcelorMittal Group. He is currently Executive Director Finance to ArcelorMittal South Africa and a Board member of various unlisted ArcelorMittal Group companies.

Mr Verster is also a Director of the National Business Initiative ("NBI") in South Africa. NBI, a regional partner to the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, is a voluntary group of leading national and multi-national companies which work together towards sustainable growth and development in South Africa through partnerships, practical programmes and policy engagement.

**Disclosure of Directorships under Schedule 2(g) of the AIM Rules**

Kobus Verster is or has been a Director of the following companies during the previous 5 years:

Kalagadi Manganese (Pty) Limited  
Macsteel International Holdings BV  
Ferrosure (Isle of Man) Insurance Company Limited  
National Business Initiative

Other Directorships held within the previous five years:

Mittal Steel Company NV  
Mittal Steel South Africa

There are no other matters which are required to be announced with regards to this appointment under paragraph (g) of Schedule 2 of the AIM Rules.

The Board welcomes Mr Verster and looks forward to his contribution.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Farrell".

**SIMON J FARRELL**  
*Managing Director*

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**About CoAL:**

Coal of Africa Limited ("CoAL") is primarily focused on the acquisition, exploration and development of thermal and metallurgical coal projects. The Company's key projects, along with its leading metals processing company NiMag Group (Pty) Ltd are in South Africa. The Company was incorporated in Western Australia and listed in 1980. Since 2005, the Company has also listed on both the AIM and JSE markets, allowing further growth in the Company's coal assets.