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ARTICLE ENTITLED "UMW SET TO CHALLENGE SIME DARBY FOR RAMUNIA"

We refer to the above article appearing in The Malaysian Reserve on Wednesday, 6th May 2009, captioned as above, on pages 1 and 4, in particular paragraphs 1 and 3 as follows -

Paragraph 1

"UMW Holdings Bhd will be putting in a bid to acquire Ramunia Holdings Bhd to strengthen its oil and gas business, according to sources."

Paragraph 3

"Previously, Ramunia was in discussions with UMW but the talks went cold. Now UMW is interested again and they will be submitting their offer in the next few days," said the source."

In response to the article, UMW wishes to state that the Company does not intend to submit any bid for the acquisition of Ramunia Holdings Berhad and has no knowledge of the talks referred to above. UMW also confirms that it is not in any form of discussion with any parties in this regard.

This announcement is dated 6th May 2009.

cc - Securities Commission
(Issues & Investment Division)