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Dear Sir/Madam

Macquarie Group Limited (File Number 082-35128) documents for lodgement

Please find relevant documents for Macquarie Group Limited for lodgement to satisfy the requirements of Rule 12g3-2(b).

Yours sincerely

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Company Secretary

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Section 259C Exemption Notice - MQG

Macquarie Life Limited (MLL) and MQ Portfolio Management Limited (MQPML), wholly owned subsidiaries of Macquarie Group Limited (Macquarie), have been granted exemption from compliance with section 259C of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) allowing them to invest in Macquarie shares.

The exemptions were granted by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and are subject to certain conditions. One of these conditions is that Macquarie discloses the information below to the Australian Securities Exchange Limited on a fortnightly basis.

As at 28 December 2009, in respect of MQPML, the percentage of Macquarie voting shares:

- (a) over which MQPML has the power to control voting or disposal was 0.007%; and
- (b) underlying any options, derivatives and conditional agreements held by MQPML was 0%.

As at 28 December 2009, in respect of MLL, the percentage of Macquarie voting shares:

- (a) over which MLL has the power to control voting or disposal was 0.014%; and
- (b) underlying any options, derivatives and conditional agreements held by MLL was 0%.

Yours faithfully

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