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The Manager  
Australian Stock Exchange Limited  
Level 4  
20 Bridge Street  
Sydney, NSW 2000

Dear Sir

**GAS SUPPLY INTERRUPTION AT NIFTY OPERATIONS**

Aditya Birla Minerals Limited (ABML) advises that due to the explosion and fire at Apache Energy's Varanus Island gas facility, there has been a temporary interruption of gas supply to the Company's Nifty Copper Operations.

ABML uses gas from Apache to generate electricity to meet its electricity requirements. ABML has the capability to generate electricity from alternate fuel, i.e. diesel, which increases the cost of electricity generation. The Company has switched to this alternative power generating system to overcome the interruption in gas supply.

ABML is exerting all efforts to ensure that the diesel supply is adequately maintained to its Nifty operations.

At this stage, the likely duration of this gas supply interruption is unknown. Continuous communication is being maintained with the gas supplier and the situation is being monitored closely.

The market will be kept advised of developments.

Yours faithfully

**Peter Torre**  
**Company Secretary**

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