(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1205)

# **OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### PROFIT GUIDANCE BY CITIC AUSTRALIA TRADING LIMITED

Please refer to the attached announcement of CITIC Australia Trading Limited ("CAL"), which is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (the "ASX") and a 76.4% indirectly owned subsidiary of CITIC Resources Holdings Limited (the "Company").

The full profit guidance was released by CAL through the ASX website: www.asx.com.au on 18 July 2008.

Hong Kong, 18 July 2008

As at the date hereof, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Kong Dan; Mr. Mi Zengxin; Mr. Shou Xuancheng; Mr. Sun Xinguo; Ms. Li So Mui; Mr. Qiu Yiyong; Mr. Zeng Chen and Mr. Zhang Jijing, the non-executive directors are Mr. Ma Ting Hung and Mr. Wong Kim Yin, and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Fan Ren Da, Anthony; Mr. Ngai Man and Mr. Tsang Link Carl, Brian.

ASX & Media Release 18 July 2008

# Profit guidance — Half year results up more than 25%

### **Profit guidance**

The Directors of CITIC Australia Trading Limited (CAL) are pleased to advise that, based upon preliminary, unaudited figures, CAL'S net profit after tax for the 6 months ended 30 June 2008 is expected to be approximately 25% to 30% higher than the corresponding period of the prior year (net profit after tax for the same six month period in 2007 was \$6.6m).

Sales increased approximately 33.9%, reflecting higher iron ore prices and volume than during 2007.

The 2008 Half-year Financial Report and the First Half Shareholders' Report is expected to be released in late August.

# **Dividend policy**

The board's policy remains that a final dividend will be paid after the full financial year is concluded. As CAL operates in a trading environment where there are many uncertainties and with high volatility in commodity prices, such an environment makes predicting future revenue and earnings difficult.