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RELEASE**SALE OF SMALL SHAREHOLDINGS**

Octanex N.L. (*NSX Code: OCT*) ("the Company") announces that, subsequent to the now completed merger with Strata Resources N.L., it intends to carry out an on-market sale of existing small shareholdings, where the holding is of 1,000 or less fully paid ordinary shares in the Company. This will enable the Company to consolidate numerous small shareholdings that are uneconomic and costly to maintain.

The procedure to carryout the on-market sale of such small holdings is to be done pursuant to Rule 5.5 of the Company's Constitution.

The record date to determine the qualifying shareholdings is 7:00pm AEST on Friday, 24 April 2009 and the relevant documents will be mailed on 29 April 2009 to the Shareholders who are affected.

A copy of the form of letter to those Shareholders is attached.

By Order of the Board

J.G. Tuohy
Company Secretary

21 April 2009

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Dear Shareholder

SALE OF SMALL HOLDINGS

As you may be aware, Octanex N.L. ("the Company") has announced that it proposes to implement a procedure to sell, on-market, holdings of 1,000 or less fully paid ordinary shares ('small holdings') on behalf of shareholders who do not wish to retain their shares in the Company.

The Company has announced a record date of 7.00pm AEST on 24 April 2009 ("Record Date") to determine those shareholders who hold a 'small holding'. As a shareholder within this category as at the Record Date, you are eligible to have your shares sold by the Company under this procedure. The advantage in authorising the Company to sell your shares in this way is that the Company (or the purchaser) will bear all transaction costs, including brokerage, associated with the sale of your shares. The proceeds of any sale of your 'small holding' will be paid to you within 14 days of the settlement of the sale.

You have six (6) weeks from the date of this notice to elect whether to allow the Company to sell your shares. Please be aware that you are not obliged to sell your shares under this procedure; the choice is entirely up to you. However, if you **DO NOT** wish to sell you **MUST** notify the Company immediately and, in any event, by no later than 12 June 2009.

If you **DO NOT** wish your shares to be sold, please complete the enclosed "**Share Retention Form**" and forward it to Octanex N.L., Level 21, 500 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000 by no later than 12 June 2009. If you **DO NOT** return the completed Form by this date your shares will be sold on your behalf.

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT. IF YOU ARE IN ANY DOUBT AS TO HOW TO DEAL WITH IT THEN YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR LEGAL, FINANCIAL OR OTHER PROFESSIONAL ADVISER.

BROKER / NON BROKER PARTICIPANTS

Entities that are registered holders of Octanex N.L. shares but hold such shares as nominee on behalf of individual beneficial owners and wish their clients to avail themselves of this arrangement should contact Octanex N.L. on (03) 9927 3009 to obtain further information.

Yours faithfully
OCTANEX N.L.

JG Tuohy
Company Secretary

29 April 2009