

ANSELL LTD
Form SC13E4F
October 14, 2004

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

Tender Offer Statement Under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. _____)

Ansell Limited

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

Ansell Limited (Issuer)

(Name of Filing Person (Identifying status as offeror, issuer or other person))

Ordinary Shares

American Depositary Shares*

(Title of Class of Securities)

* Evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each American Depositary Share representing four (4) Ordinary Shares.

694185109 (Ordinary Shares)

03634M109 (American Depositary Receipts)

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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SCHEDULE TO

Introduction

We, Ansell Limited, a company organized under the laws of Victoria, Australia, are offering to purchase, or buy-back, up to an aggregate of \$155,000,000 (**Australian, or AU**) worth of our ordinary shares, or Ordinary Shares, at a price between AU \$9.20 and AU \$8.70 per Ordinary Share (subject to withholding taxes, as applicable), in cash, without interest. As of October 8, 2004, there were 176,311,026 Ordinary Shares issued and outstanding, of which 961,728 are evidenced by American Depositary Shares. Since each American Depositary Share, or ADS, represents four Ordinary Shares, we will treat each tender of an ADS as a tender of four underlying Ordinary Shares and, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this offer, we will purchase each ADS properly tendered and not withdrawn at a purchase price equal to four times the purchase price of an Ordinary Share. Ordinary Shares and ADSs tendered but not purchased in the offer will be returned or otherwise released to the tendering shareholders at our expense promptly after the expiration of this offer.

The purchase price will be AU \$9.00 per Ordinary Share, adjusted upwards or downwards for the percentage change in the S&P/ASX 200 Industrials Index from the commencement of trading on Wednesday, October 6, 2004 to the close of trading on Tuesday, November 9, 2004, subject to a maximum price of AU \$9.20 and a minimum price of AU \$8.70 per Ordinary Share. The opening level of the S&P/ASX 200 Industrials Index on October 6, 2004 was 5,983.7. We will announce the final purchase price following the close of trading on the Australian Stock Exchange, or ASX, on Tuesday, November 9, 2004 no later than 8:00 PM Melbourne, Australia time, which is 4:00 AM New York time on the same day, and will publish the purchase price by press release and filings with the ASX and United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC.

Ansell's offer is being made upon the terms and subject to the terms set forth in the Offer to Purchase dated October 14, 2004 (the Offer to Purchase), the related Share Acceptance Form Issuer Sponsored Holders, Share Acceptance Form CHESSE Holders, Withdrawal/Amendment Form for Ordinary Shares, Letter of Transmittal American Depositary Shares and the Withdrawal/Amendment Form American Depositary Shares, copies of which are attached to this Schedule TO as Exhibits (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii), (a)(1)(iii), (a)(1)(iv), (a)(1)(v) and (a)(1)(vi), respectively, (which collectively, as amended or supplemented from time to time, constitute the Offer). The information contained in the Offer is incorporated herein by reference in response to all of the items of this Schedule TO as more particularly described below. This Schedule TO is intended to satisfy the reporting requirements of Rule 13e-4(c)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

ITEM 1. SUMMARY TERM SHEET.

The information set forth under Summary Term Sheet in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 2. SUBJECT COMPANY INFORMATION.

(a) The name of the issuer is Ansell Limited (Ansell). The address and telephone number of Ansell is set forth under Item 3.

(b) The information set forth under Introduction in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

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(c) The information set forth in the Offer to Purchase under Section 6 Price Range of the Ordinary Shares and ADSs; Dividends on the Ordinary Shares and ADSs is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 3. IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF FILING PERSON.

a) Ansell is the filing person. The business address of Ansell is L3, 678 Victoria Street, Richmond, Victoria, 3121, Australia. Ansell's telephone number is (61 3) 9270-7270. The information set forth in the Offer to Purchase under Schedule I of the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 4. TERMS OF THE TRANSACTION.

(a) The following information set forth in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet;

Introduction;

Background to the Offer;

Section 1 (Terms of the Offer; Purchase Price; Proration; Expiration Date);

Section 2 (Acceptance for Payment and Payment);

Section 3 (Procedures for Tendering Ordinary Shares and ADSs);

Section 4 (Withdrawal Rights);

Section 5 (Material U.S. Federal Income Tax and Australian Income Tax Implications);

Section 7 (Effects of the Offer on the Market for Ordinary Shares and ADSs; Registration Under the Exchange Act);

Section 9 (Sources and Amount of Funds);

Section 10 (Conditions to the Offer);

Section 11 (Legal Matters and Regulatory Approvals); and

Section 13 (Miscellaneous).

(b) The information set forth in the Offer to Purchase under Background to the Offer Plans for Ansell after the Offer; Certain Effects of the Offer is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 5. PAST CONTACTS, TRANSACTIONS, NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS.

(e) The information set forth under "Background to the Offer" "Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Ordinary Shares and ADSs" in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 6. PURPOSES OF THE TRANSACTION AND PLANS OR PROPOSALS.

(a), (b) and (c) The information set forth under Summary Term Sheet, Background to the Offer Purpose of the Offer; Reasons for the Offer, Background to the Offer Plans for Ansell After the Offer; Certain Effects of the Offer and the information set forth under Section 7 (Effects of the Offer on the Market for Ordinary Shares and ADSs; Registration Under the Exchange Act) in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

(a) The information set forth under Summary Term Sheet, Background to the Offer Background and the information set forth under Section 7 (Effects of the Offer on the Market for Ordinary Shares and ADSs; Registration Under the Exchange Act) and Section 9 (Sources and Amount of funds) in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

(b) None.

(d) None.

ITEM 8. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE SUBJECT COMPANY.

(a) and (b) The information set forth under Background to the Offer Beneficial Ownership of Ordinary Shares and Background to the Offer Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Ordinary Shares and ADSs in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9. PERSONS/ASSETS, RETAINED, EMPLOYED, COMPENSATED OR USED.

(a) The information set forth under Section 12 (Fees and Expenses) in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 10. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

ITEM 11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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(a) The information set forth under Summary Term Sheet, Where you can Find More Information About Us, Forward-Looking Statements, Introduction, Background to the Offer, Section 1 (Terms of the Offer; Purchase Price; Proration; Expiration Date), Section 5 (Material U.S. Federal Income Tax and Australian Income Tax Implications), Section 7 (Effects of the Offer on the Market for Ordinary Shares and ADSs; Registration Under the Exchange Act.), Section 10 (Conditions to the Offer), and Section 11 (Legal Matters and Regulatory Approvals) in the Offer to Purchase is incorporated herein by reference.

(b) The information set forth in the Offer to Purchase and the related Share Acceptance Form Issuer Sponsored Holders, Share Acceptance Form CHES Holders, Withdrawal/Amendment Form for Ordinary Shares, Letter of Transmittal American Depositary Shares and the Withdrawal/Amendment Form American Depositary Shares, copies of which are attached to this Schedule TO as Exhibits (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii), (a)(1)(iii), (a)(1)(iv), (a)(1)(v) and (a)(1)(vi), respectively, as each may be amended from time to time, is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 12. EXHIBITS.

- (a)(1)(i) Offer to Purchase dated October 14, 2004
- (a)(1)(ii) Share Acceptance Form Issuer Sponsored Holders
- (a)(1)(iii) Share Acceptance Form CHESSE Holders
- (a)(1)(iv) Withdrawal/Amendment Form for Ordinary Shares
- (a)(1)(v) Letter of Transmittal American Depositary Shares
- (a)(1)(vi) Withdrawal/Amendment Form American Depositary Shares
- (a)(1)(vii) Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9
- (a)(2) None
- (a)(3) Not applicable
- (a)(4) Not applicable
- (b) None
- (c) Not Applicable
- (d)(1) Form of American Depositary Receipt for Ansell Ordinary Shares
- (d)(2) Pacific Dunlop Executive Share Plan
- (d)(3) Outline of Pacific Dunlop Employee Share Plan
- (d)(4) Ansell Limited Stock Incentive Plan, dated July 1, 2002
- (e) Not applicable
- (g) None
- (h) None

ITEM 13. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SCHEDULE 13E-3.

Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Ansell Limited

By: /s/ Rustom Jilla

Name: Rustom Jilla

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 14, 2004

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