

Launch of SKS Indigenous Technologies

SKS Technologies Group Limited (ASX: SKS) is pleased to announce that it has established an Indigenous business known as SKS Indigenous Technologies. The business has been founded with high-profile Indigenous identity Chris Johnson, who will own 51% with the remaining 49% owned by SKS Technologies Group.

Executive Chairman, Peter Jinks, said, “We’re delighted to form this partnership with Chris, who has demonstrated passion and commitment across a career in AFL football as well as in business, and who has a long and proud association with a range of business and sporting groups. With the new SKS Indigenous Technologies, we initially intend to exceed the national Indigenous population of 3% in employing first nations people in our business and believe that in providing opportunities for a broader community, we can also capture opportunities to grow the SKS Group of companies.

“While we believe that there is a strong commercial rationale for this new business, we also take our responsibility to people and diversity very seriously. Since inception, we have founded our business on relationships, building rapport with customers, suppliers and employees, and now we can extend that commitment to Indigenous people under a more formal structure.

As a proud Gunditjmara and Wiradjuri man, Chris Johnson has very strong connections and ties across Indigenous communities. His AFL career spanned 16 years as a player and a coach, before he entered business, where he was most recently the Key Client Account Executive for Raw Recruitment, a 100% Aboriginal owned and managed national labour hire business. One of Chris’s biggest achievements has been co-chairing the Reconciliation Action Plan for AFL Victoria.

Managing Director of SKS Indigenous Technologies, Chris Johnson, said, “I strongly believe that in educating people we create employment, opening up opportunities for people and enabling them to share the benefits with their families to create economic independence and the feelings of self-confidence and self-worth that come with the ability to participate in society.

“While this business will create fantastic opportunities for Indigenous people with training and employment, I also believe that there will be significant growth for the business, aligned with government and corporate initiatives.

The new SKS Indigenous Technologies Board will consist of the Chair, Peter Jinks, Chris Johnson, Matthew Jinks, CEO of SKS Technologies Group and Non-Executive Director, Jason Mifsud.

Jason Mifsud is a senior member of the Kirrae, Peek and Tjab Whurrong people of the Gunditjmara nation in south-west Victoria. Jason has held senior executive roles at the Australian Football League and Department of Premier and Cabinet in Victoria and is currently the Head of First Nations Affairs and Enterprise at Wesfarmers. He has extensive experience as a non-executive director, currently serving on the boards of the Great Ocean Road Coast and Parks Authority, East Melbourne Primary Health Network and Geared Up Culcha. Jason is also the Chair of the Indigenous Expert Advisory Board for Telstra.

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Approved for release by the Board of SKS Technologies Group.

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SKS Technologies delivers advanced technology through digital transformation via creative design and installation of converged AV/IT, electrical and communication networking solutions nationally.