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Change of Auditors

Hughes Drilling Limited (HDX) has received notice from ASIC approving the resignation of the current auditor of the company, PricewaterhouseCoopers.

The directors of HDX approved the appointment of BDO Audit Pty Ltd as replacement auditor of the company, subject to ASIC's approval of PricewaterhouseCooper's resignation.

The directors of the company chose to change auditors as the directors were looking for auditors that had a closer proximity to the company's head office in Yatala, Queensland and that addressed the company's financial reporting timeframe requirements.

The company does not have any disagreement with PricewaterhouseCoopers.

The current auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, are located in Newcastle, New South Wales.

The replacement auditor, BDO Audit Pty Ltd, are located in Brisbane, Queensland.

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