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## **EPICHEM ACHIEVES ISO 9001:2015 CERTIFICATION**

PharmAust Limited (ASX: PAA) is delighted to announce that its wholly owned subsidiary Epichem Pty Ltd was certified to the international standard for quality ISO 9001:2015 on 14 September 2016. This certification covers Epichem's Quality Management System (QMS) for the synthesis and distribution of fine chemicals, reference standards, technical services and provision of contract research and consulting.

The certification, conducted by the accreditation body ECAAS, elevates Epichem to a select group of companies who have demonstrated a commitment to quality at the highest level. The QMS ensures that robust procedures and practices are in place for all aspects of Epichem's operations and is the basis for reliably providing customers with products and services of consistently high quality.

Epichem's Managing Director, Dr Wayne Best, said "We are delighted to have been recognised by certification to ISO 9001:2015. It is a reflection of our commitment to quality, continuous improvement and customer focus." Dr Best added "Many of Epichem's clients operate in the highly regulated pharmaceutical sector and our certification will be seen as a significant development in our relationship with them."

## **About Epichem**

Epichem is a wholly owned subsidiary of the ASX listed company PharmAust Limited. Located in Technology Park, Western Australia, Epichem has been delivering products and services in synthetic and medicinal chemistry to the global drug discovery and pharmaceutical industries in 35 countries worldwide for over 12 years. Epichem has a newly constructed state-of-the-art laboratory and has world class equipment and expertise in synthetic and medicinal chemistry for the cost effective synthesis of drug analogue libraries and intermediates. It also has a rapidly growing catalogue of pharmaceutical reference standards. More information at <a href="https://www.epichem.com.au">www.epichem.com.au</a>

## About ISO 9001:2015

ISO 9001 is the international standard that specifies requirements for a quality management system (QMS). Organizations use the standard to demonstrate the ability to consistently provide products and services that meet customer and regulatory requirements. It is the most popular standard in the ISO 9000 series and the only standard in the series to which organizations can certify. ISO 9001:2015 is based on seven quality management principles including strong customer focus, leadership, engagement of people, the process approach, continual improvement, evidence-based decision making, and relationship management. ISO 9001 helps organizations ensure their customers consistently receive high quality products and services, which in turn brings many benefits, including satisfied customers, management, and employees.







## About ECAAS

ECAAS is an Australian-owned and operated Certification Body providing Certification services to ISO9001, ISO14001, AS/NZS4801 and OHSAS18001 under JAS-ANZ-accreditation, guaranteeing global recognition of our client's achievements. ECAAS also provides certification services in relation to numerous other Standards and Programs such as ISO22000:2005, HACCP, DPTI-pregualification requirements for Building Contractors (South Australia), VicRoads pre-qualification, Sustainable Green Print.

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