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RE: John Holland Appointed to Barwon Water's New Capital Works Program Alliance

Please find attached a copy of a media release to be issued today by John Holland Group Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Leighton Holdings Limited.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. MOIR
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ASX RELEASE

John Holland Appointed to Barwon Water's New Capital Works Program Alliance

Melbourne, 19 August 2009: John Holland, together with GHD, has been appointed to deliver the \$173 million first stage of Barwon Water's Capital Works Program Alliance. The alliance will be responsible for more than 100 projects over the initial four year contract, with the potential for an additional two-year contract extension. The total value of the six-year program is \$355 million.

The new alliance will focus on pipeline and pump station installation, the development of water storage and treatment plants and water recycling infrastructure. Scope of work will include recycled water, water reclamation, sewer collection, water treatment, water distribution and various headworks projects.

The appointment follows the recent announcement that John Holland has been awarded the \$90 million Northern Water Plant for Barwon Water.

John Holland Group Managing Director, Glenn Palin, said: "The award of the Capital Works Program makes John Holland the primary deliverer of water infrastructure for Victoria's largest regional urban water corporation and consolidates our existing relationship with Barwon Water. We look forward to the delivery of the alliance's first projects and the achievement of Barwon Water's long-term goals for this program."

General Manager of John Holland's Water business, Greg Taylor, commented: "This appointment recognises our ability to deliver diverse water projects in relationship based contracts with our clients. Together with our alliance partners, we are committed to developing an innovative team to achieve all project delivery targets safely and to the highest standards of quality."

The Capital Works Program Alliance represents the largest capital investment program in Barwon Water's history. The newly created alliance entity was formally announced on 14 August and will begin delivery of five projects in October 2009. The first projects include two

new pump stations and the upgrade of an existing pump station, along with a sewer collection system and the upgrade of a water storage reservoir.

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About John Holland

John Holland is one of Australia's leading and most diversified contracting, engineering and services providers. Operating across Australia, John Holland's business is driven by its unique delivery model, combining national specialist skills with strong regional civil construction and building businesses. Our operating principles, *People, Performance, Partnerships* and *Profit*, remain a focus in all that we do.

Our capabilities range from tunnelling to power, water to communications and engineering and construction solutions in the resources and energy sectors; along with rail, contract mining, aviation maintenance and integrated facilities maintenance services. These niche skills are underpinned by 60 years of experience in the building and civil sectors. Our strength lies in our ability to deliver diverse, complex and challenging major works, our partnership approach to client relationships and our absolute commitment to our people and their careers.

John Holland celebrates its 60th anniversary in 2009.