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## PALADIO WELL POSITIONED FOR 2009/10 WITH \$57M PILBARA CONTRACT

Paladio Group Limited **(ASX:PDO)** is pleased to advise that its wholly owned subsidiary Decmil Australia Pty Ltd has concluded negotiations on the letter of intent previously announced and has now been awarded a \$57 million contract by BHP Billiton to design and construct the central facilities for the new Port Haven accommodation village in Port Hedland. The contract also includes completion of civil and infrastructure works and installation of 350 accommodation rooms.

The COO of Paladio, Mr Scott Criddle highlighted that "this latest contract award puts the Paladio Group in a strong position to start the next financial year having secured a forward order book of approximately \$160 million for the 2010 FY".

"Decmil has built a strong reputation for engineering construction, maintenance and industrial services over its 30-year history, and continues to consistently win contracts with blue chip resource companies."

"In the current competitive environment, it is pleasing that Decmil's reputation for excellence in delivering clients value across all areas of engineering and construction projects continues to be recognised," Mr Criddle said.

This contract adds to Decmil's current project portfolio which includes work on three significant contracts for Woodside's Pluto LNG Gas Project, BHP Billiton's Rapid Growth Project 5 project, and Rio Tinto's Brockman iron ore project.

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Paladio Group Limited (ASX: PDO) is a Perth-based Australian company which provides a range of services to resources and energy projects and infrastructure owners throughout Australia. Paladio is the parent company of a group of businesses with offices in Western Australia and Queensland providing services including engineering consultancy, shop detailing design and drafting, commissioning, structural, mechanical and civil construction, industrial coatings and maintenance. Paladio listed on the ASX in April 2005 and has since acquired several businesses, including Decmil Australia, McFee, Fabcon, Novacoat, Matrix Engineers, Eastman Fort and CASE Services. These businesses provide a strong foundation, economies of scale, cost synergies and the ability to deliver turnkey design and construction services to clients in the oil and gas, resources and industrial sectors. www.paladio.com.au

Decmil Australia Pty Ltd is a leading provider of engineering construction, maintenance and industrial services to Australia's resources, energy and infrastructure sectors. The company offers a wide range of construction and maintenance services, specialising in non-process infrastructure on remote sites. Decmil has been contracted to design, build and commission temporary and permanent accommodation villages, administration buildings, maintenance facilities and storage facilities for some of the world's leading resource companies. Operating predominantly in north-west Western Australia, Decmil has the capability to undertake projects Australia-wide. The company has played a significant role in providing construction and engineering services in the development of WA's resources industries and for infrastructure developments in the Pilbara and other remote areas of north-west Western Australia over the past 30 years. Decmil is headquartered in Osborne Park, Perth and also has a regional office in Karratha. <u>www.decmil.com.au</u>