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Dear Sir

**Re: Leighton Contractors in Alliance to deliver Hume Highway duplication**

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

Yours faithfully  
LEIGHTON HOLDINGS LIMITED

A. J. MOIR  
Company Secretary



mediarelease

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## Leighton Contractors in Alliance to deliver Hume Highway duplication

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Leighton Contractors will team with the New South Wales Roads and Traffic Authority, Maunsell Australia Pty Limited, SMEC Australia Pty Limited and Coffey Geotechnics Pty Limited to deliver a portion of the "Accelerated Southern Hume Duplication Package", a New South Wales and Australian Government funded initiative.

The \$300 – 400 million package of works, to be delivered by the alliance team, will duplicate 35kms of the Hume Highway in southern New South Wales between the Sturt Highway at Tarcutta and Holbrook by late 2009.

Peter McMorrow, Managing Director of Leighton Contractors, said today he was delighted that Leighton Contractors had been awarded the project.

"The award of this contract is recognition of the capability, commitment and experience of the alliance team. We look forward to working with our alliance partners to deliver this important infrastructure project", Mr McMorrow said.

Dave Wilson, General Manager, Leighton Contractors NSW & ACT, said "Leighton Contractors has a proven track record of delivering major road infrastructure projects in NSW. This is an exciting opportunity for the partners forming the team to deliver this nationally significant infrastructure under an alliance framework".

The Australian and New South Wales governments have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the "Accelerated Southern Hume Duplication Package". The Australian Government has allocated \$800 million in order to duplicate 67km of the Hume Highway in southern New South Wales by the end of 2009.

The duplication of the Hume Highway is expected to significantly improve road safety for all motorists and improve transport efficiency for communities and industries along this major freight route.



Leighton Contractors is one of Australia's leading construction, mining, services and telecommunications groups with over \$6 billion work in hand as at 31 December 2006, employing more than 5,000 people across Australia and New Zealand.

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