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**RE: John Holland Selected for South Morang Rail Extension 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,

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**ASX RELEASE**

## **John Holland Selected for South Morang Rail Extension Alliance**

**Melbourne, 3 May 2010:** John Holland, in an alliance with AECOM, the Department of Transport, MTM and VicRoads, has been selected to deliver the \$650 million South Morang Rail Extension Project. Subject to finalisation of the scope of works and cost with the Victorian Government, John Holland's stake is expected to be in excess of \$300 million.

The project involves the duplication of the single track between Keon Park and Epping and the extension of the rail line to South Morang. It also includes three road/rail grade separations, two new stations and one station upgrade. The project will increase the capacity to meet the growing demand for public transport in Melbourne's north.

John Holland Group Managing Director, Glenn Palin, said: "This award reflects the diversity within John Holland and our capacity to deliver complex, multi-disciplined infrastructure projects. The work will draw on our strong track record in both rail and road projects and we welcome the opportunity to again work with the Department of Transport."

General Manager of John Holland's Southern Region, David Moran, said: "The Victorian Government has an ambitious public transport agenda and we are proud to be a part of delivering this important project. We look forward to working with our alliance partners to deliver a high quality, value-for-money project, upholding high standards of safety performance, environmental management and community engagement."

Planning and design works will begin immediately and construction is scheduled to commence in the second half of 2010.

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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 experience covers a wide range of contracting and services capabilities, from tunnelling to power, to water and communications and engineering and construction solutions in the energy and resources sectors; along with rail, contract mining and aviation maintenance services. These niche national skills are underpinned by industry leading capabilities in building and civil construction.

Our strength lies in our ability to deliver diverse, complex and challenging major projects, our partnership approach to client relationships and our absolute commitment to our people and their careers. With 60 years experience, over 6,000 people across Australia and work in hand over \$5 billion, John Holland has the capability to deliver almost any project anywhere in Australia.