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**RE: Appointment to the Board of Leighton Holdings Limited**

This Board of Leighton Holdings Limited is pleased to advise that Mr Stephen Paul Johns has been appointed a Director of the Company and Chairman of the Audit Committee of the Board effective from today.

Mr Johns was formerly Finance Director and Chief Financial Officer of the Westfield Group for almost 20 years until 2002 where he remains a Non Executive Director. He commenced his working career at Arthur Young & Co (the predecessor to Ernst & Young) and joined the Westfield Group in 1970. Mr Johns has extensive Australian and international business and finance experience having been closely linked with Westfield's growth and move into the United States and the United Kingdom.

In addition to his Westfield Group directorship, Mr Johns is Chairman and an Independent Director of Spark Infrastructure Group and an Independent Director and Chairman of the Audit Committee of Brambles Limited. He is also a Director of Sydney Symphony Limited.

Yours faithfully,

A. J. MOIR  
Company Secretary