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ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

APPOINTMENT OF NEW NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Matrix Composites and Engineering Ltd (ASX:MCE) ("Matrix") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Peter Hood as a Non-Executive Director of Matrix. Mr Hood has extensive expertise in manufacturing and the oil and gas industry which will contribute to the continuing development of Matrix.

Mr Hood is a chemical engineer with over 40 years experience in senior management and the development of projects in the energy and resources sectors. Mr Hood was previously the CEO of Coogee Resources, an Australian oil and gas operator. Prior to this role, he was CEO of Coogee Chemicals Pty Ltd. His early career was spent with WMC Ltd in nickel and gold production at Kwinana and Kambalda in Western Australia.

Mr Hood is a graduate of the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program and a Fellow of both the Institute of Chemical Engineers and the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Mr Hood is currently President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia and Chairman of MAK Industrial Water Systems Pty Ltd and Swan Oil and Gas Ltd. He is also a Non-Executive Director of GR Engineering Ltd and the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

'We are extremely pleased that Peter has joined the Board given his depth of knowledge and expertise in our market. Peter will add considerable strength to the Board which will assist in cementing our position as a leading diversified equipment and services supplier to the international oil and gas industry', CEO Aaron Begley said.

Mr Nigel Johnson, the current Chairman of Matrix, is relocating to the eastern states and, as a consequence, will stand-down as Chairman at the close of the Matrix AGM to be held on 25th October 2011. Mr Johnson will continue as a Non-Executive Director. Mr Hood will take over the role as Chairman of Matrix from Mr Johnson.

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Who is Matrix Composites & Engineering Ltd?

Matrix Composites & Engineering Ltd (MC&E) (Matrix) is an Australian public company. It is involved in the design, application, manufacturer and service of engineered products using advanced composite and polymer materials for use in the oil, gas and resources industries. Matrix services the following key markets; subsea umbilicals, risers and flowlines (SURF), deepwater drilling, marine risers, well construction, marine operations, downstream LNG, offshore, and connectors, casing and risers.

Matrix exports 85 percent of its products and services to many of the world's largest oil and gas producers, drilling contractors, installation contractors and equipment suppliers. It services its clientele through sales offices in Australia, North Asia and Europe, and authorized service facilities in the US (Houston). As the only company of its kind in Australia, Matrix has recently opened the largest composites syntactic plant in the world at Henderson, Western Australia. The plant will allow the company to continue its global expansion plans, product offering and customer driven technology solutions.

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