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Appointment of new Chief Financial Officer

AJ Lucas Group Limited (ASX: AJL) (AJ Lucas) is pleased to announce the appointment of Austen Perrin as the Company's Chief Financial Officer replacing Mark Summergreene who is retiring after seven years in this role.

Mr Perrin brings considerable knowledge of the infrastructure and mining industries having previously served as Chief Financial Officer of each of Asciano Limited and Whitehaven Coal. He brings a depth of experience across all the commercial, accounting and finance spectrums. Importantly he is well versed in change management and well qualified to continue the productivity improvement program already underway at AJ Lucas.

Mark Summergreene has delivered many years of valuable service to the Company during a very challenging period including through the aftermath of the GFC and more recently the downturn in the mining services industry. He has overseen a substantial restructuring and recapitalization of the Company to respond to the changed market circumstances and business conditions.

Russell Eggers, managing director and chief executive of AJ Lucas, said:

"We welcome Austen to the role of CFO and look forward to working with him and drawing on his experience to continue the strengthening of the business.

"My thanks also to Mark for his considerable efforts in managing the finance and corporate functions of the Company for the last few years. He has played a major role in the restructuring of the Company during this period and I wish him well in his future endeavors."

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About AJ Lucas Group Limited

AJ Lucas is a leading provider of pipelines, specialist infrastructure, construction and drilling services to the energy, water and wastewater, resources and public infrastructure sectors. In particular, it is the largest supplier of drilling and gas management services to Australia's coal industry.

AJ Lucas is also a proven developer of unconventional hydrocarbon properties. Current investments include a 45% shareholding in Cuadrilla Resources Holdings Limited, an exploration and production company focused on unconventional hydrocarbons, and direct interests in each of the Bowland, Elswick and Bolney Licences in the UK. Past projects successfully developed and sold include AJ Lucas' investments in the Gloucester Basin in NSW, Sydney Gas Limited, ATP651 in Queensland's Surat Basin and a 6.25% interest in the Bowland prospect.