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## **Board Changes**

## **PERTH, AUSTRALIA:**

Orbital Corporation Limited (ASX: OEC)("Orbital" or "the Company") is pleased to announce that, effective immediately, Mr John Welborn has been appointed as Chairman of the Company, and Mr John Poynton AM has been appointed a Non-Executive Director. These positive changes to the Board are part of the ongoing restructure of Orbital's business and have been planned and managed by the existing Board led by outgoing Chairman Dr Merv Jones. As part of the Board changes, Dr Jones and Dr Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis, who were both appointed as Directors in March 2008, have retired as Non-Executive Directors. The Board acknowledges and thanks Dr Jones and Dr Braach-Maksvytis for the leadership and guidance they have provided to the Company.

Mr Welborn was appointed a Non-Executive Director of Orbital in June 2014 and has since served as Chairman of the Board's Audit Committee. Working with Managing Director Mr Terry Stinson, Mr Welborn has been a key driver of the Boards aggressive growth strategy focused on investments in innovation and the commercialisation of both existing and new technologies as a vehicle to deliver revenue growth, increase profitability and build shareholder value. Mr Welborn is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Management, and holds membership of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, the Financial Services Institute of Australasia, and the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Mr Poynton is the Chairman of Azure Capital, a Director of the Future Fund Board of Guardians and a Non-Executive Director of Crown Perth. He is also Chairman of Giving West and the Council of Christ Church Grammar School. He has previously served as the Chairman, Deputy Chairman or non-executive Director of a number of ASX listed companies, Federal Government boards, education institutions and not for profit enterprises. Mr Poynton brings extensive corporate advisory, equity capital markets and governance experience to Orbital's board.

Mr Welborn commented: "I am very excited to be working with the Board and Management of Orbital to continue to reposition the Company and ensure shareholders benefit from our investment in the Unmanned Aircraft Vehicle propulsion system market, from the new opportunities provided by the REMSAFE acquisition, by unlocking the value within Synerject, and by continuing to identify and successfully commercialise innovative technology. John Poynton is one of Western Australia's most respected business leaders and company directors. John has a family connection to the Company dating back to its formation and more recently has been a supportive shareholder. It is extremely pleasing to have someone of his calibre join the Board".

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## About Orbital

Orbital is an international developer of innovative technical solutions. Headquartered in Perth, Western Australia, Orbital stock is traded on the Australian Stock Exchange (OEC).