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AusGroup in Joint Venture for Shell Jurong Island work

- Joint venture with European-based conglomerate
- To target work on US\$4 billion Shell Houdini project and US \$10 billion Exxon Mobil Expansion project

SINGAPORE – 8 June 2007 – AusGroup Limited (“AGL” or “AusGroup” or “the Group”), an energy and resources specialist, is pleased to update the public that the Group has agreed to enter into a joint venture with a major European group for the purpose of participating in work on the Shell Eastern Petrochemicals Complex Project (SEPC, previously code-named Shell Houdini Project) and Exxon Mobil SPT Project (Exxon Mobil Expansion Project).

The yet-to-be-named Joint Venture partner is a major European engineering group with global operations established since 1895. With a history spanning more than a century, the group has developed long-term relationships within the industry and has worked for both Shell and ExxonMobil for many years. The group has a track record of engineering work related with the oil & gas industries, which includes mechanical fabrication and installation, thermal and acoustic insulation and fireproofing.

The Joint Venture will involve the setting up of a 50-50 vehicle with equal contributions from both parties for the said purpose. The JV will target both Shell and Exxon projects especially in the areas of insulation and fireproofing. Total project values are estimated at in excess of USD\$10 billion, with insulation and fireproofing typically around 2-3% of the total budget.

Mr Stuart Kenny, Managing Director of AusGroup said, “We are delighted to enter into this Joint Venture for the purpose of participating in the Shell Houdini Project and Exxon Mobil expansion. Having such a prominent partner immediately enhances our overall profile and our chances of securing substantial work. Furthermore, having such a strong partner ensures that we will not over commit management resources.”

He added, “This is a major vote of confidence from a very prominent group. It is recognition that AusGroup’s capabilities and work is highly valued within the industry. There is also a possibility that both parties may want to explore cooperating on other work in the future should this arrangement prove to be successful.”

The joint venture has already prequalified to tender for work on the Shell Houdini project, with the joint team currently working on the tender. The Group will update the public on future progress.

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ABOUT AUSGROUP LIMITED

AusGroup Limited is a Sesdaq-listed energy & resources specialist. It is primarily based in Australia, where it is a dominant player in the supply of total engineering solutions, which includes fabrication, mechanical installations and maintenance. Being involved in the building, maintaining and upgrading of infrastructure, plant and equipment used in the extraction and processing of energy & resources, AusGroup is well positioned to benefit from the increasing capital investments in these industries. Through its acquisition of Cactus Engineering, AusGroup has established a presence in Singapore, which will be used as a platform to more regional growth.

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