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## **Annual General Meeting - Chairman's Address**

Ladies and gentlemen,

I welcome you to the annual general meeting of Pacific Enviromin. This is my first meeting as Chairman.

Your company has had quite a long history and has struggled to achieve commercial success and to deliver value for shareholders.

For several years now the company has been developing industrial mineral projects, principally in bentonite. With such minerals the greatest challenge is break into any market share and this project has not proved to be an exception.

Last year your company acquired a number of coal assets in a bid to diversify into this growing sector of the Australian economy.

Initial assessments made across the range of coal tenements were encouraging but the share price of the company has languished, perhaps, a little, because of the company's previous long history.

New consultants have been engaged to re-assess all the project areas, particularly taking advantage of all the past exploration data from previous explorers

Your board is pleased to announce that as a result, there have been a number of exciting developments. Yesterday, as you will have seen, the company announced a resource statement on its 100% owned Cooroorah Project (tenement EPC 1827) at Blackwater. A copy of this announcement is available on the company's website and the ASX announcement platform if you have not already seen it.

Our consultants on that tenement, the Minserve Group, have identified an Inferred Resource of 107 million tonnes of metallurgical coal. This tenement lies between the operating Jellinbah coal mine to the east and MDL 162 a 90% interest in which was recently acquired by MacArthur coal for \$A 334.35 million (based on the public announcements made by MacArthur Coal on 24 August, 2010). Your company has been advised that the coal on our tenement EPC 1827 represents the down-dip extension of the coal resource on MDL 162.

The company has a number of other coal tenements and has recently engaged consultants, Global Ore Discovery, to review these with a particular focus on the Hillalong area, tenement EPC 1824.

The company's consultants have been able to evaluate the tenements by accessing past exploration data assembled by others. It is anticipated that our consultants will make recommendations to carry out a limited amount of further exploration to increase the confidence level of the knowledge of the coal deposits on the various tenements. Subject to weather, such further exploration field work could commence in the first quarter of 2011

The board is also pleased to announce that a very experienced mining engineer, Tim Prowse, has joined the team as a consultant with a responsibility to deliver the value from our coal tenements.

The recent developments on the Cooroorah project (EPC 1827) and the commencement of the review of all of the other tenements owned by the company represents a major shift in direction for Pacific Environmin towards being an important player in the coking coal business, having secured significant tonnage of coal in Queensland's prestigious coking coal region at Blackwater. The resource on EPC 1827 is surrounded by producing mines at Curragh (Wesfarmers), BMA and Jellinbah and lies north of the Minyango deposit owned by Caledon Resources. The main train line from Blackwater to the port lies just to the south of your company's tenement.

The company has also commenced a re-evaluation of the industrial minerals projects to attempt to unlock their value, although this will be a secondary activity with coal being the priority.

The Board looks forward to this exciting change in the company's direction and to further ongoing exploration and hopefully ongoing success.

Today the company is asking you to approve the change of company name to Australian Pacific Coal and has applied to be moved from the industrial board to the mining board of the ASX.

I thank shareholders for their support to date and we look forward to a reinvigorated company with a new direction, in the coming 12 months.

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John Bovard Chairman

## **Competent Person Statement**

With respect to the Cooroorah Project, the resource statement has been prepared in accordance with the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves "The JORC Code" (2004) by Mr Ken O'Reilly of the Minserve Group Pty Ltd and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears. Ken O'Reilly, a member of the AusIMM, is a coal geologist with 29 years' experience in the estimation of coal resources for projects in Australia, principally in the Bowen Basin of Queensland, but also in the Sydney and Gunnedah Basins of NSW. This experience is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration, and is more than adequate to qualify him as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code.