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Australian Pacific Coal Limited (ASX: AQC)

Appointment of Non-Executive Director

Australian Pacific Coal Limited is pleased to announce the appointment of The Hon. Shane L Stone AC QC as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

The appointment of Mr Stone will bring to the Board a person having a strong commercial and legal background and considerable experience in dealing with the Commonwealth and State governments. The Board considers that Mr Stone can provide valuable insights in connection with the Company's current plans and future developments.

He is an alumnus of the Australian National University, Melbourne University Law School, Adelaide and Sturt Universities and is a former Visiting Fellow at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law at the University of Cambridge. Mr Stone is a Fellow of the Financial Services Institute of Australasia, the Australian Institute of Company Directors and the Australian Institute of Management.

Mr Stone was the Federal President of the Liberal Party of Australia (1999 - 2005), Chief Minister of the Northern Territory (1995 - 1999) and was Australia's first named Minister for Asian Relations & Trade.

Mr Stone is an experienced Director of public and private companies in Australia and elsewhere. Mr Stone is Deputy Chairman of UK listed Impellam Group plc, which is the 2nd largest staffing business in the UK and the 6th largest managed services provider worldwide. He is also Chairman of the ASX listed Regalpoint Resources Limited.

We warmly welcome Mr Stone to the Board of the Company.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Ziegler

Chairman, Australian Pacific Coal Limited