



**GWA International Limited**  
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Dear Sir

**Appointment of Executive Director**

The Board of Directors today announced the appointment of the Company Secretary, Mr Richard Thornton, as an executive director of GWA International Limited, effective 6 May 2009.

Mr Thornton joined GWA International Limited in 2002 as Group Taxation Manager and Treasurer and was appointed Company Secretary in 2003. He is a Chartered Accountant and is experienced in accounting, taxation and finance through positions at Coopers & Lybrand, Citibank and Ernst & Young in Australia and overseas. Mr Thornton will continue in his role as Company Secretary following his appointment as an executive director.

The appointment of Mr Thornton continues the Board succession planning process, and follows the appointment of Dr Darryl McDonough as a non-executive director in February 2009. In accordance with the Board succession plans, Mr Jim Kennedy will be retiring from the Board at the Annual General Meeting in October 2009.

The GWA International Limited Board now comprises 9 directors, including 7 non-executive directors and 2 executive directors. Mr Thornton will hold office until the next Annual General Meeting on 30 October 2009 where he will be eligible for re-election.

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