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AIF AND PORT OF PORTLAND COMPLETE $50 MILLION DEBT REFINANCING

Australian Infrastructure Fund (AIF) and Port of Portland advised today that the refinancing of the Port of Portland debt facility had been successfully completed on favourable terms.

The new debt facility of $50 million will replace the existing $47 million facility following a competitive process and will provide up to $3 million available to shareholders by 30 June 2005.

AIF's Chief Operating Officer, Mitch King said, "The Hastings team has worked actively with Port of Portland management to deliver a good result for all investors. We are enthusiastic about further development opportunities at the Port and this facility provides flexibility to assist growth."

Mr King added, "This is the tenth refinancing in which AIF has participated with our partners and again demonstrates the value that Hastings' management adds".

AIF has a 50 percent beneficial interest in Port of Portland.

AIF provides the only listed access point for a diversified portfolio of transport assets.

Please see attached a press release from the Port of Portland.

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NEW DEBT FACILITY POSITIONS PORT OF PORTLAND FOR GROWTH

Port of Portland Pty Limited announced today that it has completed the refinancing of its debt facility. The existing $47 million facility (of which $3.5 million was undrawn) has been refinanced on favourable terms following a competitive tender process. The Port of Portland was advised by KPMG Corporate Finance.

The new facility, which comprises two tranches, has been jointly underwritten by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia and the National Australia Bank.

Tranche A is a $50 million facility which will be used to refinance the current facility in the short term. Additional drawings are available to fund future capital expenditure or to return capital to shareholders.

Tranche B is a $20 million capital expenditure facility which is available subject to certain conditions being met to fund future developments such as the proposed mineral sands facility for Iluka or facilities required to handle the proposed growth in hardwood chip exports via the Port.

Port of Portland Chief Executive Officer, Martin Norman said "I am very pleased to advise that the new debt facility not only provides structural flexibility and savings to the Port of Portland but also positions the Port to capitalise on significant near term growth opportunities including mineral sands and hardwood chip exports.

"Development of these new trades will further diversify the Port's businesses in addition to the current exposure to grain, softwood chips, logs, aluminium ingots, livestock, alumina, liquid pitch and fertiliser products."

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ABOUT THE PORT OF PORTLAND

The Port of Portland was privatised by the Victorian Government in March 1996. The Port is owned and operated by the Port of Portland Pty. Ltd. a private company which is ultimately owned by Utilities Trust of Australia (an unlisted infrastructure fund) and Australian Infrastructure Fund (a publicly listed infrastructure fund) both of which are managed by Hastings Funds Management.

The Port of Portland specialises in the storage and handling of bulk commodities and serves the region's rich agricultural, forestry, manufacturing and mining industries as well as regionally based aluminium and fertiliser producers. In excess of 4 million tonnes of product is transferred over the port's wharves each year.

The major products exported through the Port of Portland are grain (wheat, barley, canola & pulses) plantation pine woodchips and logs, aluminium ingots and livestock (sheep & cattle) whilst the major import commodities are alumina, liquid pitch and fertiliser products.

The Port is connected to all regions within mainland Australia by road and the national standard gauge rail network, which both bypass the City of Portland and allow 24-hour access and hassle free entrance to the port area.

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