



ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

A.B.C. LEARNING CENTRES LIMITED (“ABC”) (ASX:ABS)

APPOINTMENT OF VOLUNTARY ADMINISTRATOR

The Directors of ABC (ASX: ABS) (ABN 93 079 736 664) today announced the appointment of Peter Walker and Greg Moloney of Ferrier Hodgson as Voluntary Administrators of ABC and a number of its subsidiaries pursuant to Section 436A of the Corporations Act 2001.

The action was taken following the Directors careful review of the company’s future.

ABC Chairman, Mr David Ryan, said “the Board and current management team are disappointed to be in this position despite the efforts of so many staff and the continued support of parents. The management team have worked tirelessly over the past few weeks to ensure that families across Australia and New Zealand continue to have access to quality childcare”.

Subsequent to the appointment of administrators to ABC, the company’s banking syndicate appointed Chris Honey, Murray Smith and John Cronin of McGrathNicol as receivers of the companies set out in the attached schedule.

Trading in ABC’s securities will remain suspended.

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SCHEDULE 1

A.B.C. Developmental Learning Centres
Pty Limited ABN 82 010 788 502

Child Care Centres Australia Limited ABN
18 100 250 646

Peppercorn Holdings No.4 Pty Limited ABN
84 101 236 766

DPPA Pty Limited ACN 114 743 092

A.B.C. Early Childhood Training College
Pty Limited ABN 68 069 159 566

A.B.C. Corporate Care Pty Limited ABN 11
098 738 928

A.B.C. Land Holdings Pty Limited ABN 89
108 964 227

A.B.C. New Ideas Pty Limited ABN 83 112
237 377

Peppercorn Holdings No. 5 Pty Limited
ABN 42 103 201 136

Kids Campus (W.A.) Pty Limited ABN 45
112 150 099

Kids Campus Holdings Pty Limited ABN 62
107 379 751

Kids Campus Australia Pty Limited ABN 13
104 407 187

HCCS Operations Pty Limited ABN 18 097
846 707

A.B.C. USA Holdings Pty Limited ABN 37
121 360 147

A.B.C. Canadian Holdings Pty Ltd ACN 126
839 941

A.B.C. Education Services Pty Ltd ACN 107
310 743

A.B.C. Employment Services Pty Ltd ACN
130 442 394

A.B.C. European Holdings No. 1 Pty Ltd
ACN 122 710 123

A.B.C. European Holdings No. 2 Pty Ltd
ACN 122 710 132

A.B.C. European Holdings No. 3 Pty Ltd
ACN 128 132 829

A.B.C. Learning Centres Finance Pty Ltd
ACN 125 820 395

A.B.C. Queensland Pty Ltd ACN 129 029
769

A.B.C. USA Property Holdings No. 1 Pty
Ltd ACN 126 641 665

A.B.C. USA Property Holdings No. 2 Pty
Ltd ACN 126 641 674

Childcare Development Solutions Pty
Limited ACN 107 241 181 as trustee for the
Childcare Development Solutions Unit Trust

Flel Pty Limited ACN 096 172 075

FutureOne Pty Ltd ACN 009 221 470

Hutchinson's Child Care Services Ltd ACN
100 493 874

Kids Campus Limited ACN 009 815 472

Klendo Pty Ltd ACN 098 366 968

Marshen Pty Ltd ACN 101 400 104

Peppercorn Holdings No. 1 Pty Ltd ACN
095 599 250

Peppercorn Holdings No. 2 Pty Ltd ACN
099 074 781

Peppercorn Holdings No. 3 Pty Ltd ACN
100 679 374

Peppercorn Holdings No. 6 Pty Ltd ACN
103 210 751

Peppercorn Management Group Limited
ACN 087 155 860

Premier Early Learning Centres Pty Ltd
ACN 100 831 856

Select Child Care Management Pty Ltd
ACN 093 925 056