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RE: John Holland Awarded $152 Million Contract for Western Highway Upgrade in Victoria

Please find attached a copy of a media release to be issued today by John Holland Group Pty Ltd a wholly owned subsidiary of Leighton Holdings Limited.

Yours faithfully,

A.J. MOIR
Company Secretary
John Holland Awarded $152 Million Contract for Western Highway Upgrade in Victoria

Melbourne, 27 February 2012: John Holland has been awarded a $152 million contract for upgrades to 23 kilometres of the Western Highway between Burrambeet and Trawalla in Victoria.

The scope of works includes the construction of a fully divided four-lane road and a bypass to the south of the Trawalla township. The project will connect the existing work sites between Ballarat and Trawalla and is a major part of the broader Western Highway upgrade program between Ballarat and Stawell.

John Holland’s Group Managing Director, Glenn Palin, said: “John Holland is a leader in road construction, with a record of success in major road upgrade and development projects in Victoria. The award builds on our recent completion of the Anthonys Cutting Western Highway Realignment Project.”

David Moran, General Manager of John Holland’s Southern Region business, said: “The contract has been awarded on the strength of our project team and the innovative solutions developed to ensure the efficient delivery of works. We look forward to building our close relationship with VicRoads and the successful completion of this important project for regional Victoria.”

The Western Highway is the principal road link between Melbourne and Adelaide, facilitating interstate trade and transport support to the western district’s farming and manufacturing industries.

Construction works begin in April 2012 with completion expected in June 2014.

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About John Holland

John Holland, a wholly owned subsidiary of Leighton Holdings Limited (ASX: LEI), is one of Australia’s leading engineering, contracting and services providers to the infrastructure, energy and resources and transport services sectors. Operating across Australia and in New Zealand, South East Asia and the Middle East, John Holland’s business is driven by its collaborative approach to project delivery and its diversity of skills and capabilities. Its operating principles - *People, Performance, Partnerships and Profit* – are a key focus in the way John Holland conducts its business.

John Holland’s experience covers a wide range of contracting and services capabilities, from tunnelling, communications, building and civil construction solutions in the infrastructure sector to the delivery of major water and environment, energy, mining and minerals and industrial projects in the energy and resources sector. John Holland is also a leading provider of services to the transport sector, with industry leading skills in railway construction, operations and maintenance, aviation services and ports infrastructure and maintenance.

John Holland’s strength lies in its ability to deliver diverse, complex and challenging major projects, its partnership approach to client relationships and absolute commitment to people and careers. John Holland has over 60 years’ experience, work in hand of over $7 billion and over 8,500 people across Australia.