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Retirement and Appointment of Panel Counsel

The Panel announces that Mr Alan Shaw has decided to retire from the Panel, effective from 3 October 2016. Alan is retiring from the Panel to increase the level of pro bono legal work that he currently undertakes and to do charity work and occasional consulting engagements.

Alan has served over 9 years as Panel Counsel. During his period at the Panel, Alan has provided excellent legal advice to the Panel membership, such as advising in complicated and high profile cases including Qantas Airways, Leighton Holdings, Billabong International and Warrnambool Cheese and Butter. Alan was responsible for and showed great leadership in rewriting the Panel's policies and procedural rules to make them more accessible to all market participants.

"Last year's Panel survey reported that 89% of our stakeholders were satisfied with the Panel and 90% were satisfied with the Panel executive. Alan played a crucial role in achieving these outstanding results", said the Panel's President Vickki McFadden. "We will miss Alan greatly and wish him well in the consulting and charitable work he plans to undertake".

The Panel is pleased to announce that Mr Bruce Dyer will succeed Alan as Panel Counsel. Bruce is currently a Senior Consultant at Ashurst (and was a Partner at Ashurst from 2008-2015). He will continue to be a Professor of Practice (Law) at Monash University. Bruce was Panel Counsel from 2006-2007 and is a pre-eminent practitioner in takeovers, corporate and administrative law.

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