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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: MERMAID COMPLETES PURCHASE OF INTEGRATED VESSEL BUSINESS

The directors of Mermaid Marine Australia Ltd (MMA) wish to advise that settlement on the remaining two vessels which were purchased from Integrated Group Ltd (IGL), the Total Endeavour and Total Resource, was completed on Friday, 7 April 2006.

The Company is pleased to report that all five vessels purchased from IGL have gone immediately into work with clients.

The additions will increase MMA's existing fleet numbers by 20% to a total of 24. The new vessels will give MMA a valuable operating advantage, providing our clients with additional flexibility and backup which is a critical element of differentiation in the market. The North West Shelf is expanding rapidly and the additional resources are of immediate use to meet the growing demand for quality offshore vessels in the region.

By order of the Board
MERMAID MARINE AUSTRALIA LIMITED

PETER RAYNOR
Company Secretary