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The Manager ASX Announcements

The Board of Treasury Group Limited (ASX Code "TRG") is pleased to advise that TRG has exercised an option to acquire a further 6% of the issued capital of Orion Asset Management (Aust) Pty Limited ("Orion").

This further acquisition increases the total interest of TRG in Orion from 35.9% to 41.9%. The acquisition of the additional 6% is in accordance with the Call Option Deed dated 19th November 2002 between TRG and Orion. The Deed allows TRG to increase its shareholding in Orion up to 49%. Further details will be provided in the TRG Annual Report for 2006.

Orion, which commenced operations in early 2003, has over \$3.3 billion in funds under management. During the 2 ½ years since formation, Orion has successfully established:

- A strong and competitive performance track record
- A distinctive investment philosophy and process
- A diverse and growing base of institutional clients
- An important retail alliance with Challenger Financial Services

Orion received the Morningstar award as "Emerging Fund Manager of the Year" for 2004.

Orion is well positioned for continued growth in its business with the foundations for a sustainable long term funds management business now in place. Treasury Group Limited continues to provide back office support such as financial, accounting, legal and compliance services.

The Board of Treasury Group Limited fully endorses this additional investment in Orion which is expected to contribute positively to shareholder value and growth in the future.

Should you have any queries on this or any other Treasury Group announcement, please contact me on 02 8243 0400.

Yours faithfully

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