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Dear Sir,

CANNAE CAPITAL PARTNERS: NEW AUSTRALIAN EQUITIES MANAGER FOR TREASURY GROUP

Treasury Group is pleased to announce that it has entered into agreements to establish a new boutique asset manager to be known as Cannae Capital Partners.

Hugh Giddy will head the Cannae team. He has more than 16 years' investment experience, most recently in his capacity as portfolio manager at Perennial Value Management. Hugh is joined by portfolio managers Andrew Forster and David Greer. Andrew has eight years' experience and prior to joining Cannae was a portfolio manager at Deutsche Asset Management. David also has eight years' experience, coming to Cannae from Macquarie Equities. The team will be fully resourced from the outset, comprising a further portfolio manager, a dealer and support staff.

Cannae will invest in Australian and New Zealand equities.

Treasury Group managing director, David Cooper, said that Giddy's enviable track record coupled with the quality and depth of the Cannae team made the deal a natural fit for Treasury Group. "Hugh and his team are an exciting addition to the group. Australian equities remain the most significant asset class for institutional investors, and there is continuing demand for quality boutique investment teams."

Hugh Giddy commented, "I am a firm believer that a boutique staffed by a team of excellent stockpickers can add a lot of value for investors over the long term. It is a privilege to have a group of several experienced investment professionals with me and to have the backing and support of an organization with the pedigree of Treasury Group. We expect to start speaking to potential clients in September."

The business will be operational from September 2007. Cannae Capital Partners will become the third broad-based Australian equities manager associated with Treasury Group, along with Investors Mutual and Orion Asset Management.

David Cooper
Managing Director