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## Leighton Contractors part of NZ\$250M Auckland Road Maintenance Alliance

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Leighton Contractors, a key member of the Auckland Road Maintenance Alliance, will provide maintenance services for one third of Auckland City Council's road infrastructure including the city's Central Business District.

With a project value of NZ\$250 million, the Auckland Road Maintenance Alliance contract commences on 1 July 2008 and covers a five year period until 30 June 2013.

The Alliance team including Auckland City Council, Leighton Contractors, Blacktop Construction Limited and MWH New Zealand Limited will be responsible for works previously provided under a number of separate contracts. It will undertake all the physical on-road maintenance and renewal programmes, design safety improvements, provide all the professional services, as well as assisting Auckland City Council secure the funds for the work.

Peter McMorro, Managing Director of Leighton Contractors, said that the formation of the Auckland Road Maintenance Alliance will create a united team focused on providing better value for money and improving the performance of Auckland's vital road infrastructure at an accelerated rate.

"Working in an Alliance creates an environment where the individual strengths of all partners are fully captured and integrated, enhancing the overall result. We look forward to working collaboratively with Auckland City Council, Blacktop Construction and MWH New Zealand to deliver a high quality service to the people of Auckland," Mr McMorro said.



Leighton Contractors to date has participated in over 20 alliances to deliver construction and mining projects across Australia and New Zealand, with a capital value over A\$4.5 billion.

Robert Jones, New Zealand Manager for Leighton Contractors, said the Auckland Road Maintenance Alliance was the first of its kind in New Zealand.

“The innovative approach taken by Auckland City Council to create this Alliance provides an opportunity for Leighton Contractors to showcase skills beyond the design and construction of major infrastructure projects and demonstrate our capability in delivering high quality maintenance services,” Mr Jones said.

Leighton Contractors proven track record in maintaining and operating major road infrastructure includes the Cross City Tunnel, Eastern Distributor and Westlink M7 in Sydney and is soon to include the North South Bypass Tunnel and Gateway Bridge in Brisbane.

Leighton Contractors is one of Australia’s leading construction, mining, services and telecommunications groups with over \$9 billion work in hand, employing more than 8,000 people across Australia and New Zealand.

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