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MEDIA STATEMENT

Link Group confirms new super administration agreement

Sydney, 23 September 2014 – Leading superannuation administration specialist, Link Group, today confirmed it has entered into a Heads of Agreement with five superannuation funds to provide member administration services to those funds, and the ancillary purchase of Superpartners subject to final due diligence.

The five funds – AustralianSuper, HOSTPLUS, HESTA, Cbus and MTAA Super – are currently administered by Superpartners, an administration firm which they jointly own.

Under the Heads of Agreement, each fund will negotiate a separate arrangement with Australian Administration Services (AAS) to provide a range of ongoing superannuation administration services.

AAS is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Link Group, and sits within Link's Superannuation Administration business.

Each fund will transition onto Link Group's market-leading aaspire system, which currently supports over 50 corporate, government and industry super funds.

John McMurtrie, Managing Director of Link Group said: "This is an exciting development for Link Group and will allow us to provide even greater efficiencies and benefits of scale to all of our superannuation clients. The proposed deal will allow the incoming super funds to focus on serving their members, while Link provides administration services that are agile and scalable to meet the evolving needs of the funds and their members."

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About Link Group

Link Group is a global third party financial record keeper active in the securities registration, superannuation administration and property sectors, along with providing a suite of value added services. In Australia alone, Link Group manages over 15 million account records and processes more than 60 billion dollars in payments every year.

Link Group comprises four core businesses: Superannuation Administration, Corporate Markets, Information & Data Services, and Property Services. Link Group's Superannuation Administration business is Australia's most innovative superannuation administration provider, providing services to more than 50 funds, 4.4 million members, and over 350,000 employers. Link Group's Information & Data Services business provides specialist technology and software solutions, including market-leading data analytics solutions through subsidiary Empirics. Link Group's Corporate Markets business is a global share registry and investor relations business supporting over 1,000 listed companies, including a number of Australia's largest companies, and globally manages in excess of 22 million shareholders.