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### **Appointment of Non-executive director**

The Chairman of SKILLED Group Limited, Mr Ken V. Loughnan AO, today announced the appointment of Mr Peter Gregg to the Board as an independent non-executive director effective today.

Mr Gregg has had a long and distinguished career in finance and strategy and until recently he was Chief Financial Officer, Executive General Manager Strategy and a Director at Qantas Airways Ltd. In this role he was responsible for finance, strategy, investor relations and group functions including information technology, procurement and shared services. Prior to joining Qantas, Mr Gregg was Treasurer at Australian Airlines and worked in various risk management roles for the Queensland Government. He is currently a non-executive director at Leighton Holdings Ltd and Stanwell Corporation Limited.

Commenting on the appointment Mr Loughnan said:

“On behalf our shareholders, I am delighted to welcome Peter to the Board. His considerable background in finance, strategy and information technology adds to the Board’s depth of experience and expertise whilst bringing a fresh perspective to the team. As Australia’s leading staffing services provider and a key staffing supplier to the international offshore oil and gas industry, SKILLED Group has an exciting future. This is Peter’s first Board appointment since he retired from Qantas and I know he will be a valuable addition as we continue to grow the business and deliver shareholder returns.”

Mr Gregg said:

“SKILLED is a dynamic, fast growing Australian company and I am very pleased to join the Board. The staffing services sector is still in its infancy in Australia and there are many untapped opportunities to continue to grow the business. I am confident that my skills and expertise are a good fit with the Company and will enable me to make a worthwhile contribution to the business. I look forward to working with my fellow Directors to drive the business forward to the next level and create strong and sustainable shareholder value.”

The appointment of Mr Gregg will bring the number of SKILLED Group Directors to eight, comprising of five non-executive directors and three executive directors.

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#### **About SKILLED Group**

SKILLED Group Limited is Australia and New Zealand’s leading provider of labour hire and staffing services. SKILLED Group has over 160 offices across Australasia with annualised revenues over \$2 billion. SKILLED partners with clients to improve their workforce efficiency and increase their productivity levels and provides staffing services to the industrial, call centre and healthcare sectors. SKILLED is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX: SKE) and has approximately 6,200 shareholders, predominantly in Australia.