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CORPORATE EXPRESS AUSTRALIA CEO RESIGNS

Corporate Express Australia Limited's board today announced that Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director, Grant Harrod, has tendered his resignation as a director and employee of the Company.

The Corporate Express Board is commencing work to establish a successor to Grant which will involve both internal and external candidates.

Corporate Express Chairman Dr Ian Pollard indicated that Grant will remain as CEO until shortly after the release of the Company's 2008 results, scheduled to occur in mid March 2009, which will provide opportunity for a seamless transition.

"The Board of Directors would like to thank Grant for his 13 years of outstanding service to the Company, 6 and a half years of which have been as CEO. Grant has made an important contribution to the growth and ongoing success of Corporate Express. We wish him well in his future endeavours outside our industry", said Dr Pollard.

Mr Harrod said, "I am delighted that the business has the right plans and great people in place to deal with a changing world, and to retain our market leadership position.

"During my tenure, I have enjoyed tremendous support from all of our people, our board, my senior executive team, our shareholders, customers and suppliers for which I am very grateful", said Mr Harrod.

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