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## **QMASTOR to provide a comprehensive bulk terminal management software solution to third coal export terminal for the Port of Newcastle**

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The Directors of QMASTOR Limited (ASX:QML) are pleased to announce that Newcastle Coal Infrastructure Group (NCIG) has selected QMASTOR to provide QMASTOR's full suite of bulk terminal management systems including Pit to Port.net, SMS3D.net, Horizon Advanced Planning and Scheduling (APS) and iFuse systems at their new export coal export terminal. The scope covers software licensing, project services, software maintenance and support with the majority of revenue to be received in the 09/10 financial year.

QMASTOR will supply NCIG with a bulk terminal management system that will form a mission critical component of the coal export terminal's core operations. Functionality provided by QMASTOR includes: core supply chain modelling, supplying mine nominations and interactions, transportation / logistics scheduling and tracking; stockyard inventory management including advanced 3D stockpile modelling; terminal task and route management; delay management; shipping and marine management; shipping documentation; advanced planning and scheduling; and systems integration including: terminal equipment via historian (OSIsoft Pi), laboratories, 3<sup>rd</sup> party rail systems, maintenance system.

Trent Bagnall, Managing Director of QMASTOR Limited stated "QMASTOR welcomes the opportunity to partner with NCIG on this significant project. Our mining supply chain management systems suite will provide best practice in bulk terminal management for NCIG.

This contract, combined with our recent win at Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal (DBCT) at the Port of Hay Point, signifies that QMASTOR is the preferred vendor for bulk terminal management systems at both of Australia's most prominent coal export ports. We expect to leverage these sites as case studies to extend our presence in this sector both domestically and internationally. QMASTOR has a number of existing relationships with members of the consortia including BHP Billiton and Peabody and we hope this will build stronger relationships with these existing customers and other members of the consortia."

### **About QMASTOR Limited**

QMASTOR Limited (ASX: QML) is a market leader in the provision of specialist management information systems and services to the global mining, port, power generation and other bulk commodity industries. QMASTOR has pioneered innovative solutions to empower clients to improve their operations and maximise profit through the efficient use of resources across the supply chain.

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## **About NCIG**

Newcastle Coal Infrastructure Group (NCIG) comprises a group of six companies in the Hunter Valley Region that has formed a consortium. The group includes BHP Billiton, Centennial Coal, Peabody Pacific, Donaldson Coal, Whitehaven Coal and Felix Resources.

NCIG is implementing construction and operation of a new 30Mtpa Coal Export Terminal (CET) at Kooragang Island in Newcastle, NSW, Australia. The terminal is planned to commence operations in 2009/2010.

Construction of the new coal terminal on Kooragang Island will significantly increase the export capacity of the Hunter Valley coal chain which is currently around 95 Million tonnes per annum.