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# MEDIA RELEASE

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## END OF AN ERA: AUSTRALIAN PORK CHAIRMAN RESIGNS

Mr Enzo Allara AM has resigned as Chairman of the Australian Pork Limited Board, effective 30 June 2018.

Mr Allara has been involved with the food and grocery industries in Australia and internationally for over 40 years, knowledge he has used to help guide the Australian pork industry through both good and bad times over his thirteen-year stewardship.

Mr Allara, who has held the specialist director position since 2004, advised APL Board directors of his resignation at the June Board meeting, to focus on other pursuits.

Mr Allara's resignation is part of a strategic and planned Board succession process and he insists that proper Board succession is part of good corporate governance and he believes that he has left the Board in capable hands.

"It is a challenging time. With change comes new perspectives and ideas. It is important that as an industry we continue to move forward and we are very fortunate to have very skilled individuals willing to come on board. I'm happy to still be around such a great industry, through my role as Chairman of Sunpork Pty Limited," Mr Allara said.

"Enzo's contribution to the Australia Pork industry has been phenomenal. His commitment to our producers is to be commended and his patience and wisdom on the Board will be missed as we enter this new era," said Mr Andrew Spencer, APL Chief Executive Officer.

The Board has appointed Mr David Lock to fill the vacancy arising from Mr Allara's resignation, with the Board also appointing Mr Lock as Chairman. Mr Lock's appointment as Director and Chair is to be ratified at the industry's general meeting in November 2018. Mr Lock is currently Chairman of Mareterram Limited and Deputy Chairman of the Water Corporation as well as having over 13 years' experience in executive roles in large, diverse agribusinesses. He also holds a number of other non-executive roles.

"I thank Mr Allara for his diligence in getting me up to speed and I will continue his hard work. The pork industry in Australia is currently experiencing very challenging times. My role, and the role of APL, is to listen to producers and work with them to try to improve the industry in the short term and to position it to be successful in the longer term. I am looking forward to meeting all stakeholders and working with them, the Board and APL to deliver a great future for the industry," Mr Lock said.

On behalf of the Board and staff of APL, and the Australian pork industry, APL thanks Mr Allara for his continuous effort and courage during his time as Chairman and wishes him all the best for his future endeavours.

A brief biography on Mr Enzo Allara and Mr David Lock is attached.

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## **Biographies**

### **Mr Enzo Allara AM**

#### *Outgoing Chairman*

Mr Allara has been involved in the food and grocery industry both in Australia and internationally for over 40 years with most of that time being with the Unilever Group of companies. His previous roles include Chairman CPC/AJI Asia in Hong Kong and Chairman of Unilever Australasia.

Mr Allara is currently Chairman of Sunpork Fresh Foods and Swickers Kingaroy Bacon Factory Pty Limited. He has served on numerous Industry and Government bodies including the Prime Minister's Supermarket to Asia Council, as well as Chairman of the Australian Food and Grocery Council.

In June 2012, Mr Allara was awarded the member in the general division in the Order of Australia (AM) for service to the community through executive roles with Foodbank Australia, and to the food manufacturing and processing industry.

### **Mr David Lock**

#### *Interim Chairman*

Mr Lock is an agribusiness professional with over 13 years in CEO/MD roles in large, diverse agribusinesses. He is a professional director, holding the position of chairman and non-executive director for several entities. Since 1 January 2016, Mr Lock has been Managing Director and CEO of Mareterram Limited, an ASX listed company which owns the majority of quota in the Shark Bay Prawn Fishery as well as a seafood import and distribution business operating nationally in Australia.

He has previously worked for Coopers & Lybrand (now PwC) in Australia, Canada and the UK, primarily in the insolvency and restructuring business, across many industries including agriculture, steel milling, coal mining, scrap metal and banking. Mr Lock has previously held the position of CEO at Craig Mostyn Group, a multi-million-dollar turnover private company which operates a paddock to plate pork business, which processes 98% of western Australians pigs, and includes a rendering business which processes over 150000 tonnes per annum and a seafood import, export and processing business.

Mr Lock is currently Chairman of the Western Australian Meat Industry Authority and Deputy Chairman of Water Corporation. He sits on the Curtin Business School Advisory Council and on the Department of Primary Industries' Market Access to Asia Council.