

Appointment of Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary

Brisbane, 24 August 2005: Austin Engineering Limited (ASX Trading code: **ANG**) announced today that Mr. Johan Andersson has been appointed Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary.

Johan, 39, has previously held the positions of CFO for Mannesmann-Rexroth AG in P.R. of China and Financial Controller for Bosch-Rexroth AG in Germany and Sweden for a period of over 10 years.

During his time with Bosch-Rexroth AG, a leading global supplier of systems and services for hydraulic, electric, pneumatic and mechanical drive and control technology for factory automation and mobile applications, Johan has been deeply involved with manufacturing entities serving a variety of industries such as automotive, heavy, mining, machine tooling, material handling, food and packaging, plastics and semiconductor. The annual sales for Bosch-Rexroth AG were in 2004 approximately 4.1 billion Euro.

Austin Engineering's CEO, Michael Buckland stated that Mr. Andersson's international experience and prior exposure fostering and monitoring growth strategies for various manufacturing entities within a multinational engineering group would fit very well with the Company's current growth plans.

Mr Andersson holds a Bachelor of Business in Accounting from Stockholm School of Economics and a MBA from University of Stockholm.

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About Austin Engineering: Austin Engineering Limited is an engineering company with manufacturing facilities in Brisbane and Perth. The Brisbane facility provides fabrication facilities servicing the mining, oil, gas and industrial sectors. Key product lines include structural steel, piping, mineral processing equipment, potshells and superstructures. The Perth facility (formerly Johns Engineering) designs and manufactures products used in the resources industry including dump truck bodies, excavator buckets, materials handling equipment and large service vehicles. Austin own rights to innovative welding processes which are being introduced to improve welding productivity, coupled with robotic applications to suit product lines, general fabrications and any repetitive production processes.