

Austin's Chilean Operations Unaffected by Earthquake

Brisbane, 1 March 2010: Austin Engineering Limited (ASX trading code: **ANG**) today advises that its facilities based in Antofagasta in Northern Chile have been unaffected by the earthquake that took place in Chile on 27 February 2010. The Antofagasta facility is based around 1,100km northwest of Santiago and some 1,400km northwest of the centre of the earthquake. Productive operations are also not expected to be affected by the earthquake, with miners in the Northern Chile region not having reported any significant damage to their mines.

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About Austin Engineering: Austin Engineering Limited is an engineering company with manufacturing facilities in Australia, the Americas and the Middle East. The Australian facilities manufacture, assemble and overhaul products used in the mining and resources sector. Key product lines include dump truck bodies, large service vehicles, excavator buckets, materials handling equipment, mineral processing equipment as well as large structural steel projects. The USA facility (Westech) based in Casper, Wyoming, services the North and South American mining markets and is an industry-leading designer and manufacturer of specialised lightweight dump truck bodies. The Chile operation (Austin Engineering Chile) manufactures dump truck bodies and other mining products for the South American market. The Middle East operation principally services the aluminium smelter industries in the region. Austin also own rights to innovative welding processes which have been introduced to improve welding productivity as well as robotic applications to suit product lines, general fabrications and any repetitive production processes.