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AJ LUCAS ANNOUNCES AWARD OF CONTRACTS TOTALLING \$66 MILLION

AJ Lucas Group Limited (ASX:AJL) (**Lucas**) refers to its announcement on 13 June 2013 in which it advised that it was negotiating contracts for three projects within its Engineering and Construction Division (LEC).

Lucas is pleased to advise that it has successfully secured all of these contracts as follows:

- Construction and installation of gas gathering pipelines in Central Queensland totalling 32km in length;
- Construction and installation of a 5.5km gas pipeline between Tomago and Hexham including 2.6km of horizontal directional drilling to traverse the Hunter River and an industrial area;
- Construction and installation of gas (53.6km) and water (24.5km) trunklines in the northern region of the Queensland Curtis LNG Project (as previously announced on 18 June 2013).

The total value of the Lucas share of these contracts is approximately \$66 million.

Lucas CEO, Allan Campbell, said: "We are very pleased to have been awarded these contracts which demonstrate our strong capability in the provision of infrastructure for the oil and gas and water industries.

"The Lucas pipeline and HDD operations are now being managed from our Brisbane office, which reflects our key focus on the energy sector in Queensland. Lucas is engaged in a number of contracts in this sector and, following the recent restructuring of our balance sheet, is well positioned for the award of further works as the various LNG export projects move towards commissioning."

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About AJ Lucas Group Limited

Lucas is a leading provider of specialist infrastructure, construction and drilling services to the energy, water and waste water, resources and public infrastructure sectors. In particular, it is the largest supplier of drilling and gas management services to Australia's coal industry. Other divisions provide construction and civil engineering services.

AJ Lucas is also a proven developer of unconventional hydrocarbon properties. Current investments include a 44% shareholding in Cuadrilla Resources, an exploration and production company focused on unconventional hydrocarbons, and direct interests of 18.75% of the Bowland and 25% of the Weald shale basin prospects in respectively North West and South East England. Past projects successfully developed and exited include the Company's investments in Gloucester Basin, Sydney Gas, ATP651 in Queensland's Surat Basin and a 6.25% interest in the Bowland prospect.