



DANKS HOLDINGS LIMITED  
ABN 81 004 295 532

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**DANKS HOLDINGS APPOINTS NEW NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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Danks Holdings Limited (DKS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr **Joe Barberis** to the Board as a Non-Executive Director effective from 1 September 2008.

Mr Barberis has held a number of senior management positions during his extensive career, the most recent being as Managing Director of Officeworks, with responsibility for the Officeworks retail business of over 110 stores Australia wide.

Prior to Officeworks he held the position of Managing Director, Coles Express, and was instrumental in the successful implementation of the Coles Express brand in Australia.

Mr Barberis also has over 20 years experience with the Shell Company of Australia where he held a number of senior positions, including General Manager of Shell's retail businesses in Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands.

The Board of Danks Holdings believe Mr Barberis' skills in retailing, franchising and property will be particularly relevant to the Danks business, and will complement those of existing Directors.

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Further information on John Danks & Son Pty Ltd. can be found on our internet site: [www.danks.com.au](http://www.danks.com.au)

Danks commenced trading as John Danks & Son Pty Ltd in 1859 and celebrates its 150<sup>th</sup> year in 2009. It currently operates Distribution Centres in Melbourne, Sydney and Perth servicing all states in Australia. There are also State offices in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

Danks provides the product and Retailer Services requirements for HoME Timber & Hardware, Thrifty-Link Hardware and Plants Plus Garden Centres, a total of more than 680 stores, who are all independently owned and operated, plus over one thousand other independent retailers.

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