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## MEDIA ARTICLE – BEST TRACTOR PARTS

Ausdrill refers to the article in the "Street Talk" section of today's *Australian Financial Review* in respect of a potential acquisition by Ausdrill of Best Tractor Parts.

Ausdrill confirms that it is in discussions with advisors appointed by the Best Tractor Parts group in respect of a potential transaction and is currently conducting due diligence investigations in relation to the companies and businesses within the Best Tractor Parts group (which includes a number of divisions including the division referred to in the "Street Talk" article). The due diligence has not been completed and Ausdrill has not made a decision on whether or not to proceed with this acquisition.

While due diligence and negotiations are continuing, Ausdrill does not currently have exclusive rights to conduct due diligence and the owners of the Best Tractor Parts group may also be in discussions with other parties.

The price and terms of any potential transaction are still subject to negotiation and any transaction would be subject to a number of conditions precedent including arranging appropriate financing.

The Best Tractor Parts group is one of a number of potential transactions that Ausdrill is currently considering. Ausdrill regularly examines new acquisition opportunities which may relate to existing businesses or to new areas of operation for Ausdrill. This may lead to changes in the source of Ausdrill's earnings and variability in earnings over time.

Ausdrill will update the market if binding arrangements are entered into in respect of the Best Tractor Parts group transaction or any other potential material transaction.

### *About Ausdrill*

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