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Appointment of New Director

Boart Longyear Limited (ASX: BLY) today announces the appointment of Roy Alexander Franklin, OBE, as a director of the Company effective 15 October 2010.

Mr. Franklin is currently Chairman of the Board for Keller Group PLC (London Stock Exchange) and a director of Santos Ltd (ASX) and Statoil ASA (Oslo Stock Exchange). He previously held directorships on a number of other corporate boards, including International Energy Group, and Novera Energy.

Mr. Franklin also served as chief executive of Paladin Resources from 1997 to 2006 and Clyde Petroleum from 1991 to 1997 and held a number of executive roles with British Petroleum earlier in his career. Mr. Franklin is based out of England and received his Bachelor of Science in Geology from the University of Southampton.

"Roy brings a wealth of global business experience to our Board. His knowledge of capital intensive industries and familiarity with a number of the regions in which we operate brings significant value to shareholders, the Boart Longyear Board and the executive team" said Chairman David McLemore. "We are excited to add his skills and perspective to our Board."

About Boart Longyear

Boart Longyear is a 120-year-old global mineral exploration company headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah and listed on the ASX (Australian Securities Exchange) in Australia. Regional offices and operations are located in Asia Pacific, North and South America, Europe and Africa. Boart Longyear is the leading provider of mineral exploration services and drilling products for the global mining industry and also has a substantial drilling presence for water exploration, environmental sampling, energy, and oil sands exploration.

With 2009 sales of US\$978 million and over 8,500 employees worldwide, Boart Longyear conducts contract drilling services in more than 40 countries, and provides mining products to customers in over 100 countries.

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