

ASX Announcement
October 7, 2010



AWE appoints new Director

The Board of AWE Limited today announced the appointment of a new Independent Non-Executive Director, Dr Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis.

Dr Braach-Maksvytis has forged a distinguished scientific career in technology, spanning interests across the areas of research, business, science, commercialisation, community partnerships and the mentoring of young entrepreneurs and senior executives.

Vijoleta is 53 years old and holds an Honours degree in biochemistry and chemistry from the University of NSW and a PhD in Biophysics from the University of Sydney. She has held numerous board positions focused on the commercialisation of technology, was previously Chairman of Melbourne Ventures Pty Ltd and is currently a Non-Executive Director of Orbital Corporation Limited.

The Appendix 3X is for Dr Braach-Maksvytis is attached.

Commenting on the appointment, incoming Chairman Bruce Phillips said:

“The appointment of Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis to the board of AWE today is another important step in the evolution of AWE as an energy provider.

“Conventional oil and gas companies like AWE face growing technological and environmental challenges as the demands and expectations of the broader community in which we operate continue to change over time.

“Vijoleta’s talent, experience and her network of international contacts in the scientific community provide AWE’s board and management with a highly regarded and skilled mentor to help navigate the technological trends emerging in the international energy marketplace.”

For information please see our website www.awexplore.com or contact:

Bruce Phillips
Non-Executive Director
AWE Limited
Phone: +61 2 8912 8000

Garry Marsden
Corporate Development Manager
Mobile: 0400 040 106
garry.marsden@awexplore.com



Appendix 3X

Initial Director's Interest Notice

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 30/9/2001.

Name of entity	AWE Limited
ABN	70 077 897 440

We (the entity) give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

Name of Director	Dr Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis
Date of appointment	7 October 2010

Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (i) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Number & class of securities
Nil

Appendix 3X
Initial Director's Interest Notice

Part 2 – Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

Name of holder & nature of interest	Number & class of Securities
Note: Provide details of the circumstances giving rise to the relevant interest.	
Nil	

Part 3 – Director's interests in contracts

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (ii) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Detail of contract	Not Applicable
Nature of interest	
Name of registered holder (if issued securities)	
No. and class of securities to which interest relates	

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.