

## Media Release

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### ProjectCentre selected to assist in Christchurch earthquake rebuild

ProjectCentre has secured a contract to assist in the \$NZ2.2 billion to \$NZ2.7 billion rebuilding of major infrastructure in Christchurch, following the devastating earthquakes that have ravaged New Zealand's second largest city.

Leading New Zealand and Australian internet project management company, ProjectCentre, today announced it had been hand-picked to provide vital project management information services for the complex rebuild task, which is believed to be the most extensive construction project in New Zealand's history.

The Company will join forces with major contractors including Fulton Hogan, Downer, MacDow, Fletcher Construction and City Care, in a unique alliance, known as the *Stronger Christchurch Infrastructure Rebuild Team*, that has been formed to undertake the critical infrastructure works. The works will have an estimated cost up to \$A2.0bn (\$NZ2.7bn), and will take between five and eight years to complete.

The alliance also includes key representation from the clients Christchurch City Council, CERA (Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority) and NZTA (NZ Transport Agency).

"This contract is a significant milestone for the Company and truly establishes us as a leader in our field of expertise both in Australia and New Zealand," ProjectCentre CEO Mr Kevin Davis said today.

"The decision to award this contract also underscores ProjectCentre's record of success over the past few years as the leading provider of project management information systems for critical government funded programs of work," he said.

"It reinforces ProjectCentre's reputation in this area, following our successes from 2008 to 2010, when we were selected to provide a similar suite of project management software tools to support the roll out and management of the Federal Government's \$15bn *Building the Education Revolution* infrastructure stimulus program in Australia, and also for the Australian Department of Defence's *Enhanced Land Forces* program."

Mr Davis said ProjectCentre will be supporting the alliance to deliver what is believed to be the largest portfolio of works in New Zealand.

He said the alliance required a specialized suite of products that only ProjectCentre was capable of delivering. These requirements were only able to be met through the underlying methodologies inherent within ProjectCentre; a fully collaborative platform, unique forum technology and tiered security access.

Combined with the ProjectCentre rapid integrated implementation plan and enviable track record in Government projects, this ensured that all the alliance's requirements were identified and met.

Mr Davis said ProjectCentre will gather, track and report project-related data about the cost, contractual payments, and progress of completion of the rebuild works program, using its unique integrated document management, communications, contracts administration system.

ProjectCentre NZ Regional Manager, Mr Darrell Taylor, said: "ProjectCentre is particularly proud to be supporting the *alliance* between CERA, Christchurch City Council and NZTA in conjunction with Downer, MacDow, Fulton Hogan, Fletcher and City Care.

"This contract validates our project delivery philosophy of maintaining accountability, transparency, and disclosure among all project stakeholders – a factor that all these key stakeholders recognize is critical when projects involve taxpayers money."

### **About ProjectCentre**

ProjectCentre provides a web-based collaborative project delivery system, which manages the time, cost and quality of construction projects with full project management, document control, contract administration, and extensive project reporting.

The Company delivers leading collaboration systems for the construction industry within Australia and New Zealand.

One of the advantages it holds over its competitors is that its system provides "live" reporting on every key decision and transaction made during the construction of any project – big or small.

In 2010, ProjectCentre was selected by the Australian Defence Department as an approved supplier of project management information systems for its major projects.

ProjectCentre was named a *BRW* Fast 100 Company 2009 by influential business magazine, *BRW*. It was also named Deloitte Tech Fast 50 winner for two consecutive years in 2009 and 2010.

ProjectCentre's revenue grew by 73% over the past three years ranking it as the 36th fastest growing company in Australia.

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