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Mining Sector Drives Construction 100

Cordell Information and the Housing Industry Association today released the annual **Housing Industry Association-Cordell Construction 100.** The report presents in-depth analysis of the engineering construction and non-residential building sectors and profiles the largest 100 companies operating in these sectors.

HIA's Chief Economist, Harley Dale, said that 2011/12 provided a year of mixed results for Australia's construction industry: "Mining and civil engineering construction posted strong results. However, other sectors were less impressive and work fell over the year in the multi-unit and community sectors. Overall, the positive influence of the mining sector outweighed the negatives and the total value of construction work done increased by 18.1 per cent in 2011/12 to $155.4 billion."

"Australia's largest 100 construction contractors and non-residential builders were awarded contracts for construction work worth $70.9 billion in 2011/12. This result represents 57 per cent of the total value of construction work commenced," said Harley Dale.

John Holland Group topped the Construction 100 list for 2011/12 with contracts for construction work worth $7.09 billion being awarded during the year.

"The common thread across all companies at the top of the Construction 100 list is a strong presence in the mining, civil engineering, and community construction sectors, with John Holland Group this year standing out from the pack in terms of this diversification," said Harley Dale.

Around 56 per cent of the value of contracts won by John Holland Group was for civil engineering construction work ($3.97 billion). Community construction accounted for a further 24.9 per cent ($1.77 billion), while mining construction was the third largest contributor with 14.5 per cent ($1.03 billion).

Leighton Contractors were the second largest contractor of 2011/2 having been awarded contracts for a total of $6.50 billion of construction. **Thiess** was ranked third with $4.54 billion of contracts secured.

"The high value of projects in the mining sector meant the geographic distribution of construction work was skewed towards Australia's resource-rich states. However, it may surprise some that the value of work commenced in Queensland topped Western Australia in 2011/12."

"Queensland took top spot with a total of $42.3 billion of non-residential construction work commenced in 2011/12, compared to Western Australia with $31.3 billion," added Harley Dale.

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For a copy of the full HIA-Cordell Construction 100 2011/12 Report (media only), please contact Kirsten Lewis on 0402 208 321 or k.lewis@hia.com.au. To order a copy of the full report please go to http://economics.hia.com.au

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LARGEST 20 NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS								
		2011/12 contracts won, by type of work, $million						
Rank	Company	CIVIL ENGINEERING	COMMERCIAL	COMMUNITY	FLATS & UNITS	INDUSTRIAL	MINING	Grand Total
1	JOHN HOLLAND GROUP	$3,971	$322	$1,770			$1,032	$7,094
2	LEIGHTON	$2,587	$80	$2,050	$87	$141	$1,555	$6,500
3	THIESS PTY LTD	$1,158		$230		$22	$3,130	$4,540
4	DOWNER EDI LIMITED	$158		$1,000		$1	$3,369	$4,528
5	BAULDERSTONE PTY LTD	$2,741	$10	$1,385	$12	$50		$4,198
6	INPEX BROWSE LTD						$3,512	$3,512
7	BROOKFIELD MULTIPLEX	$204	$1,375	$1,056	$387	$46		$3,069
8	ABIGROUP CONTRACTORS PTY LTD	$1,692	$279	$10	$25	$7	$159	$2,172
9	HANSEN YUNCKEN PTY LTD	$29	$372	$1,492		$157	$46	$2,097
10	MONADELPHOUS ENGINEERING	$26					$1,604	$1,630
11	LAING O'ROURKE AUSTRALIA	$160	$55	$530		$18	$778	$1,541
12	GHELLA	$1,500						$1,500
13	MACMAHON CONTRACTORS	$491				$104	$739	$1,334
14	GROCON PTY LTD		$300	$1,012				$1,312
15	LEND LEASE GROUP	$196	$730	$144	$196	$4		$1,269
16	MCCONNELL DOWELL CORPORATION LTD	$77					$1,060	$1,137
17	HUTCHINSON BUILDERS	$65	$386	$112	$440	$11	$80	$1,095
18	MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL						$1,086	$1,086
19	WATPAC AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	$38	$122	$401	$277	$50	$38	$926
20	BMD CONSTRUCTIONS	$756	$4	$2	$20	$1	$85	$868