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### **PAPERLINX APPOINTS NEW CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

Mr Thomas Park, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of PaperlinX today announced that Mr Mark Hooper has been appointed Chief Financial Officer of the company effective 27 October 2008 to succeed Mr David Lamont.

Mark joined Symbion Health Limited in 2006 as Chief Financial Officer and was also appointed Chief Operating Officer of their Pharmacy Services and Consumer Products division in 2007. Prior to joining Symbion Mark was CFO for Sigma Pharmaceuticals Limited and prior to that held senior finance and commercial roles with BHP and Ashton Mining.

"We are very pleased that Mark Hooper will be joining the PaperlinX team," Mr Park said. "Mark has extensive experience as a CFO of listed companies within the pharmaceutical and mining industries; and has for the past 18 months led Symbion's Pharmacy and Consumer businesses with a combined turnover of around \$3.5 billion. Mark's experience and leadership will be an excellent addition to our already very strong management and financial teams."

"The Board joins management in welcoming Mark to his new role," PaperlinX Chairman, Mr David Meiklejohn said. "He has the financial and commercial expertise required to immediately add value to the PaperlinX operations and to the company's strong financial and governance systems."

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