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APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Board of West Australian Metals Ltd is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr John Young as Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective from today, Tuesday 27th January 2009.

Mr Young is a geologist with experience in resource project management. He is a Member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and the Australian Institute of Company Directors and has worked on a wide variety of mineral and resource projects throughout Australia in operational and management roles.

Mr Young has held senior management and operational positions at Arrow Resources Management Pty Ltd (management arm of Rothschild), Haddington Resources Ltd, and most recently as CEO and Director of AIM and ASX listed Thor Mining PLC, a company focused in specialty metals, and currently remains in the position of non – executive director.

Mr Young will receive a remuneration package of \$190,000 (plus superannuation) to be reviewed in six months by the Board, four weeks annual leave and 3 million (unlisted) options exercisable at 22 cents on or before 30 June 2010.

David Semmens
Company Secretary