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**ASX Announcement
Hamilton James & Bruce Group Limited
Declaration of Special Dividend**

The second special dividend (following the settlement of the OCG transaction) of 2 cents per share fully franked has been declared payable on 20 December 2006. The Record Date for the dividend payment will be the close of business 6 December 2006 and the Ex-Dividend Date will be the close of business 30 November 2006.

By order of the Board

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Edmondson', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ken Edmondson
Company Secretary