

## **DAVID EVANS TO RESIGN FROM FAIRFAX BOARD**

SYDNEY, 9 November, 2009: The Company's Chairman, Mr Roger Corbett, announces with regret that Mr David Evans has tendered his resignation from the Company's Board of Directors effective from Sunday, 15 November, 2009. Mr Evans, who is presently a Director of the Company [ASX: FXJ] and of Village Roadshow Limited, in tendering his resignation said:

"The Australian Communications and Media Authority have informed me that I cannot continue to be a Director of both Fairfax Media Limited and Village Roadshow Limited because Village has a substantial shareholding in Austereo, which owns radio licences in some areas which overlap with radio licences held by Fairfax. As a result I have been forced to make the difficult decision to resign from Fairfax.

I do this with huge regret.

Fairfax is a wonderful company and I was looking forward to meeting the challenges with the other Directors under the leadership of Roger Corbett. I wish the Company and its stakeholders the very best."

Mr Corbett said in making this announcement:

"I am very sorry that David has had to resign from our Board. In the four and a half years David has served on the Board he has made a very valuable and insightful contribution. We will miss him. We wish him the very best for the future."

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