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WELLARD TECHNOLOGIES AUTOMATION DIVISION TO BECOME PART OF SAGE AUTOMATION

SAGE Automation has acquired the automation and controls division of West Australian based Wellard Technologies, creating a nationwide presence for Australia's largest independent industrial automation and control systems integration company.

SAGE CEO Adrian Fahey said the acquisition of Perth based Wellard Technologies completed a long term strategy of SAGE Automation to have operations across Australia.

"Having operations and resources in all Australian States and the Northern Territory will not only provide benefits to our nationally based customers, but will also provide additional opportunities and experiences for our employees," he said.

"Wellard Technologies has valuable expertise and experience in working within the mining sector, which we see as a strong growth area for SAGE in the future.

"Wellard's customers will benefit from SAGE's expertise and knowledge from working in a variety of industries including Defence, Infrastructure, Manufacturing, Mining, and Utilities.

SAGE Automation specialises in the design, construction, installation and support of industrial automation and control systems.

The company will now have almost 300 employees and expected annual turnover this year of around \$65m.

A dedicated transition team is in place with an execution plan currently being implemented to ensure a smooth transition.

All ten full time Automation employees working with Wellard Technologies will now become SAGE employees.

“A core SAGE value is delivering excellent customer service, and we have worked hard over the years to be known for our high quality, trust, responsibility and reliability,” said Mr Fahey.

“Bringing Wellard into our organisation will further strengthen our brand.

“Over the past few months we have been impressed with their commitment to delivering high quality customer service, employing great people and delivering certainty to their customers. These traits are a great fit for our corporate values.

“Automation is essential in maintaining Australia's global competitiveness. It is a highly valued and transferable expertise that has already had a major impact across many industries, leading to a more reliable and integrated operation for customers.

“Being able to offer expertise and on ground support across Australia will help grow our business and most importantly, enable our valued clients to meet their future requirements.”

Media Note: A photo opportunity at the SAGE Automation facility in Adelaide or the former Wellard Technologies site in Perth can be arranged.

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