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NEW GENERAL MANAGER ANNOUNCED AT SEALINK

Donna Gauci has been appointed as General Manager of SeaLink Travel Group, New Zealand - effective from 1st January 2006.

Gauci has been with the company since May 2005 as Sales & Marketing Manager - responsible for managing the development and implementation of the Sales and Marketing Plan including the launch of the new "SeaLink brand" and the new "SeaLink Holidays" brochure, launched in October 2005. Gauci has also been responsible for managing the Great Barrier Division and overseen the Call Centre development.

Jeff Ellison, Managing Director for SeaLink Travel Group comments, "Donna will provide the hands on leadership that is required to implement a new strategy for the business. 2005 has been an exciting and challenging year and we now require new strategies to service our customers and also grow the business. Donna has all the attributes to attain these goals and it is her dedication and enthusiasm for the business that has seen her promoted quickly."

Prior to her role at SeaLink, Dona Gauci had senior roles in the transport and tourism industry with Great Southern Railway and Proud Australia Holidays in South Australia, returning to her hometown, Auckland in April 2005. The role of General Manager will see Gauci overseeing a staff of 65.

Michael Moore will continue to contribute to the business strategy as a non-executive Director on the New Zealand Board.

SeaLink purchased Subritzky in September 2004, changing the name to SeaLink in October 2005. SeaLink New Zealand attained Qualmark™ accreditation in May 2005. The freight side of the company has remained as Subritzky FreightLink.

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