

Fluorotechnics names former Coles Group chief John Fletcher as new non-executive director

19 June 2008 – Sydney, Australia: Fluorotechnics Pty Limited, an emerging global company developing and selling fluorescence products to the pharmaceutical, biotech and life science markets, has appointed John Fletcher as non-executive director.

John Fletcher recently retired after six years as the CEO of Coles Group, one of the two largest retail companies in Australia.

Prior to this John spent most of his professional career with Brambles Industries, the now US\$5.3 billion global provider of transport and logistical support services. He held a number of senior executive roles at Brambles including general manager of the transport division in 1982, commercial director Europe in 1984, managing director CHEP Australia in 1986, managing director Brambles Australia in 1988 and chief executive of Brambles Industries from 1993 to 2001.

In welcoming John's appointment to the Board, Fluorotechnics chief executive officer Duncan Veal says, "John is well known and highly respected and we are privileged to have him on our Board to help our company with its global expansion."

John was a non-executive director of Telstra for six years and is a Fellow of the CPA. He is also currently the executive chairman of Midas Australia Ltd.

John Fletcher was among the first investors in Fluorotechnics in 2002.

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About Fluorotechnics Pty Limited

Fluorotechnics was founded in 2002 and specialises in the discovery, development and manufacture of fluorescent labels and stains for use in research, biotechnology and diagnostics. Fluorotechnics is located in Sydney, Australia and has international sales offices in North America and Europe.

In November 2007 Fluorotechnics acquired ETC Elektrophorese-Technik. Founded in 1990, ETC develops and manufactures high-end electrophoresis consumables, including gels and buffers and instrumentation for DNA and Protein electrophoresis. ETC Elektrophorese-Technik is located in Kirchentellinsfurt, Germany.

