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Dear Sir/Madam

Bilfinger Berger Australia Pty Limited, ACN 106 594 816 ("Bilfinger Australia"): Takeover Bid for Abigroup Limited (ABG)

Please see attached Bilfinger Australia's press release in relation to its takeover offer for Abigroup. Please arrange for its immediate release under ABG code.

Yours faithfully

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**BILFINGER RECEIVES ACCEPTANCES FROM MAJOR INSTITUTIONS –INTEREST IN
ABIGROUP NOW 89%**

Bilfinger Berger Australia Pty Limited (Bilfinger Australia) announced today that institutions holding more than 6% of Abigroup Limited (Abigroup) had today accepted its takeover offer (Offer).

The institutions who accepted were Colonial First State, IOOF Investment Management and Queensland Investment Corporation.

Bilfinger Australia's Offer for Abigroup will not be extended and will close on Friday 16 January, 2004 at 5:00pm (Sydney time). Shareholders who accept the Offer before it closes will be paid within 14 days after their acceptance.

Bilfinger now has a relevant interest in more than 89% of the shares in Abigroup. The Offer has also been declared final which means that it cannot be increased.

Abigroup's Directors have recommended that shareholders accept the Offer, and have accepted for their own share holdings.

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