

ASX ANNOUNCEMENT AND MEDIA RELEASE

18th October 2004 Appointment of Director

Norwest Energy wishes to announce that CEO Joe Salomon has been appointed a Director of the Company.

Mr Salomon joined Norwest in July 2004 and since that time has been instrumental in focusing the Company on seeking new opportunities that will have a significant impact. He has also undertaken a detailed appraisal of Norwest's foundation assets in looking to maximize the benefits to shareholders and make sure the Company uses these projects as a platform for expansion.

Norwest is now actively looking for new ventures both in Australia and overseas.

For and on behalf of
Norwest Energy NL

EA Myers
Company Secretary
18 October 2004