



MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

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ASX sells Orient Capital Pty Ltd

Australian Stock Exchange Limited (ASX) today announced that it had sold Orient Capital Pty Limited to Link Market Services Limited.

ASX Managing Director and CEO, Mr Robert Elstone, said: "ASX has enjoyed a productive and successful relationship with Orient since 2001, however the sale is an appropriate - albeit modest - step given our current focus on integration."

ASX's accounting profit in connection with the sale is likely to be \$4.5 million after tax.

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