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ALLEGRO TO ACQUIRE TOLL GLOBAL EXPRESS

– \$500m in funding secured to support business transformation –

Allegro Funds has reached an agreement to acquire the Toll Global Express business.

Allegro has obtained \$500 million in funding to complete the separation and transformation of the business. Allegro believes that Toll Global Express' people and its assets can deliver strong growth in the future. This business has a crucial role to play as an enabler for e-commerce which will underpin the economic recovery of Australia and New Zealand post COVID-19.

Allegro has appointed Adrian Loader, one of Allegro's founding partners, as Chair of the new company. Allegro has an outstanding track record as Australia's most awarded turnaround fund.

"The business has faced challenges, but we are excited by the opportunity ahead and have great confidence that Toll Global Express can realise its full potential," Mr Loader said.

"Allegro is committed to a transformation program, underpinned by \$500 million in funding to support and grow the business.

"The business has high quality assets, is number one or two in its core market segments and will be supported by strong local management," he said.

Mr Loader thanked Toll and Japan Post for its stewardship of and recent investment in the business and said Allegro looked forward to working with Toll Group in the future.

Stabilise and invest to support long term growth

Allegro said its plan to continue to transform Toll Global Express would begin by listening to the company's customers, employees and partners.

"We are acutely aware that the business plays a vitally important role for its stakeholders across both sides of the Tasman, and on both sides of Bass Strait," Mr Loader said.

"We are confident that with strong local focused management the business can achieve operational and financial improvement at the same time as enhancing the experience for customers."

In the weeks until completion, Allegro will focus on satisfying the remaining sale conditions, and then meeting key stakeholders to understand their insights on the business. After completion, Toll Global Express will be renamed.

Transaction funding

The transaction is fully funded through a combination of Allegro funds and debt backed by Commonwealth Bank, Scottish Pacific and Gordon Brothers.

The transaction is targeted for completion on 30 June 2021.

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About Allegro Funds

Allegro is Australasia's most-awarded and largest transformation and turnaround private equity firm. Allegro provides Transformational Capital—applying capital, expertise and a distinctly hands-on approach—to invest in businesses and reposition them for sustained long term growth. Over the past 20 years, Allegro has demonstrated a strong track record of partnering with management teams and key stakeholders to build better businesses and create enduring value. Allegro manages funds on behalf of local and global institutional investors, including some of the largest superannuation funds.

About Toll Global Express

Toll Global Express, a division of Toll Group, is a highly diversified transportation and logistics business with an unparalleled network across Australia and New Zealand. The group provides express parcel, freight delivery and domestic forwarding services in Australia, and transport and contract logistics services in New Zealand. Toll Global Express serves over 36,000 customers and is a market leader with number 1 or 2 positions in its markets across key business units. Toll Global Express employs more than 8,000 people and generates over A\$3 billion in revenue.