

Silliker Australia Appoints Daryl Bird as new Managing Director

For Immediate Release – Blackburn, Melbourne – Wednesday, 24 August 2011 – The board of Silliker Australia recently announced the appointment of Daryl Bird as the company's new Managing Director. Mr Bird began his appointment with Silliker Australia on the 1st of August 2011.

Daryl has held several General Manager and Managing Director roles in the Australian Food and consumer goods industries. Daryl was previously Divisional General Manager for Australian Convenience Foods, and prior to this role was the MD/CEO of Lowan Australia Ltd. This extensive experience provides him with a deep understanding of both the food industry and service sectors which will be extremely valuable in the role of Australian Managing Director.

"I am very excited to be joining Silliker Australia" Mr Bird said. "I look forward to leading the organization as we continue to transform our portfolio of services, and add value to our customers by assuring the quality and safety of their products".

Along with Mr Bird's appointment, Silliker Australia has experienced other positive changes this year, which include the corporate restructure of Silliker Group. The brand evolution from Silliker Group Corporation to Mérieux NutriSciences enables the group to integrate a medical vision and health perspective into the already global leading scientific services, expanding nutrition as a key element. This strengthens Silliker's commitment to providing the most comprehensive food safety, quality and nutrition solutions to clients in Australia and worldwide.

About Silliker Australia

As part of Mérieux NutriSciences, Silliker is an international leader in providing analytical, research, technical consulting, auditing and education services for the Food and Beverage, Therapeutic Goods and Medical Devices, Antimicrobial and Household Products, Cosmetic, Water and Environmental Industries. Silliker's facilities in Melbourne, Sydney and Perth offer NATA-accredited microbiology and chemistry laboratory services that operate seven days a week, 365 days per year. To learn more about our market leading services, please log on to www.silliker.com.au.

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