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ASX Announcement

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Appointment of Director and Audit Committee Chairperson

New Hope Corporation Limited is pleased to announce that Ms Sue Palmer has been appointed as a non-executive Director and Chairperson of the Audit Committee of the Company.

Ms Palmer is a Chartered Accountant who holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Queensland. With a career spanning over 30 years, Ms Palmer brings an extensive and current knowledge to the New Hope board in all aspects of accounting, finance, financial reporting, risk management, and corporate governance.

Ms Palmer has held a range of senior executive financial roles with a diverse range of organisations including PriceWaterhouse, Incitec, CS Energy, Leighton Contractors, and most recently as CFO and Executive Director for Thiess Pty Ltd. Ms Palmer has also served as a Director and Audit Committee Chairperson for MSF Sugar, Port of Brisbane Corporation, and the Royal Blind Foundation of Queensland.

Ms Palmer will join the board on 1 November 2012.

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