

Sale of travel.com.au Limited (TVL) to Wotif.com holdings limited (Wotif)

- Wotif now holds a relevant interest in 83.3% of the ordinary shares in TVL.
- Wotif has today declared its bid for TVL to be free of conditions.
- Settlement for acceptances already received will occur on or before 1 February 2008.
- The sale price of 55 cents per share will be increased to 57 cents per share if Wotif receives 90% acceptances.
- Wotif CEO Robbie Cooke and CFO Craig Dawson have been appointed directors of TVL with immediate effect.
- TVL directors Peter Jollie, Adam Johnson and David Williams have resigned as directors with immediate effect.
- Roger Sharp will continue to chair TVL until final settlement of the offer.

TVL Chairman Roger Sharp said:

“Today Wotif has declared its off market takeover offer for TVL to be free of conditions as it pursues its target of 90% of issued shares in TVL. This development is a milestone for TVL and an excellent outcome for its shareholders.

The sale price of 55 cents per TVL share (increasing to 57 cents per share if Wotif achieves the 90% compulsory acquisition threshold) represents a significant premium to the market value of the company before competitive bidding commenced for TVL in September 2007.

The successful takeover by Wotif marks the conclusion of a sustained turnaround process which the board initiated in early 2005. The turnaround has created a sharp uplift in shareholder value as TVL has experienced improvement in its key metrics - site visits, look to book ratios, market shares and profitability.

Wotif will now acquire a valuable and fast-growing lifestyle and accommodation brand in lastminute.com.au, and a leading player in the buoyant online international flights market in travel.com.au.

The change in TVL’s fortunes is in no small part due to the sustained efforts of its management team and the dedication of its non-executive directors. The company thanks Peter Jollie, David Williams and Adam Johnson for their service. We look forward to seeing the TVL brands and its personnel flourish under Wotif’s ownership”.

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