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Movement of Kramer Ausenco Office Managers

Four of Kramer Ausenco's Pacific offices are now under new management, following the reassignment of three of the existing Managers to new rolls and the promotion of one Project Manager to an Acting Office Manager position.

In the Company's head office, Brisbane, Mr. Jason Goddard, who has been the Kramer Ausenco Manager in Samoa for the last 7 years, is the new Office Manager where he will be overseeing the operations of the Brisbane office which is currently providing additional resources to our extremely busy PNG office. Whilst in Samoa, Jason has undertaken the role as Team Leader on a number of significant projects including the World Bank Samoa Health Sector project, the Australia-Pacific Technical College project and more recently the ADB/AusAID/NZAID funded Education Sector Program Phase II, where he has been overseeing the design, tender administration and construction supervision of 12 new secondary schools and colleges.

In Samoa, Mr Arthur Budvietas will be taking over from Jason. Arthur has just completed almost 7 years in the Kramer Ausenco Tonga office. As well as his professional involvement in Tonga, Arthur was active in the Tongan local community participating in the Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa, with one year as the local Rotary club's president. Some of Arthur's more significant projects include the NZAid funded Nuiatoputapu High School. The high school was used as temporary shelter after the Tsunami of September 2009 destroyed some 40% of the homes on the island. The school is also being used as a base for Tongan Defense services staff for the rebuilding of the island's infrastructure.

The Kramer Ausenco Tonga office is now coming under the management of Tahi Vehikite, who has following a period at the company's Vanuatu office became the Manager of the Solomon Island office in early 2007. Tahi is returning to Tonga for the first time since visiting for a short period in 2006/2007 when he was involved in an AusAID funded project working on the reconstruction of the Nuku'alofa town center.

Maurice Nonipitu is now the Acting Manager in the Kramer Ausenco Solomon Islands office. He has stepped up from his previous position of Project Manager. Maurice has worked in the Solomon Islands office since October 2008.