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MetLife Names New CEO

SYDNEY, 4 May, 2007 – MetLife Insurance Limited (MetLife) has named Tassin Barnard as Chief Executive Officer effective 7 May.

In her new role, Ms. Barnard will have overall responsibility for MetLife's operations in Australia, and will be charged with growing MetLife's business in the market.

"We're pleased to find someone of Tassin's caliber to lead our Australian business," said Tracey Perkins, MetLife's Chief Operating Officer for Asia.

"Over the last two years, MetLife has built a strong business in Australia, and I am confident that Tassin will continue to meet our aggressive growth targets."

Ms. Barnard joins MetLife after 7 years with AXA, where she was General Manager, Financial Protection covering both the Individual and Group insurance lines. Prior to this role, she served as the Managing Director of AXA's affiliate Australian Casualty & Life. Ms. Barnard has also held senior positions within AMP, Guardian, and Liberty Life.

Ms. Barnard has over 25 years of industry experience spanning markets such as Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa. After starting her career as an underwriter, Ms. Barnard has held various management roles in business development, operations, and product management.

In addition to her business experience, Ms. Barnard has been named the Swinburne University Business Woman of the Year (2000), is an active member of the Australian Business Network, and is a Fellow of the Institute of Life Underwriters.

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MetLife Insurance Limited, (MetLife), is an affiliate of MetLife Inc. MetLife, Inc., through its affiliates, serves approximately 70 million customers in the Asia Pacific, Americas and Europe. Affiliated companies, outside of Australia, include the number one life insurer in the United States, with over 138 years of experience and relationships with 88 of the top one hundred FORTUNE 500® companies.

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