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New Moorebank Investment Will Deliver Multiple Supply Chain Benefits

The [Australian Logistics Council](#) (ALC) says the decision by two of its Corporate Members, [Qube Holdings](#) and [Woolworths Group](#) to invest in two new state-of-the-art distribution centres at the [Moorebank Logistics Park](#) in Western Sydney will help to deliver a multitude of efficiency, safety, productivity and environmental benefits for supply chain operations.

Subject to NSW Government planning approvals, the investments will see the construction of a new automated Regional Distribution Centre (RDC) and a semi-automated National Distribution Centre (NDC) for Woolworths constructed at Moorebank. Qube will invest \$420-\$460 million in construction of the facilities over the next two years, with Woolworths investing \$700-\$780 million in the fit out and technology for the two centres over the next four years.

The project is expected to generate around 1000 construction jobs. The NDC is expected to commence operations in 2023 and the RDC is expected to commence operations in 2024, with both facilities operating at full capacity by 2025.

"This announcement represents a major step in harnessing the power of world-leading technology to deliver a wide range of supply chain benefits, for businesses and consumers alike," said ALC CEO Kirk Coningham.

"ALC has been a long-time advocate for the development of the Moorebank Logistics Park and its direct rail connection to Port Botany. This allows more freight to be moved via rail, helping to alleviate road congestion, which in turn delivers environmental benefits through reduced emissions."

"As we have witnessed throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, providing logistics companies and their customers with the ability to make more efficient deliveries is critical."

"These new facilities will help to achieve that objective by deploying proven, cutting-edge technology that allows for faster resupply of stores while also requiring less manual handling of freight, thereby reducing safety risks."

"The community will be the ultimate beneficiary through ready access to a wider range of products and lower prices that can be realised through greater supply chain efficiency."

"Today's announcement is a welcome and timely contribution by two of Australia's most significant companies to our post-COVID economic recovery. These major infrastructure investments will enhance the reliability and resilience of our supply chains and stimulate job growth at this critical time."

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