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**PBL PARS QUARTER INTEREST RATE SET AT 7.65%
FOR 30 DECEMBER 2005 TO 29 MARCH 2006**

SYDNEY: Publishing and Broadcasting Limited (ASX: "PBL") announced today that in accordance with the terms of issue of the PBL Perpetual Adjusting Rate Securities (**PARS, ASX: "PBLHA"**), the interest rate for the quarter 30 December 2005 to 29 March 2006 (both days inclusive) has been set at 7.65%, being 2% above today's average mid-rate for 90 day bills as displayed on the page of the Reuters Monitor System designated 'BBSW'.

The PARS interest payment date for the said quarter will be 30 March 2006 for holders at the record date, being 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 15 March 2006, with the PARS going "ex" interest at the start of trading on 8 March 2006.

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Overview of PARS:

Issuer: PBL

Nature of Issue: Subordinated securities, each of face value of \$100 per security issued in 1999

PARS Rating: BBB (as rated by Standard and Poor's)

Number of PARS Issued & Listed: 3,000,000

Interest Rate: 2% above the 90 day bank bill rate

Forthcoming	<u>Rate Set Date</u>	<u>Payable</u>
Interest Rate Set	30 Dec 2005	30 Mar 2006
& Payment Dates:	30 Mar 2006	30 Jun 2006
	30 Jun 2006	02 Oct 2006
	02 Oct 2006	02 Jan 2007

(Interest will be payable in arrears on 30 March, 30 June, 30 September and 30 December each year in respect of the quarter ending prior to that date. However, where the payment date is not a business day, interest will be paid on the next business day. In addition, where a rate set date falls on a non-business day, the rate set date will be the next business day.)

Record Dates: The eleventh (11th) business day prior to the date of payment

Term: Perpetual