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MINERALS & WASTE CONSULTANCY JOINS SLR

Specialist planning, landscape and land management company Bowman Planton Ltd (BPL) has been acquired by SLR Consulting, the UK's fastest growing environmental firm.

BPL, based in Stafford, is recognised for its work in the minerals and waste management sectors and current clients include Tarmac, Ibstock, Aggregate Industries, Viridor and Welsh Slate. Services provided by the experienced seven-strong team include: planning and environmental assessment, with an established reputation for landscape assessment and design, plus estates management, with specialist expertise in mineral and waste property matters.

Sarah Planton, BPL director, said: "Since we set up the business 18 years ago we have specialised in delivering cost effective solutions for our clients by combining the team's substantial and proven expertise with creative aptitude.

“Joining SLR will allow our clients to benefit from its extensive network of UK and international offices, as well as from its comprehensive range of in-house technical expertise.”

SLR director Jeremy Smith said: “We are delighted to welcome the BPL team to SLR. Like us, BPL has some of the most experienced consultants in the waste and minerals sectors and there is considerable synergy between the two teams.

“With BPL on board we will be able to increase our capacity to provide the highest quality of consultancy services to our waste and minerals clients.”

Notes to Editors:

- SLR Consulting is one of the fastest growing and most profitable environmental consultants in the UK with over 700 employees working from 21 offices in the UK and Ireland and 26 offices in USA and Canada. It has a broad base of blue chip customers in energy, waste management, planning and development, manufacturing, mining and financial sectors.
- Bowman Planton is a planning, landscape and land management company which specialises in waste and minerals projects. All of the directors and senior staff have initially worked within the aggregates industry and subsequently as consultants to many of the leading waste and minerals companies. Major projects currently include the design and assessment of a major extension to Bardon Hill Quarry for Aggregate Industries, the rehabilitation of Nailstone Colliery including an 80ha country park and large scale employment uses for

SWIP Ltd and the provision of technical services for all sites owned by Welsh Slate Limited.

- With the acquisition of Bowman Planton, SLR now employs 45 landscape professionals and over 12 chartered mineral and waste management surveyors, the largest grouping of such specialists within a single firm.