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Acquisition of ARC Training

Catalyst Education Pty Ltd and For Purpose Investment Partners (FPIP) are proud to announce the acquisition of ARC Training, a NSW-based Registered Training Organisation (RTO) with a strong track record in aged care, disability care, and business training. This acquisition strengthens Catalyst's ability to deliver high-quality, learner-focused education and ensure a well-trained workforce for Australia's most vital care sectors.

"At Catalyst Education, we believe that education has the power to change lives. By welcoming ARC Training into our group, we are expanding our ability to support more learners, empower more communities, and provide greater opportunities for those pursuing careers in the care sector," said David, Chair of Catalyst Education. "This acquisition enhances our capacity to deliver high-quality, accessible training that equips people with the skills they need to make a real difference."

With this expansion, Catalyst Education is better positioned to support the increasing demand for skilled workers in the care industry. "I am grateful that Catalyst Education will be the new owner and steward [of ARC Training]. Our organisations have very similar vision and values, and I can see the group growing stronger together into the future. I've had the privilege of working with an incredible team at ARC Training who have improved the lives of thousands of people across Australia, and I wish everyone all the best for their future" said Cameron Ryan, previous CEO of ARC Training.

By integrating ARC Training's expertise and reach with Catalyst's existing RTOs - Selmar Institute of Education and Practical Outcomes, more learners will have access to nationally recognised, industry-aligned education that leads to meaningful employment.

"This acquisition is not just about growth - it's about impact. The care sector relies on passionate, well-trained professionals, and we are committed to equipping learners with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to succeed in these critical roles," David added.

Executive Director of FPIP, Michael Traill said "Skills education is vital to the social sectors where we seek to make a difference through impact investment, including aged care and early childhood education and care. We are building impact at scale with a platform of aligned businesses and the combined strength of ARC Training and Catalyst Education means we will reach more learners and employers in the vital markets of NSW, SA and the ACT while generating long-term value for investors."

This acquisition represents a shared commitment to ensuring that the care and education sectors continue to thrive and evolve. As part of Catalyst Education, ARC Training will continue to combine purpose with action, working to drive workforce development, strengthen communities, and create lasting impact.

We are excited for the future and look forward to what lies ahead as we work together to create a stronger, more connected Australia.

David Barnett
Chair, Catalyst Education Pty Ltd

