

ANSELL LTD
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of July 2005 (July 25, 2005)

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ANSELL LIMITED

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Level 3, 678 Victoria Street, Richmond, Victoria 3121, Australia

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No

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ANSELL LIMITED APPOINTS NEW DIRECTOR

The Chairman of Ansell Limited, Dr Ed Tweddell, today announced the appointment to the Ansell Board of Mr Ronald J Bell with effect from 17 August 2005. Mr Bell will fill a vacancy that arises from the previously announced retirement of Michael J McConnell at this year's Annual General Meeting, which will be held on 17 November. In accordance with the Company's constitution Mr Bell will stand for election at the AGM.

Mr Bell has had over 30 years experience with the Kraft Foods group, and for the last five years as an executive, was President of Kraft Foods, Europe prior to his retirement. Mr Bell resides in the United Kingdom and is a Non-executive Director of Gallaher Group PLC.

In announcing Mr Bell's appointment, Dr Tweddell said "The Ansell Board is delighted to have secured Ronnie Bell's appointment. Ronnie is a very experienced international consumer industry executive with an extensive background in highly competitive global branded products.

Europe is a significant market for each of Ansell's Professional Healthcare, Occupational Healthcare and Consumer Healthcare businesses. Ronnie is the first European-based director appointed to Ansell, and we look forward to the benefit that will be gained from his experience in Europe and in the broader international arena.

Dr Tweddell also indicated that Ansell was further considering its Board structure having regard to succession planning and the company's operational aspirations.

Ansell Limited will release its full-year results on 17 August 2005.

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Ansell Ltd is a global leader in healthcare barrier protective products and in 2005 celebrates 100 years in its field. With operations in the Americas, Europe and Asia, Ansell employs more than 11,000 people worldwide and holds leading positions in the natural latex and synthetic polymer glove and condom markets. Ansell operates in three main business segments: Occupational Healthcare, supplying hand protection to the industrial market; Professional Healthcare, supplying surgical and examination gloves to healthcare professionals; and Consumer Healthcare, supplying sexual health products and consumer hand protection. Information on Ansell and its products can be found at <http://www.ansell.com>.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ANSELL LIMITED
(Registrant)

By: /s/ DAVID M. GRAHAM
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