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Hunter United launches new banking service for local Small Businesses.

In response to feedback from local businesses, Hunter United has launched a small business banking service from March 2009. At a time when many financial institutions are pulling back from lending to businesses, we see the time is right to provide a local business banking alternative in the Hunter Valley.

Our service will be targeted at micro and small businesses offering loans, credit cards, deposit and transaction accounts plus business solutions such as leasing and equipment finance, merchant facilities and business insurance products.

Hunter United has appointed new Business Banking Relationship Manager - Peter Dieleman to lead the new business banking initiatives.

Peter Dieleman said "I'm excited to join the Hunter United Team and with over 20 years of banking and finance experience I have helped a lot of local businesses. I'm looking forward to sharing my knowledge and providing one-to-one service to assist our business members through these challenging times."

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About Hunter United: Beginning life in 1963 as the BHP (Newcastle) Employees' Credit Union – Hunter United has grown to be one of the financially strongest credit unions in Australia with 8 branches across the region and offering a full range of savings, loan and investment services. Unlike the banks, Hunter United is not driven by big profits for shareholders - it is our job to return benefits to our members. That's how we can offer very competitive rates for loans and investments and keep fees to a minimum.



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