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Bass Strait Oil Company Limited: Request for Trading Halt

In accordance with the requirements of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules, the Company applies for a trading halt in relation to its securities.

The securities in question are shares trading under the code BAS.

The trading halt is requested pending an ASX release by the company regarding a capital raising.

The Company requests that the trading halt extend until the earlier of the issue of the ASX release, or prior to the commencement of trading on 21 September 2009.

The Company is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Adams", is written in a cursive style.

Andrew Adams
Managing Director
17 September 2009