



MARKET RELEASE

6 March 2018

Universal Coal Plc

TRADING HALT

The securities of Universal Coal Plc (the “Company”) will be placed in Trading Halt Session State at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in Trading Halt Session State until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Thursday 8 March 2018 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: UNV

Lux Wigneswaran

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Dear Luxmy

Universal Coal Plc – Request for Trading Halt

Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 3.1A.2, Universal Coal Plc (ASX:UNV) (**Universal Coal**) requests a trading halt with immediate effect following possible loss of confidentiality on a material announcement.

For the purposes of Listing Rule 17.1, Universal Coal provides the following information in relation to the request:

1. The trading halt is requested by Universal Coal pending a material announcement.
2. Universal Coal requests that the trading halt remain in place until the earlier of commencement of trading on 8 March 2018 or the release of the intended announcement by Universal Coal.
3. Universal Coal is seeking the trading halt to enable the Company to complete discussions regarding the material announcement.
4. Universal Coal confirms that it is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted or any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt.

Yours sincerely
UNIVERSAL COAL PLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emma Lawler".

Emma Lawler
Universal Coal PLC