

## **MARKET RELEASE**

24 February 2016

## **Slater & Gordon Limited**

## SUSPENSION FROM OFFICIAL QUOTATION

The securities of Slater & Gordon Limited (the "Company") will be suspended from quotation immediately, at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company.

Security Code: SGH

John Johansson

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24 February 2016

ASX Limited Level 4, Rialto North Tower 525 Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Via email: John.Johansson@asx.com.au

Dear Mr Johansson

## Request for Voluntary Suspension – Slater & Gordon Limited (ASX:SGH)

Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 17.2, Slater & Gordon Limited (**SGH** or **Company**) requests a voluntary suspension be granted by the ASX from the commencement of trading on Wednesday, 24 February 2016 with respect to the Company's ordinary shares.

In accordance with Listing Rule 17.2 the Company advises that:

- (a). The voluntary suspension is requested pending the Company's announcement of its financial results for the half year ended 31 December 2015 which the Company intends to announce before the commencement of trading on Monday, 29 February 2016;
- (b). The reason for the request is that there are certain material items in the half year results which are not yet finalised, including, as foreshadowed in December, testing and assessment of the goodwill values for impairment of the UK business. SGH continues to work with its auditors and external advisors to finalise and confirm those material items, and is not in a position to make an announcement until that work is concluded;
- (c). SGH considers it appropriate that it enters into voluntary suspension so that it can manage its continuous disclosure obligations in relation to the above matters and to avoid trading in its shares happening on a basis that is not reasonably informed. The Company has sought a voluntary suspension, rather than a trading halt because it does not expect to announce the half year results until after trading concludes on Friday, 26 February 2016 (which is longer than the maximum period permitted by ASX for a trading halt);
- (d). SGH requests that the voluntary suspension continues until the earlier of the Company making an announcement regarding its financial results for the half year ended 31 December 2015 and the commencement of trading on Monday, 29 February 2016; and
- (e). SGH is not aware of any reason why the voluntary suspension should not be granted or of any other information necessary to inform the market about the voluntary suspension.

Yours sincerely

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