



MARKET RELEASE

12 August 2015

Commonwealth Bank of Australia

TRADING HALT (2 + 1 business days)

The securities of Commonwealth Bank of Australia (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 commencement of normal trading on Monday, 17 August 2015.

Security Code: CBA

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Dear Stephanie and Andrew

TRADING HALT REQUEST – ASX CODE: CBA

Commonwealth Bank of Australia (ABN 48 123 123 124) (**CBA**) requests a trading halt for its ordinary shares (ASX Code: CBA) under Listing Rule 17.1 prior to the commencement of trading today.

CBA provides the following information for the purposes of Listing Rule 17.1:

1. CBA requests the trading halt to make an ASX announcement about a proposed pro-rata accelerated renounceable entitlement offer.
2. CBA requests the trading halt continue until the earlier of:
 - CBA releasing an announcement in relation to the completion of the institutional component of the entitlement offer, or
 - the open of trading on Monday, 17 August 2015.
3. CBA expects the trading halt will be ended by the first item in paragraph 2.
4. CBA is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.
5. CBA is not aware of any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt.

Please contact me on (02) 9118 7208 if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

Carla Collingwood
Company Secretary