

MARKET RELEASE

18 April 2016

Empire Oil & Gas NL

TRADING HALT

The securities of Empire Oil & Gas NL (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 Wednesday 20 April 2016 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: EGO

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Dear Frieda,

Empire Oil & Gas NL (ASX: EGO) - request for trading halt

Empire Oil & Gas NL (ASX:EGO) (**Empire**) requests that ASX Limited grant an immediate trading halt for the Company's shares pending an announcement to the market by Empire of the evaluation and analysis of preliminary data acquired while testing the Red Gully North -1 well.

In accordance with Listing Rule 17.1, Empire provides the following information:

- (a) Empire requests the trading halt continue until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Wednesday 20 April 2016 and when Empire makes an announcement to the market and requests that the trading halt be lifted;
- (b) Empire is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted; and
- (c) Empire is not aware of any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt.

Yours sincerely, For Empire Oil & Gas NL

Rachel Rees

Company Secretary