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AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE

MARKET RELEASE

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APEX MINERALS NL

TRADING HALT

The securities of Apex Minerals NL (the "Company") will be placed in pre-open at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in pre-open until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Friday, 15 May 2009 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: AXM

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Attention: Ms Kerrie Papamihail

Dear Ms Papamihail

Re: Apex Minerals NL - Trading Halt Request

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 17.1, Apex Minerals NL (AXM) requests that a trading halt be implemented in respect of all AXM shares quoted on the ASX, pending an announcement from the Company in relation to a proposed capital raising. The following information is provided in relation to this request:

1. AXM expects the trading halt to last until an announcement is made which will be no later than before the commencement of trading on Friday 14 May 2009.
2. AXM is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.
3. AXM is not aware of any other relevant information in relation to this request.

Prior to recommencement of trading, AXM will announce further information to the market as soon as it is available.

Yours faithfully,

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