

MARKET RELEASE

21 January 2010

Bass Metals Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of Bass Metals Limited (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 Wednesday, 27 November 2010 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code:

BSM

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Peter Tranter

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The Manager Companies
Company Announcements
Australian Securities Exchange
Exchange Centre
20 Bridge Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir

REQUEST FOR TRADING HALT

Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 17.1, Bass Metals Ltd requests a trading halt pending the release of an announcement on the Hellyer Mine Project development. This trading halt will be in place no later than Wednesday, 27 January 2010. Bass Metals Ltd is not aware of any reason the trading halt should not be granted.

Yours sincerely

Mike Rosenstreich Managing Director