



# MARKET RELEASE

23 July 2010

Sumatra Copper & Gold plc

## TRADING HALT

The securities of Sumatra Copper & Gold plc (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 Tuesday, 27 July 2010 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code:           SUM

Stephanie Yong  
Senior Adviser, Issuers (Sydney)



23 July 2010

The Manager Companies  
ASX Limited  
20 Bridge Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Madam

### REQUEST FOR TRADING HALT

We request a trading halt for Sumatra Copper & Gold plc ('Sumatra') and provide the following information as set out in Listing Rule 17.1:

- Sumatra is in negotiations to enter into an agreement regarding a material joint venture transaction and capital raising by way of a placement to an industry participant.
- We request that the trading halt lasts for two business days, or until Sumatra is able to make an announcement before the end of the two business days.
- The announcement is expected to end the trading halt.
- We are not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.
- We have no further information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt.

Should you require any further information, do not hesitate to contact me or Peter Nightingale on (61 2) 9300 3377.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Morris", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Warwick Morris  
Chairman

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