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**ChemGenex Pharmaceuticals Limited Requests Voluntary
Trading Halt**

MELBOURNE, Australia, and MENLO PARK, California U.S.A. (25 March 2011)

ChemGenex Pharmaceuticals Limited (ASX: CXS) (Company) requests its securities be placed in a trading halt with immediate effect until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on 29 March 2011 or the release of an announcement by the Company regarding a significant corporate transaction.

The Company is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted as requested.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Campbell', is positioned below the text 'Yours sincerely'.

James Campbell

Company Secretary