

13 May 2011



Ms Emma Badhni
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Dear Ms Badhni

Request for suspension at the request of Gloucester

The directors of Gloucester Coal Ltd (ASX: GCL) (**Gloucester**) request that ASX suspend the Company's securities from quotation from the commencement of trading on 13 May 2011.

The suspension is requested in connection with 2 potential acquisitions and a potential capital raising, the negotiations in relation to the terms of which are ongoing.

For the purposes of Listing Rule 17.2, Gloucester provides the following information:

- (a) the suspension is necessary as Gloucester expects to make an announcement in connection with 2 potential acquisitions and a capital raising involving retail and institutional investors, but is not yet in a position to make the announcement;
- (b) Gloucester expects the suspension to remain in place until no later than the close of trading on 13 May 2011;
- (c) Gloucester expects that the conclusion of negotiations for the 2 potential acquisitions and a potential capital raising will end the suspension; and
- (d) Gloucester is not aware of any reason why the securities should not be suspended.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig Boyd".

Craig Boyd
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