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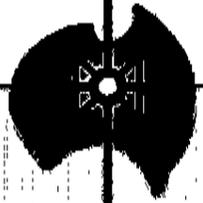
7 September 2010

**Central Petroleum Limited****TRADING HALT**

The securities of Central Petroleum 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 Thursday, 9 September 2010 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code:           CTP  
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**Company Announcements Officer**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

CTP requests a trading halt pending further evaluation and announcement of results obtained overnight at the Johnstone West-1 drilling site. The Company anticipates making an announcement by or before the opening of trading on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

Sincerely

John Heugh  
Managing Director