

**ASX**

AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE

MARKET RELEASE

19 January 2010

Ampella Mining Limited**TRADING HALT**

The securities of Ampella Mining 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, 21 January 2010 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: AMX
 AMXO

Jill Hewitt
Adviser Issuers (Perth)

19 January 2010

Ms Jill Hewitt
Australian Stock Exchange Limited
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Via facsimile: 9221 2020

Dear Jill,

REQUEST FOR TRADING HALT

The Company hereby requests a halt in trading of its securities, effective immediately, pending an announcement regarding an initial resource statement for the Company's Batta West Gold Project in Burkina Faso.

The trading halt will last until prior to commencement of trading on Thursday, 21 January 2010.

We are not aware of any reason why the Company's request should not be granted.

Yours sincerely,



GRANT J. MOONEY
Company Secretary