



MARKET RELEASE

7 March 2012

Northern Manganese Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of Northern Manganese Limited (the "Company") will be placed in Trading Halt Session State at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in Trading Halt Session State until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Friday 9 March 2012 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: NTM

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7 March 2012
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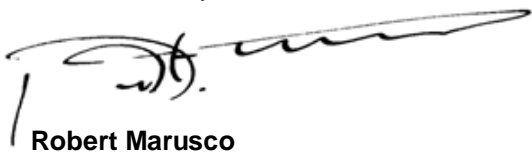
Dear Ms Walker

Trading Halt

Northern Manganese Limited ("**Northern Manganese**" or "the **Company**") (**ASX Code: NTM**) requests an immediate trading halt be put on its securities, pending an ASX announcement regarding a decision made by the Northern Territory Government.

Northern Manganese can see no reason why a trading halt should not be put on its securities. The Company's securities are expected to remain in the trading halt for up to two (2) days. If an announcement is not made at the end of the trading halt period, the Company will request suspension of its securities.

Yours Faithfully



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