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AUSTIN EXPLORATION LIMITED**TRADING HALT**

The securities of Austin Exploration 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 Wednesday, 15 July 2009 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: AKK

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**AUSTIN EXPLORATION LIMITED** ACN 114 198 471

Australian Stock Exchange Announcement

Monday 13 July 2009

The Manager

Companies Announcements Officer
Australian Stock Exchange
Electronic Lodgement

Dear Sir/Madam

Request for Trading Halt

The directors of Austin Exploration Limited (ASX: "AKK") request a trading halt pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 17.1 pending an announcement in relation to the settlement of litigation between AKK and Resource Energy Technologies Inc. concerning AKK's Park City exploration program in Kentucky USA and a further capital raising.

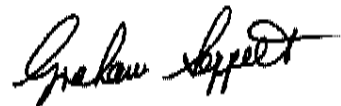
The trading halt is requested until the commencement of trading on 15 July 2009 or until the Company makes an announcement regarding the proposal, whichever first occurs.

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

For further information, please contact: -

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On behalf of the Board



Graham Seppelt
Secretary