



MARKET RELEASE

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Equatorial Coal Limited

SUSPENSION FROM OFFICIAL QUOTATION

The securities of Equatorial Coal Limited (the "Company") will be suspended from quotation immediately, at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement in regards to the Company's operations at Alam Duta.

Security Codes: EQX

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Coulson', is written over a faint, larger signature.

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Dear Greg

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTARY SUSPENSION

The Directors of Equatorial Coal Limited (EQX) request the Voluntary Suspension on the trading of its securities. The Voluntary Suspension is as a result of issues that have been raised regarding EQX's ability to reopen mining operations at the Alam Duta mine in South Kalimantan.

The Company is working with its advisors with regards better understanding these issues and it is expected that it will take at least a few weeks before the Company is in a position to clarify the situation. As soon as more information comes to hand, shareholders will be updated via an ASX announcement.

The Company is not aware of any reason why the Voluntary Suspension should not be granted.

Yours Sincerely



SCOTT MISON
COMPANY SECRETARY