

## **XTL Biopharmaceuticals Announces Receipt of NASDAQ Notice of Delisting**

**Valley Cottage, NY, January 28, 2009** - XTL Biopharmaceuticals Ltd. (NASDAQ: XTLB, TASE: XTL) today announced that on January 27, 2009 it received a Staff Determination Letter (the "Letter") from The Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq") notifying the Company that the staff of Nasdaq's Listing Qualifications Department determined, using its discretionary authority under Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 4300, that the Company's American Depositary Shares ("ADRs") would be delisted from Nasdaq. The Letter further stated that Nasdaq would suspend trading in the Company's ADRs at the opening of trading on February 5, 2009 and then file a Form 25-NSE with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") to deregister the Company's ADRs, unless the Company appeals Nasdaq's delisting determination. Nasdaq's determination to delist the ADRs was based on Nasdaq's belief that the Company was a public shell and that the Company does not meet the stockholder's equity requirement or any of its alternatives.

The Letter also indicated that, in accordance with the procedures set out in Marketplace Rule 4800 Series, the Company would have seven (7) calendar days, or until February 3, 2009, to appeal the delisting from Nasdaq to a Listing Qualifications Panel. At this time, the Company does plan to appeal the delisting from Nasdaq. There can be no assurance that the appeal will be successful.

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