

**ASX**

AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE

MARKET RELEASE

5 May 2008

Lachlan Star Limited**TRADING HALT**

The securities of Lachlan Star 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, 7 May 2008 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: LSA

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5 May 2008

ASX Limited
Exchange Plaza
2 The Esplanade

Dear Sirs

REQUEST FOR TRADING HALT

Lachlan Star Limited requests a trading halt of its securities pending an announcement regarding the acquisition of coal assets in South Africa.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'RA Anderson', written over a horizontal line.

RA Anderson
Company Secretary