

**ASX**

AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE

# MARKET RELEASE

12 November 2007

**ADELAIDE BANK LIMITED****TRADING HALT**

The securities of Adelaide Bank 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, 14 November 2007 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Codes:      ADB  
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Dear Sir

**Re: Trading Halt**

Adelaide Bank Limited is holding three shareholder meetings on 12 November 2007 to vote on the three schemes of arrangement in connection with the proposed merger with Bendigo Bank Limited. The three meetings will be for the holders of each of Adelaide Bank's Ordinary Shares, Step Up Preference Shares and Reset Preference Shares.

Adelaide Bank requests a trading halt from open of trading on 12 November 2007 until Adelaide Bank announces the results of all three of the meetings. An announcement regarding the outcomes of the meetings is expected to be made shortly after the last shareholder meeting has concluded.

Adelaide Bank is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Kamm  
Company Secretary