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Buka Minerals Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of Buka Minerals 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 Tuesday, 14 March 2006 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code:

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REQUEST FOR TRADING HALT

Dear Mr Matthews,

The Directors of Buka Minerals Limited (Buka, the Company) request a halt in the trading in securities of the Company pending a possible announcement by the Company.

We request that the trading halt lasts until the market opens on Tuesday, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ March 2006 or until an announcement is made, if earlier.

We know of no reason why this request should not be granted.

Yours sincerely,

John Richards Managing Director