



19 July 2012

Mr Ian Craig
Companies Manager
National Stock Exchange of Australia
Level 3
45 Exhibition Street
MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Dear Ian

Request for Trading Halt

African Petroleum Corporation Limited (**African Petroleum**) (NSX: **AOQ**) requests that a trading halt be granted by the National Stock Exchange of Australia (**NSX**) with respect to its ordinary shares effective immediately and provides the following information in relation to that request:

- African Petroleum seeks a trading halt pending the release of an announcement in relation to a capital raising;
- African Petroleum requests the trading halt end on the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on 23 July 2012, or when an announcement in respect to the capital raising referred to above is released to the market; and
- African Petroleum is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Should you have any queries, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

African Petroleum Corporation Limited

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Claire Tolcon', written in a cursive style.

Claire Tolcon
Company Secretary