



MARKET RELEASE

5 May 2014

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited (the “Company”) will be placed in Trading Halt Session State at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in Trading Halt Session State until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Wednesday, 7 May 2014 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Codes: BEN
 BENHB
 BENPB
 BENPC
 BENPD

Kobe Li
Senior Adviser, Listings Compliance (Melbourne)

5 May 2014

Mr Kobe Li
Senior Adviser, Listing Compliance
ASX Limited
By email: zheng.li@asx.com.au

Dear Kobe,

**Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited (“BEN”)
Request for trading halt**

I refer to our recent telephone discussion.

BEN requests that a trading halt be granted by the Australian Securities Exchange with respect to its ordinary shares and other quoted securities (trading under ASX Codes BEN, BENHB, BENPB, BENPC and BENPD) prior to the opening of trading today, 5 May 2014.

In accordance with Listing Rule 17.1, I advise that:

- a) BEN is seeking the trading halt pending the finalisation of a capital raising involving the issue of ordinary shares being undertaken via an institutional share placement process;
- b) BEN requests that the trading halt last until the commencement of trading on 6 May 2014 (unless BEN requests that it be removed earlier); and
- c) BEN is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

If you have any questions in relation to this request, please contact me on (03) 5485 6774.

Yours sincerely,



Will Conlan
Company Secretary
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd