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# MARKET RELEASE

23 March 2009

OZ Minerals Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of OZ 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 Wednesday, 25 March 2009 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: OZL

Gonzalo Valencia  
Senior Adviser, Issuers (Melbourne)

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Dear Gonzalo

**Request for Trading Halt**

OZ Minerals Limited requests a Trading Halt with effect immediately pursuant to Listing Rule 17.1.

The Company is seeking the Trading Halt pending an announcement it expects to make today regarding the status of regulatory approvals in relation to the proposed acquisition of shares in the Company by China Minmetals Non-Ferrous Co. Limited.

OZ Minerals confirms that it is not aware of any reason why a Trading Halt should not be granted.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Francesca Lee'.

Francesca Lee  
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