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BATAVIA MINING LIMITED**TRADING HALT**

The securities of Batavia Mining 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, 21 February 2006 or when the announcement is released to the market.

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Dear Christine

TRADING HALT REQUEST

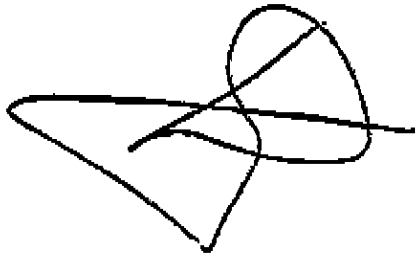
The Company requests a trading halt to its securities in accordance with Listing Rule 17.1 with immediate effect, pending an announcement. The Company requests the trading halt until an announcement is released to the market, subject to the time limit imposed by the Listing Rules.

The Company is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

If you have any queries regarding the above, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

BATAVIA MINING LIMITED



**Damlan Delaney
Company Secretary**