

17 September 2012

**Mr Sebastian Bednarczyk**  
**Issuers Adviser (Perth)**  
**ASX Markets Supervision Pty Ltd**  
**Level 8 Exchange Plaza**  
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Dear Mr Bednarczyk,

### **Request for a Trading Halt**

Exco Resources Ltd (ASX:EXS) requests an immediate halt in the trading of its securities pending the earlier of an announcement in relation to the takeover bid by Washington H Soul Pattinson & Co Ltd (ASX:SOL) or Wednesday 19 September 2012.

In accordance with listing rule 17.1 the Company advises that:

1. The trading halt is necessary as the Company expects to make an announcement in relation to the takeover bid by Washington H Soul Pattinson & Co Ltd.
2. The Company wishes the trading halt to last until such time as it makes an announcement to the market concerning the bid or the commencement of trading on Wednesday 19 September 2012, whichever is the earlier.
3. The Company is unaware of any reason why the halt should not be granted.

Yours faithfully  
Exco Resources Limited

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eamon Byrne". The signature is fluid and cursive.

**Eamon Byrne**  
**Company Secretary**