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Australian Stock Exchange Limited  
Company Announcements Office  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
20 Bridge Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir

**Restricted shares being released from escrow**

We advise that a total of 127,081 ordinary shares fully paid previously restricted in escrow are being released from escrow effective January 14, 2004 and that the Company intends to seek quotation on the Australian Stock Exchange of those shares on January 14, 2004.

Yours sincerely  
Lodestone Exploration Limited

Leni Stanley  
Secretary