



MARKET RELEASE

13 August 2008

CSL Limited

TRADING HALT

The securities of CSL 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 Friday, 15 August 2008 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: CSL

Kate Kidson

Principal Adviser, Issuers (Melbourne)



13 August 2008

Ms Kate Kidson
ASX Limited
Melbourne

By E-mail: Kate.Kidson@asx.com.au

Dear Kate

Request for Trading Halt

CSL Limited (*CSL*) confirms its request that ASX impose a trading halt in respect of CSL's ordinary shares prior to the opening of trading today.

In accordance with Listing Rule 17.1, I advise that:

- (a) CSL is seeking the trading halt pending the making of an announcement by CSL to the market in relation to the outcome of an institutional share placement process to be commenced today for the purpose of funding a proposed acquisition which will be announced today;
- (b) CSL wishes the trading halt to last until such time as it makes an announcement to the market concerning the outcome of the institutional share placement and, in any event, the trading halt will not last beyond the commencement of trading on Friday, 15 August, 2008; and
- (c) CSL is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Turvey', written in a cursive style.

Peter Turvey
Company Secretary