



MARKET RELEASE

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HeartWare International, Inc.

TRADING HALT

The securities of HeartWare International, Inc. (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, 17 February 2009 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code: HIN

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Dear Mr Farina

Request for Trading Halt

I refer to our recent discussions and confirm that HeartWare International, Inc. (ASX code: HIN) wishes to request a trading halt in its securities effective immediately.

The Company provides the following information in accordance with Listing Rule 17.1:

- The reason for the trading halt is that the Company anticipates making an announcement on Monday morning in relation to the outcome of a material corporate transaction.
- The trading halt is to last until the commencement of trade on Monday 15 February 2009.
- The Company is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.

Please call me if you have any queries in relation to the above.

Yours faithfully

**David McIntyre
Chief Financial Officer &
Company Secretary**