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Dear Sir,

AUSTIN ENGINEERING LIMITED – QUOTATION OF SECURITIES

The Directors of West Australian Metals Ltd are pleased to advise that Austin Engineering Limited was admitted to the Official List of the Australian Stock Exchange on 4 March 2004 and that Official Quotation of Austin's securities commenced at 10.00am (WST) today, Tuesday 9 March 2004.

The quotation of Austin's securities on ASX concludes the de-merger of the West Australian Metals' engineering and mineral assets which was approved by Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on 28 November 2003.

Utilising loan funds repaid by Austin Engineering under the terms of the de-merger, West Australian Metals is now equipped to focus on the development of its wholly owned gold resources in the Laverton district and on new exploration and mining opportunities.

Yours faithfully,
for **WEST AUSTRALIAN METALS LTD**

David Hamlyn
Executive Director