



# MARKET RELEASE

24 August 2016

**Metcash Limited**

**TRADING HALT**

The securities of Metcash Limited (the "Company") will be placed in Trading Halt Session State at the request of the Company, pending the release of an announcement by the Company. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in Trading Halt Session State until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Friday, 26 August 2016 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Security Code:                    MTS

Violetta Codreanu  
**ADVISER, LISTINGS COMPLIANCE (SYDNEY)**

For personal use only



METCASH LIMITED  
ABN 32 112 073 480

1 THOMAS HOLT DRIVE  
MACQUARIE PARK  
NSW 2113 AUSTRALIA

PO BOX 557  
MACQUARIE PARK  
NSW 1670 AUSTRALIA

PHONE: 02 9741 3000  
FAX: 02 9741 3399  
WEB: [www.metcash.com](http://www.metcash.com)

24 August 2016

Ms Violetta Codreanu  
ASX Limited  
Company Announcements Office  
Level 4, Exchange Centre  
20 Bridge Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Ms Codreanu

**METCASH LIMITED - REQUEST FOR TRADING HALT**

Pursuant to Listing Rule 17.1, Metcash Limited (**Metcash**) requests a trading halt in its ordinary shares (ASX Code: MTS) from the commencement of trading today, 24 August 2016.

In accordance with Listing Rule 17.1, Metcash provides the following information:

- (a) The trading halt is requested pending an announcement by Metcash in relation to Metcash's participation in the Home Timber & Hardware Group sale process being conducted by Woolworths Limited;
- (b) Metcash wishes the trading halt to remain in place until the earlier of such time as it makes an announcement to the market in relation to the outcome of Metcash's participation in the sale process and the commencement of trading on Friday, 26 August 2016; and
- (c) Metcash is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted or of any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt.

Yours sincerely

Julie Hutton  
Company Secretary

For personal use only