

30 August 2019

Mr Wade Baggot Manager, Listings Compliance (Perth) ASX Limited

# **RESPONSE TO ASX PRICE QUERY LETTER**

Dear Wade

We refer to your letter to Geopacific Resources Limited ("Geopacific" or "Company") dated 30 August 2019 regarding a significant increase in the price of Geopacific's securities from 27 August 2019 to 30 August 2019.

Please see below responses to your specific queries:

1. Is GPR aware of any information concerning it that has not been announced to the market which, if known by some in the market, could explain the recent trading in its securities?

No.

- 2. If the answer to question 1 is "yes".
  - a. Is GPR relying on Listing Rule 3.1A not to announce that information under Listing Rule 3.1? Please note that the recent trading in GPR's securities would suggest to ASX that such information may have ceased to be confidential and therefore GPR may no longer be able to rely on Listing Rule 3.1A. Accordingly, if the answer to this question is "yes", you need to contact us immediately to discuss the situation.

Not applicable.

b. Can an announcement be made immediately? Please note, if the answer to this question is "no", you need to contact us immediately to discuss requesting a trading halt (see below).

Not applicable.

c. If an announcement cannot be made immediately, why not and when is it expected that an announcement will be made?

Not applicable.

# 3. If the answer to question 1 is "no", is there any other explanation that GPR may have for the recent trading in its securities?

The Company had articles published in The Sydney Morning Herald and The Age newspapers on 27 August 2019, the timing of which coincides with the increase in share price.

On 30 August 2019, Petra Capital released an updated research note titled "Quality Gold Asset Ready for Development" to its client base.

The Company believes the combination of the above marketing activities to highlight the completion of the independent technical studies on the Woodlark Gold Project and the recent significant increase in gold price has led to the increase in share price.

4. Please confirm that GPR is complying with the Listing Rules and, in particular, Listing Rule 3.1.

Confirmed.

5. Please confirm that GPR's responses to the questions above have been authorised and approved under its published continuous disclosure policy or otherwise by its board or an officer of GPR with delegated authority from the board to respond to ASX on disclosure matters.

Confirmed.

Yours faithfully

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Matthew Smith CFO & Company Secretary





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Mr Matthew Smith Company Secretary Geopacific Resources Limited

By email:

Dear Mr Smith

## Geopacific Resources Limited ('GPR'): Price Query

We note the change in the price of GPR's securities from a low of \$0.02 on 27 August 2019 to a high of \$0.031 at the time of writing today.

#### **Request for Information**

In light of this, ASX asks GPR to respond separately to each of the following questions and requests for information:

- 1. Is GPR aware of any information concerning it that has not been announced to the market which, if known by some in the market, could explain the recent trading in its securities?
- 2. If the answer to question 1 is "yes".
  - (a) Is GPR relying on Listing Rule 3.1A not to announce that information under Listing Rule 3.1? Please note that the recent trading in GPR's securities would suggest to ASX that such information may have ceased to be confidential and therefore GPR may no longer be able to rely on Listing Rule 3.1A. Accordingly, if the answer to this question is "yes", you need to contact us immediately to discuss the situation.
  - (b) Can an announcement be made immediately? Please note, if the answer to this question is "no", you need to contact us immediately to discuss requesting a trading halt (see below).
  - (c) If an announcement cannot be made immediately, why not and when is it expected that an announcement will be made?
- 3. If the answer to question 1 is "no", is there any other explanation that GPR may have for the recent trading in its securities?
- 4. Please confirm that GPR is complying with the Listing Rules and, in particular, Listing Rule 3.1.
- 5. Please confirm that GPR's responses to the questions above have been authorised and approved under its published continuous disclosure policy or otherwise by its board or an officer of GPR with delegated authority from the board to respond to ASX on disclosure matters.

#### When and where to send your response

This request is made under Listing Rule 18.7. Your response is required as soon as reasonably possible and, in any event, by no later than **11:30 AM AWST today, Friday 30 August 2019**. If we do not have your response by then, ASX will likely suspend trading in GPR's securities under Listing Rule 17.3. You should note that if the information requested by this letter is information required to be given to ASX under Listing Rule 3.1 and it does not fall within the exceptions mentioned in Listing Rule 3.1A, GPR's obligation is to disclose the information "immediately". This may require the information to be disclosed before the deadline set out in the previous paragraph.

ASX reserves the right to release a copy of this letter and your response on the ASX Market Announcements Platform under Listing Rule 18.7A. Accordingly, your response should be in a form suitable for release to the market. Your response should be sent to me by e-mail at ListingsCompliancePerth@asx.com.au. It should not be sent directly to the ASX Market Announcements Office. This is to allow me to review your response to confirm that it is in a form appropriate for release to the market, before it is published on the ASX Market Announcements Platform.

## Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A

Listing Rule 3.1 requires a listed entity to give ASX immediately any information concerning it that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the entity's securities. Exceptions to this requirement are set out in Listing Rule 3.1A. In responding to this letter, you should have regard to GPR's obligations under Listing Rules 3.1 and 3.1A and also to Guidance *Note 8 Continuous Disclosure: Listing Rules* 3.1 - 3.1B. It should be noted that GPR's obligation to disclose information under Listing Rule 3.1 is not confined to, nor is it necessarily satisfied by, answering the questions set out in this letter.

# Trading halt

If you are unable to respond to this letter by the time specified above, or if the answer to question 1 is "yes" and an announcement cannot be made immediately, you should discuss with us whether it is appropriate to request a trading halt in GPR's securities under Listing Rule 17.1. If you wish a trading halt, you must tell us:

- the reasons for the trading halt;
- how long you want the trading halt to last;
- the event you expect to happen that will end the trading halt;
- that you are not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted; and
- any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt, or that we ask for.

We may require the request for a trading halt to be in writing. The trading halt cannot extend past the commencement of normal trading on the second day after the day on which it is granted.

You can find further information about trading halts in Guidance Note 16 *Trading Halts & Voluntary Suspensions*.

## Suspension

If you are unable to respond to this letter by the time specified above ASX will likely suspend trading in GPR's securities under Listing Rule 17.3.

## Enquiries

If you have any queries or concerns about any of the above, please contact me immediately.

#### Yours sincerely

Wade Baggott Manager, Listings Compliance (Perth)