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Dear Sir/Madam

**SOUTHCORP LIMITED - FILE 82-2692
TRADING HALT**

We enclose herewith for filing a copy of the above announcement that was lodged with the Australian Stock Exchange today.

The notice is to be filed with respect to the Company's obligation pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b). Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by stamping and returning the enclosed copy in the self addressed envelope provided for your convenience.

Yours faithfully
SOUTHCORP LIMITED

M M HUDSON
COMPANY SECRETARY

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cc: Mark R. Saunders, Global Markets Capital Corp.

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08 May 2003

Mr D White
Manager Companies
Australian Stock Exchange Limited
Santos House
91 King William Street
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08/05/03 10:21

Dear Sir

TRADING HALT

I refer to our telephone conversation of this morning and confirm that Southcorp Limited (ASX code: SRP) requests a trading halt with respect to its securities, pursuant to Listing Rule 17.1.

The Company is reviewing its financial expectations for the second half of this financial year, particularly in the light of the continued impact of difficult trading conditions.

The Company expects to make an announcement with respect to its second half earnings by the time the market opens on Monday 12 May, 2003.

Accordingly, we request a trading halt with respect to our securities until that announcement is made.

Yours faithfully

Martin M Hudson
Chief General Counsel & Company Secretary

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