



MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

6 June 2006

ASX Obtains Treasurer's approval

Australian Stock Exchange Limited (ASX) and SFE Corporation Limited (SFE) welcome today's announcement by the Federal Treasurer that he has approved ASX's application to have 100% of the voting power in SFE and its subsidiaries.

The approval was granted without any conditions.

ASX and SFE now look forward to SFE shareholders voting on the merger proposal at their meeting on 5 July 2006.

ASX and SFE announced their intention to merge on 27 March 2006. Their announcement can be found at: www.asx.com.au/about/pdf/media_release_270306.pdf

For further information:

Media

Gervase Greene
Manager, Corporate Relations – ASX
(BH) + 612 9227 0464
(Mobile) 0419 496 703
www.asx.com.au/media

Malcolm Starr
General Counsel and Company Secretary –
SFE
(BH) 9256 0400

Investors and Analysts

Dimitri Burshtein
General Manager, Investor Relations - ASX
(BH) +61 2 9227 0279
(Mobile) 0414 629 751
www.asx.com.au/shareholder

Martin Davey
Chief Financial Officer - SFE
(BH) 9256 0576