
ASTUTE METALS NL
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NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Meeting will be held at:

TIME: 10.30am (AEST)
DATE: 31 May 2024
PLACE: Offices of RSM
Level 13, 60 Castlereagh Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

The business of the Meeting affects your shareholding and your vote is important.

This Notice should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 29 May 2024 AEST on 10.30am 2024.

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

AGENDA

1. RESOLUTION 1 – APPROVAL TO ISSUE SHARES – CONSIDERATION SHARES

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

“That, approval is given for the Company to:

- a) acquire 20% (by number) of the total issued share capital of Knox from Greenvale; and*
- b) including, for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1 and for all other purposes, issue up to 5,000,000 Initial Consideration Shares and 5,000,000 Deferred Consideration Shares to Greenvale as consideration for the acquisition of 20% (by number) of the total issued capital of Knox, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement.”*

A voting exclusion statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

2. RESOLUTION 2 – ADOPTION OF EMPLOYEE SECURITIES INCENTIVE PLAN

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

“That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)) and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to adopt an employee incentive scheme titled Employee Securities Incentive Plan and for the issue of a maximum of 41,000,000 securities under that Plan, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement.”

A voting exclusion statement and voting prohibition statement apply to this Resolution. Please see below.

3. RESOLUTION 3 – AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a **special resolution**:

“That, for the purposes of section 136(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to amend its Constitution to incorporate amendments to the Corporations Act and Listing Rules.”

Voting Prohibition Statement

Resolution 2 – Adoption of Incentive Option Plan	A person appointed as a proxy must not vote, on the basis of that appointment, on this Resolution if: (a) the proxy is either: (i) a member of the Key Management Personnel; or (ii) a Closely Related Party of such a member; and (b) the appointment does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution. However, the above prohibition does not apply if: (a) the proxy is the Chair; and (b) the appointment expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.
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Voting Exclusion Statement

In accordance with Listing Rule 14.11, the Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of the Resolution set out below by or on behalf of the following persons:

Resolution 1 – Approval to issue Shares – Consideration Shares	A person who is expected to participate in, or who will obtain a material benefit as a result of, the proposed issue (except a benefit solely by reason of being a holder of ordinary securities in the Company) (namely Greenvale Energy Limited) or an associate of that person (or those persons).
Resolution 2 – Adoption of Securities Incentive Plan	A person who is eligible to participate in the employee incentive scheme or an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of the Resolution by:

- (a) a person as a proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with the directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (b) the Chair as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with a direction given to the Chair to vote on the Resolution as the Chair decides; or
- (c) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
 - (i) the beneficiary provides written confirmation to the holder that the beneficiary is not excluded from voting, and is not an associate of a person excluded from voting, on the Resolution; and
 - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by the time and in accordance with the instructions set out on the Proxy Form.

In accordance with section 249L of the Corporations Act, Shareholders are advised that:

- each Shareholder has a right to appoint a proxy;
- the proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company; and
- a Shareholder who is entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the Shareholder appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes.

Shareholders and their proxies should be aware that:

- if proxy holders vote, they must cast all directed proxies as directed; and
- any directed proxies which are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed.

Voting in person

To vote in person, attend the Meeting at the time, date and place set out above.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 2 8046 2799.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions.

1. RESOLUTION 1 – APPROVAL TO ISSUE SHARES – CONSIDERATION SHARES

1.1 Background

As announced on 12 December 2022, the Company successfully finalised the 80% acquisition of Knox Resources Pty Ltd (**Knox**) from Greenvale Energy Ltd (ASX:GRV). Knox is the 100% owner of the Georgina Basin Iron Oxide Copper Gold (**Georgina Project**) project located in the Northern Territory, Australia.

The Georgina Project, which is located in the East Tennant province of the NT, has been the subject of geoscientific investigation by both Geoscience Australia and the Northern Territory Geological Survey for over five years. The collaborative MinEx CRC National Drilling Initiative, conducted in late 2020, confirmed the highly prospective nature of the region by intersecting prospective host rocks, IOCG-style alteration and sulphide mineralisation as part of a 10-hole program at East Tennant.

IOCG deposits are typically large, economically attractive copper-gold deposits with some smaller high-grade variants – most notably those at Tennant Creek. Australian IOCG's include the South Australian Olympic Dam, Prominent Hill, and Carrapateena deposits, Ernest Henry in north-west Queensland, and the high-grade Northern Territory Warrego and Juno deposits, located west of the Georgina Project at Tennant Creek.

In addition to IOCG prospectivity, the Knox eastern tenements overlie interpreted South Nicholson basin and Mount Isa Group sedimentary rocks, which are prospective for sediment-hosted base metal deposits such as the world-class Century and Mount Isa deposits.

1.2 Proposed Acquisition

Following the Company's initial acquisition of 80% of Knox, on 29 January 2024, the Company announced that it has entered into a conditional term sheet with Greenvale to acquire the remaining 20% interest held by Greenvale in Knox, allowing it to move to a 100% ownership position (**Acquisition**). The terms of the Acquisition are different to those contained in the call option deed executed by the parties on 28 November 2022 under which Greenvale granted the Company an option to purchase the remaining 20% of the shares on issue in Knox (**Call Option Deed**). The Company and Greenvale have subsequently entered into a deed of amendment and restatement of the Call Option Deed (**Acquisition Agreement**) which confirms the consideration, together with the terms and conditions of the Acquisition, including the obtaining of Shareholder approval as a condition precedent for the issue to Greenvale of:

- (a) 5,000,000 Shares (**Initial Consideration Shares**); and
- (b) 5,000,000 Shares to be issued within 4 years from the date of issue of the Initial Consideration Shares (**Deferred Consideration Shares**) upon the earlier announcement of:

- (i) the sale by Astute of 100% of the shares in Knox Resources or 100% of the Georgina Basin Project; or
- (ii) a Mineral Resource Estimate for the surface area described below prepared in accordance with the JORC Code on any of the tenements set out below (which form part of the Georgina Basin Project) whether granted or under application; or
- (iii) a Discovery, where **Discovery** is defined as a drill hole that is located in the areas set out below that intersects:
 - (A) 100m at 1% Copper (Cu), or equivalent where the length multiplied by the length-weighted average grade in wt% units equals 100, provided a minimum intersection grade of 1% Cu (e.g. 10m @ 10% Cu, 50m @ 2% Cu); or
 - (B) 100m @ 1.3g/t gold (Au), or equivalent where the length multiplied by the length-weighted average in g/t units equals 130, provided a minimum intersection grade of 1.3g/t (e.g. 10m @ 13g/t Au, 50m @ 2.6g/t Au).

The areas applicable to section 1.2(b)(ii) and (iii) covers any of the surface area of:

- (I) EL32282;
- (II) EL32281;
- (III) EL32296;
- (IV) EL33376;
- (V) EL33375;
- (VI) EL32285;
- (VII) EL32286;
- (VIII) EL32280;
- (IX) EL32285; and
- (X) EL32965,

(together the **Consideration Shares**).

The Acquisition Agreement is conditional on the Company receiving Shareholder approval:

- (a) to complete the Acquisition; and
- (b) for the issue of the Consideration Shares pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1.

The Acquisition Agreement otherwise contains terms customary for such an agreement.

Broadly speaking, and subject to a number of exceptions, Listing Rule 7.1 limits the amount of equity securities that a listed company can issue without the approval of its shareholders over any 12 month period to 15% of the fully paid ordinary shares it had on issue at the start of that period.

The proposed issue of the Consideration Shares falls within exception 17 of Listing Rule 7.2. It therefore requires the approval of Shareholders under Listing Rule 7.1.

1.3 Technical information required by Listing Rule 14.1A

If Resolution 1 is passed, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of the Consideration Shares. In addition, the issue of the Consideration Shares will be excluded from the calculation of the number of equity securities that the Company can issue without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1.

If Resolution 1 is not passed, the Company will not be able to proceed with the issue of the Consideration Shares and the Company will need to consider alternatives to acquire the remaining 20% of the issued capital of Knox.

Resolution 1 seeks Shareholder approval for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1 for the issue of the Consideration Shares.

1.4 Waiver from the requirements of ASX Listing Rule 7.3.4

Listing Rule 7.3.4 requires a notice of meeting with a resolution to approve the issue of equity securities to state that the securities will be issued within three months of the date of the shareholder's meeting. The Company has obtained a waiver from the ASX to the extent necessary to permit the Company to not state in this Notice that the Deferred Consideration Shares will be issued within three months of the date of the Meeting, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the Deferred Consideration Shares are to be issued upon satisfaction of the Milestones and within 4 years of the issue of the Consideration Shares;
- (b) the Milestones must not be varied;
- (c) the maximum number of Deferred Consideration Shares to be issued is capped at 5,000,000 shares;
- (d) adequate details regarding the dilutionary effect of the Deferred Consideration Shares on the Company's capital structure is included in the Notice;
- (e) for any annual reporting period during which any of the Deferred Consideration Shares have been issued or any of them remain to be issued, the Company's annual report sets out the number of Deferred Consideration Securities issued in that annual reporting period, the number of Deferred Consideration Shares that remain to be issued and the basis on which the Deferred Consideration Shares may be issued; and
- (f) the Notice contains the full terms and conditions of the Deferred Consideration Shares as well as the conditions of this waiver.

1.5 Technical information required by Listing Rule 7.1

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.3, the following information is provided in relation to Resolution 1:

- (a) the Consideration Shares will be issued to Greenvale Energy Limited;
- (b) the maximum number of Consideration Shares to be issued is 10,000,000. The Consideration Shares issued will be fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of the Company issued on the same terms and conditions as the Company's existing Shares;
- (c) the Initial Consideration Shares will be issued no later than 3 months after the date of the Meeting (or such later date to the extent permitted by any ASX waiver or modification of the Listing Rules);
- (d) ASX has granted the Company a waiver from Listing Rule 7.3.4 to the effect that the Company may issue the Deferred Consideration Shares in accordance with the period set out in Section 1.4;
- (e) the Consideration Shares will be issued at a nil issue price, in consideration for the acquisition of 20% of the issued securities in Knox;
- (f) the purpose of the issue of the Consideration Shares is to satisfy the Company's obligations under the Acquisition Agreement;
- (g) the Consideration Shares are being issued to Greenvale under the Acquisition Agreement. A summary of the material terms of Acquisition Agreement is set out in Section 1.2; and
- (h) the Consideration Shares are not being issued under, or to fund, a reverse takeover.

1.6 Greenvale's interest in the Company

Whilst Greenvale is a substantial shareholder of the Company, for the purposes of this Resolution 1, and the reason set out below Greenvale is not a related party of the Company for the purposes of Resolution 1.

Greenvale holds the following interest in the Company:

Shareholder	Shares currently held	%	¹ Shares held on Completion	%
Greenvale Energy Limited	46,000,000	11.21%	56,000,000	13.32%

¹ This table assumes that all of the Consideration Shares will be issued.

As at the date of this Notice, this equates to 11.21% of the shares on issue in the Company. ASX have confirmed that the acquisition does not amounts to a transaction to which Listing Rule 10.1 applies.

1.7 Dilution

Assuming no Options are exercised, no convertible securities are converted or other Shares issued and the maximum number of Consideration Shares are issued, the number of Shares on issue would increase from 410,519,490 (being the number of Shares on issue as at the date of this Notice) to 420,519,490 and the shareholding of existing Shareholders would be diluted by 2.38%.

1.8 Recommendation by the Board

The Astute Board consider that the proposed acquisition of the remaining 20% interest in the Georgina Basin Project is in the best interests of all Shareholders and to vote in favour of Resolution 1.

2. RESOLUTION 2 – ADOPTION OF EMPLOYEE SECURITIES INCENTIVE PLAN

2.1 General

Resolution 2 seeks Shareholder approval for the adoption of the employee incentive scheme titled "Employee Securities Incentive Plan" (**Plan**) and for the issue of up to a maximum of 41,000,000 securities, excluding issues approved by Shareholders under Listing Rule 10.14 or Listing Rule 10.11, under the Incentive Plan in accordance with Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)).

The objective of the Plan is to attract, motivate and retain key employees, contractors and other persons who provide services to the Company, and the Company considers that the adoption of the Plan and the future issue of securities under the Plan will provide these parties with the opportunity to participate in the future growth of the Company.

2.2 Listing Rule 7.1 and Listing Rule 7.2 Exception 13(b)

As summarised in Section 1.2 above, and subject to a number of exceptions set out in Listing Rule 7.2, Listing Rule 7.1 limits the amount of equity securities that a listed company can issue without the approval of its shareholders over any 12 month period to 15% of the fully paid ordinary shares it had on issue at the start of that period.

Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)) provides that Listing Rule 7.1 does not apply to an issue of securities under an employee incentive scheme if, within three years before the date of issue of the securities, the holders of the entity's ordinary securities have approved the issue of equity securities under the scheme as exception to Listing Rule 7.1.

Exception 13(b) is only available if and to the extent that the number of equity securities issued under the scheme does not exceed the maximum number set out in the entity's notice of meeting dispatched to shareholders in respect of the meeting at which shareholder approval was obtained pursuant to Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)). Exception 13(b) also ceases to be available if there is a material change to the terms of the scheme from those set out in the notice of meeting.

If Resolution 2 is passed, the Company will be able to issue securities under the Plan to eligible participants over a period of 3 years from the date of the Meeting. The issue of any securities to eligible participants under the Plan (up to the maximum number of securities stated in Section 2.3(b) below) will be excluded from the calculation of the number of equity securities that the Company can issue without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Company must seek Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 10.14 in respect of any future issues of securities under the Plan to a related party or a person whose relationship with the Company or the related party is, in ASX's opinion, such that approval should be obtained.

If Resolution 2 is not passed, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of securities under the Plan to eligible participants, but any issues of securities will

reduce, to that extent, the Company's capacity to issue equity securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1 for the 12 month period following the issue of those securities.

2.3 Technical information required by Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13)

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13), the following information is provided in relation to Resolution 2:

- (a) a summary of the key terms and conditions of the Plan is set out in Schedule 1;
- (b) the Company has not issued any securities under the Plan as this is the first time that Shareholder approval is being sought for the adoption of the Incentive Plan;
- (c) The Company is seeking Shareholder approval to adopt the Plan to:
 - (i) allow the Company to have the option to issue performance rights and options; and
 - (ii) include the new terms and conditions required by Division 1A of Part 7.12 of the Corporations Act, which replaced the previous relief provided by ASIC Class Order 14/1000 (Employee Incentive Scheme); and
- (d) the maximum number of securities proposed to be issued under the Plan in reliance on Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)), is 41,000,000 securities. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of securities for which approval is sought will be issued immediately.

3. RESOLUTION 3 – AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION

3.1 General

A company may modify or repeal its constitution or a provision of its constitution by special resolution of shareholders.

Resolution 3 is a special resolution which will enable the Company to amend its existing Constitution (**Amended Constitution**).

This will incorporate amendments to the Corporations Act and Listing Rules since the current Constitution was adopted 30 November 2021.

The Amended Constitution is broadly consistent with the provisions of the existing Constitution, with the proposed changes administrative or minor in nature.

The Directors believe these amendments are not material nor will they have any significant impact on Shareholders. A summary of the proposed material changes to the Constitution is set out below.

A copy of the Amended Constitution is available for review by Shareholders at the office of the Company. A copy of the Amended Constitution can also be sent to Shareholders upon request to the Company Secretary. Shareholders are invited to contact the Company if they have any queries or concerns.

3.2 Summary of material proposed changes

Employee Incentive Securities Plan (clause 2.4)

Under the new Division 1A of Part 7.12 of the Corporations Act, which came into effect on 1 October 2022, offers under an employee incentive plan that do not require a monetary payment (e.g., zero exercise price options or performance rights) can be issued without an issue cap. However, offers requiring a monetary payment (whether upon grant or upon exercise/vesting of the awards and issue of the underlying shares) must be accompanied by an 'ESS offer document' and must comply with an issue cap.

GLOSSARY

\$ means Australian dollars.

ASIC means the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

ASX means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by ASX Limited, as the context requires.

Board means the current board of directors of the Company.

Business Day means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

Chair means the chair of the Meeting.

Company means Astute Metals NL (ACN 007 090 904).

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

Directors means the current directors of the Company.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice.

Listing Rules means the Listing Rules of ASX.

Meeting means the meeting convened by the Notice.

Notice means this notice of meeting including the Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form.

Proxy Form means the proxy form accompanying the Notice.

Resolutions means the resolutions set out in the Notice, or any one of them, as the context requires.

Section means a section of the Explanatory Statement.

Share means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a registered holder of a Share.

WST means Western Standard Time as observed in Perth, Western Australia.

SCHEDULE – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYEE SECURITIES INCENTIVE PLAN

A summary of the material terms of the Company's Employee Securities Incentive Plan (**Plan**) is set out below.

Eligible Participant	Eligible Participant means a person that is a 'primary participant' (as that term is defined in Division 1A of Part 7.12 of the Corporations Act) in relation to the Company or an Associated Body Corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act) and has been determined by the Board to be eligible to participate in the Plan from time to time.
Purpose	The purpose of the Plan is to: (a) assist in the reward, retention and motivation of Eligible Participants; (b) link the reward of Eligible Participants to Shareholder value creation; and (c) align the interests of Eligible Participants with shareholders of the Group (being the Company and each of its Associated Bodies Corporate), by providing an opportunity to Eligible Participants to receive an equity interest in the Company in the form of Plan Shares, Options, Performance Rights and other convertible securities (Securities).
Maximum number of Convertible Securities	The Company will not make an invitation under the Plan which involves monetary consideration if the number of Shares that may be issued, or acquired upon exercise of Convertible Securities offered under an invitation, when aggregated with the number of Shares issued or that may be issued as a result of all invitations under the Plan during the 3 year period ending on the day of the invitation, will exceed 5% of the total number of issued Shares at the date of the invitation (unless the Constitution specifies a different percentage and subject to any limits approved by Shareholders under Listing Rule 7.2 Exception 13(b). The maximum number of equity securities proposed to be issued under the Plan in reliance on Listing Rule 7.2 (Exemption 13(a)), following Shareholder approval, is 41,000,000 Securities. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of Securities will be issued immediately.
Plan administration	The Plan will be administered by the Board. The Board may exercise any power or discretion conferred on it by the Plan rules in its sole and absolute discretion (except to the extent that it prevents the Participant relying on the deferred tax concessions under Subdivision 83A-C of the <i>Income Tax Assessment Act 1997</i> (Cth)). The Board may delegate its powers and discretion.
Eligibility, invitation and application	The Board may from time to time determine that an Eligible Participant may participate in the Plan and make an invitation to that Eligible Participant to apply for any (or any combination of) the Securities provided under the Plan on such terms and conditions as the Board decides.

	On receipt of an invitation, an Eligible Participant may apply for the Securities the subject of the invitation by sending a completed application form to the Company. The Board may accept an application from an Eligible Participant in whole or in part. If an Eligible Participant is permitted in the invitation, the Eligible Participant may, by notice in writing to the Board, nominate a party in whose favour the Eligible Participant wishes to renounce the invitation.
Grant of Securities	The Company will, to the extent that it has accepted a duly completed application, grant the Participant the relevant number and type of Securities, subject to the terms and conditions set out in the invitation, the Plan rules and any ancillary documentation required.
Rights attaching to Convertible Securities	A Convertible Security represents a right to acquire one or more Plan Shares in accordance with the Plan (for example, an Option or a Performance Right). Prior to a Convertible Security being exercised, the holder: (a) does not have any interest (legal, equitable or otherwise) in any Share the subject of the Convertible Security other than as expressly set out in the Plan; (b) is not entitled to receive notice of, vote at or attend a meeting of the shareholders of the Company; (c) is not entitled to receive any dividends declared by the Company; and (d) is not entitled to participate in any new issue of Shares (see Adjustment of Convertible Securities section below).
Restrictions on dealing with Convertible Securities	Convertible Securities issued under the Plan cannot be sold, assigned, transferred, have a security interest granted over or otherwise dealt with unless in Special Circumstances as defined under the Plan (including in the case of death or total or permanent disability of the holder) with the consent of the Board in which case the Convertible Securities may be exercisable on terms determined by the Board. A holder must not enter into any arrangement for the purpose of hedging their economic exposure to a Convertible Security that has been granted to them.
Vesting of Convertible Securities	Any vesting conditions applicable to the Convertible Securities will be described in the invitation. If all the vesting conditions are satisfied and/or otherwise waived by the Board, a vesting notice will be sent to the Participant by the Company informing them that the relevant Convertible Securities have vested. Unless and until the vesting notice is issued by the Company, the Convertible Securities will not be considered to have vested. For the avoidance of doubt, if the vesting conditions relevant to a Convertible Security are not satisfied and/or otherwise waived by the Board, that security will lapse.
Forfeiture of Convertible Securities	Convertible Securities will be forfeited in the following circumstances: (a) Option 1 & 2 in the Plan] in the case of unvested Convertible Securities only, where the holder ceases to be

		an Eligible Participant (e.g. is no longer employed or their office or engagement is discontinued with the Company and any Associated Bodies Corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act) (the Group); (b) in the case of unvested Convertible only, where a Participant acts fraudulently, dishonestly, negligently, in contravention of any Group policy or wilfully breaches their duties to the Group] OR [where a Participant acts fraudulently, dishonestly, negligently, in contravention of any Group policy or wilfully breaches their duties to the Group and the Board exercises its discretion to deem some or all of the Convertible Securities held by a Participant to have been forfeited; (c) where there is a failure to satisfy the vesting conditions in accordance with the Plan; (d) on the date the Participant becomes insolvent; or (e) on the Expiry Date, which is to be three years from the date of the issue of the Convertible Securities, subject to the discretion of the Board.
Listing of Convertible Securities		Convertible Securities granted under the Plan will not be quoted on the ASX or any other recognised exchange. The Board reserves the right in its absolute discretion to apply for quotation of Convertible Securities granted under the Plan on the ASX or any other recognised exchange.
Exercise of Convertible Securities and cashless exercise		To exercise a security, the Participant must deliver a signed notice of exercise and, subject to a cashless exercise (see next paragraph below), pay the exercise price (if any) to or as directed by the Company, at any time following vesting of the Convertible Securities (if subject to vesting conditions) and prior to the expiry date as set out in the invitation or vesting notice. An invitation to apply for Convertible Securities may specify that at the time of exercise of the Convertible Securities, the Participant may elect not to be required to provide payment of the exercise price for the number of Convertible Securities specified in a notice of exercise, but that on exercise of those Convertible Securities the Company will transfer or issue to the Participant that number of Shares equal in value to the positive difference between the Market Value of the Shares at the time of exercise and the exercise price that would otherwise be payable to exercise those Convertible Securities. Market Value means, at any given date, the volume weighted average price per Share traded on the ASX over the 5 trading days immediately preceding that given date, unless otherwise specified in an invitation. Convertible Securities may not be exercised unless and until that security has vested in accordance with the Plan rules, or such earlier date as set out in the Plan rules.

Timing of issue of Shares and quotation of Shares on exercise	Within five Business Days after the issue of a valid notice of exercise by a Participant, the Company will issue or cause to be transferred to that Participant the number of Shares to which the Participant is entitled under the Plan rules and issue a substitute certificate for any remaining unexercised Convertible Securities held by that Participant.
Restriction periods and restrictions on transfer of Shares on exercise	If the invitation provides that any Shares issued upon the valid exercise of a Convertible Security are subject to any restrictions as to the disposal or other dealing by a Participant for a period, the Board may implement any procedure it deems appropriate to ensure the compliance by the Participant with this restriction. Additionally, Shares issued on exercise of the Convertible Securities are subject to the following restrictions: (a) if the Company is required but is unable to give ASX a notice that complies with section 708A(5)(e) of the Corporations Act, Shares issued on exercise of the Convertible Securities may not be traded until 12 months after their issue unless the Company, at its sole discretion, elects to issue a prospectus pursuant to section 708A(11) of the Corporations Act; (b) all Shares issued on exercise of the Convertible Securities are subject to restrictions imposed by applicable law on dealing in Shares by persons who possess material information likely to affect the value of the Shares and which is not generally available; and (c) all Shares issued on exercise of the Convertible Securities are subject to the terms of the Company's Securities Trading Policy.
Rights attaching to Shares on exercise	All Shares issued upon exercise of Convertible Securities will rank equally in all respects with the then Shares of the Company.
Change of control	If a change of control event occurs (being an event which results in any person (either alone or together with associates) owning more than 50% of the Company's issued capital), unvested Convertible Securities will vest unless the Board determines in its discretion otherwise. The Board's discretion in determining the treatment of any unvested Convertible Securities on a change of control event is limited to vesting or varying any vesting conditions in respect to the Convertible Securities and does not include a discretion to lapse or forfeit unvested Convertible Securities for less than fair value.
Participation entitlements in bonus issues	Subject always to the rights under the following two paragraphs, Participants will not be entitled to participate in new issues of capital offered to holders of Shares such as bonus issues and entitlement issues.
Adjustment for bonus issue	If Shares are issued by the Company by way of bonus issue (other than an issue in lieu of dividends or by way of dividend reinvestment), the Participant is entitled, upon exercise of the Convertible Securities, to receive an issue of as many additional Shares as would have been issued to the holder if the holder held Shares equal in number to the Shares in respect of which the Convertible Securities are exercised.

Reorganisation	If there is a reorganisation of the issued share capital of the Company (including any subdivision, consolidation, reduction, return or cancellation of such issued capital of the Company), the rights of each Participant holding Convertible Securities will be changed to the extent necessary to comply with the ASX Listing Rules applicable to a reorganisation of capital at the time of the reorganisation.
Buy-Back	Subject to applicable law, the Company may at any time buy-back Securities in accordance with the terms of the Plan.
Employee Share Trust	The Board may in its sole and absolute discretion use an employee share trust or other mechanism for the purposes of holding Convertible Securities for holders under the Plan and delivering Shares on behalf of holders upon exercise of Convertible Securities.
Amendment of Plan	Subject to the following paragraph, the Board may at any time amend any provisions of the Plan rules, including (without limitation) the terms and conditions upon which any Securities have been granted under the Plan and determine that any amendments to the Plan rules be given retrospective effect, immediate effect or future effect. No amendment to any provision of the Plan rules may be made if the amendment materially reduces the rights of any Participant as they existed before the date of the amendment, other than an amendment introduced primarily for the purpose of complying with legislation or to correct manifest error or mistake, amongst other things, or is agreed to in writing by all Participants.
Plan duration	The Plan continues in operation until the Board decides to end it. The Board may from time to time suspend the operation of the Plan for a fixed period or indefinitely and may end any suspension. If the Plan is terminated or suspended for any reason, that termination or suspension must not prejudice the accrued rights of the Participants. If a Participant and the Company (acting by the Board) agree in writing that some or all of the Securities granted to that Participant are to be cancelled on a specified date or on the occurrence of a particular event, then those Securities may be cancelled in the manner agreed between the Company and the Participant.
Income Tax Assessment Act	The Plan is a plan to which Subdivision 83A-C of the <i>Income Tax Assessment Act 1997</i> (Cth) applies (subject to the conditions in that Act) except to the extent an invitation provides otherwise.

LODGE YOUR VOTE



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PROXY FORM

I/We being a member(s) of Astute Metals NL (**Company**) and entitled to attend and vote hereby appoint:

APPOINT A PROXY



the Chairman of the Meeting (mark box)

OR if you are **NOT** appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy

or failing the person or body corporate named, or if no person or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act on my/our behalf (including to vote in accordance with the following directions or, if no directions have been given and to the extent permitted by the law, as the proxy sees fit) at the General Meeting of the Company to be held at **10:30am (AEST) on Friday, 31 May 2024 at the offices of RSM, Level 13, 60 Castlereagh Street Sydney NSW 2000 (the Meeting)** and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

Important for Resolution 1: If the Chairman of the Meeting is your proxy, either by appointment or by default, and you have not indicated your voting intention below, you expressly authorise the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise the proxy in respect of Resolution 1, even though the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel (**KMP**).

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business.

VOTING DIRECTIONS

Proxies will only be valid and accepted by the Company if they are signed and received no later than 48 hours before the Meeting.

Please read the voting instructions overleaf before marking any boxes with an ☒.

Resolutions

For Against Abstain*

- 1 APPROVAL TO ISSUE SHARES – CONSIDERATION SHARES
- 2 ADOPTION OF EMPLOYEE SECURITIES INCENTIVE PLAN
- 3 AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

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* If you mark the Abstain box for a particular Item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or on a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDERS – THIS MUST BE COMPLETED

Shareholder 1 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 2 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 3 (Individual)

Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary

Director/Company Secretary (Delete one)

Director

This form should be signed by the shareholder. If a joint holding, either shareholder may sign. If signed by the shareholder's attorney, the power of attorney must have been previously noted by the registry or a certified copy attached to this form. If executed by a company, the form must be executed in accordance with the company's constitution and the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS SHAREHOLDER PROXY FORM

YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

This is your name and address as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, please make the correction on the form. Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes. **Please note: you cannot change ownership of your shares using this form.**

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

If you wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, mark the box in Step 1. If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that individual or body corporate in Step 1. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.

DEFAULT TO CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will default to the Chairman of the Meeting, who is required to vote those proxies as directed. Any undirected proxies that default to the Chairman of the Meeting will be voted according to the instructions set out in this Proxy Form, including where the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of KMP.

VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS – PROXY APPOINTMENT

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark in one of the boxes opposite each item of business. All your shares will be voted in accordance with such a direction unless you indicate only a portion of voting rights are to be voted on any item by inserting the percentage or number of shares you wish to vote in the appropriate box or boxes. If you do not mark any of the boxes on the items of business, your proxy may vote as he or she chooses. If you mark more than one box on an item your vote on that item will be invalid.

APPOINTMENT OF A SECOND PROXY

You are entitled to appoint up to two persons as proxies to attend the Meeting and vote on a poll. If you wish to appoint a second proxy, an additional Proxy Form may be obtained by telephoning the Company's share registry or you may copy this form and return them both together.

To appoint a second proxy you must:

- on each of the first Proxy Form and the second Proxy Form state the percentage of your voting rights or number of shares applicable to that form. If the appointments do not specify the percentage or number of votes that each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise half your votes. Fractions of votes will be disregarded; and
- return both forms together.

SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

You must sign this form as follows in the spaces provided:

Individual: where the holding is in one name, the holder must sign.

Joint Holding: where the holding is in more than one name, either shareholder may sign.

Power of Attorney: to sign under Power of Attorney, you must lodge the Power of Attorney with the registry. If you have not previously lodged this document for notation, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.

Companies: where the company has a Sole Director who is also the Sole Company Secretary, this form must be signed by that person. If the company (pursuant to section 204A of the *Corporations Act 2001*) does not have a Company Secretary, a Sole Director can also sign alone. Otherwise this form must be signed by a Director jointly with either another Director or a Company Secretary. Please indicate the office held by signing in the appropriate place.

CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" must be produced prior to admission in accordance with the Notice of Meeting. A form of the certificate may be obtained from the Company's share registry or online at www.linkmarketservices.com.au.

LODGEMENT OF A PROXY FORM

This Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed) must be received at an address given below by **10:30am (AEST) on Wednesday, 29 May 2024**, being not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Form received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

Proxy Forms may be lodged using the reply paid envelope or:



ONLINE

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Login to the Link website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Select 'Voting' and follow the prompts to lodge your vote. To use the online lodgement facility, shareholders will need their "Holder Identifier" - Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN).



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**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN AND VOTE AT THE GENERAL MEETING, PLEASE BRING THIS FORM WITH YOU.
THIS WILL ASSIST IN REGISTERING YOUR ATTENDANCE.**