

**ASX Announcement 21 November 2019** 

#### 2019 Annual General Meeting **Address by Chairman**

Attached, please find the presentation to be delivered by the Chairman at the DataDot Technology Limited Annual General Meeting held on 21 November 2019

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## DataDot Technology Limited



Annual General Meeting - 2019

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# Ray Carroll – Chairman's Address



#### Overview

- Six months since change of leadership
- Bad news: company was in a worse financial state than we anticipated
- Good news: significant opportunities to facilitate quick turnaround
- Immediate Focus: securing company's financial stability
- Intermediate Goal: implementing the Rescue Plan agreed by shareholders



#### The First Six Months

- Moving fast and delivering results:
  - Result for year ending June 2019 was a loss of \$2.3m
  - Close to breakeven for the September 2019 Quarter (unaudited)
  - Expect further efficiencies to materialise in second and third quarters
  - Expect third and fourth quarter revenue growth from new and improved relationships with commercial partners and the rollout of the PropertyVault product and services offering



## Key Actions to Date

- Issued Convertible Note to provide much needed working capital
- Implemented extensive cost reduction program
- Secured new partnership agreement with DataDot South Africa for sales into Europe and Russia
- Renegotiated supply contracts
- Reviewed cost structure and efficiency of DDT's three production facilities
- Fostered personal relationships with commercial partners to re-establish confidence in the company and its future
- Commenced contract negotiations for new business development opportunities in India and Chile
- Entered into distributor agreement with Property Vault



### **Cost Saving Initiatives**

Annualised cost savings already implemented = \$1.04m (est. as at 15/11/19)

- Reduced board and senior management remuneration
- Management and head office staff rationalisation
- Renegotiation of key supply agreements
  - adhesive
  - film
  - plastics
- Audit and registry services renegotiated
- Staged closure of US factory (US manufacturing to be transferred to Aust.)



## Future Cost Saving Initiatives

- Reduce occupancy costs by relocating Frenches Forest production facility and head office to more cost effective premises (January 2020)
- Rationalise administration and accounting systems and processes
- Finalise closure of US Facility (January 2020)
- Centralise raw material procurement to deliver cost savings to DDT and it's Distributors and Licensees
- Pursue proposal to progressively move production to a centralised global facility to leverage economies of scale and lower production overheads
- New freight arrangements and costs afford new opportunities and production options



#### Revenue Growth Initiatives (Microdots)

Annualised revenue increase to date = \$1.0 m (est. as at 15/11/19)

- Europe and Russian Federation New agreement with DataDot South Africa in operation to supply Dots to OEM customer – start up month Revenue was over \$250k
- India WOVM standard now in place. Preferred distributor/manufacturer selected with contract negotiation underway
- Chile WOVM legislation is anticipated. Preferred distributor / manufacturer selected with contract negotiation underway
- Taiwan –assist Licensee to benefit from production efficiencies, raw material savings and expansion plans in Asia
- UK and USA product re-design and re-pricing negotiations underway to assist customers and distributors to achieve greater market penetration
- Development of a standardised distribution model for application in new markets



#### **Authentication Solutions**

- Developing bespoke Trace solutions to customer requirements
  - Exploring additional pharmaceutical applications
  - Submitting gaming industry tenders
  - Secured Government entity application
  - Assisting construction industry innovation in authentication <a href="https://youtu.be/xGC0mhAoOTM">https://youtu.be/xGC0mhAoOTM</a>
- Enhanced Trace application to DataDots to produce authentic glow in the dark Dots
- Adding partner proprietary products to suite of solutions
  - Digital block chain
  - Authentication Labels



## Implementation of Rescue Plan

- The company is being transitioned from being a provider of identification products to a provider of a full service asset protection system via the PropertyVault partnership
- PropertyVault's asset recording and stolen property recovery system delivers new wholesale and retail opportunities for microdot sales via specialised asset protection kits.
- Distribution agreement allocates 50% share of all gross profits from PropertyVault products and services to Datadot including:
  - PropertyVault security products
  - Advertising revenue
  - Recovered property salvage commissions
- Twenty specialised PropertyVaults now operational including secure police access portal
- Rollout to retail markets to commence in third quarter

