

**ASX Announcement** 

19 December 2022

## **ISSUE OF SHARE APPRECIATION RIGHTS**

**BRISBANE, Australia** - XPON Technologies Group Limited (ASX:XPN), ("XPON" or "the Company") advises that it has issued 1,585,835 Share Appreciation Rights ("SARs") to Founder, Group CEO and Managing Director Matt Forman following Shareholder approval at the Annual General Meeting held on 24 October 2022.

The SARs were issued via an Offer under the Company's Omnibus Incentive Plan ("Offer") and the terms of the Offer are enclosed in this announcement.

<u>This announcement was approved by the Board of Directors of XPON Technologies Group Limited</u>
<u>ACN 635 810 258</u>

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Terms of Share Appreciation Rights Offer to Matt Forman, Founder, Group CEO and Managing Director.

Feature of Offer	Details
Number of SARs	1,585,835
SARs Calculation	LTI value / deemed value of SARs*
	= \$160,169 / \$0.101
	=1,585,835 SARs
	* The Board has determined that for the purpose of calculating the number of SARs to be granted, a SAR value is \$0.101, based on a Monte Carlo Simulation valuation methodology.
Value of Award at Time of Grant	\$160,169
Grant Price	Nil Consideration
Share Price at time of Grant	\$0.16
Share Price at time of Exercise	60-trading day VWAP up to but not including the exercise date
Base Price (A)	Grant date share price
	Being 60-trading day VWAP up to but not including grant date
Exercise date Share Price (B)	Exercise date share price
	Being 60-trading day VWAP up to but not including the date on which the SARs are exercised
Performance Period	1 July 2022 to 30 June 2024



Exercise period	From the Vesting Date to the date which is 5 years from the date the SARs are granted.	
SAR value (C)	SAR value at exercise x number of SARs which have vested in accordance with the terms set out in this offer letter ( <b>Vested SARs</b> )	
	= (B – A) x Vested SARs	
	= SAR value to be settled in cash or Shares	
Cash or Share settlement	The Board has the discretion to satisfy its obligation to provide the holder with Shares on vesting of the holder's SARs in part or whole in cash.  The Board may have regard for the holder's personal circumstances including taxation and shareholding as well as the Company's circumstances in determining whether to settle in shares or cash.	
Share-settled SARs	If SAR value is settled in Shares, the number of Shares will be determined as:  # of Shares = (C) / (B)	
Cash-settled SARs	If the SAR value is settled in cash, cash will be equal to  Cash = (B-A) x Vested SARs	
Vesting Dates and vesting conditions	Vesting Date is the date on which the Board determines the level of vesting of the SARs.  The SARs will vest at the determination of the Board after release of audited financial results for FY24 on satisfaction of the following conditions:  The holder remains employed by the Company at the vesting date;  Compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of Annualised Recurring Revenue (ARR) per the Vesting Scale below; and Operating cashflow breakeven for the full year FY24.	



Vesting Scale	CAGR ARR 30%	SARs Vesting 50%
	40%	75%
	45%	100%
	Pro-rata linear vesting applies between the scales.	
Expiry date	The SARs expire on the fifth	anniversary of the date of grant.
Omnibus Incentive Plan	The Company's Omnibus Incentive Plan rules apply to this grant, as amended from time to time in accordance with its terms	
Other terms	The rights and obligations that apply to SARs, including in relation to vesting, disposal and forfeiture, are specified in the Omnibus Incentive Plan. In the event of an inconsistency in terms between the Omnibus Incentive Plan and the terms in this Offer, the terms of this Offer will prevail.	
	For the avoidance of doubt, the terms specified in this Offer in respect of but not limited to all the Features of the Offer listed in the first column of this Table, vesting dates, service conditions, performance conditions, cessation of office, change in control and restriction on disposal will prevail.	
Dividend and Voting rights	Dividends will not be paid or SARs do not have any voting	
	Shares received on exercise	of vested SARs will rank equally with nt of dividends and voting rights from
Cessation of employment	remain on foot to be tested Board will have the absolute treatment that can include f	employment, unvested SARs shall in the normal course except that the discretion to determine an alternative orfeiture of all unvested SARs having s of the cessation of employment.



Malus	Malus is the forfeiture of unvested incentives.  In the event of fraud, dishonesty, breach of obligations, or in the opinion of the Board vesting of the SARs would result in an inappropriate benefit, the Board may make a determination, including the forfeiture of unvested SARs, to ensure that no unfair benefit is obtained.
Board Discretion	The Board maintains an absolute discretion to deal with unvested SARs on cessation of employment as it sees fit. It may, but is not obliged to, allow some or all of the unvested SARs to vest or treat the unvested SARs as being held by the holder and subject to the existing vesting conditions as if the holder had not ceased to be employed by XPON.
Change in Control	Notwithstanding the terms of the Omnibus Incentive Plan, in the event of a takeover, scheme or arrangement or other transaction that may result in a person or entity becoming entitled to exercise control over the Company, the Board has absolute discretion to determine the extent to which unvested SARs may vest or lapse, or whether any resulting Shares which are subject to a restriction period should become unrestricted.
Trading restrictions	At all times, holders are required to comply with the Company's Securities Trading policy.
Taxation	The Company has no responsibility for the holder's personal affairs and all personal tax implications remain the responsibility of the participant.