## **ASX** Release

20 October 2023



## **Annual General Meeting**

FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited (ASX:FCT) (FirstWave or the Company), advises that an Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at 10:00 am (AEDT) on Thursday, 23 November 2023 at Level 14, 132 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060 and as a virtual meeting.

In accordance with Listing Rule 3.17, attached are the following documents:

- A Letter to Shareholders regarding arrangements for the Annual General Meeting as dispatched to Shareholders in lieu of the Notice of Meeting;
- Notice of Annual General Meeting; and
- Proxy Form.

#### **ENDS**

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors.

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#### About FirstWave:

FirstWave is a global cybersecurity technology company formed in 2004. FirstWave's globally unique CyberCision platform provides best-in-class cybersecurity technologies, enabling FirstWave's Partners, including some of the world's largest telcos and managed service providers (MSPs), to protect their customers from cyber-attack, while rapidly growing cybersecurity services revenues at scale. In January 2022, FirstWave acquired Opmantek Limited (Opmantek), a leading provider of enterprise-grade network management, automation and IT audit software, with 150,000 organisations using their software across 178 countries and enterprise clients including Microsoft, Telmex, Claro, NextLink and NASA. Integrating CyberCision with Opmantek's flagship Network Management Information System (NMIS) and Open-AudIT product enables FirstWave to provide a comprehensive end-to-end solution for network discovery, management and cybersecurity for its Partners globally.





20 October 2023

#### Annual General Meeting - Letter to Shareholders

FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited (ASX:FCT) ("FirstWave" or the "Company") advises that an Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at 10.00am (AEDT) on 23 November 2023 at Automic Group, Level 5, 126 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000 and as a virtual meeting.

Details on how to attend and participate in the virtual meeting can be found below and in the Notice of Meeting.

In accordance with Part 1.2AA of the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Company will only be dispatching physical copies of the Notice of Meeting (**Notice**) to Shareholders who have elected to receive the Notice in physical form. For further information on your right to elect to receive documents from the Company electronically or physically, please refer to the Shareholder Communications section in this letter.

The Notice is being made available to Shareholders electronically and can be viewed and downloaded online at the following link: https://firstwave.com/.

Alternatively, the Notice will also be available on the Company's ASX market announcements page (ASX:FCT).

This Notice is given based on circumstances as at the date of this letter. Should circumstances change, the Company will make an announcement on the ASX market announcements platform and on the Company's website at https://firstwave.com/.

Shareholders are urged to monitor the ASX announcements platform and the Company's website.

#### **Hybrid Meeting**

The Company will hold this year's meeting as a hybrid meeting which means shareholders will be able to participate in person at the above-mentioned location or via an online meeting platform powered by Automic.

Shareholders that have an existing account with Automic will be able to watch, listen, and vote online.

Shareholders who do not have an account with Automic are strongly encouraged to register for an account **as soon as possible and well in advance of the Meeting** to avoid any delays on the day of the Meeting. An account can be created via the following link investor.automic.com.au and then clicking on "**register**" and following the prompts. Shareholders will require their holder number (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN)) to create an account with Automic.

Questions must be submitted in writing to the Company Secretary at <a href="Cosec@FirstWave.com.au">Cosec@FirstWave.com.au</a> at least 48 hours before the AGM.

#### Your vote is important

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

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

All resolutions will be decided on a poll. The poll will be conducted based on votes submitted by proxy and at the Meeting.

Shareholders attending the meeting virtually and wishing to vote on the day of the meeting can find



further instructions on how to do so in the Notice of Meeting. Alternatively, shareholders are strongly encouraged to complete and submit their vote by proxy by using one of the following methods:

| Online   | Lodge the Proxy Form online at <a href="https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah">https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah</a> by following the instructions: Log into the Automic website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Click on 'View Meetings' – 'Vote'. To use the online lodgement facility, Shareholders will need their holder number (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN)) as shown on the front of the Proxy Form. |
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| By post  | Completing the enclosed Proxy Form and posting it to: Automic, GPO Box 5193, Sydney NSW 2001  |
| By hand  | Completing the enclosed Proxy Form and delivering it by hand to: Automic, Level 5, 126 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000  |
| By email | Completing the enclosed Proxy Form and emailing it to: meetings@automicgroup.com.au   |

Your Proxy instruction must be received not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. **Proxy Forms received later than this time will be invalid**.

The Chair intends to vote all open proxies in favour of all resolutions, where permitted.

Yours faithfully

lain Bartram Company Secretary



#### **Shareholder Communications**

#### Your right to elect to receive documents electronically or physically

The Corporations Amendment (Meetings and Documents) Act 2022 includes a new requirement for public companies and listed companies to give shareholders notice of their right to elect to be sent documents electronically or physically by the company in section 110K of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

The recent legislative changes mean there are new options for how FirstWave shareholders receive communications. FirstWave will no longer send physical meeting documents unless a shareholder has elected for a copy to be mailed.

## Providing your email address to receive shareholder communications electronically

FirstWave encourages all shareholders to provide an email address so we can provide investor communications electronically when they become available online, which includes items such as meeting documents and annual reports.

By providing your email address, you will:

- Support the company by reducing the cost of mailing/postage
- Receive your investor communications faster and in a more secure way
- · Help the environment through the need for less paper

#### How do I update my communications preferences?

Shareholders can still elect to receive some or all of their communications in physical or electronic form or elect not to receive certain documents such as annual reports. To review your communications preferences, or sign up to receive your shareholder communications via email, please update your communication preferences at <a href="https://investor.automic.com.au/">https://investor.automic.com.au/</a>

If you are a shareholder and would like a physical copy of a communication, need further information about the options available to you or have questions about your holding, visit <a href="https://investor.automic.com.au/">https://investor.automic.com.au/</a> or contact our share registry:

Telephone (within Australia): 1300 288 664 Telephone (outside Australia): +61 2 9698 5414

**Email:** hello@automicgroup.com.au **Website:** https://investor.automic.com.au/

On behalf of the Board, thank you for your continued support as a shareholder. We look forward to welcoming you to our AGM on Thursday,

23 November 2023.

Yours sincerely, lain Bartram Company Secretary FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited

#### A SIMPLE EXPERIENCE FOR MANAGING YOUR HOLDINGS

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# FirstWave

## **Notice of 2023 Annual General Meeting**

Explanatory Statement | Proxy Form

## Thursday, 23 November 2023

To be conducted as a hybrid meeting, accessible online.

## FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited

www.firstwave.com

This Notice of Meeting 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.

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#### Important Information for Shareholders about the Company's 2023 AGM

This Notice is given based on circumstances as at 20 October 2023. Should circumstances change, the Company will make an announcement on the ASX market announcements platform and on the Company's website at <a href="https://firstwave.com/investor/">https://firstwave.com/investor/</a>. Shareholders are urged to monitor the ASX announcements platform and the Company's website.

## Venue and Voting Information

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders to which this Notice of Meeting relates will be held at 10:00 AM AEDT on Thursday, 23 November 2023 at Level 14, 132 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060 and as a virtual meeting.

If you wish to virtually attend the AGM (which will be broadcast as a live webinar), please **<u>pre-register</u>** in advance for the virtual meeting here:

#### https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_2mllzJQJR\_qbCHd6RgQLPQ

After registering, you will receive a confirmation containing information on how to attend the virtual meeting on the day of the AGM.

Shareholders will be able to vote (see the "Voting virtually at the Meeting" section of this Notice of Meeting below) and ask questions at the virtual meeting.

Shareholders are also encouraged to submit questions in advance of the Meeting to the Company.

Questions must be submitted in writing to the Company Secretary at <a href="CoSec@FirstWave.com">CoSec@FirstWave.com</a> at least 48 hours before the AGM.

The Company will also provide Shareholders with the opportunity to ask questions during the Meeting in respect to the formal items of business as well as general questions in respect to the Company and its business.

## Your vote is important

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

#### Voting in person

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

#### Voting virtually at the Meeting

Shareholders who wish to vote virtually on the day of the AGM will need to login to the online meeting platform powered by Automic.

Shareholders who do not have an account with Automic are strongly encouraged to register for an account **as soon as possible and well in advance of the Meeting** to avoid any delays on the day of the Meeting. An account can be created via the following link <u>investor.automic.com.au</u> and then clicking on "**register**" and following the prompts. Shareholders will require their holder number (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN)) to create an account with Automic.

To access the virtual meeting on the day:

- 1. Open your internet browser and go to investor.automic.com.au
- 2. Login with your username and password or click "register" if you haven't already created an account. Shareholders are encouraged to create an account prior to the start of the meeting to ensure there is no delay in attending the virtual meeting.
- 3. After logging in, a banner will display at the bottom of your screen to indicate that the meeting is open for registration, click on "**Register**" when this appears. Alternatively, click on "**Meetings**" on the left-hand menu bar to access registration.
- 4. Click on "Register" and follow the steps.
- 5. Once the Chair of the Meeting has declared the poll open for voting click on "Refresh" to be taken to the voting screen.
- 6. Select your voting direction and click "confirm" to submit your vote. Note that you cannot amend your vote after it has been submitted.

For further information on the live voting process please see the **Registration and Voting Guide** at <a href="https://www.automicgroup.com.au/virtual-agms/">https://www.automicgroup.com.au/virtual-agms/</a>.

## Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please use one of the following methods:

| Online  | Lodge the Proxy Form online at <a href="https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah">https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah</a> by following the instructions: Login to the Automic website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Click on 'View Meetings' – 'Vote'. To use the online lodgement facility, Shareholders will need their holder number (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN)) as shown on the front of the Proxy Form.  For further information on the online proxy lodgement process please see the Online Proxy Lodgement Guide at <a href="https://www.automicgroup.com.au/virtual-agms/">https://www.automicgroup.com.au/virtual-agms/</a> |
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| By post | Automic, GPO Box 5193, Sydney NSW 2001  |
| By hand | Automic, Level 5, 126 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000   |

| By email | Completing the enclosed Proxy Form and emailing it to: meetings@automicgroup.com.au |
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Your Proxy instruction must be received not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. **Proxy Forms received later than this time will be invalid.** 

## Power of Attorney

If the proxy form is signed under a power of attorney on behalf of a shareholder, then the attorney must make sure that either the original power of attorney or a certified copy is sent with the proxy form, unless the power of attorney has already provided it to the Share Registry.

#### Corporate Representatives

If a representative of a corporate shareholder or a corporate proxy will be attending the Meeting, the representative should bring to the Meeting adequate evidence of their appointment, unless this has previously been provided to the Share Registry.

## Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited ACN 144 733 595 will be held at **10:00 AM AEDT** on **Thursday, 23 November 2023** at **Level 14, 132 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060** and as a **virtual meeting.** 

The Explanatory Statement to this Notice of Meeting provides additional information on matters to be considered at the Annual General Meeting. The Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form forms part of this Notice of Meeting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001* (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 7:00 PM AEDT on Tuesday, 21 November 2023.

Terms and abbreviations used in this Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement are defined in the Glossary.

## Agenda

## **Ordinary business**

#### Financial statements and reports

"To receive and to consider the Annual Financial Report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' Report, the Remuneration Report and the Auditor's Report for that financial year."

Pursuant to the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity at the Meeting to ask questions about, or make comments in relation to, each of the aforementioned reports during consideration of these items.

#### Election and Re-election of Directors

- a. "That Paul Macrae, a Director who retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.5, will not seek re-election and will therefore resign from the Board, effective from the conclusion of the meeting".
- b. "That Euh (David) Hwang, a Director who retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.5, will not seek re-election and will therefore resign from the Board, effective from the conclusion of the meeting".

**Note**: These items of ordinary business are **for discussion only and are not a resolution**.

## Resolutions

### **Remuneration Report**

## 1. **Resolution 1** – Adoption of Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:

"That, for the purpose of Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the Remuneration Report as contained in the Company's Annual Financial Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023."

**Note**: The vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

**Voting Exclusion Statement**: In accordance with the Corporations Act, the Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 1 by or on behalf of a member of the Company's key management personnel (including the Directors), whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report (**KMP**), or any of that person's Closely Related Parties (such as close family members and any controlled companies of those persons) (collectively referred to as Restricted Voter). However, the Company need not disregard a vote if:

- (a) it is cast by a person as a proxy appointed in writing that specifies how the proxy is to vote on Resolution 1; and
- (b) it is not cast on behalf of a Restricted Voter.

If you appoint the person chairing the Meeting (**Chair**) and you are not a Restricted Voter, by submitting the Proxy Form you authorise the person chairing the Meeting to exercise the proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a KMP, and you will be taken to have directed the Chair to vote in accordance with his or her stated intention to vote in favour of Resolution 1. If you do not want your vote exercised in favour of Resolution 1, you should direct the person chairing the Meeting to vote "against", or to abstain from voting on, this Resolution.

#### **Re-election of Director**

#### 2. **Resolution 2** – Re-election of Ray Kiley as a Director

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:

"That Ray Kiley, a Director who retires in accordance with the ASX Listing Rule 14.5, and being eligible offers himself for re-election as a Director of the Company, effective immediately."

## **ASX Listing Rule 7.1A (Additional 10% Capacity)**

## 3. **Resolution 3** – ASX Listing Rule 7.1A Approval of Future Issue of Securities

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, the Shareholders approve the issue of equity securities up to 10% of the issued capital of the Company (at the time of issue) calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in ASX Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and otherwise on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement which accompanies and forms part of this Notice of Meeting."

**Voting Exclusion Statement**: The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 3 by or on behalf of:

- (a) 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); or
- (b) an Associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 3 by:

- (i) a person as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (ii) the Chair of the Meeting 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
- (iii) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - 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
  - the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

#### 4. **Resolution 4** – Ratification of Prior Issue of Shares

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.4 and for all other purposes, the Shareholders ratify the allotment and prior issue of 40,571,428 Ordinary Shares issued on 21 September 2023 and otherwise on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement which accompanies and forms part of this Notice of Meeting."

**Voting Exclusion Statement**: The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 4 by or on behalf of:

- (a) Saisei Network Inc.;
- (b) a person who participated in the issue or is a counterparty to the agreement being approved; or
- (c) an Associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 4 by:

- (i) a person as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (ii) the Chair of the Meeting 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
- (iii) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - 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
  - the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

## **Adoption of Performance Rights Plan**

## 5. **Resolution 5** – Re-adoption of Performance Rights Plan

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.2 (exception 13(b)) and for all other purposes, the Shareholders of the Company approve the re-adoption of FirstWave Cloud Technology Rights Plan (Performance Rights Plan) (a summary of which is contained in the Explanatory Statement which accompanies and forms part of this Notice of Meeting) and the issue of securities of the Company under the Performance Rights Plan within three years from the date of this resolution as an exception to Listing Rules 7.1."

**Voting Exclusion Statement**: The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 5 by or on behalf of:

- (a) a person who is eligible to participate in the Performance Rights Plan; or
- (b) an Associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 5 by:

- (i) a person as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (ii) the Chair of the Meeting 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
- (iii) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - 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
  - the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

**Voting Prohibition Statement**: In accordance with section 250BD of the Corporations Act, a person appointed as a proxy must not vote, on the basis of that appointment, on Resolution 5 if:

- (a) the proxy is either:
  - (i) a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel; or
  - (ii) a closely related party of a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel; and
- (b) the appointment does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on the resolution.

However, the above prohibition does not apply if:

- (a) the proxy is the Chair of the Meeting; and
- (b) the appointment expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even if the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with remuneration of a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

**Iain Bartram** 

Company Secretary and CFO

## **Explanatory Statement**

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of the Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 10:00 AM AEDT on Thursday, 23 November 2023 at Level 14, 132 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060 and as a virtual meeting.

The purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions in the Notice of Meeting.

If you are in any doubt about what to do in relation to the Resolutions contemplated in the Notice of Meeting and this Explanatory Statement, it is recommended that you seek advice from an accountant, solicitor or other professional advisor.

Full details of the business to be considered at the Annual General Meeting are set out below.

## Agenda

## **Ordinary business**

### Financial statements and reports

In accordance with the Constitution and the Corporations Act, the business of the Annual General Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the Annual Financial Report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Director's Report, the Remuneration Report and the Auditor's Report.

In accordance with the amendments to the Corporations Act, the Company is no longer required to provide a hard copy of the Company's Annual Financial Report to Shareholders unless a Shareholder has specifically elected to receive a printed copy.

Whilst the Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's Annual Financial Report unless specifically requested to do so, Shareholders may view the Company Annual Financial Report on its website at <a href="https://firstwave.com/investor/">https://firstwave.com/investor/</a>.

No resolution is required for this item, but Shareholders will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to make comments on the management and performance of the Company.

The Company's auditor will be present at the Meeting. During the discussion of this item, the auditor will be available to answer questions on the:

- Conduct of the audit;
- Preparation and content of the Auditor's Report;
- Accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
- Independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

#### Written questions of the auditor

If you would like to submit a written question about the content of the Auditor's Report or the conduct of the audit of the Annual Financial Report of the Company's auditor, please send your question to the Company Secretary. A list of qualifying questions will be made available at the Meeting.

Please note that all written questions must be received at least five business days before the Meeting, which is by Thursday, 16 November 2023.

#### Election and Re-election of Directors

The Company's Constitution requires that at the Company's annual general meeting, one third of the Directors shall retire from office. The retiring Directors must not be a Managing Director. The Directors to retire at the annual general meeting are those who have been in office the longest since their last election. It has been agreed that Paul Macrae will retire by rotation at this Meeting.

ASX Listing Rule 14.5 also provides that an entity which has Directors must hold an election of Directors at each annual general meeting.

Paul Macrae was appointed a Director of the Company on 8 March 2016.

Paul will retire by rotation however, having served nearly nine years on the Board, will not seek reelection.

Additionally, it has been agreed that Euh (David) Hwang will retire by rotation at this Meeting.

David was appointed as an additional Director of the Company on 7 June 2021 and has since served as a Director of the Company. David will retire by rotation and will not seek re-election.

Paul and David will therefore resign from the Board, effective from the conclusion of the meeting.

The Board expresses gratitude to both Paul and David for their work and dedicated contribution to FirstWave.

## Resolutions

## **Remuneration Report**

## **Resolution 1** – Adoption of Remuneration Report

In accordance with section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company is required to present to its Shareholders the Remuneration Report as disclosed in the Company's Annual Financial Report.

The vote on the Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company. The Remuneration Report is set out in the Company's Annual Financial Report and is also available on the Company's website at <a href="https://firstwave.com/investor/">https://firstwave.com/investor/</a>.

However, if at least 25% of the votes cast are against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting (subject of this Notice of Meeting), and then again at the 2024 Annual General Meeting (2024 AGM), the Company will be required to put to the vote a resolution (Spill Resolution) at the 2024 AGM to approve the calling of a further meeting (Spill Meeting). If more than 50% of Shareholders vote in favour of the Spill Resolution, the Company must convene the Spill Meeting within 90 days of the 2024 AGM. All of the Directors who were in office when the 2024 Directors' Report was approved, other than the Managing Director, will (if desired) need to stand for reelection at the Spill Meeting.

The Remuneration Report explains the Board's policies in relation to the nature and level of remuneration paid to KMPs (including Directors) and sets out remuneration details, service agreements and the details of any share-based compensation.

#### Voting

Note that a voting exclusion applies to Resolution 1 in the terms set out in the Notice of Meeting. In particular, the Directors and other Restricted Voters must not vote on this Resolution and must not cast a vote as proxy, unless the appointment gives a direction on how to vote, or the proxy is given to the Chair and you submit the Proxy Form, authorising the Chair to exercise the proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a KMP and that in doing so you will be taken to have directed the Chair to vote in accordance with the Chair's stated intention to vote in favour of Resolution 1.

Shareholders are urged to read carefully the Proxy Form and to provide a direction to the proxy on how to vote on this Resolution.

#### **Re-election of Directors**

## Resolution 2 - Re-election of Ray Kiley as a Director

ASX Listing Rule 14.5 also provides that an entity which has Directors must hold an election of Directors at each annual general meeting.

Ray was appointed a Director of the Company on 27 January 2022.

Under this Resolution, Ray has elected to retire by rotation, and being eligible, seeks re-election as a Director of the Company at this AGM.

Ray is an experienced advisor to technology start-ups and scale-ups. Previously he was CEO of Intelledox - an Australian enterprise software scale up that was successfully sold to SmartCommunications, an AKKR company. Mr Kiley began his career as a lawyer with Baker & McKenzie and later with Telstra where he was a Divisional General Counsel. He has since held

senior management roles with Telstra, Medibank and CoreLogic before joining Intelledox. Mr Kiley has a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and a Bachelor of Science majoring in Computer Science from the Australian National University.

#### **Directors' recommendation**

The Directors (excluding Ray Kiley) recommend that Shareholders vote for this Resolution.

#### **ASX Listing Rule 7.1A**

## **Resolution 3** – ASX Listing Rule 7.1A Approval of Future Issue of Securities

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 securities it had on issue at the start of that period.

Under Listing Rule 7.1A, however, an eligible entity can seek approval from its members, by way of a special resolution passed at its annual general meeting, to add an additional 10% capacity.

An eligible entity for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1A is an entity that is not included in the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a market capitalisation less than the amount prescribed by ASX (currently \$300 million).

As of the date of this Notice of Meeting, the Company has a market capitalisation of approximately \$90 million and therefore is an eligible entity. If at the time of the Meeting the Company is no longer an eligible entity this Resolution will be withdrawn.

This Resolution seeks Shareholder approval by way of a special resolution for the Company to have the additional 10% capacity provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A to issue equity securities without Shareholder approval.

If this Resolution is passed, the Company will be able to issue equity securities up to the combined 25% limit in Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A without any further Shareholder approval.

If this Resolution is not passed, the Company will not be able to access the additional 10% capacity to issue equity securities without Shareholder approval provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A and will remain subject to the 15% limit on issuing equity securities without Shareholder approval set out in Listing Rule 7.1.

#### Information Required by ASX Listing Rule 7.3A

The following information is provided to Shareholder for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.3A.

#### Period for which the approval will be valid

An approval under this Listing Rule 7.1A commences on the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained and expires on the first to occur of the following:

- (a) the date which is 12 months after the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained;
- (b) the time and date of the entity's next annual general meeting; and
- (c) the time and date on which Shareholders approve a transaction under Listing Rule 11.1.2 (a significant change to the nature or scale of activities) or 11.2 (disposal of main undertaking).

Minimum price at which the equity securities may be issued under Listing Rule 7.1A

Any equity securities issued under Listing Rule 7.1A.2 must be an existing quoted class of the Company's equity securities and issued for cash consideration.

The issue price per equity security must not be less than 75% of the volume weighted average market price of the equity securities in that class, calculated over 15 trading days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- (a) the date on which the price at the equity securities are to be issued is agreed by the Company and the recipient of the equity securities; and
- (b) if the equity securities are not issued within 10 trading days of the date in paragraph (a), the date on which the equity securities are issued.

<u>Purposes for which the funds raised by an issue of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A may</u> be used

As noted above, any equity securities issued under Listing Rule 7.1A.2 must be issued for cash consideration. Accordingly, every issue of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.2 will have an accompanying proposed use of funds at the time of issue.

As at the date of this Notice, the Company has not formed an intention to offer any equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A during the Listing Rule 7.1A mandate period, if Shareholders approve this Resolution. However, if Shareholders approved this Resolution and the Company did raise funds from the issue of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A, based on the Company's existing plans, the Company considers that the funds may be used for the future growth of the Company.

#### Risk of economic and voting dilution to existing ordinary Securityholders

If this Resolution is approved, and the Company issues equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A, the existing Shareholders' economic and voting power in the Company will be diluted.

#### There is a risk that:

- (a) the market price for the Company's equity securities in that class may be significantly lower on the issue date than on the date of the approval under Listing Rule 7.1A; and
- (b) the equity securities may be issued at a price that is at a discount (as described above) to the market price for the Company's equity securities on the issue date;

which may have an effect on the amount of funds raised by the issue of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.

The table below shows the potential dilution of existing Securityholders on the basis of 3 different assumed issue prices and values for the variable "A" in the formula in rule 7.1A.2:

|   |                                    | Poten                   | tial Dilution and Funds I                 | Raised                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| Variable "A" ASX Listing                    | Rule 7.1A.2                        | \$0.055 Issue Price (b) | \$0.027<br>50% decrease in<br>issue price | \$0.11<br>100% increase in<br>issue price |
| "A" is the number of shares on issue, being | 10% voting dilution <sup>(c)</sup> | 170,341,831             | 170,341,831                               | 170,341,831                               |
| 1,703,418,311<br>Shares(a)                  | Funds raised                       | \$9,368,800             | \$4,684,400                               | \$18,737,601                              |
| "A" is a 50% increase in shares on issue,   | 10% voting dilution <sup>(c)</sup> | 255,512,746             | 255,512,746                               | 255,512,746                               |
| being                                       | Funds raised                       | \$14,053,201            | \$7,026,600                               | \$28,106,402                              |

| 2,555,127,467 Shares   |                         |              |             |              |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| "A" is a 100% increase | 10% voting              | 340,683,662  | 340,683,662 | 340,683,662  |
| in shares on issue,    | dilution <sup>(c)</sup> |              |             |              |
| being                  | Funds raised            | \$18,737,601 | \$9,368,800 | \$37,475,202 |
| 3,406,836,622 Shares   |                         |              |             |              |

#### Notes:

- (a) Based on the total number of fully paid ordinary Shares on issue as at 9 October 2023.
- (b) Based on the closing price of the Company's Shares on ASX as at 8 October 2023.
- (c) The table assumes that the Company issues the maximum number of ordinary Shares available to be issued under Listing Rule 7.1A.
- (d) The table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of issues of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A based on that Shareholder's holding at the date of this Explanatory Statement.
- (e) The table shows the effect of an issue of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A only, not under the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

#### Allocation policy for issues under Listing Rule 7.1A

The Company's allocation policy and the identity of the allottees of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A will depend on a number of factors, including:

- (a) the Company's intentions in relation to the possible issue of equity securities (for cash consideration) during the Listing Rule 7.1A mandate period;
- (b) the structure and timeframe of the capital raising opportunities available to the Company and any alternative methods for raising funds that are available to the Company (such as a pro rata offer or an offer under a share purchase plan);
- (c) the potential effect on the control of the Company;
- (d) the Company's financial position and the likely future capital requirements; and
- (e) advice from the Company's corporate or financial advisors.

Based on the Company's historical cashflow reports and capital raising activities in the past 12 months, the Company considers that it may raise funds during the Listing Rule 7.1A mandate period, although this cannot be guaranteed. As of the date of this Notice, no specific intention to issue equity securities in relation to any parties, investors or existing Securityholders have been formed. In addition, no intentions have been formed in relation to the possible number of issues, or the time frame in which the issues could be made. Subject to the requirements of the Listing Rules and the Corporations Act, the Board of Directors reserve the right to determine at the time of any issue of equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A, the allocation policy that the Company will adopt for that issue.

If and when the determination is made to proceed with an issue of equity securities during the Listing Rule 7.1A mandate period, details regarding the allottees and purposes of issue will be disclosed pursuant to the Company's obligations under Listing Rules 3.10.3 and 7.1A.4.

Offers made under Listing Rule 7.1A may be made to parties (excluding any related parties) including professional and sophisticated investors, existing Shareholders of the Company, clients of Australian Financial Service Licence holders and/or their nominees, or any other person to whom the Company is able to make an offer of equity securities.

<u>Issue or agreement to issue equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A in the 12 months prior to AGM</u>

The Company has not issued or agreed to issue equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.2 in the 12 months preceding the AGM.

This Resolution is a Special Resolution. For a Special Resolution to be passed, at least 75% of the votes validly cast on the resolution by Shareholders (by number of ordinary shares) must be in favour of this Resolution.

#### **Directors' recommendation**

The Board of Directors recommend that Shareholders vote for this Resolution.

#### **Resolution 4** – Ratification of Prior Issue of Shares

#### **Background**

As announced by the Company on 21 September 2023, the Company issued 40,571,428 Shares utilising the Company's existing capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

The Company announced on 18 September 2023, the Company acquired 100% of the assets of Silicon Valley founded network automation software company Saisei Networks Inc. As a result, the Company issued 40,471,428 new shares as payment for the assets of the business on 21 September 2023 utilising the Company's existing capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

#### **ASX Listing Rule 7.1**

This Resolution proposes that Shareholders of the Company approve and ratify the prior issue and allotment of 40,571,428 Ordinary Shares, which were issued on 21 September 2023 (**Issue Date**).

All of the Ordinary Shares were issued by utilising the Company's existing capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

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 securities it had on issue at the start of that period.

The issue of Ordinary Shares did not fit within any of the exceptions to Listing Rule 7.1 and, as it has not been approved by the Company's Shareholders, it effectively uses up part of the 15% limit in Listing Rule 7.1, reducing the Company's capacity to issue further equity securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1 for the 12-month period following the Issue Date.

Listing Rule 7.4 allows the Shareholders of a listed company to approve an issue of equity securities after it has been made or agreed to be made. If they do, the issue is taken to have been approved under Listing Rule 7.1 and so does not reduce the Company's capacity to issue further equity securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1.

The Company wishes to retain as much flexibility as possible to issue additional equity securities into the future without having to obtain Shareholder approval for such issues under Listing Rule 7.1.

To this end, this Resolution seeks Shareholder approval to subsequently approve the issue of Ordinary Shares for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.4.

If this Resolution is passed, the issue of 40,571,428 will be <u>excluded</u> in calculating the Company's 15% capacity to issue equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 without Shareholder approval over the 12-month period following the Issue Date.

If this Resolution is not passed, the issue of Ordinary Shares will be <u>included</u> in calculating the Company's 15% capacity to issue equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 without Shareholder approval over the 12-month period following the Issue Date.

This Resolution proposes that Shareholders of the Company approve and ratify the prior issue and allotment of 40,571,428 Ordinary Shares, which were issued on 21 September 2023 (**Issue Date**).

#### Information required by ASX Listing Rule 7.5

The following information is provided to Shareholders for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.5.

- (a) The Ordinary Shares were issued to Saisei Network Inc.
- (b) The Company issued 40,571,428 Ordinary Shares.
- (c) The Shares were fully paid on issue and ranked equally in all aspects with all existing fully paid ordinary shares previously issued by the Company.
- (d) Material Terms of the Agreement includes the following:
  - I. Issue of 40,571,428 new shares to Saisei Network Inc. as payment for the assets of the business. The transaction includes \$200,000 in cash receivables which will be received by the Company.
  - II. The transaction will add approximately \$AUD1 million to FirstWave's annual revenue while providing a range of product and marketing enhancements to the company's existing NMIS (Network Management Information System) platform. Approximately 75% of Saisei's revenue is derived from North America and Latin America, which are key geographies in FirstWave's growth strategy.

#### **Directors' recommendation**

The Board of Directors recommend that Shareholders vote for this Resolution.

## **Adoption of Performance Rights Plan**

## **Resolution 5** – Re-adoption of Performance Rights Plan

#### **Background**

The Company's Performance Rights Plan (**Performance Rights Plan**) was last approved by Shareholders of the Company on 29 July 2020. As of the date of this Meeting, more than three years would have lapsed since this date. Accordingly, the Company seeks Shareholder approval to re-adopt the Performance Rights Plan for the purposes set out in this Explanatory Statement.

A summary of the key terms of the Incentive Plan is set out in Annexure A, and a copy of the rules of the Incentive Plan is available upon request from the Company.

#### **ASX Listing Rules**

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 securities it had on issue at the start of that period.

If this Resolution is approved by Shareholders for all purposes under the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules, including ASX Listing Rule 7.2 (exception 13(b)), it will have the effect of enabling the securities issued by the Company under the Performance Rights Plan to be automatically excluded from the formula to calculate the number of securities which the Company may issue in any 12 month period using Listing Rule 7.1 (15% capacity) during the next three year period.

The Company advises that since the Incentive Plan was last approved by Shareholders on 29 July 2020, the Company has issued 81,361,995 share rights under the ASX Listing Rule 7.2 (exception

13 (b)). If this Resolution is approved by Shareholders, the Company will issue up to a maximum of 10 % of issued capital being 170,341,831 Performance Rights under the Performance Rights Plan during the three year period following approval (for the purposes of exception 13).

If this Resolution is not approved by Shareholders, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of securities under the Company's Performance Rights Plan to eligible participants, but any issues of securities will not fall within an exception under Listing Rule 7.2 and therefore will utilize the Company's placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

#### **Directors Recommendation**

The Board of Directors recommend that Shareholders vote for this Resolution.

## Enquiries

Shareholders are asked to contact the Company Secretary on +61 2 9409 7000 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

## Glossary

**AEDT** means Australian Eastern Daylight Time as observed in Sydney, New South Wales.

**Annual Financial Report** means the 2023 Annual Report to Shareholders for the period ended 30 June 2023 as lodged by the Company with ASX on 30 August 2023.

**Annual General Meeting** or **AGM** or **Meeting** means an Annual General Meeting of the Company and, unless otherwise indicated, means the meeting of the Company's members convened by this Notice of Meeting.

**ASIC** means Australian Securities and Investment Commission.

**Associate** has the meaning given to it by the ASX Listing Rules.

**ASX** means ASX Limited ACN 008 624 691 or the financial market operated by it, as the context requires, of 20 Bridge Street, Sydney, NSW 2000.

**ASX Listing Rules** or **Listing Rules** means the official ASX Listing Rules of the ASX and any other rules of the ASX which are applicable while the Company is admitted to the official list of the ASX, as amended or replaced from time to time, except to the extent of any express written waiver by the ASX.

**Auditor's Report** means the auditor's report of dated PKF Brisbane Audit as included in the Annual Financial Report.

**Board** means the current board of Directors of the Company.

Business Day means a day on which trading takes place on the stock market of ASX.

Chair means the person chairing the Meeting.

Closely Related Party of a member of the KMP means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependant of the member or of the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealings with the Company;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the *Corporation Regulations 2001* (Cth).

**Company** means FirstWave Cloud Technologies Limited ACN 144 733 595.

**Constitution** means the Company's constitution.

**Corporations Act** means the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) as amended or replaced from time to time.

**Director** means a current director of the Company.

**Directors' Report** means the report of Directors as included in the Annual Financial Report.

**Dollar** or "\$" means Australian dollars.

**Explanatory Statement** means the explanatory statement accompanying this Notice of Meeting.

KMP means key management personnel (including the Directors) whose remuneration details are

included in the Remuneration Report.

**Notice of Meeting** or **Notice of Annual General Meeting** means this notice of annual general meeting dated 20 October 2023 including the Explanatory Statement.

**Ordinary Resolution** means a resolution that can only be passed if at least 50% of the total votes cast by Shareholders entitled to vote on the resolution are voted in its favour at the meeting.

**Performance Right** means a performance right which, subject to its terms, could convert to a Share.

**Proxy Form** means the proxy form attached to this Notice of Meeting.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report as set out in the Annual Financial Report.

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

**Restricted Voter** means a member of the Company's KMP and any Closely Related Parties of those members.

**Securities** mean Shares and/or Options (as the context requires).

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

**Shareholder** means a holder of a Share.

**Share Registry** means Automic Pty Ltd.

**Special Resolution** means a resolution that can only be passed if at least 75% of the total votes cast by Shareholders entitled to vote on the resolution are voted in its favour at the meeting.

**Spill Meeting** means the meeting that will be convened within 90 days of the 2024 AGM if a threshold of votes is cast against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting and the 2024 AGM.

**Spill Resolution** means the resolution required to be put to Shareholders at the 2024 AGM if a threshold of votes is cast against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting and the 2024 AGM.

**Trading Day** has the meaning given to that term in ASX Listing Rule 19.12.

**VWAP** means the volume weighted average market (closing) price, with respects to the price of Shares.

#### **Aspect Details** Instrument The Plan uses Rights, which may be constructed as part of the terms of an Invitation, and that are an entitlement to either a Share (classifiable as a security) or the value of a Share (less any Exercise Price) which may be satisfied either in cash and/or in Shares (at the Board's discretion). Generally, it is expected that exercised Rights will be satisfied in The Plan allows for three classes of Rights which may be appropriate forms of remuneration under various circumstances, being; Performance Rights which vest when relevant performance-based Vesting Conditions have been satisfied and will be used for the purpose of granting long term variable remuneration to executives, Service Rights which vest after the completion of a period of service (ie timebased Vesting Conditions) and which are intended to be used as part of fixed remuneration for employees, or as a retention incentive below the executive level, and Restricted Rights which are vested at grant and may be used to defer earned remuneration from time to time should it become appropriate to do so, or as part of fixed remuneration for non-executive directors. **Terms & Conditions** The Board has the discretion to set the terms and conditions on which it will offer Rights under the Plan, including the Vesting Conditions and modification of the terms and conditions as appropriate to ensuring the Plan operates as intended. All Performance Rights and Service Rights that may be issued will be subject to Vesting Conditions and in the case of Performance Rights the conditions are intended to be challenging and linked to Shareholder value creation. The terms and conditions of the Plan include those aspects legally required as well as terms addressing exceptional circumstances, such as in the circumstances of a de-listing, a major return of capital to shareholders or the treatment of Rights and Restricted Shares on termination of employment. The Plan also contains customary and usual terms having regard to Australian law for dealing with winding up, administration, variation, suspension and termination of the Plan. Variation of To the extent permitted by the ASX Listing Rules, the Board retains the discretion to vary **Terms & Conditions** or amend the terms and conditions of the Plan. Eligibility The Board will select persons eligible to participate in the Plan (Participants) and will invite such Participants to participate in the Plan (Invitation). Participants include full time and part- time employees, directors and contractors. Term Each Invitation will specify the Term of Rights, as determined by the Board, and if not exercised within the Term the Rights will lapse. The maximum Term allowable is 15 years under the Plan Rules, which is based on the maximum tax deferral period in Australia. **Number of Rights** The number of Rights specified in an Invitation will be at the discretion of the Board. It is intended that the number of Rights to be granted will be determined annually with regard to the Participant's fixed pay, relevant market practices and the relevant policies of the Company regarding remuneration, such that total remuneration is appropriate in both quantum and structure. **Measurement Period** The Measurement Period is the period over which Vesting Conditions are assessed and may be determined by the Board as part of each Invitation but will generally be three years for Performance Rights (starting from the beginning of the first financial year in the Measurement Period).

## Vesting and Vesting Conditions

Vesting Conditions are to be determined by the Board as part of each Invitation.

Performance Rights will vest based on selected measures of Company performance and service with the Company. They are intended to create alignment with indicators of shareholder value creation over the Measurement Period.

Service Rights will vest based on periods service with the Company only, and will generally relate to annual remuneration cycles when granted as part of fixed remuneration.

Restricted Rights are fully vested at grant but are subject to disposal restrictions. The disposal restrictions may extend to the Shares (Restricted Shares) that result from exercising Restricted Rights, as appropriate to circumstances. This is likely to be used where Vesting Conditions are not appropriate e.g. in the case of non-executive director fixed fees or deferred short term awards for executives.

#### Gates

The Board may attach gates to tranches of Performance Rights. A gate is a condition that, if not fulfilled, will result in nil vesting of a tranche irrespective of performance in relation to the Vesting Conditions.

## Cost of Rights and Exercise Price

No amount is payable by Participants for Rights unless otherwise determined by the Board.

No Exercise Price is payable by a Participant to exercise Rights under the Rules. However, as part of the terms of an Invitation the Board may determine that a notional Exercise Price applies, which will be deducted from the value of a Share in determining the Exercised Rights Value i.e. creating a cashless exercise option or share appreciation Right which functions identically to an option, but is less dilutive than traditional options from a Shareholder perspective.

The value of the Rights forms part of the fixed or variable remuneration appropriate to the Participants.

#### **Exercise of Vested Rights**

Vested Rights may be exercised at any time between the vesting date (or the latter elapsing of Exercise Restrictions if applicable) and the end of their term, by the Participant submitting an exercise notice, otherwise they will lapse. The Exercised Rights Value will be determined and will be either be paid in cash, converted into Shares based on the then Share price, or a combination of cash and Shares, as determined by the Board (depending on the terms

of the Invitation). Generally, it is expected that vested Rights will be settled in Shares. Such Shares will often be Restricted Shares as they will be subject to disposal restrictions if the exercise occurs during a period in which trading in Shares is prohibited under the Company's securities trading policy.

In the case of Restricted Rights which are fully vested at grant, Exercise Restrictions apply for at least 90 days following grant.

#### **Disposal Restrictions**

Rights may not be sold, transferred, mortgaged, charged or otherwise dealt with or encumbered, except by force of law.

Shares acquired from the exercise of vested Rights will be subject to disposal restrictions ordinarily applying to all Shares due to:

- · the Company's securities trading policy, and
- the insider trading provisions of the Corporations Act.

In addition to such disposal restrictions, Shares resulting from the exercising of Rights that may not be traded due to the foregoing or because of Specified Disposal Restrictions included in an Invitation will be Restricted Shares while they are so restricted. The Company will ensure that such restrictions are enforced due to the presence of CHESS holding locks or alternatively by any trustee that may appointed in connection with the Plan.

#### Disposal and Exercise Restriction Release at Taxing Point

In the event that a taxing point arises during employment with the Company in relation to Restricted Rights or Restricted Shares and the Exercise Restrictions or Specified Disposal Restrictions have not elapsed then they will cease to apply to 50% of the taxable Rights and Shares. This ensures that unreasonable tax outcomes are avoided.

#### Retesting

The Plan Rules do not allow retesting. Thus, the vesting achieved at the end of the Measurement Period may not be increased with subsequent performance improvement.

#### Termination of Employment

Generally, if termination of employment occurs within the first year of the Measurement Period, Performance Rights will be forfeited in the proportion that the remainder of the first year of the Measurement Period bears to a full year.

Remaining Performance Rights will then, in the discretion of the Board, either:

- continue to be held and be tested for vesting at the end of the Measurement Period, or
- be tested for vesting at the time of the termination of employment.

Any Performance Rights that do not vest at the testing date will be forfeited.

If Performance Rights are exercised after the termination of employment and the Share price is lower at the date of exercise than on the date of termination, then the Exercised Rights Value will be settled in cash, unless the Invitation specifies settlement in Shares only.

On termination of employment or cessation of office:

- Service Rights unvested Service Rights will vest in proportion to the service period that has been completed by the Participant; and
- Restricted Rights granted Restricted Rights will remain on issue notwithstanding that a Participant does not complete the service period relating to the period for which salary has been sacrificed.

Vested Rights held after a termination of employment will be automatically exercised 90 days after the date on which the Participant ceases to hold any unvested Rights and all Exercise Restrictions have elapsed.

#### **Delisting**

the Vesting Conditions specified in an Invitation for Performance Rights will cease to apply and:

 Unvested Performance Rights in each tranche will vest in accordance with the following formula:

Number of Unvested % of First Year

Performance = Performance X of Measurement X

Rights to Vest Rights Period Elapsed

(Share Price at the Effective Date - Share Price at Measurement Period Commencement)

Commencement

- Remaining Performance Rights may vest or lapse as determined by the Board;
- Service Rights will vest to the extent determined to be appropriate by the Board under the circumstances applicable to each grant of Service Rights, and
- Exercise Restrictions and Specified Disposal Restrictions will cease to apply on the date determined by the Board.

#### Major Return of Capital or Demerger

In the event that the Board forms the view that a major part of the Company's assets or operations will imminently cease to be owned by the Company (or a related body corporate, as that term is defined in the Corporations Act) due to an intention to sell or separately list those assets or operations, or in the event of a major return of capital to Shareholders, the Board has discretion to vest, lapse or adjust the terms of Rights such that Participants are neither advantaged nor disadvantaged by the corporate action.

Restricted Rights will cease to be subject to Exercise Restrictions and Specified Disposal Restrictions prior to the return of capital or demerger, on the date determined by the Board.

#### Board Discretion and Preventing Inappropriate Benefits

The Board has discretion to adjust the number of Rights that ultimately vest if it forms the view that the unadjusted outcome is not appropriate to the circumstances that prevailed over the Measurement Period and/or to the contribution of a Participant to outcomes over the Measurement Period.

The Board has sole discretion to determine that some or all unexercised Rights held by a

|   | Participant lapse on a specified date, if allowing the Rights to be retained would, in the  |
|---|---|
|   | opinion of the Board, result in an inappropriate benefit to the Participant. Such circumstances would include joining a competitor or actions that harm the Company's stakeholders.   |
|   | In the case of fraud or misconduct, Participant will forfeit all unvested Rights.   |
| Bonus Issues, Rights<br>Issues, Voting and<br>Dividend Entitlements | The number of Rights held by Participants will be proportionately adjusted to reflect bonus issues. Right holders will not participate in Shareholder rights issues but may, subject to the ASX Listing Rules, be offered options on similar terms to the rights issue. |
|   | Rights do not carry voting or dividend entitlements. Shares (including Restricted Shares issued when Rights are exercised carry all entitlements of Shares, including voting and dividend entitlements.   |
| Quotation   | Rights will not be quoted on the ASX. The Company will apply for official quotation of any Shares issued under the Plan, in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules.  |
| Issue or Acquisition of<br>Shares                                   | Shares allocated to a Participant when Rights are exercised under the Plan may be issued by the Company or acquired on or off market by a trustee whose purpose is to facilitate the operation of the Plan.   |
| Cost and Administration   | The Company will pay all costs of issuing and acquiring Shares for the purposes of satisfying exercised Rights, as well as any brokerage on acquisitions of Shares for this purpose and all costs of administering the Plan.  |
| Hedging   | The Company prohibits the hedging of Rights or Shares subject to disposal restrictions by specified Participants.   |



## **Proxy Voting Form**

If you are attending the virtual Meeting please retain this Proxy Voting Form for online Securityholder registration.

FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited | ABN 35 144 733 595

Your proxy voting instruction must be received by 10.00am (AEDT) on Tuesday, 21 November 2023, being not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Voting instructions received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

#### **SUBMIT YOUR PROXY**

#### Complete the form overleaf in accordance with the instructions set out below.

#### YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

The name and address shown above is as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, and you have an Issuer Sponsored holding, you can update your address through the investor portal: https://investor.automic.com.au/#/home Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes.

#### STEP 1 - APPOINT A PROXY

If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that Individual or body corporate. A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company. Otherwise if you leave this box blank, the Chair of the Meeting will be appointed as your proxy by default.

#### **DEFAULT TO THE CHAIR OF THE MEETING**

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

#### STEP 2 - VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS

You may direct your proxy how to vote by marking 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 SECOND PROXY

You may appoint up to two proxies. If you appoint two proxies, you should complete two separate Proxy Voting Forms and specify the percentage or number each proxy may exercise. If you do not specify a percentage or number, each proxy may exercise half the votes. You must return both Proxy Voting Forms together. If you require an additional Proxy Voting Form, contact Automic Registry Services.

#### SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

**Individual:** Where the holding is in one name, the Shareholder must sign.

Joint holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all Shareholders should sign.

**Power of attorney:** If you have not already lodged the power of attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the power of attorney to this Proxy Voting Form when you return it.

**Companies:** To be signed in accordance with your Constitution. Please sign in the appropriate box which indicates the office held by you.

**Email Address:** Please provide your email address in the space provided.

By providing your email address, you elect to receive all communications despatched by the Company electronically (where legally permissible) such as a Notice of Meeting, Proxy Voting Form and Annual Report via email.

#### **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES**

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate 'Appointment of Corporate Representative' should be produced prior to admission. A form may be obtained from the Company's share registry online at https://automic.com.au.

#### **Lodging your Proxy Voting Form:**

#### Online

Use your computer or smartphone to appoint a proxy at

 $\frac{\text{https://investor.automic.com.au/\#/loginsah}}{\text{scan the QR code below using your}} \text{ or}$ 

Login & Click on 'Meetings'. Use the Holder Number as shown at the top of this Proxy Voting Form.



smartphone

#### BY MAIL:

Automic GPO Box 5193 Sydney NSW 2001

#### IN PERSON:

Automic

Level 5, 126 Phillip Street Sydney NSW 2000

#### BY EMAIL:

meetings@automicgroup.com.au

#### BY FACSIMILE:

+61 2 8583 3040

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https://automicgroup.com.au/

#### PHONE:

1300 288 664 (Within Australia) +61 2 9698 5414 (Overseas)

| STEP 1 - How to vot |
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| APPOINT A PROXY:    |

I/We being a Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting of FirstWave Cloud Technology Limited, to be held virtually at 10.00am (AEDT) on Thursday, 23 November 2023 and physically at Level 14, 132 Arthur Street, North Sydney NSW 2060 hereby:

**Appoint the Chair of the Meeting (Chair)** OR if you are not appointing the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please write in the box provided below the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy or failing the person so named or, if no person is named, the Chair, or the Chair's nominee, to vote in accordance with the following directions, or, if no directions have been given, and subject to the relevant laws as the proxy sees fit and at any adjournment thereof.

The Chair intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions in which the Chair is entitled to vote.

Unless indicated otherwise by ticking the "for"," against" or "abstain" box you will be authorising the Chair to vote in accordance with the Chair's voting intention.

## AUTHORITY FOR CHAIR TO VOTE UNDIRECTED PROXIES ON REMUNERATION RELATED RESOLUTIONS

Where I/we have appointed the Chair as my/our proxy (or where the Chair becomes my/our proxy by default), I/we expressly authorise the Chair to exercise my/our proxy on Resolution 1 (except where I/we have indicated a different voting intention below) even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel, which includes the Chair.

#### VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION AT THE MEETING:

The company is pleased to provide shareholders with the opportunity to attend and participate in a virtual Meeting through an online meeting platform powered by Automic, where shareholders will be able to watch, listen, and vote online.

To access the virtual meeting:

- 1. Open your internet browser and go to investor.automic.com.au
- Login with your username and password or click "register" if you haven't already created an account. Shareholders are encouraged to create an account prior to the start of the meeting to ensure there is no delay in attending the virtual meeting

Further information on how to do this is set out in the Notice of Meeting. The Explanatory Notes that accompany and form part of the Notice of Meeting describe the various matters to be considered.

| STEP 3 – Signatures and contact details  Individual or Securityholder 1 Securityholder 2 Securityholder 3  Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary Director Director / Company Secretary  Contact Name:  Email Address:  | esolutions   |  |                 |         |        | For      | r      | Against   | Abstai    |
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