



# **Notice of Meeting**

Dear Shareholder

Notice is given that a meeting of shareholders will be held at:

10:00am (WST)

Date: 27 November 2024

Place: Level 4, 88 Wiliam Street, Perth WA 6000

#### (Meeting).

As permitted by the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth), the Company will not be despatching hard copies of the Notice of Meeting (Notice) unless the shareholder has made a valid election to receive documents in hard copy. Instead, the Notice and accompanying explanatory statement (Meeting Materials) are being made available to shareholders electronically.

For those shareholders who have provided an email address and elected to receive electronic communications from the Company, an email has been sent to the nominated email address with a link to an electronic copy of the Meeting Materials and the proxy form/voting instruction form.

For those shareholders who have not made such an election, you are strongly encouraged to do so as this will substantially reduce the associated administrative printing and mailing costs.

You can however also access the Meeting Materials online via:

- 1. The Company's website: <a href="https://austinmetals.com.au/investor-center/">https://austinmetals.com.au/investor-center/</a>
- 2. The ASX Announcement Platform website: www.asx.com.au/markets/company/ayt

Please contact the Company's share registry, Automic, at hello@automic.com.au to obtain a hard copy if you are unable to access the Meeting Materials online.

Please update your communication preferences online to receive electronic communications from the Company in the future via: https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah or scan the QR code using your smartphone.

Yours sincerely,

Flynn Blackburn Joint Company Secretary

# **AUSTIN METALS LIMITED**

ACN 130 933 309

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

**TIME:** 10.00am (WST)

**DATE:** Wednesday, 27 November 2024

PLACE: Level 4, 88 William Street, Perth WA 6000

This Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement should be read in its entirety.

If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their accountant, solicitor or other professional adviser without delay.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 (8) 9463 2463.

As permitted by the Corporations Act, the Company will not be sending hard copies of the Notice of Meeting to Shareholders unless the Shareholder has made a valid election to receive documents in hard copy. Instead, Shareholders can access a copy of the Notice at the following link:

https://www.asx.com.au/markets/trade-our-cash-market/announcements.ayt

# **How Shareholders Can Participate**

- 1. Shareholders are urged to appoint the Chair as their proxy. Shareholders can complete the Proxy Form to provide specific instructions on how a Shareholder's vote is to be cast on each item of business and the Chair must follow the Shareholder's instructions. Lodgement instructions (which include the ability to lodge proxies electronically) are set out in the Proxy Form attached to the Notice of Meeting. If a person other than the Chair is appointed as proxy, the proxy will revert to the Chair in the absence of the appointed proxy holder's attendance at the Meeting. Your proxy voting instructions must be received by 10.00am (WST) on Monday, 25 November 2024.
- 2. Shareholders may submit questions in advance of the Meeting by email to the Company Secretary at <a href="mailto:austinmetals@nexiaperth.com.au">austinmetals@nexiaperth.com.au</a>. Responses will be provided at the Meeting in respect of all valid questions received prior to 10.00am (WST) on Monday, 25 November 2024. Shareholders who attend the Meeting, will also have the opportunity to submit questions during the Meeting.

Shareholders should contact the Company Secretary on +61 (8) 9463 2463 or by email at <a href="mailto:austinmetals@nexiaperth.com.au">austinmetals@nexiaperth.com.au</a> if they have any queries in relation to the Meeting arrangements.

If the above arrangements with respect to the Meeting change, Shareholders will be updated via the ASX Market Announcements Platform and on the Company's website at: <a href="https://austinmetals.com.au/">https://austinmetals.com.au/</a>

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of Austin Metals Limited (ACN 130 933 309) (**Company**) will be held at Level 4, 88 William Street, Perth WA 6000 on Wednesday, 27 November 2024 commencing at 10.00am (WST).

#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

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

#### **VOTING ELIGIBILITY**

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 4.00pm (WST) on Monday, 25 November 2024.

#### **VOTING IN PERSON**

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

#### VOTING BY PROXY

Shareholders are strongly encouraged to vote by lodging a directed proxy appointing the Chair as early as possible and in any event prior to the cut-off for proxy voting as set out in the Notice. Instructions for lodging proxies are included on your personalised proxy form.

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 2 or more votes may appoint 2 proxies and may specify
  the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the member appoints
  2 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 changes to the Corporations Act made in 2011 mean 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.

Further details on these changes are set out below.

# Proxy vote if appointment specifies way to vote

Section 250BB(1) of the Corporations Act provides that an appointment of a proxy may specify the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution and, if it does:

- the proxy need not vote on a show of hands, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (ie as directed); and
- if the proxy has 2 or more appointments that specify different ways to vote on the resolution, the proxy must not vote on a show of hands; and
- if the proxy is the chair of the meeting at which the resolution is voted on, the proxy must vote on a poll, and must vote that way (ie as directed); and
- if the proxy is not the chair, the proxy need not vote on the poll, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (ie as directed).

# Transfer of non-chair proxy to chair in certain circumstances

Section 250BC of the Corporations Act provides that, if:

- an appointment of a proxy specifies the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution at a meeting of the Company's members; and
- the appointed proxy is not the chair of the meeting; and
- at the meeting, a poll is duly demanded on the resolution or is otherwise required under section 250JA of the Corporations Act; and
- either of the following applies:
  - o the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting; or
  - o the proxy does not vote on the resolution,

the Chair is taken, before voting on the resolution closes, to have been appointed as the proxy for the purposes of voting on the resolution at the meeting.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of Austin Metals Limited (ACN 130 933 309) (**Company**) will be held at Level 4, 88 William Street, Perth WA 6000, commencing at 10.00am (WST) on Wednesday, 27 November 2024 to consider, and if thought fit, to pass the Resolutions set out below.

Terms used in this Notice of Meeting and accompanying Explanatory Statement are defined in the glossary to this document.

The Explanatory Statement which accompanies and forms part of this Notice of Meeting describes the matters to be considered at the Annual General Meeting.

#### **AGENDA**

# 1. ANNUAL REPORT

To receive and consider the financial report of the Company together with the reports of the directors and the auditor for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

# 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF THE REMUNERATION REPORT

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

"That, for the purposes of section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, the remuneration report for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 be adopted".

**Note**: The Remuneration Report is in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report. Listed companies are required to put the Remuneration Report to the vote for adoption at the Company's Annual General Meeting. The vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

**Voting Exclusion:** In accordance with sections 250BD and 250R of the Corporations Act, a vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of a member of the Key Management Personnel details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of such a member.

A vote may be cast by such person if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person who is excluded from voting on this Resolution, and:

the person is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; or

the voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution, but expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even if this Resolution is connected with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

# 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DARREN WHITE AS A DIRECTOR

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

"That Mr Darren White, a Director of the Company who retires in accordance with Clause 15.2 of the Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.5, and being eligible, offers himself for re-election, to be re-elected as a Director of the Company".

# 4. RESOLUTION 3 – APPROVAL OF 10% PLACEMENT FACILITY

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without amendment, as a **Special** Resolution the following:

"That, pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, Shareholders approve the issue of Equity Securities up to 10% of the issued capital of the Company (at the time of the issue) calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and otherwise on the terms and conditions in the Explanatory Memorandum."

Dated: 18 October 2024

By order of the Board

Flynn Blackburn Joint Company Secretary

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of Shareholders in relation to the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on Wednesday, 27 November 2024 at Level 4, 88 William Street, Perth WA 6000 commencing at 10.00 am (WST).

The purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide Shareholders with all information known to the Company which is material to a decision on how to vote on the Resolutions in the accompanying Notice of Meeting.

This Explanatory Statement should be read in conjunction with the Notice of Meeting preceding this Explanatory Statement. Capitalised terms in this Explanatory Statement are defined in the glossary to this document.

If you have any questions regarding the matters set out in this Explanatory Statement or the preceding Notice of Meeting, please contact the Company Secretary, your accountant, solicitor, stockbroker or other professional advisor before voting.

# 1. ANNUAL REPORT

Section 317 of the Corporations Act requires the reports of the directors and of the auditors and the Annual Report, including the financial statements, to be put before the Annual General Meeting and the Constitution provides for those reports and statements to be received and considered at the Annual General Meeting.

Neither the Corporations Act nor the Constitution requires a vote of Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on the reports or statements. However, Shareholders will be given the opportunity to raise questions on the reports and the statements at the Annual General Meeting.

The Company's 2024 Annual Report is available at <a href="https://www.asx.com.au/markets/trade-our-cash-market/announcements.ayt">https://www.asx.com.au/markets/trade-our-cash-market/announcements.ayt</a>. Those shareholders that elected to receive a printed copy of the Annual Report will have received a copy with this Notice of Annual General Meeting.

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to:

- (a) discuss the Annual Report;
- (b) ask questions about, or comment on, the management of the Company; and
- (c) ask the auditor questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the Auditor's Report.

In addition to taking questions at the Meeting, written questions to the Chairperson about the management of the Company, or to the Company's auditor about:

- (a) the preparation and the content of the Auditor's Report;
- (b) the conduct of the audit;
- (c) accounting policies of the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
- (d) the independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit,

may be submitted no later than five business days before the Meeting to the Company Secretary at the Company's registered office.

# 2. RESOLUTION 1 – REMUNERATION REPORT

# 2.1 General

In accordance with section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company must put the Remuneration Report to the vote of Shareholders. The Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2024 in the 2024 Annual Report contains the Remuneration Report which sets out

the remuneration policy for the Company and the remuneration arrangements in place for the Directors.

In accordance with section 250R(3) of the Corporations Act, Resolution 1 is advisory only and does not bind the Directors. If Resolution 1 is not passed, the Directors will not be required to alter any of the arrangements in the Remuneration Report.

If the Company's Remuneration Report receives a 'no' vote of 25% or more (Strike) at two consecutive annual general meetings, Shareholders will have the opportunity to remove the whole Board, except the managing director (if any).

Where a resolution on the Remuneration Report receives a Strike at two consecutive annual general meetings, the Company will be required to put to Shareholders at the second annual general meeting a resolution on whether another meeting should be held (within 90 days) at which all Directors (other than the managing director, if any) who were in office at the date of approval of the applicable Directors' Report must stand for re-election.

The Company's Remuneration Report did not receive a Strike at the 2023 annual general meeting held on 28 November 2023. If the Remuneration Report receives a Strike at this Meeting, Shareholders should be aware that if a second Strike is received at the 2025 annual general meeting, this may result in the re-election of the Board.

The Chair will allow a reasonable opportunity for Shareholders as a whole to ask about or make comments on the Remuneration Report.

# 2.2 Additional information

Resolution 1 is a non-binding resolution.

Given the personal interests of all Directors in the outcome of this Resolution, the Board declines to make a recommendation to Shareholders regarding this Resolution

# 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF MR DARREN WHITE AS A DIRECTOR

# 3.1 General

ASX Listing Rule 14.5 and Clause 15.2 of the Constitution provide that a re-election of Directors must be held at each annual general meeting.

The Directors to retire are to be those who have been in office for 3 years since their appointment or last re-appointment or who have been longest in office since their appointment or last re-appointment or, if the Directors have been in office for an equal length of time, by agreement.

Mr White retires from office in accordance with these requirements and being eligible, offers himself for re-election by shareholders as a director of the Company, with effect from the end of the meeting.

Resolution 2 is an ordinary resolution.

# 3.2 Darren White

Mr White is a successful and well respected WA based businessman with over 30 years' experience in mining operations, in particular, key business areas of Drilling and Blasting.

Mr White has acknowledged to the Company that he will have sufficient time to fulfil his responsibilities as a Director.

#### 3.3 Board Recommendation

The Chairperson intends to exercise all available proxies in favour of Resolution 2.

The Board (excluding Mr White) supports the re-election of Mr White to the Board and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 2.

# 4. RESOLUTION 3 – APPROVAL OF 10% PLACEMENT FACILITY

#### 4.1 General

Listing Rule 7.1A enables eligible entities to issue Equity Securities up to 10% of its issued share capital through placements over a 12-month period after the annual general meeting (10% Placement Facility). The 10% Placement Facility is in addition to the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

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 of \$300 million or less. The Company is an eligible entity. The Company is now seeking shareholder approval by way of a special resolution to have the ability to issue Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility.

The exact number of Equity Securities to be issued under the 10% Placement Facility will be determined in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 (refer to Section 4.2(c) below).

If Resolution 3 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 Resolution 3 is not passed, the Company will not be able to access the additional 10% capacity to issue equity securities 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.

# 4.2 Listing Rule 7.1A

# (a) Shareholder approval

The ability to issue Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility is subject to shareholder approval by way of a special resolution at an annual general meeting. Accordingly, at least 75% of votes cast by Shareholders present (in person, or by proxy or representative) and eligible to vote at the Meeting must be in favour of Resolution 3 for it to be passed.

# (b) Equity securities

Any Equity Securities issued under the 10% Placement Facility must be in the same class as an existing quoted class of Equity Securities of the Company.

The Company, as at the date of the Notice, has on issue three classes of Equity Securities, namely quoted Shares, unquoted options and performance rights.

#### (c) Formula for calculating 10% Placement

Listing Rule 7.1A.2 provides that eligible entities which have obtained shareholder approval at an annual general meeting may issue or agree to issue, during the 12-month period after the date of the annual general meeting, a number of Equity Securities calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$(A \times D) - E$$

where

**A** = The number of fully paid ordinary shares on issue at the commencement of the 12 months immediately preceding the date of issue or agreement to issue:

- plus the number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in the 12 months under an exception to ASX Listing Rule 7.2 other than exception 9, 16 or 17;
- plus the number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in the relevant period on the conversion of convertible securities within ASX Listing Rule 7.2 exception 9 where:

- the convertible securities were issued or agreed to be issued before the commencement of the relevant period; or
- the issue of, or agreement to issue the convertible securities was approve or taken under these rules to have been approved under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 or 7.4;
- plus the number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in the relevant period under an agreement to issue securities within ASX Listing Rule 7.2 exception 16 where:
  - the agreement was entered into before the commencement of the relevant period; or
  - the agreement or issue was approved, or taken under these rules to have been approved under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 or rule 7.4;
- plus the number of partly paid ordinary securities that became fully paid in the relevant period;
- plus the number of any other fully paid ordinary securities that became fully paid in the relevant period
- less the number of fully paid ordinary securities cancelled in the last 12 months.

Note that A has the same meaning in ASX Listing Rule 7.1 when calculating an entity's 15% placement capacity.

D = 10%

E = the number of equity securities issued or agreed to be issued under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A.2 in the last 12 months immediately preceding the date or issue of the shares where the issue or agreement has not been subsequently approved by the holders of its ordinary securities under ASX Listing Rule 7.4.

# (d) Listing Rule 7.1 and Listing Rule 7.1A

The ability of an entity to issue Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A is in addition to the entity's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1. At the date of this Notice, the Company has on issue 1,324,191,349 Shares, meaning the Company has the capacity to issue:

- (i) 198,628,702 Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1; and
- (ii) 132,419,134 Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.

The actual number of Equity Securities that the Company will have capacity to issue under Listing Rule 7.1A will be calculated at the date of issue of the Equity Securities in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 (refer to Section 4.2(c) above).

#### (e) Minimum issue price

The issue price of Equity Securities issued under Listing Rule 7.1A must be not less than 75% of the VWAP of Equity Securities in the same class calculated over the 15 Trading Days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- (i) the date on which the price at which the Equity Securities are to be issued is agreed by the Company and the recipient of the Equity Securities; or
- (ii) if the Equity Securities are not issued within 10 Trading Days of the date in paragraph (i) above, the date on which the Equity Securities are issued.

#### (f) 10% Placement period

The 10% Placement Period is defined in section 4.4(a) below.

# 4.3 Listing Rule 7.1A

The effect of Resolution 3 will be to allow the Directors to issue the Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A during the 10% Placement Period without using the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

Resolution 3 is a special resolution and therefore requires approval of 75% of the votes cast by shareholders present and eligible to vote (in person, by proxy, by attorney or, in the case of a corporate Shareholder, by a corporate representative).

# 4.4 Listing Rule 7.3A Information Requirements

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.3A, information is provided in relation to the approval of the 10% Placement Facility as follows:

#### (a) 10% Placement Period

Shareholder approval of the 10% Placement Facility under Listing Rule 7.1A is valid from the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained and expires on the earlier to occur of:

- (i) the date that is 12 months after the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained;
- (ii) the time and date of the Company's next annual general meeting; or
- (iii) the time and date of the approval by shareholders of ordinary securities of a transaction under ASX Listing Rules 11.1.2 (a significant change to the nature or scale of activities) or 11.2 (disposal of main undertaking (10% Placement Period).

#### (b) Minimum issue price

The Equity Securities will be issued at an issue price of not less than 75% of the VWAP for the Company's Equity Securities over the 15 Trading Days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- (i) the date on which the price at which the Equity Securities are to be issued is agreed by the Company and the recipient of the Equity Securities; or
- (ii) if the Equity Securities are not issued within 10 Trading Days of the date in paragraph above, the date on which the Equity Securities are issued.

# (c) Purpose for which the 10% Placement Facility may be implemented

The Company may seek to issue the Equity Securities for cash consideration in which case the Company intends to use the funds raised towards an acquisition of new resource assets or investments (including expenses associated with such acquisition), continued exploration and feasibility study expenditure on the Company's current assets and/or for general working capital.

The Company will comply with the disclosure obligations under Listing Rules 7.1A(4) upon issue of any Equity Securities.

# (d) Risk of economic and voting dilution

If Resolution 3 is approved by Shareholders and the Company issues Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility, the existing Shareholders' voting power in the Company will be diluted as shown in the below table (in the case of Unlisted Options, only if the Unlisted Options are exercised). There is a risk that:

- (i) the market price for the Company's Equity Securities may be significantly lower on the date of the issue of the Equity Securities than on the date of the Meeting; and
- (ii) the Equity Securities may be issued at a price that is at a discount 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 the Equity Securities.

The below table shows the dilution of existing Shareholders on the basis of the current market price of Shares and the current number of ordinary securities for variable "A" calculated in accordance with the formula in Listing Rule 7.1A(2) as at the date of this Notice.

#### The table also shows:

- (i) two examples where variable "A" has increased, by 50% and 100%. Variable "A" is based on the number of ordinary securities the Company has on issue. The number of ordinary securities on issue may increase as a result of issues of ordinary securities that do not require Shareholder approval (for example, a pro rata entitlements issue or scrip issued under a takeover offer) or future specific placements under Listing Rule 7.1 that are approved at a future Shareholders' meeting; and
- (ii) two examples of where the issue price of ordinary securities has decreased by 50% and increased by 50% as against the current market price.

	Dilution			
Variable 'A' in		\$0.0025	\$0.0050	\$0.0075
Listing Rule 7.1A.2		50% decrease in Issue Price	Issue Price	50% increase in Issue Price
Current	10% Voting	132,419,135	132,419,135	132,419,135
Variable A	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares
1,324,191,349 Shares	Funds raised	\$331,048	\$662,096	\$993,144
50% increase in current	ent 10% Voting Dilution	198,628,702	198,628,702	198,628,702
Variable A		Shares	Shares	Shares
1,986,287,024 Shares	Funds raised	\$496,572	\$993,144	\$1,489,715
100% increase in current	100% increase in current Variable A 10% Voting Dilution	2,648,382,698	2,648,382,698	2,648,382,698
		Shares	Shares	Shares
2,648,382,698 Shares	Funds raised	\$6,620,957	\$13,241,913	\$19,862,870

The table has been prepared on the following assumptions:

- (i) The Company issues the maximum number of Equity Securities available under the 10% Placement Facility.
- (ii) No options or performance rights are exercised into Shares before the date of the issue of the Equity Securities.
- (iii) The 10% voting dilution reflects the aggregate percentage dilution against the issued share capital at the time of issue. This is why the voting dilution is shown in each example as 10%.

- (iv) The table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of placements under the 10% Placement Facility, based on that Shareholder's holding at the date of the Meeting.
- (v) The table shows only the effect of issues of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A, not under the 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.
- (vi) The issue of Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility consists only of Shares. If the issue of Equity Securities includes options or performance rights, it is assumed that those are exercised into Shares for the purpose of calculating the voting dilution effect on existing Shareholders.
- (vii) The issue price is \$0.005, being the closing price of the Shares on ASX on 8 October 2024.

#### (e) Allocation policy when the 10% Placement Facility may be implemented

The Company's allocation policy is dependent on the prevailing market conditions at the time of any proposed issue pursuant to the 10% Placement Facility. The identity of the allottees of Equity Securities will be determined on a case-by-case basis having regard to the factors including but not limited to the following:

- (i) the methods of raising funds that are available to the Company, including but not limited to, rights issue or other issue in which existing security holders can participate;
- (ii) the effect of the issue of the Equity Securities on the control of the Company;
- (iii) the financial situation and solvency of the Company; and
- (iv) advice from corporate, financial and broking advisers (if applicable).

The allottees under the 10% Placement Facility have not been determined as at the date of this Notice. However, the recipients of Equity Securities could consist of current Shareholders and/or new Shareholders (or both), none of whom will be related parties or associates of a related party of the Company.

# (f) Prior Issues under Listing Rule 7.1A

The Company previously obtained approval from its Shareholders to issue Equity Securities pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1A at the Annual General Meeting held on 28 November 2023.

- (i) Since that date, the Company issued 101,587,466 Shares under Listing Rule 7.1A (on 15 December 2023) representing 10.00% of the 1,015,874,655 Shares on issue 12 months prior to the date of the meeting.
- (ii) The Shares were issued to professional, sophisticated and section 708 exempt investors, being clients of Canaccord Genuity who acted as lead manager for the Placement announced on 11 December 2023.
- (iii) The Shares were issued at \$0.006 per Share, representing a 14.29% discount to the 5-day volume weighted average price prior to the trading halt announced to the marked on 7 December 2023. The closing price on the day prior to the trading halt was \$0.007 per Share. On 11 December 2023 the Company announced a Placement of \$1.26 million, which included the issue of 101,587,366 Shares under Listing Rule 7.1A (for a total of \$609,525). As at the date of this Notice, the Company has used approximately \$300,000 of these funds to carry out exploration activities, business development and working capital requirements.

# (g) Voting Exclusions

At the date of the Notice, the Company has not approached any particular existing Shareholder or security holder or an identifiable class of existing security holder to participate in the issue of the Equity Securities utilising this 10% Placement Facility, accordingly, a voting exclusion statement is not included in this Notice. .

# 4.5 Board Recommendation

Resolution 3 is a special resolution, which requires a minimum of 75% of the votes cast. The Chairperson intends to exercise all available proxies in favour of Resolution 3.

The Board unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 3 as this will enable the Company to conserve its cash, and the ability to issue equity securities in the event of a capital raise.

# **GLOSSARY**

In this Explanatory Statement, the following terms have the following unless the context otherwise requires:

ASX Limited or the securities market operated by ASX Limited, as the context

requires;

**Board** board of Directors;

Chair chair of the Meeting;

Company Austin Metals Limited (ACN 130 933 309);

**Constitution** constitution of the Company;

Corporations Act Corporations Act 2001 (Cth);

**Director** director of the Company;

**Equity Securities** has the meaning given to that term in the Listing Rules;

**Explanatory Statement** the explanatory statement that accompanies this Notice of Meeting;

**Key Management** 

Personnel

key management personnel of the Company (as defined in section 9 of the

Corporations Act);

**Listing Rules** means the listing rules of the ASX;

Meeting or Annual General Meeting

the Annual General Meeting convened by this Notice of Meeting;

Notice of Meeting or

Notice

this notice of Annual General Meeting;

**Proxy Form** the proxy form enclosed with this Notice of Meeting;

**Resolution** resolution contained in this Notice of Meeting;

**Share** fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company;

**Shareholder** holder of a Share in the Company;

**WST** Australian Western Standard Time.



**Proxy Voting Form** 

If you are attending the Meeting in person, please bring this with you for Securityholder registration.

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Your proxy voting instruction must be received by **10.00am (AWST) on Monday, 25 November 2024**, 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 Key Management Personnel.

#### 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://automicgroup.com.au.

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

#### Online

Use your computer or smartphone to appoint a proxy at

https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah or scan the QR code below using your smartphone

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



# 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

# All enquiries to Automic: WEBSITE:

https://automicgroup.com.au

#### PHONE:

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

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APPOINT A PROXY:  1/We being a Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting of Austin Metals Limited, to be held	d at 10.00am (AWST) on
Wednesday, 27 November 2024 at Level 4, 88 William Street, Perth WA 6000 hereby:	a at 10.00am (AWD1) on
Appoint the Chair of the Meeting (Chair) OR if you are not appointing the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please we the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy or failing the person so named or, if no per Chair's nominee, to vote in accordance with the following directions, or, if no directions have been given, and subject to sees fit and at any adjournment thereof.	rson is named, the Chair, or the
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 voting intention.	n accordance with the Chair's
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