

#### **ASX Code: ORN**

#### **Issued Capital:**

Ordinary Shares: 644M

Options: 85M

# **Directors:**

# **Denis Waddell**

Chairman

#### **Errol Smart**

Managing Director, CEO

### **Bill Oliver**

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# Share Issue – Notice under Section 708A(5)(e)

**Orion Gold NL (ASX: ORN)** announced on 30 December 2016 that it had issued 25,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares (**Shares**) in the Company at 2.0 cents per Share as approved by the Company's shareholders at the Company's Annual General Meeting held on 30 November 2016, and 5,555,555 Shares at 1.8 cents per Share as approved by the Company's shareholders at the Company's General Meeting held on 14 December 2016.

In accordance with section 708A(5)(e) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Act), the Company advises as follows:

- 1. this notice is being given under paragraph 708A(5)(e) of the Act;
- 2. the Company issued the Shares without disclosure to investors under Part 6D.2 of the Act;
- 3. as at the date of this notice, the Company has complied with the provisions of Chapter 2M of the Act as they apply to the Company;
- 4. as at the date of this notice, the Company has complied with section 674 of the Act; and
- 5. all information of the kind that would be required to be disclosed to the market for the purposes of section 708A(6)(e) of the Act has been disclosed to ASX Limited.

Denis Waddell

Chairman

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#### **About Orion**

Orion Gold is focused on acquiring, exploring and developing large tenement holdings or regional scale mineral opportunities in world-class mineral provinces. The Company has acquired quality projects in proven mineral provinces.

Recently, the Company has secured an outstanding growth and diversification opportunity in the global gold and base metals sectors and has secured options and earn-in rights over a combined area of 1790km<sup>2</sup> on the highly prospective Areachap belt, North Cape Province of South Africa (Figure 1). These include:

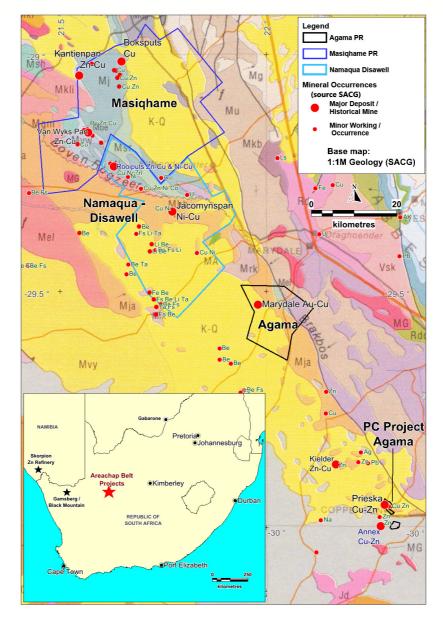
- An option that has been exercised to acquire, an advanced volcanic massive sulphide zinc-copper project with near-term production potential. The option gives Orion the right to acquire an effective 73.33% interest in a portfolio of projects including an exploration project at the Prieska Zinc-Copper Project, located near Copperton in the Northern Cape province of South Africa, and the Marydale Prospecting Right, a virgin gold discovery of possible epithermal origin, located 60 km from the Prieska Zinc-Copper Project. (refer ASX releases 3 January 2017 and 18 November 2015).
- An earn in right to ultimately earn a 73% interest in a 980km² prospecting right area located approximately 80 km north of the Prieska copper Project. The project area contains several VMS and VHMS zinc and copper targets including the advanced stage Kantienpan zinc copper project. (refer ASX releases 29 April 2016 and 31 May 2016).
- An earn in right to ultimately earn an 80% interest, via a South African registered special purpose vehicle which will be 74% owned by Orion, to prospecting and mining right applications covering a combined and partially overlapping area of 626km². The mineral rights areas include an advanced stage ultramafic hosted nickel copper project, analogous to the geology of the Fraser Range, Western Australia. Several VMS and VHMS copper-zinc targets are also located within this mineral rights package. (refer ASX release 14 July 2016).

The Company also continues to explore a large tenement package on the Connors Arc in Queensland, where a significant intermediate sulphidation, epithermal gold and silver system has been identified at Aurora Flats. The project lies between the Cracow and Mt Carlton epithermal deposits. The Company is increasing its focus on this project, following promising reports from expert consultants, and its fieldwork has led to the discovery of substantial epithermal systems at the Veinglorious and Chough Prospects.

The Company also holds a substantial tenement holding in the Albany-Fraser Belt, host to Australia's two most significant discoveries of the last decade (the Tropicana Gold Deposit and the Nova Nickel-Copper-Cobalt Deposit). Part of this tenement holding was acquired from entities associated with Mark Creasy who is a large shareholder in Orion. Orion's intensive, systematic exploration programs have successfully defined 34 targets to date by a combination of geological, geochemical and geophysical methods.

Additionally, the Company owns the Walhalla Project located in Victoria, which is prospective for gold, copper – nickel and PGEs.

The Company has an experienced management team with a proven track record in exploration, development and adding shareholder value.



**Figure 1:** Regional geology map of the Areachap Belt showing prospecting rights currently under option to Orion and noted mineral occurrences as per published data from South African Council for Geoscience.

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