



**ABILENE OIL AND GAS LIMITED**  
**ACN 000 752 849**

# **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

## **Explanatory Statement and Proxy Form**

Date of Meeting:  
**Thursday, 30 November 2017**

Time of Meeting:  
**11.00AM (AEDT)**

Place of Meeting:  
**Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand**  
**Level 18 Bourke Place**  
**600 Bourke Street**  
**Melbourne VIC 3000**

*This Notice of Annual General 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 advisor without delay*

# ABILENE OIL AND GAS LIMITED

A.C.N. 000 752 849

Registered office: Level 4, 100 Albert Road, South Melbourne, Victoria 3205

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Abilene Oil and Gas Limited ("Abilene Oil and Gas" or the "Company") will be held at the offices of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, Level 18 Bourke Place, 600 Bourke Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000 (AEDT) on Thursday, 30 November 2017 at 11.00am (AEDT).

### AGENDA

The Explanatory Statement and proxy form which accompany and form part of this Notice, describe in more detail the matters to be considered. Please consider this Notice, the Explanatory Statement and the proxy form in their entirety.

#### ORDINARY BUSINESS

##### Receipt and consideration of accounts & reports

To receive and consider the financial report of the Company and the related reports of the Directors (including the Remuneration Report) and auditors for the year ended 30 June 2017.

*Note: Except for as set out in Resolution 1, there is no requirement for shareholders to approve these reports. Accordingly no Resolution will be put to Shareholders on this item of business.*

##### Resolution 1: Adoption of Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution as a non-binding ordinary resolution:

*"That for the purpose of section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, the Remuneration Report (included in the Directors' report) as set out in the Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 be adopted."*

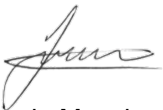
#### SPECIAL BUSINESS

##### Resolution 2: Renewal of Proportional Takeover Bid Provision in the Constitution

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a special resolution:

*"That, for the purposes of Section 648G(4) of the Corporations Act 2001(Cth) and for all other purposes the members of the company approve the renewal of Clause 13 of the Company's Constitution."*

#### By order of the Board



Justin Mouchacca  
Company Secretary  
27 October 2017

**Notes:**

1. **Entire Notice:** The details of the resolutions contained in the Explanatory Notes accompanying this Notice of Meeting should be read together with, and form part of, this Notice of Meeting.
2. **Record Date:** The Company has determined that for the purposes of the Annual General Meeting, shares will be taken to be held by the persons who are registered as holding the shares at 7.00pm on the date 48 hours before the date of the Annual General Meeting will be taken, for the purposes of the Meeting, to be held by the persons who held them at that time. Only those persons will be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and transfers registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.
3. **Proxies**
  - a. Votes at the Annual General Meeting may be given personally or by proxy, attorney or representative.
  - b. Each shareholder has a right to appoint one or two proxies.
  - c. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.
  - d. If a shareholder is a company it must execute under its common seal or otherwise in accordance with its constitution.
  - e. Where a shareholder is entitled to cast two or more votes, the shareholder may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion of number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise.
  - f. If a shareholder appoints two proxies, and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the shareholder's votes, each proxy may exercise half of the votes. If a shareholder appoints two proxies, neither proxy may vote on a show of hands.
  - g. A proxy must be signed by the shareholder or his or her attorney who has not received any notice of revocation of the authority. Proxies given by corporations must be signed in accordance with corporation's constitution and Corporations Act.
  - h. To be effective, proxy forms must be received by the Company's share registry (Computershare Investor Services Pty Ltd) no later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Annual General Meeting, this is no later than 11.00am (AEDT) on Tuesday, 28 November 2017. Any proxy received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled meeting.

**4. Corporate Representative**

Any corporate shareholder who has appointed a person to act as its corporate representative at the Meeting should provide that person with a certificate or letter executed in accordance with the Corporations Act authorising him or her to act as that company's representative. The authority may be sent to the Company and/or registry in advance of the Meeting or handed in at the Meeting when registering as a corporate representative.

**5. Voting Exclusion Statement:****Resolution 1**

The Company will disregard any votes cast on this resolution (in any capacity) by or on behalf of a member of the Key Management Personnel (being those persons described as such in the Remuneration Report) or a closely related party of such a member unless the vote cast as proxy for a person entitled to vote in accordance with a direction on the proxy form.

Any undirected proxies held by Directors or other Key Management Personnel or their closely related parties for the purposes of Resolution 1 (excluding the Chairman) will not be voted on Resolution 1. Accordingly, if you intend to appoint a member of Key Management Personnel as your proxy, please ensure that you direct them how to vote. If you intend to appoint the Chairman of the meeting as your proxy, you can direct him to vote by marking the box for Resolution 1. By marking the Chairman's box on the proxy form you acknowledge that the Chairman of the meeting will vote in favour of this item of business as your proxy. The Chairman will vote undirected proxies in favour of Resolution 1.

**Resolution 2**

There are no voting exclusions on this Resolution.

**6. Enquiries**

Shareholders are invited to contact the Company Secretary, Justin Mouchacca on (03) 9692 7222 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

### **Receipt and consideration of Accounts & Reports**

A copy of the Annual Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2017 (which incorporates the Company's financial report, reports of the Directors (including the Remuneration Report) and the auditors) is not enclosed as there is no longer a requirement for the Company to incur the printing and distribution cost associated with doing so for all shareholders. You may obtain a copy free of charge in hard copy form by contacting the Company by phone at (03) 9692 7222, and you may request that this occurs on a standing basis for future years. Except for as set out in Resolution 1, no resolution is required on these reports.

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

Section 250R(3) of the Corporations Act 2001 requires that a resolution to adopt the Remuneration Report must be put to the vote at the Annual General Meeting. The vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

The Remuneration Report is set out in the Directors' Report in the Company's 2017 Annual Report. The Remuneration Report sets out the Company's remuneration arrangements for the Directors and senior management of the Company.

In accordance with Section 250SA of the Corporations Act 2001, Shareholders will be provided with a reasonable opportunity to ask questions concerning, or make comments on, the Remuneration Report at the Annual General Meeting.

The Corporations Act 2001 requires the Company to put a resolution to Shareholders that the In accordance with Division 9 of Part 2G.2 of the Corporations Act 2001, if twenty five (25%) per cent or more of votes that are cast are voted against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at two consecutive Annual General Meetings, Shareholders will be required to vote at the second of those Annual General Meetings on a resolution (a "spill resolution") that another meeting be held within 90 days at which all of the Company's Directors (other than the Managing Director) must go up for re-election.

It is noted that at the Company's last Annual General Meeting, the votes cast against the Remuneration Report represented less than twenty five (25%) per cent of the total votes cast and accordingly, a spill resolution will not under any circumstances be required for the Annual General Meeting.

The Directors will consider the outcome of the vote and comments made by Shareholders on the Remuneration Report at the Meeting when reviewing the Company's remuneration policies.

### ***Board Recommendation***

The Board encourages all eligible Shareholders to cast their votes in favour of Resolution 1 (Remuneration Report).

### ***Voting Exclusions***

The Company will disregard any votes cast on this resolution (in any capacity) by or on behalf of a member of the Key Management Personnel (being those persons described as such in the Remuneration Report) or a closely related party of such a member unless the vote cast as proxy for a person entitled to vote in accordance with a direction on the proxy form.

Any undirected proxies held by Directors or other Key Management Personnel or their closely related parties for the purposes of Resolution 1 (excluding the Chairman) will not be voted on Resolution 1. Accordingly, if you intend to appoint a member of Key Management Personnel as your proxy, please ensure that you direct them how to vote. If you intend to appoint the Chairman of the meeting as your proxy, you can direct him to vote by marking the box for Resolution 1.

## **Resolution 2: Renewal of Proportional Takeover Bid provision in the Constitution**

Clause 13 of the Company's Constitution contains provisions dealing with member approval requirements if there was to be any proportional takeover bids for the Company's securities (Proportional Bid Provisions).

A "proportional takeover bid" means an off-market bid for a specified proportion of the Company's securities held by each shareholder in a class for which a takeover bid has been made. It is not a bid for all securities held by all members of that class, only part of the securities each holds.

Part 6.5 Subdivision 5C of the Corporations Act provides that these Proportional Bid Provisions cease to apply at the end of 3 years from their adoption (or last renewal), but that they may be renewed by special resolution of the members. The Board believes it is appropriate that the Proportional Bid Provisions of the Company's Constitution (Clause 6) be renewed.

In seeking the members' approval for the renewal of the Proportional Bid Provisions, the Corporations Act requires the below information to be provided to members.

### ***Effect of provisions proposed to be renewed***

Clause 13 of the Constitution provides that the Company is prohibited from registering any transfer of shares giving effect to a contract of sale pursuant to a proportional takeover bid unless and until after the proposed transfer has been approved by the members at a general meeting of the Company (Approving Resolution). The person making the offer for the securities (Offeror) (and their associates) cannot vote on the Approving Resolution and the Approving Resolution requires the approval of more than 50% of members who are entitled to vote at that meeting.

### ***Reason for the resolution***

Clause 13 of the Constitution is required to be renewed as more than 3 years have passed since the last renewal of the Constitution. Section 648(G)(1) of the Corporations Act provides that Proportional Bid Provisions such as provided in Clause 13 cease to apply at the end of 3 years from their adoption (or their last renewal). Section 648(G)(4) enables the members to approve a renewal of Proportional Bid Provisions.

The Directors believe that the members should continue to have the choice of considering whether to accept a bid for what might become control of the Company without the members having the opportunity to dispose of all of their securities (rather than just some of their securities, as would be the case under a proportional takeover bid). To preserve this choice, Clause 13 needs to be renewed. If Clause 13 is renewed and any proportional takeover bid (if any) is subsequently approved by members, each member will still have the right to make a separate decision whether that member wishes to accept the (proportional takeover) bid for their own securities.

### ***Awareness of current acquisition proposals***

As at the date of these Explanatory Notes, none of the Directors are aware of any proposal for any person to acquire (or increase the extent of) a substantial interest in the Company from its current level.

### ***Advantages and disadvantages of the Proportional Bid Provisions since last renewed***

As there have been no takeover bids made for any of the shares in the Company since the last renewal of the Proportional Bid Provisions, there has been no application of Clause 13. It may be argued that the potential advantages and disadvantages described below have also applied for the period since adoption of Clause 13.

### ***Potential advantages and disadvantages of the proposed resolution for both directors and shareholders***

An advantage to the directors of renewing the Proportional Bid Provisions is that the Board will be able to assess the member's acceptance or otherwise of a proportional takeover bid should one be made.

As stated above, renewing Clause 13 provides the members with the choice of considering whether to accept a bid for what might become control of the Company without the members having the opportunity to dispose of all of their securities (rather than just some of their securities, as would be the case under a proportional takeover bid). If Rule 6 is not renewed, members will not have this opportunity.

On the other hand, it may be argued that the renewal of Clause 13 may make proportional takeover bids more difficult to succeed and therefore effectively discourage proportional takeover bids being made and reduce the freedom for members to sell some of their securities.

### ***Voting Exclusions***

There are no voting exclusions on this resolution.

### ***Board Recommendation***

Balancing the above advantages and disadvantages, the Board is of the view that the advantages of renewing the Proportional Bid Provisions outweigh any disadvantages and unanimously recommend the renewal. Accordingly, Shareholder approval is sought pursuant to this Resolution 2.

The Chairman in his capacity as proxy holder intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of approving this Resolution 2.

## GLOSSARY

The following terms have the following meanings in this Explanatory Statement:

“\$” means Australian Dollars;

“**Annual Report**” means the Directors’ Report, the Financial Report, and Auditor’s Report, in respect to the year ended 30 June 2017;

“**ASX**” means ASX Limited ABN 98 008 624 691 or the Australian Securities Exchange, as the context requires;

“**ASX Settlement Operating Rules**” means the rules of ASX Settlement Pty Ltd which apply while the Company is an issuer of CHESS approved securities;

“**Auditor’s Report**” means the auditor’s report on the Financial Report;

“**AEDT**” means Australian Eastern Daylight Time.

“**Board**” means the Directors acting as the board of Directors of the Company or a committee appointed by such board of Directors;

“**Chairman**” means the person appointed to chair the Meeting of the Company convened by the Notice;

“**CHESS**” has the meaning in Section 2 of the ASX Settlement Operating Rules;

“**Closely Related Party**” means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member; or
- (b) has the meaning given in section 9 of the Corporations Act.

“**Company**” means Abilene Oil and Gas Limited ABN 41 000 752 849;

“**Constitution**” means the constitution of the Company as at the date of the Meeting;

“**Convertible Security**” means a security of the Company which is convertible into shares;

“**Corporations Act**” means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth);

“**Director**” means a Director of the Company;

“**Directors Report**” means the annual directors’ report prepared under Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act for the Company and its controlled entities;

“**Equity Security**” has the same meaning as in the Listing Rules;

“**Explanatory Memorandum**” means the explanatory memorandum which forms part of the Notice;

“**Financial Report**” means the annual financial report prepared under Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act for the Company and its controlled entities;

“**Key Management Personnel**” means persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, directly or indirectly, including any Director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company;

“**Listing Rules**” means the Listing Rules of the ASX;

“**Meeting**” has the meaning given in the introductory paragraph of the Notice;

“**Notice**” means the Notice of Meeting accompanying this Explanatory Statement;

“**Proxy Form**” means the proxy form attached to the Notice;

“**Remuneration Report**” means the remuneration report which forms part of the Directors’ Report of Abilene Oil and Gas Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 and which is set out in the 2017 Annual Report.

“**Resolution**” means a resolution referred to in the Notice;

“**Schedule**” means schedule to the Notice;

“**Section**” means a section of the Explanatory Memorandum;

“**Share**” means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company;

“**Shareholder**” means shareholder of the Company;

“**Trading Day**” means a day determined by ASX to be a trading day in accordance with the Listing Rules; and

“**VWAP**” means volume weighted average price.

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## Lodge your vote:



### By Mail:

Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited  
GPO Box 242 Melbourne  
Victoria 3001 Australia

Alternatively you can fax your form to  
(within Australia) 1800 783 447  
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(within Australia) 1300 850 505  
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## Proxy Form

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 **For your vote to be effective it must be received by 11.00am (AEDT) on Tuesday 28 November 2017**

### How to Vote on Items of Business

All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions.

#### Appointment of Proxy

**Voting 100% of your holding:** Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box your proxy may vote or abstain as they choose (to the extent permitted by law). If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.

**Voting a portion of your holding:** Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the percentage or number of securities you wish to vote in the For, Against or Abstain box or boxes. The sum of the votes cast must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%.

**Appointing a second proxy:** You are entitled to appoint up to two proxies to attend the meeting and vote on a poll. If you appoint two proxies you must specify the percentage of votes or number of securities for each proxy, otherwise each proxy may exercise half of the votes. When appointing a second proxy write both names and the percentage of votes or number of securities for each in Step 1 overleaf.

**A proxy need not be a securityholder of the Company.**

### Signing Instructions

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

**Joint Holding:** Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the securityholders 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 form when you return it.

**Companies:** Where the company has a Sole Director who is also the Sole Company Secretary, this form must be signed by that person. If the company (pursuant to section 204A of the Corporations Act 2001) does not have a Company Secretary, a Sole Director can also sign alone. Otherwise this form must be signed by a Director jointly with either another Director or a Company Secretary. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

### Attending the Meeting

Bring this form to assist registration. If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to attend the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" prior to admission. A form of the certificate may be obtained from Computershare or online at [www.investorcentre.com](http://www.investorcentre.com) under the help tab, "Printable Forms".

**Comments & Questions:** If you have any comments or questions for the company, please write them on a separate sheet of paper and return with this form.

**Turn over to complete the form** ➔



View your securityholder information, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:

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**Review your securityholding**



**Update your securityholding**

**Your secure access information is:**

**SRN/HIN: I9999999999**



**PLEASE NOTE:** For security reasons it is important that you keep your SRN/HIN confidential.

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**Change of address.** If incorrect, mark this box and make the correction in the space to the left. Securityholders sponsored by a broker (reference number commences with 'X') should advise your broker of any changes.



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# Proxy Form

Please mark ☒ to indicate your directions

## STEP 1 Appoint a Proxy to Vote on Your Behalf

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I/We being a member/s of Abilene Oil and Gas Limited hereby appoint

☐ the Chairman of the Meeting

OR

**PLEASE NOTE:** Leave this box blank if you have selected the Chairman of the Meeting. Do not insert your own name(s).

or failing the individual or body corporate named, or if no individual or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act generally at the Meeting on my/our behalf and to vote in accordance with the following directions (or if no directions have been given, and to the extent permitted by law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of Abilene Oil and Gas Limited to be held at the offices of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, Level 18 Bourke Place, 600 Bourke Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000 on Thursday, 30 November 2017 at 11.00am (AEDT) and at any adjournment or postponement of that Meeting.

**Chairman authorised to exercise undirected proxies on remuneration related resolutions:** Where I/we have appointed the Chairman of the Meeting as my/our proxy (or the Chairman becomes my/our proxy by default), I/we expressly authorise the Chairman 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 key management personnel, which includes the Chairman.

**Important Note:** If the Chairman of the Meeting is (or becomes) your proxy you can direct the Chairman to vote for or against or abstain from voting on Resolution 1 by marking the appropriate box in step 2 below.

## STEP 2 Items of Business

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you mark the **Abstain** box for an item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority.

	For	Against	Abstain
Resolution 1 Adoption of Remuneration Report	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 2 Renewal of Proportional Takeover Bid Provision in the Constitution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman of the Meeting may change his/her voting intention on any resolution, in which case an ASX announcement will be made.

## SIGN Signature of Securityholder(s) *This section must be completed.*

Individual or Securityholder 1

Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary

Securityholder 2

Director

Securityholder 3

Director/Company Secretary

Contact Name

Contact Daytime Telephone

Date / /