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## ASX Announcement – GENERA BIOSYSTEMS LIMITED (ASX: GBI) GENERA – EXTENSION OF TIME TO HOLD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING GRANTED BY ASIC

Genera Biosystems Limited (ASX:GBI) ('Genera' or 'the Company') is pleased to announce that the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) has granted an extension of the period of time in which Genera must hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) for its financial year ended 30 June 2018. Pursuant to the relief granted by ASIC, the latest date on which GBI may hold its AGM has been extended from 30 November 2018 to 14 December 2018.

On 4 July 2018 the Company requested a voluntary suspension pending the release of an announcement by the Company in relation to a capital restructure to strengthen the Company's financial position and support the planned rollout of Genera's test menu operating on the new automated Beckman Coulter system.

Genera is currently anticipating to shortly despatch to Shareholders its Annual Report and Notice of Meeting. The 2018 Annual General Meeting ('AGM') is currently scheduled to be held on Thursday 13 December.

Genera is currently finalising a prospectus for a 4 for 5 non-renounceable entitlements issue of Ordinary Shares to raise up to \$11.2m ('Entitlements Issue'). The Entitlements Issue is currently anticipated to close during December on or around the time of the Company's 2018 AGM.

Trading in shares of Genera on the ASX will remain suspended until the completion of the Entitlements Issue.

Genera will make a further announcement to the ASX providing an update to all shareholders once it has lodged and received clearance from ASIC for the Entitlements Issue Prospectus.

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**About Genera Biosystems**: Genera Biosystems Limited ("GBI") is an Australian Securities Exchange listed molecular diagnostics company, which develops, manufactures and distributes advanced PCR molecular diagnostics tests.

Genera's single-well high multiplex AmpaSand® testing platform can detect up to 125 target analytes in a single-well of a reaction plate. Unlike traditional real-time PCR approaches, AmpaSand® single-well multiplex tests when run on a seamlessly integrated flow cytometry and liquid handling system can provide unparalleled throughput capability and cost efficiency for high volume pathology laboratories qualitative molecular testing needs.¹

Genera manufactures products in its Australian Therapeutics Goods Administration certified manufacturing facility in Scoresby, Victoria, Australia.

PapType®, an ARTG listed and CE-marked MDx test, simultaneously detects and identifies 14 highrisk types of HPV and 2 low risk HPV types in a single-well. These high-risk HPV types are responsible for 99.7% of all cases of cervical cancer.

In addition to PapType®, Genera has also commercialized and gained ARTG listing and CE mark for RTIplex™, a single-well multiplex MDx that identifies 15 common upper respiratory tract pathogens, including Influenza A & B, as well as 10 other viral and 3 bacterial disease-causing microbial targets.

Genera's development pipeline includes a new 8-plex sexually transmitted infections panel that is expected to be available in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2018, with plans to broaden the AmpaSand® test menu further to 6 highly competitive single-well multiplex MDx assays by 2019.

PapType®, RTIplex™, and the tests in development, employ the AmpaSand® biochemistry as well as Genera's proprietary ARTG listed and CE-IVD marked QPlots™ automated analytical and reporting software that is compatible with most Laboratory Information Management Systems ('LIMS').

All the components of the Genera MDx system, including AmpaSand® and QPlots™, have been optimized to run on Beckman Coulter's innovative CytoFLEX™ flow cytometry system.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All 'plate based' Real Time PCR platforms can 'multiplex' up to 4 targets per well assuming 4 available channels of a Real Time PCR instrument. To multiplex greater than 4 target analytes in a test most platforms require use of additional wells of a plate to test for the additional target analytes. As such commercially, their multiplexing capability is restricted due to a direct trade-off with volume throughput per plate (96 or 384 well). Genera's AmpaSand® technology facilitates the multiplexing of up to ~125 target analytes <u>in a single-well</u> of a plate. On a like for like basis depending on the number of target analytes detected in a multiplex assay Genera's AmpaSand® technology facilities > 4X relative volume throughput. High volume throughput is a key commercial consideration for all large pathology labs undertaking HPV and STI testing.