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# **FIRST AU LTD**

ACN 000 332 918

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the office of McBain McCartin & Co, Level 1, 123 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn, Victoria on Wednesday, 29 May 2019 at 11 AM (AEST).

The Notice of Annual General Meeting should be read in their entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their accountant, solicitor or other professional adviser prior to voting.

Should you wish to discuss any matter please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary by telephone on +61 3 9817 0700

Shareholders are urged to attend or vote by lodging the proxy form attached to this Notice.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of First Au Ltd (**Company**) will be held at the office of McBain McCartin & Co, Level 1, 123 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn, Victoria on Wednesday, 29 May 2019 at 11 am (AEST) (**Meeting**).

The Explanatory Memorandum provides additional information on matters to be considered at the Meeting. The Explanatory Memorandum and the Proxy Form, form part of the Notice.

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 as Shareholders of the Company on Monday, 27 May 2018 at 7:00pm (AEST).

# **AGENDA**

# 1. Annual Report

To consider the Annual Report of the Company and its controlled entities for the financial year ended 31 December 2018 which includes the Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report.

# 2. Resolution 1 – Remuneration Report

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

"That the Remuneration Report be adopted by the Shareholders on the terms and conditions in the Explanatory Memorandum."

### **Voting Exclusion**

In accordance with section 250R of the Corporations Act, a vote on this Resolution must not be cast by or on behalf of a member of the Key Management Personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of such 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:

- (a) the person is appointed as proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on the Resolution; or
- (b) the person 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.

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Further, 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 this Resolution if:

(a) the proxy is either a member of the Key Management Personnel or a Closely Related Party of such member; and

(b) the appointment does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution.

However, the above prohibition does not apply if:

(a) the proxy is the Chair; and

(b) the appointment expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

Shareholders should note that the Chair intends to vote any undirected proxies in favour of this Resolution. In exceptional circumstances, the Chair may change his or her voting intention on the Resolution, in which case an ASX announcement will be made.

Shareholders may also choose to direct the Chair to vote against the Resolution or to abstain from voting.

If you purport to cast a vote other than as permitted above, that vote will be disregarded by the Company (as indicated above) and you may be liable for breaching the voting restrictions that apply to you under the Corporations Act.

#### 3. Resolution 2 – Re-election of Director – Michael Quinert

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

"That in accordance with Clause 13.4 of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Mr Michael Quinert, who retires and being eligible, offers himself for re-election, is elected as a Director on the terms and conditions in the Explanatory Memorandum."

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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David McBain Company Secretary First Au Ltd

Dated: 17th April 2019

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#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

# 1. Introduction

The Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared for the information of Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the Meeting to be held at the office of McBain McCartin & Co, Level 1, 123 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn, Victoria on Wednesday, 29 May 2019 at 11.00 am (AEST).

The Explanatory Memorandum forms part of the Notice which should be read in its entirety. The Explanatory Memorandum contains the terms and conditions on which the Resolutions will be voted.

The Explanatory Memorandum includes the following information to assist Shareholders in deciding how to vote on the Resolutions:

Section 1	Introduction
Section 2	Action to be taken by Shareholders
Section 3	Annual Report
Section 4	Resolution 1 – Remuneration Report
Section 5	Resolution 2 – Re-election of Director – Michael Quinert

A Proxy Form is located at the end of the Explanatory Memorandum.

# 2. Action to be taken by Shareholders

Shareholders should read the Notice including the Explanatory Memorandum carefully before deciding how to vote on the Resolutions.

# 2.1 Voting in person

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

#### 2.2 Proxies

#### (a) Voting by proxy

A Proxy Form is attached to the Notice. This is to be used by Shareholders if they wish to appoint a representative (a 'proxy') to vote in their place. All Shareholders are invited and encouraged to attend the Meeting or, if they are unable to attend in person, sign and return the Proxy Form to the Company in accordance with the instructions thereon. Lodgement of a Proxy Form will not preclude a Shareholder from attending and voting at the Meeting in person.

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#### Please note that:

- (i) a member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy;
- (ii) a proxy need not be a member of the Company; and
- (iii) a member of the Company entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise, but where the proportion or number is not specified, each proxy may exercise half of the votes.

The enclosed Proxy Form provides further details on appointing proxies and lodging Proxy Forms.

(b) 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:

- (i) the proxy need not vote on a show of hands, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (i.e. as directed);
- (ii) 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;
- (iv) 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 (i.e. as directed); and
- (iv) 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 (i.e. as directed).
- (c) Transfer of non-chair proxy to chair in certain circumstances

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

- (i) 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;
- (ii) the appointed proxy is not the chair of the meeting;
- (iii) at the meeting, a poll is duly demanded on the resolution; and
- (iv) either the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting or the proxy does not vote on the resolution,

the Chair of the meeting 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.

# 2.3 Voting Prohibition by Proxy Holders (Remuneration of Key Management Personnel)

In accordance with sections 250BD and 250R of the Corporations Act, a vote on Resolution 1 must not be cast (in any capacity) by, or on behalf of:

- (a) a member of the Key Management Personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report; or
- (b) a Closely Related Party of such member.

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However, a person described above may cast a vote on Resolution 1 if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person who is excluded from voting on Resolution 1 and:

- (a) the person is appointed as proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on the Resolution; or
- (b) the person is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on the resolution, but expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even if the Resolution is connected with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

The Chair intends to exercise all available proxies in favour of Resolution 1.

# 3. Annual Report

In accordance with section 317 of the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to discuss the Annual Report, including the Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2018.

There is no requirement for Shareholders to approve the Annual Report. At the Meeting, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to:

- (a) discuss the Annual Report which is available online at www.asx.com.au;
- (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 Chair about the management of the Company, or to the Company's auditor about:

- (a) the preparation and content of the Auditor's Report;
- (b) the conduct of the audit;
- (c) accounting policies adopted by 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 5 business days before the Meeting to the Company Secretary at the Company's registered office.

If you have not received a copy of the Annual Report, please contact the Company Secretary: Telephone: +61 3 9817 0700 or email: dmcbain@firstau.com

# 4. Resolution 1 - Remuneration Report

In accordance with subsection 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company must put the Remuneration Report to the vote of Shareholders. The Directors' Report contains the Remuneration Report which sets out the remuneration policy for the Company and the remuneration arrangements in place for the executive Directors, specified executives and non-executive Directors.

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In accordance with subsection 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.

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) who were in office at the date of approval of the applicable Directors' Report must stand for re-election.

The Company did not receive a Strike at the 2018 annual general meeting. Shareholders should be aware that if a Strike is received at this Meeting, a Strike received at the 2020 annual general meeting may result in a 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.

Resolution 1 is an ordinary resolution. The Chair intends to exercise all available proxies in favour of Resolution 1.

If the Chair is appointed as your proxy and you have not specified the way the Chair is to vote on Resolution 1, by signing and returning the Proxy Form, you are considered to have provided the Chair with an express authorisation for the Chair to vote the proxy in accordance with the Chair's intention, even though the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel of the Company.

# 5. Resolution 2 – Re-election of Director – Michael Quinert

## 5.1 General

Clause 13.1 of the Constitution requires the Company to have at least 3 Directors. The Company currently has 4 Directors. Clause 13.14 of the Constitution requires one third of the Directors to retire at each annual general meeting. Clause 13.15 of the Constitution provides that a Director who retires is eligible for re-election.

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

Pursuant to these Articles, Mr Quinert will retire by rotation, and being eligible, will seek reelection.

Details regarding Mr Quinert are set out in the Annual Report to Shareholders. Resolution 2 is an ordinary resolution.

## 5.2 Board recommendation

The Board (excluding Mr Quinert) recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 2.

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

## **LODGE YOUR VOTE**

ONLINE

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**ALL ENQUIRIES TO** 

# PROXY FORM

I/We being a member(s) of First Au Limited and entitled to attend and vote hereby appoint:

#### APPOINT A PROXY

the Chairman of the Meeting (mark box)

**OR** if you are **NOT** appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy

or failing the person or body corporate named, or if no person or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act on my/our behalf (including to vote in accordance with the following directions or, if no directions have been given and to the extent permitted by the law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held at 11:00am on Wednesday, 29 May 2019 at at the office of McBain McCartin & Co, Level 1, 123 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn, Victoria (the Meeting) and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

**Important for Resolution 1:** If the Chairman of the Meeting is your proxy, either by appointment or by default, and you have not indicated your voting intention below, you expressly authorise the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise the proxy in respect of Resolution 1, even though the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel (**KMP**).

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business.

# **VOTING DIRECTIONS**

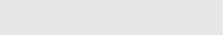
Proxies will only be valid and accepted by the Company if they are signed and received no later than 48 hours before the Meeting. Please read the voting instructions overleaf before marking any boxes with an  $\boxtimes$ 

#### Resolutions

For Against Abstain\*

1 Adoption of Remuneration Report

#### 2 Re-election of Director – Michael Quinert



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

#### SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDERS – THIS MUST BE COMPLETED

Shareholder 1 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 2 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 3 (Individual)

Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary

Director/Company Secretary (Delete one)

Director

This form should be signed by the shareholder. If a joint holding, either shareholder may sign. If signed by the shareholder's attorney, the power of attorney must have been previously noted by the registry or a certified copy attached to this form. If executed by a company, the form must be executed in accordance with the company's constitution and the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

#### **HOW TO COMPLETE THIS SHAREHOLDER PROXY FORM**

#### YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

This is your name and address as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, please make the correction on the form. Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes. Please note: you cannot change ownership of your shares using this form.

#### APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

If you wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, mark the box in Step 1. If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that individual or body corporate in Step 1. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.

#### **DEFAULT TO CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING**

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

#### **VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS - PROXY APPOINTMENT**

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark in 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 A SECOND PROXY

You are entitled to appoint up to two persons as proxies to attend the Meeting and vote on a poll. If you wish to appoint a second proxy, an additional Proxy Form may be obtained by telephoning the Company's share registry or you may copy this form and return them both together.

To appoint a second proxy you must:

- (a) on each of the first Proxy Form and the second Proxy Form state the percentage of your voting rights or number of shares applicable to that form. If the appointments do not specify the percentage or number of votes that each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise half your votes. Fractions of votes will be disregarded; and
- (b) return both forms together.

## SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

You must sign this form as follows in the spaces provided:

Individual: where the holding is in one name, the holder must sign.

**Joint Holding:** where the holding is in more than one name, either shareholder may sign.

**Power of Attorney:** to sign under Power of Attorney, you must lodge the Power of Attorney with the registry. If you have not previously lodged this document for notation, 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 indicate the office held by signing in the appropriate place.

## **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES**

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" must be produced prior to admission in accordance with the Notice of Meeting. A form of the certificate may be obtained from the Company's share registry or online at www.linkmarketservices.com.au.

#### **LODGEMENT OF A PROXY FORM**

This Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed) must be received at an address given below by **11:00am on Monday, 27 May 2019,** being not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Form received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

Proxy Forms may be lodged using the reply paid envelope or:



#### **ONLINE**

#### www.linkmarketservices.com.au

Login to the Link website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Select 'Voting' and follow the prompts to lodge your vote. To use the online lodgement facility, shareholders will need their "Holder Identifier" (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN) as shown on the front of the Proxy Form).



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