Acorn Capital Investment Fund Limited ABN 25 167 595 897

Notice of Annual General Meeting

and

Explanatory Memorandum to Shareholders

A voting form is enclosed

Please read the Notice and Explanatory Memorandum carefully.

If you are unable to attend the meeting please complete and return the enclosed voting form in accordance with the specified instructions.

Acorn Capital Investment Fund Limited ABN 25 167 595 897 (Company)

Notice of annual general meeting

Notice is given that the 2015 annual general meeting of members of the Company will be held at the West Tower Suite of the Sofitel Melbourne on Collins, 25 Collins Street, Melbourne Vic 3000, on Thursday 19 November 2015 at 10am.

Agenda items

Ordinary business

1 Financial report

To receive and consider the financial report of the Company and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 30 June 2015, as set out in the 2015 Annual Report.

2 Re-election of directors

2.1 Re-election of John Steven as a director

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

That John Steven, who retires under rule 62 of the Company's constitution, and being eligible, be re-elected as a director of the Company.

2.2 Re-election of David Trude as a director

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

That David Trude, who retires under rule 62 of the Company's constitution, and being eligible, be re-elected as a director of the Company.

3 Remuneration Report

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

That the Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 June 2015 be adopted.

Note: the vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the directors or the Company.

Entitlement to vote

The Board has determined, in accordance with the Company's constitution and under regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001* (Cth), that for the purposes of the annual general meeting, a person's entitlement to vote will be taken to be the entitlement of that person shown in the register of members at 7:00pm (Melbourne time) on Tuesday 17 November 2015. Accordingly, share transfers registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the meeting.

Voting exclusion

The Company will disregard any votes cast (in any capacity) on resolution 3:

- by or on behalf of a member of the Company's key management personnel (KMP) named in the Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 June 2015 or their closely related parties; or
- as a proxy by a person who is a member of the Company's KMP at the date of the annual general meeting or their closely related parties,

unless the vote is cast as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote on resolution 3, and the vote is cast:

- in accordance with a direction in the voting form; or
- by the Chairman of the meeting pursuant to an express authorisation to exercise the proxy as the Chairman sees fit.

KMP of the Company include the directors.

'Closely related party' is defined in section 9 of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**Corporations Act**) and includes a KMP's spouse, dependants and certain other close family members as well as any companies controlled by a member of the KMP.

The Chairman intends to vote all available proxies in favour of each resolution.

Proxies and Voting Directly

A shareholder entitled to attend and vote has a right to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on behalf of the shareholder or to vote directly. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company and can be either an individual or a body corporate.

Unless the Chairman of the meeting is your proxy, the KMP of the Company (which includes each of the directors) and their closely related parties will not be able to vote your proxy on resolution 3, unless you direct them how to vote. If a shareholder intends to appoint such a person as proxy, please ensure that the proxy is directed how to vote on resolution 3 by marking the voting box(es) for that resolution.

The Chairman of the meeting acting as proxy

A shareholder may appoint the Chairman of the meeting as proxy. In addition, if you direct your proxy how to vote but they do not attend or do not vote on a resolution, the Chairman of the meeting will be taken to have been appointed as your proxy and is required to vote proxies as directed.

If the Chairman of the meeting is your proxy (or becomes your proxy by default) and you do not mark a voting box for resolution 3, then by completing and returning the voting form, you will be expressly authorising the Chairman of the meeting to exercise the proxy in respect of resolution 3 even though the resolution is connected with the remuneration of the Company's KMP.

The Chairman of the meeting intends to vote all available proxies in favour of each resolution of business.

Appointing a body corporate representative as a proxy

If a shareholder appoints a body corporate as a proxy, that body corporate will need to ensure that it:

- appoints an individual as its corporate representative to exercise its powers at the meeting, in accordance with section 250D of the Corporations Act; and
- provides satisfactory evidence of the appointment of its corporate representative prior to commencement of the meeting.

If such evidence is not received before the meeting, then the body corporate (through its representative) will not be permitted to act as a proxy.

Appointing two proxies

A shareholder that is 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. If no proportion or number is specified, each proxy may exercise half of the shareholder's votes.

Direct voting

A shareholder can cast a direct vote by ticking the "Vote Directly" box on the back of the voting form. Direct voting provides shareholders with an alternative to appointing a representative to vote on their behalf.

Shareholders may vote directly by marking the direct voting box in step 1 and the 'for', 'against' or 'abstain' box in step 3 of the voting form.

If no direction is given on a resolution (i.e. if a shareholder does not mark any box for the resolution), a shareholder's vote will be invalid for that resolution.

Lodgement of voting forms

A voting form accompanies this notice of meeting and to be effective must be received at the company's share registry by **no later than 10am on Tuesday, 17 November 2015**.

Voting forms may be lodged:

- electronically at <u>www.investorvote.com.au</u>;
- by mail to Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited GPO Box 242 Melbourne Vic 3001;
- in person to Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited
 452 Johnston Street

Abbotsford, Victoria 3067; or

 by facsimile: 1800 783 447 (within Australia) or +61 9473 2555 (outside Australia)

Appointing an attorney to vote

Where a shareholder appoints an attorney to act on his/her behalf at the meeting, such appointment must be made by a duly executed power of attorney. The power of attorney must be received by the Company at the company's share registry by no later than 10 am on Monday 17 November 2015 in the manner set out above.

Custodian voting

For Intermediary Online subscribers only (custodians) please visit www.intermediaryonline.com to submit your voting intentions.

Explanatory Memorandum

Further details are contained in the Explanatory Memorandum accompanying and forming part of this notice of meeting.

By Order of the Board

date	14 October 2015
sign here ▶	Heather
	Company Secretary

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Explanatory Memorandum to shareholders

This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared to help shareholders understand the business to be put to shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

1 Annual financial report

The Corporations Act requires:

- the reports of the directors and auditors; and
- the annual financial report, including the financial statements of the Company,

for the year ended 30 June 2015, to be laid before the annual general meeting. Neither the Corporations Act nor the constitution require a vote of shareholders on the reports or statements. However, shareholders as a whole will be given a reasonable opportunity to raise questions or comments on the management of the Company.

Also, a reasonable opportunity will be given to members as a whole at the meeting to ask the Company's auditor questions relevant to the conduct of the audit, the preparation and content of the auditor's report, the accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements and the independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

2 Re-election of directors

Under rule 62 of the Company's constitution, directors are required to stand for reelection every 3 years. In accordance with this rule, John Steven and David Trude retire and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. Their biographical details are set out below.

John Steven

John has been the Chairman and an Independent non-executive director of the Company since 6 March 2014.

John is the head of the M&A Division of Minter Ellison lawyers. He practises in the corporate and capital markets area, particularly public and private mergers and acquisitions, capital raisings and joint ventures. He also has an extensive general corporate practise.

John holds a Bachelor of Laws (with Honours), a Bachelor of Economics and a Diploma of Commercial Law from Monash University.

Board recommendation

The Board (with John Steven abstaining) unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **in favour** of the re-election of John Steven.

David Trude

David has been an Independent non-executive director of the Company since 6 March 2014.

David is a senior corporate banking executive with 40 years' experience in a variety of financial services roles in the banking and securities industries. He is the Chairman of Baillieu Holst (formerly E.L.&C. Baillieu), a position he has held since 2010 and has been a member of its Board since 2006. David was formerly Managing Director, Australian Chief Executive Officer/Country Manager of Credit Suisse.

David holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Queensland and is a Master Stockbroker of the Stockbroker Association of Australia and Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Board recommendation

The Board (with David Trude abstaining) unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **in favour** of the re-election of David Trude.

3 Remuneration Report

The Corporations Act requires the Company to put a resolution to shareholders, at the annual general meeting, to adopt the Company's Remuneration Report.

The Company's Remuneration Report for the financial period ended 30 June 2015 is found within the directors' report on pages 18 and 19 of the Company's 2015 Annual Report.

The Company's Remuneration Report outlines remuneration policy and arrangements for the Company's key management personnel. The Company has no employees other than non-executive directors and therefore does not have a remuneration policy for employees. Details of the non-executive directors remuneration arrangements can be found on pages 18 and 19 of the Company's Annual Report.

The vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the directors or the Company. However, the Board will consider the outcome of the vote when reviewing the Company's remuneration policy.

Note: a voting exclusion applies to this resolution, as set out in the notice of meeting.

Board recommendation

The Board unanimously recommends that shareholders vote **in favour** of the adoption of the Remuneration Report.





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Voting Form



Vote and view the annual report online

- •Go to www.investorvote.com.au or scan the QR Code with your mobile device.
- •Follow the instructions on the secure website to vote.

Your access information that you will need to vote:

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

How to Vote on Items of Business

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

Vote Directly

Voting 100% of your holding: Mark either the For, Against or Abstain box opposite each item of business. Your vote will be invalid on an item if you do not mark any box OR you mark more than one box for that item.

Voting a portion of your holding: Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the 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.

Appoint a Proxy to Vote on Your Behalf

Appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy: If you wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, mark the box in Step 1. If you leave Step 1 blank, or your named proxy does not attend the Meeting or does not vote on a poll in accordance with your instructions, the Chairman of the Meeting will be your 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

A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company

Voting restrictions for members of the key management personnel (KMP):

Please note that if you appoint a member of the KMP or one of their closely related parties as your proxy, they will not be able to vote your proxy on Item 3, unless you direct them how to vote or you appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy. If the Chairman of the Meeting is or becomes your proxy by default, but you do not mark a voting box for item 3, then by completing and returning this form, you will be expressly authorising the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise your proxy on item 3 as he thinks fit, even though the resolution is connected with the remuneration of the Company's KMP.

Signing Instructions for Postal Forms

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 sign this form under Power of Attorney and have not already lodged the Power of Attorney with Computershare, 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 corporate proxy is to attend the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Appointment of Corporate Representative" prior to admission. A form may be obtained from Computershare or online at 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

GO ONLINE TO VOTE, or turn over to complete the form

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	Item 3 Adoption of the Remuneration Report				
	The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote all available	e proxies in favour of each item of business.			
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Change of address. If incorrect, mark this box and make the

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Securityholder 3

Director/Company Secretary

Contact

Name

Individual or Securityholder 1

Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary

Contact

Daytime

Telephone

Securityholder 2

Director