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Dear Shareholder

# **2021 Annual General Meeting**

Manas Resources Limited's 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in person at 2:00pm (AWST) on Friday, 28 May 2021 at Level 2, 389 Oxford Street, Mount Hawthorn, Western Australia.

Noting the temporary modifications to the Corporations Act introduced under the Corporations (Coronavirus Economic Response) Determination (No.3) 2020, which has now lapsed but by reference to the 'no action' position adopted by ASIC in its Media Release 21-061, the Company will not be sending hard copies of the Notice of Annual General Meeting and Explanatory Statement to Shareholders. Instead, Shareholders can view and download the Notice of Annual General Meeting and accompanying Explanatory Statement on the Company's website at www.manasresources.com or from the ASX website at www.asx.com.au.

With regards to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Company will adhere to all social distancing measures prescribed by government authorities at the AGM, and Shareholders attending the AGM will need to ensure they comply with the protocols. We are concerned for the safety and health of Shareholders, staff and advisers, so we will put in place certain measures including social distancing requirements.

To assist with the administration of the AGM, Shareholders planning to attend the AGM in person are requested to contact the Company Secretary, Mr Susmit Shah (email: <a href="mailto:susmit.shah@manasresources.com">susmit.shah@manasresources.com</a>) in order for the Company to ensure it is able to maintain compliance with COVID-19 related restrictions applicable on the AGM date.

Each Resolution will be decided by poll, based on proxy votes and by votes from Shareholders in attendance at the AGM. Shareholders are strongly encouraged to vote by lodging the proxy form attached to this letter, in accordance with the instructions set out on that form, by no later than 2pm (Perth time) on 26 May 2021.

In the event that it is necessary or appropriate for the Company to make alternative arrangements for the Meeting, information will be lodged with the ASX at <a href="www.asx.com.au">www.asx.com.au</a> (ASX: MSR) and the Company's website at <a href="www.manasresources.com">www.manasresources.com</a>.

Authorised for release by:

Justin Tremain Managing Director



## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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# **PROXY FORM**

DATE AND TIME OF MEETING: Friday, 28 May 2021 at 2pm

**VENUE:** 

Level 2, 389 Oxford Street, Mount Hawthorn Western Australia 6016

These documents should be read in their entirety. If shareholders are in any doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their accountant, solicitor or other professional advisor.



#### ACN 128 042 606

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting ("Meeting") of Manas Resources Limited ("Manas" or the "Company") will be held on Friday, 28 May 2021 commencing at 2pm at Level 2, 389 Oxford Street, Mount Hawthorn, Western Australia 6016.

The enclosed Explanatory Statement accompanies and forms part of this Notice of Meeting.

### **AGENDA**

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

### 1. Financial Report for the Year ended 31 December 2020

To receive and consider the financial report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020, together with the reports by the directors and auditors thereon.

### To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions

### 2. Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution in accordance with section 250R(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)* ("the Corporations Act"):

"To adopt the Remuneration Report as set out in the Directors' Report section of the Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2020."

Please note that the vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

### Voting restrictions apply to Resolution 1 under the Corporations Act.

A vote on Resolutions 1 must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of either of the following persons:

- (a) a member of the key management personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report;
- (b) a Closely Related Party of such a member.

However, a person (the "Voter") described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:

- (a) the Voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on the resolution; or
- (b) the Voter is the chair of the Meeting and the appointment of the chair as proxy:
  - (i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on the resolution; and
  - (ii) expressly authorises the chair to exercise the proxy even if the resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the key management personnel for the Company or, if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, for the entity.

If you wish to appoint a member of the key management personnel (which includes each of the Directors and the Chair) as your proxy, please read the voting exclusion above and in the proxy form carefully. Shareholders are encouraged to direct their proxies how to vote (as opposed to issuing an open proxy).

### 3. Resolution 2 – Re-Election of Mr Alan Campbell as a Director

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

"That Mr Alan Campbell, who retires in accordance with Clause 3.6 of the Constitution of the Company and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election, be and is hereby re-elected as a director of the Company."

#### 4. Resolution 3 - Re-Election of Mr Justin Tremain as a Director

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

"That Mr Justin Tremain, who retires in accordance with Clause 3.3 of the Constitution of the Company and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election, be and is hereby re-elected as a director of the Company."

#### 5. Resolution 4 – Ratification of Prior Issue of Shares

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.4 and for all other purposes, Shareholders ratify the issue of 111,111,110 Shares on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement."

#### Voting exclusion statement applicable to Resolution 4 pursuant to Listing Rule 7.5

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 4 by or on behalf of any person who participated in the issue of these Shares and any associate of them.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of this Resolution by:

- a person as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- the chair of the meeting as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with a direction given to the chair to vote on the Resolution as the chair decides; or
- a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - o the beneficiary provides written confirmation to the holder that the beneficiary is not excluded from voting, and is not an associate of a person excluded from voting, on the Resolution; and
  - the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

### 6. Resolution 5 – Renewal of Employee Option Plan

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 13 and all other purposes, the directors be and are hereby authorised to maintain the employee option plan, called "The Manas Resources Limited Employee Option Plan", upon and subject to the terms and conditions specified in the document entitled "Rules of The Manas Resources Limited Employee Option Plan", a summary of which is included in the Explanatory Statement"

Voting exclusion statement is provided in the next section

### 7. Resolution 6 – Renewal of Performance Rights Plan

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 13 and all other purposes, the directors be and are hereby authorised to maintain the performance rights plan, called "Manas Resources Limited Performance Rights Plan", upon and subject to the terms and conditions specified in the document entitled "Rules of Manas Resources Limited Performance Rights Plan", a summary of which is included in the Explanatory Statement"

### Voting exclusion statement applicable to Resolutions 5 and 6 pursuant to Listing Rule 7.3

The Company will disregard any votes cast on these Resolutions by or on behalf of:

- a person who is eligible to participate in the employee incentive scheme; and
- any associate of them.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of these Resolutions by:

- a person as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on these Resolution, in accordance with directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on these Resolutions in that way; or
- the chair of the meeting as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolutions, in accordance with a direction given to the chair to vote on the Resolutions as the chair decides; or
- a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - o the beneficiary provides written confirmation to the holder that the beneficiary is not excluded from voting, and is not an associate of a person excluded from voting, on these Resolutions; and
  - the holder votes on these Resolutions in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

### **Proxy Appointment Restriction**

In accordance with section 250BD of the Corporations Act, the Company will disregard any votes cast on these Resolutions by a member of the Key Management Personnel of the Company or their Closely Related Parties who has been appointed as a proxy unless:

- the appointed proxy votes for a person who is permitted to vote and in accordance with a direction on the proxy form (directed proxy); or
- the appointed proxy is the chair of the meeting and the appointment of the chair as proxy:
  - o does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on these Resolutions; and
  - o expressly authorises the chair of the meeting to exercise the proxy even if the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

### 8. Resolution 7 – Approval of 10% placement facility

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

"That pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, Shareholders approve the issue of Equity Securities up to 10% of the issued capital of the Company (at the time of the issue) calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and on the terms and conditions in the Explanatory Statement."

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**9.** To transact any other business which may lawfully be brought forward.

#### How the Chair will vote available proxies

The Chair of the Meeting intends to vote all available proxies in favour of all of the resolutions set out in the Notice. The proxy form expressly authorises the Chair to exercise undirected proxies in favour of remuneration related resolutions.

#### **Default to the Chair**

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will automatically default to the Chair of the Meeting, who is required to vote those proxies as directed.

### **Registered Shareholders**

A registered shareholder may attend the Meeting in person<sup>1</sup> or may be represented thereat by proxy. In accordance with section 249L of the Corporations Act, shareholders are advised that:

- the proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company;
- each shareholder may specify the way in which the proxy is to vote on each resolution or may allow the proxy to vote at his discretion; and
- a shareholder who 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, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise half of the votes.

Accordingly, if you are a registered shareholder of the Company and are unable to attend the Meeting in person, please date and execute the accompanying form of proxy in accordance with the instructions contained in the form and return it in accordance with the following:

Forms to appoint proxies, and the Power of Attorney (if any) under which they are signed, must be sent or delivered to the Company's share registry, Automic Registry Services, not less than 48 hours before the time of the Meeting (or resumption of the adjourned Meeting) at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote. Shareholders are able to submit their Proxies online or they can be sent or delivered to Automic Registry Services and lodgement details are provided in the Proxy Form that accompanies this Notice.

The instrument appointing the proxy must be received by the Company at the address specified in the proxy form at least 48 hours before the time notified for the Meeting.

In accordance with regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001, the Company determines that ordinary shares held as at 5.00pm WST on 26 May 2021 will be taken, for the purposes of the Meeting, to be held by the persons who held them at that time.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

S M Shah Company Secretary 21 April 2021

Perth, Western Australia

<sup>1</sup>Members are encouraged to complete and return a proxy form. As physical access to the Meeting may be restricted in accordance with legislative requirements and directives from the Federal and WA State Governments, it is particularly important that Members make every effort to submit their proxy forms before the due date (refer to the Proxy Form for details).

All Resolutions will be determined by poll.

### MANAS RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 128 042 606)

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of shareholders of Manas Resources Limited ("Manas" or the "Company") in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday, 28 May 2021 at 2pm at Level 2, 389 Oxford Street, Mount Hawthorn, Western Australia 6016.

This Explanatory Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Notice.

#### 2. ANNUAL REPORT

In accordance with the requirements of the Company's Constitution and the Corporations Act, the Company's audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2020, together with the report of the auditor thereon will be tabled at the Meeting, and shareholders will have the opportunity of discussing the Annual Report and making comments and raising queries in relation to the Report.

Representatives from the Company's auditors, HLB Mann Judd, will be available to take shareholders' questions and comments about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the audit report.

The Annual Report is available on the Company's website at <a href="www.manasresources.com">www.manasresources.com</a> for you to download or read online. Alternatively, you can obtain a hard copy by contacting the Company.

### 3. RESOLUTION 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report

Pursuant to section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company submits to Shareholders for consideration and adoption, by way of a non-binding resolution, its remuneration report for the year ended 31 December 2020 (the "Remuneration Report"). The Remuneration Report is a distinct section of the Annual Report which deals with the remuneration of directors and executives of the Company.

By way of summary, the Remuneration Report:

- (a) explains the Company's remuneration policy and the process for determining the remuneration of its directors and executive officers;
- (b) addresses the relationship between the Company's remuneration policy and the Company's performance; and
- (c) sets out the remuneration details for each director and executive officer named in the Remuneration Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

The directors recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of the adoption of the Remuneration Report. As previously stated, this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Company. However, the Board will take the outcome of the vote on this resolution into consideration when reviewing the remuneration practices and policies of the Company in the future.

The Chairman of the Meeting will provide Shareholders with reasonable opportunity at the Meeting to ask questions about, or to make comments on, the Remuneration Report.

Chairman authorised to exercise undirected proxies on remuneration related resolutions: Where Shareholders have appointed the Chair of the Meeting as their proxy, the Chair will vote in favour of Resolution 1 "Adoption of Remuneration Report" unless the Shareholder has expressly indicated a different voting intention. This is so notwithstanding that the resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of key management personnel, which includes the Chair.

### 4. RESOLUTIONS 2 & 3 – Re-election of Directors

In accordance with the requirements of the Company's Constitution, ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act, one-third of the directors of the Company (other than the Managing Director) and those who were last re-elected more than three years ago retire from office at this Meeting and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. On that basis, Mr Alan Campbell will retire at the Meeting and offers himself for re-election. Details of Mr Campbell's qualifications and experience are available in the Annual Report, on the Company's website and are summarised briefly below:

### Alan Campbell

Mr Campbell was appointed as a Non-Executive Chairman with effect from 1 November 2018. He is a geologist, with extensive experience and knowledge in the resource sector built over a career spanning more than 30 years in mineral exploration. He was Managing Director of Papillon Resources from December 2009 to May 2012, leading the team which discovered the 5moz Fekola gold deposit in Mali before Papillon's merger with B2Gold in 2014. Mr Campbell has worked and lived in Africa, Asia and Australia, having held senior roles and directorships in major and junior companies, including Anglo American and De Beers Group. Mr Campbell presently has an interest in 5,000,000 ordinary shares in the Company. He is considered an independent Director. The Board supports his re-election as a director.

Directors appointed by the Board since the last annual general meeting also retire from office at this Meeting of the Company and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. On that basis, Mr Justin Tremain will retire at the Meeting and offers himself for re-election. Details of Mr Tremain's qualifications and experience are available in the Annual Report, on the Company's website and are summarised briefly below:

#### Justin Tremain

Justin Tremain has extensive experience across the mineral resources sector. Most recently, he served as Managing Director of Exore Resources Ltd for over two years before it was taken over by Perseus Mining Ltd. Before that, Mr Tremain founded Renaissance Minerals Limited, listed it on the Australian Securities Exchange in June 2010 and served as Managing Director until its takeover by Emerald Resources NL in November 2016. During that time, Mr Tremain oversaw Renaissance's growth as first mover into the frontier jurisdiction of Cambodia and successfully defined a highly economic +1 million ounce JORC gold resource and completion of a feasibility study. Mr Tremain presently has an interest in 55,555,555 ordinary shares in the Company and 100,000,000 Performance Rights with various vesting conditions. He holds the role of Managing Director. The Board supports his re-election as a director.

### 5. RESOLUTION 4 – Ratification of Prior Issue of Shares

### 5.1 Background

On 23 November 2020, the Company issued 111,111,110 Shares at an issue price of \$0.0045 per Share to raise \$0.5 million. The Shares were issued pursuant to the Company's capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

### **5.2** Listing Rule 7.1

Broadly speaking, and subject to a number of exceptions, Listing Rule 7.1 limits the amount of equity securities that a listed company can issue without the approval of its shareholders over any 12 month period to 15% of the fully paid ordinary securities it had on issue at the start of that 12 month period.

The issue of the 111,111,110 Shares did not fit within any of the exceptions and, as it has not yet been approved by Shareholders, it effectively used up part of the 15% limit in Listing Rules 7.1, reducing the Company's capacity to issue further equity securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1 for the 12 month period following the date of issue of these Shares.

#### 5.3 Listing Rule 7.4

Listing Rule 7.4 allows the shareholders of a listed company to approve an issue of equity securities after it has been made or agreed to be made. If they do, the issue is taken to have been approved under Listing Rule 7.1 and so does not reduce the company's capacity to issue further equity securities without shareholder approval under that rule.

The Company wishes to retain as much flexibility as possible to issue additional equity securities in the future without having to obtain Shareholder approval for such issues under Listing Rule 7.1. Accordingly, Resolution 4 seeks Shareholder ratification pursuant to Listing Rule 7.4 for the issue of the 111,111,110 Shares.

#### 5.4 Technical information required by Listing Rule 14.1A

If Resolution 4 is passed, the 111,111,110 Shares will be excluded in calculating the Company's 15% limit in Listing Rule 7.1, effectively increasing the number of equity securities the Company can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the date of issue of these Shares.

If Resolution 4 is not passed, the 111,111,110 Shares will be included in calculating the Company's 15% limit in Listing Rule 7.1, effectively decreasing the number of equity securities the Company can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the date of issue of these Shares.

### 5.5 Technical information required by ASX Listing Rule 7.5

In accordance with Listing Rule 7.5, the following information is provided in relation to Resolution 4:

- a) The Shares were issued to high net worth sophisticated and professional investors none of whom were related parties or Material Investors of the Company. Included in the issue were Mr Justin Tremain (22,222,222 Shares) and Mr Justin Tremain & Mrs Sasha Tremain as trustees for the J & S Tremain Superfund A/C (33,333,333 Shares). Mr Tremain is the Managing Director of the Company but was not a related party at the time of the issue of Shares (refer to the Company's announcement dated 16 November 2020);
- b) 111,111,110 fully paid ordinary shares, ranking equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares, were issued at an issue price of \$0.0045 each to raise gross proceeds of \$500,000;
- c) The Shares were issued on 23 November 2020;
- d) The issue of the Shares was undertaken to provide working capital for the Company's exploration activities in Cote d'Ivoire; and
- e) a voting exclusion statement is included in the Notice.

### 6. RESOLUTION 5 – Renewal of Employee Option Plan

The Manas Resources Limited Employee Option Plan ("Plan") was established, pursuant to Shareholder approval, in November 2008. Pursuant to its rules, the Plan is to be re-presented to Shareholders for approval every three years. In accordance with the rules of the Plan and ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 13, Shareholder approval is now being sought for the maintenance of the Plan. The key features of the Plan are set out in Schedule 1 to this Explanatory Statement and a full copy of the Plan may be obtained by contacting the Company.

The Directors believe that the future success of the Company will depend significantly on the skills and motivation of key employees. The Plan is seen as an important tool to attract, motivate and retain key employees, especially in overseas locations. It is important to note that the Plan will also enable the Company to attract top calibre staff and at the same time conserve liquid funds, which might otherwise need to be spent on remuneration.

If Resolution 5 is passed, the Company will be able to issue securities under the Plan to eligible participants over a period of three (3) years without impacting the Company's ability to issue up to 15% of its total ordinary securities without Shareholder approval in any 12 month period. If Resolution 5 is not passed, future issues of options under the Plan will be included in calculating the Company's 15% limit in Listing Rule 7.1, effectively decreasing the number of equity securities the Company can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the date of issue of options.

As at the date of the Notice, a total of 40 million options have been granted under the Plan since it was last approved at the May 2018 AGM. As of the date hereof, a total of 40 million options remain on issue with an exercise price of \$0.0075 each and an expiry date of 30 November 2021.

The maximum number of options that may be granted following approval of this Resolution together with performance rights that may be granted following approval of Resolution 6 is 138 million in aggregate. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of securities for which approval is sought will be issued immediately.

A voting exclusion statement is included in the Notice.

### 7. RESOLUTION 6 – Renewal of Performance Rights Plan

Manas Resources Limited Performance Rights Plan ("PR Plan") was established, pursuant to Shareholder approval, in December 2015. Pursuant to its rules, the PR Plan is to be re-presented to Shareholders for approval every three years. In accordance with the rules of the PR Plan and ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 13, Shareholder approval is now being sought for the maintenance of the PR Plan. The key features of the PR Plan are set out in Schedule 2 to this Explanatory Statement and a full copy of the PR Plan may be obtained by contacting the Company.

The Directors believe that the future success of the Company will depend significantly on the skills and motivation of key employees. The PR Plan is seen as an important tool to attract, motivate and retain senior executives. It is important to note that the PR Plan will also enable the Company to attract top calibre staff and at the same time conserve liquid funds, which might otherwise need to be spent on remuneration. Additionally, reward for senior executives can be matched to specific milestones that enhance shareholder value and which serve as vesting criteria for performance rights.

If Resolution 6 is passed, the Company will be able to issue securities under the PR Plan to eligible participants over a period of three (3) years without impacting the Company's ability to issue up to 15% of its total ordinary securities without Shareholder approval in any 12 month period. If Resolution 6 is not passed, future issues of performance rights under the PR Plan will be included in calculating the Company's 15% limit in Listing Rule 7.1, effectively decreasing the number of equity securities the Company can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the date of issue of performance rights.

From the date of the PR Plan's last approval in May 2018 to the date of this Notice, a total of 140 million performance rights have been granted under the PR Plan. Since their issue, 6 million rights have vested and converted to Shares, 10 million rights have lapsed and 124 million performance rights remain on issue as at the date of this Notice.

The maximum number of performance rights that may be granted following approval of this Resolution together with options that may be granted following approval of the preceding Resolution 5 is 138 million in aggregate. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of securities for which approval is sought will be issued immediately. A voting exclusion statement is included in the Notice.

### 8. RESOLUTION 7 – Approval of 10% placement capacity

ASX Listing Rule 7.1A enables an Eligible Entity to seek shareholder approval at an annual general meeting to allow it to issue Equity Securities up to 10% of its issued share capital through placements over a 12 month period after the AGM ('10% Placement Facility'). The 10% Placement Facility is in addition to the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1. If Resolution 7 is approved the Company will have an additional 10% placement capacity during the period up to 12 months after the Meeting, without obtaining subsequent shareholder approval and without using the Company's 15% annual placement capacity available under Listing Rule 7.1.

### 8.1 Conditions of Approval

Approval under Listing Rule 7.1A is subject to the following:

- (a) Shareholder approval by way of Special Resolution at an AGM; and
- (b) the Company qualifying as an Eligible Entity. The Company is an Eligible Entity if the Company is outside the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a market capitalisation of \$300 million or less.

The Company qualifies as an Eligible Entity.

#### **8.2** Equity Securities

Any Equity Securities issued under the 10% Placement Facility must be in the same class as an existing quoted class of Equity Securities of the Company. The Company, as at the date of the Notice, has on issue one (1) class of quoted Equity Securities, being fully paid ordinary shares (ASX: MSR).

#### 8.3 Minimum Issue Price

The minimum price at which the Equity Securities may be issued for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1A.3 is 75% of the volume weighted average price for Equity Securities in that particular class calculated over the 15 Trading Days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- (a) the date on which the price at which the Equity Securities are to be issued is agreed; or
- (b) if the Equity Securities are not issued within ten (10) Trading Days of the date in paragraph (a), the date on which the Equity Securities are issued.

#### 8.4 Risks associated with the Issue

The possible risks associated with an issue of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.2 may include:

- the market price for Equity Securities in that class may be significantly lower on the issue date than on the date of the approval under Listing Rule 7.1A; and
- the Equity Securities may be issued at a price that is at a discount to the market price for those Equity Securities
  on the issue date.

Listing Rule 7.3A.4 requires the Company to provide a table demonstrating the potential dilution effect based on three different assumed prices of the Company's Shares and three different numbers of Shares on issue in the Company (Variable 'A' in Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A). For convenience, we will refer to the latter as Variable 'A'.

Table A below shows the dilution of existing Shareholdings on the basis of the current market price of Shares and the current number of Shares for Variable 'A' calculated in accordance with the formula in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 as at the date of this Notice.

The table (\*) also shows:

• two examples where Variable 'A' has increased by 50% and 100%. The number of ordinary Shares on issue may

- increase as a result of issues of ordinary Shares that do not require Shareholder approval or future specific placements under Listing Rule 7.1 that are approved at a future Shareholders' meeting; and
- two examples of where the issue price of ordinary Shares has decreased by 50% and increased by 100% as against
  the current market price.

Table A – Potential dilution effect on utilisation of 'Additional 10% Placement Capacity'(\*)

Variable 'A' in Listing Rule		Dilution									
7.1A.2		\$0.003	\$0.006	\$0.012							
		50% decrease in	Issue price	100% increase in							
		issue price		issue price							
Current Variable 'A'	10%	276,027,360	276,027,360	276,027,360							
2,760,273,598	Voting	shares	shares	shares							
	Dilution										
	Funds Raised	\$828,082	\$1,656,164	\$3,312,328							
50% increase in current	10%	414,041,040	414,041,040	414,041,040							
Variable 'A'	Voting	shares	shares	shares							
4,140,410,397	Dilution										
	Funds Raised	\$1,242,123	\$2,484,246	\$4,968,492							
100% increase in current	10%	552,054,720	552,054,720	552,054,720							
Variable 'A'	Voting	shares	shares	shares							
5,520,547,196	Dilution										
	Funds Raised	\$1,656,164	\$3,312,328	\$6,624,657							

(\*) Table A has been prepared on the following assumptions:

- (a) The Company issues the maximum number of Equity Securities available under the 10% Placement Facility.
- (b) No options and Performance Rights are exercised into Shares before the date of the issue of Equity Securities.
- (c) The 10% voting dilution reflects the aggregate percentage dilution against the issued share capital at the time of issue. This is why the voting dilution is shown in each example as 10%.
- (d) The table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of placements under the 10% Placement Facility, based on that Shareholder's holding as the date of the Meeting.
- (e) The table shows only the effect of issues of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A, not under the 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.
- (f) The issue of Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility consists only of Shares.
- (g) The issue price of \$0.006, being the closing price of the Shares on ASX at the time of this Notice.

### 8.5 10% Placement Period

The date up to which the Equity Securities may be issued pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A.1 is the earlier of:

- (a) the date that is 12 months after the date of the Meeting at which the approval is obtained;
- (b) the time and date of the Company's next annual general meeting; or
- (c) the time and date of the approval by Shareholders of a transaction under Listing Rules 11.1.2 or 11.2.

The approval pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A will cease to be valid in the event that Shareholders approve a transaction under Listing Rules 11.1.2 (a significant change to the nature or scale of activities) or 11.2 (disposal of main undertaking).

#### 8.6 The Purposes of Issue

The purposes for which the Company may issue Shares pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A include the following:

- Cote de Ivoire exploration and pre-development costs, including land acquisition, government and community relations, site works, ongoing exploration and working capital.
- ongoing assessment of other surrounding projects outside the core exploration area.
- ongoing future working capital purposes, including corporate advisory and capital raising services.

The Company will comply with the disclosure obligations and requirements under Listing Rules 7.1A.3, and 7.1A.4 upon issue of any Shares.

#### 8.7 The Company's Allocation Policy

The Company's allocation policy is dependent on the prevailing market conditions at the time of any proposed issue pursuant to the 10% Placement Facility. The identity of recipients of Shares will be determined on a case-by-case basis having regard to the factors including but not limited to the following:

- (a) the methods of raising funds that are available to the Company including but not limited to, rights issue or other issue in which existing Shareholders can participate;
- (b) the effect of the issue of the Shares on the control of the Company;

- (c) the financial situation and solvency of the Company; and
- (d) advice from corporate, legal, financial and broking advisors (if applicable).

The recipients under the 10% Placement Facility have not been determined as at the date of this Notice but may include existing substantial Shareholders and/or new Shareholders who are not related parties or associates of a related party of the Company provided that such persons are Exempt Persons.

### 8.8 Shareholder Approval

The Company previously obtained Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1A. at the 2020 Annual General Meeting.

### 8.9 Equity Securities issued or expected to be issued in the 12 months prior to the Meeting

In the period following the 2020 Annual General Meeting and to the date of this Notice, the Company has not issued any Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.2.

### 8.10 Compliance with ASX Listing Rules 7.1A.4

When the Company issues Equity Securities pursuant to the 10% Placement Capacity, it must give to ASX a list of the recipients of the Equity Securities and the number of Equity Securities issued to each recipient (not for release to the market), in accordance with Listing Rule 7.1A.4

#### 8.11 Board Recommendation

The Board recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of this Resolution.

#### **8.12** Voting Exclusion Statement

As at the date of this Notice, the Company is not proposing to make an issue of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A. Accordingly, a voting exclusion statement is not included in this Notice.

#### **GLOSSARY**

Annual General Meeting or Meeting means the meeting convened by the notice.

ASX means ASX Limited.

**ASX Listing Rules** means the Listing Rules of ASX.

**Board** means the current board of directors of the Company.

Closely Related Party of a member of the Key Management Personnel means:

- a) a spouse or child of the member;
- b) a child of the member's spouse;
- c) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealing with the entity;
- e) a company the member controls; or a person prescribed by the *Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth)*.

Company means Manas Resources Limited (ACN 128 042 606).

**Constitution** means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Directors** means the current directors of the Company.

**Explanatory Statement** means the Explanatory Statement accompanying the Notice.

**Key Management Personnel** has the same meaning as in the accounting standards and broadly includes those 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.

**Notice** or **Notice of Meeting** or **Notice of Annual General Meeting** means this notice of annual general meeting including the Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form.

**Performance Right** is a right to be issued a Share upon satisfaction of certain performance conditions and the expiry of a vesting period as determined by the Board.

**Proxy Form** means the proxy form accompanying the Notice.

Resolutions means the resolutions set out in the Notice of Meeting, or any one of them, as the context requires.

**Share** means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a holder of a Share.

WST means Western Standard Time as observed in Perth, Western Australia.

#### Schedule 1 – Employee Option Plan

The key features of the Plan are as follows:

- 1. The offer of options under the Plan is at the discretion of the Board. The Board may invite applications for options from employees, consultants and contractors of the Company or certain associated or related companies of the Company. Directors of the Company and their associates are not eligible to participate in the Plan.
- 2. Offers of options must specify the terms of issue.
- 3. Subject to satisfaction of any exercise conditions determined by the and at the discretion of the Board at the time of grant, the options granted will be exercisable after the first anniversary of the date of grant but before the third anniversary ("Expiry Date") of the date of grant. The period for exercise of the options is reduced in certain circumstances.
- 4. Any options not exercised at Expiry Date will lapse.
- 5. The options issued under the Plan will be issued free of charge and entitle the holder to purchase one ordinary share at an exercise price as the Directors deem appropriate in light of surrounding circumstances but not less than any price prescribed under the ASX Listing Rules from time to time. In any case, the exercise price shall be no less than 80% of the average market price for shares over the last five (5) trading days immediately preceding the date on which the options are issued.
- 6. No options may be granted if such options when aggregated with options previously issued under the Plan (or any other employee incentive scheme) would exceed 5% of the total number of issued shares in the Company.
- 7. The options must be accepted by the completion of the acceptance form.
- 8. Options may only be exercised by notice in writing (in the form prescribed by the Board) given by the optionholder to the Company.
- 9. If an optionholder ceases employment with the Company or otherwise ceases to provide services to the Company, options held at that time and capable of being exercised will lapse unless exercised within thirty days of cessation of employment (or cessation of service), except where employment / service has ceased as a result of special circumstances such as death or disablement.
- 10. Options must not be assigned, transferred or otherwise dealt with except with the approval of the Board or in the case of a takeover offer or a Scheme of Arrangement.
- 11. The options will not be listed on ASX, although the Company will apply for the official quotation of any shares which are issued as a result of exercise of options.
- 12. In the event of any reconstruction of the capital of the Company, the number and exercise price of options issued under the Plan will be dealt with in accordance with ASX listing rules.
- 13. The Corporations Act 2001 and the ASX Listing Rules have precedence over the Terms and Conditions of the Plan. Therefore, the grant or exercise of options will not be permitted if either (or both) would contravene them.
- 14. The Plan may be terminated at any time by the Board, but this will not affect any accrued rights of the option holders at that time.
- 15. There are no participating rights or entitlements inherent in the options and the holder will not be entitled to participate in new issues of capital offered or made to the shareholders during the currency of the options unless the options are first exercised prior to any record date, subject to vesting rules.

### Schedule 2 – Performance Rights Plan

#### Summary of the Features of the Manas Resources Limited Performance Rights Plan

The following is a summary of the key terms of the Plan, which is qualified in its entirety by the rules of the Plan:

- (a) Participation: The Plan is available to Eligible Participants, as defined below, of Manas Resources Limited and its related bodies corporate, as such term is defined in the Corporations Act (collectively, the "Group" and each a "Group Member"). Eligible Participants are full and part-time employees and directors of a Group Member, and Eligible Contractors (collectively, "Eligible Participants"). An Eligible Contractor means an individual or a wholly owned company of an individual that has performed work for a Group Member for more than 12 months and received 80% or more of its income from a Group Member.
- (b) Maximum Number Issuable: An invitation to apply for Performance Rights will not be made where the grant of Performance Rights contemplated by the invitation would result in the Company exceeding the limit that applies under ASIC Class Order 03/184 or any subsequent or replacement class order in respect of new issues of securities under employee share schemes. The limit that currently applies under Class Order 03/184 is equal to 5% of the issued capital of the Company.
- (c) Exercise Price: The exercise price, if any, for Performance Rights will be determined by the Board in its discretion and set out in the related invitation. The exercise price may be any amount and may be as low as zero, in which case a statement to that effect will be set out in the related invitation [NB: as a norm, the exercise price as well as the issue price for the Performance Rights will be \$nil as the grant of Performance Rights is considered to be part of the remuneration package for senior executives].
- (d) Vesting: Vesting conditions may be determined by the Board at the time an invitation is made and may include a minimum employment term. Performance Rights may not be exercised until vesting conditions, as specified in the invitation, have been met. The Board has the discretion not to impose vesting conditions. The Board has the power to amend or waive vesting conditions.
- (e) Lapse: Unless the Board determines otherwise in its absolute discretion, a Performance Right will lapse on the earliest to occur of (i) a purported transfer, assignment, mortgage, charge, disposition of or encumbrance of the Performance Right, other than with the prior written consent of the Board; (ii) the holder of such Performance Right (a "Performance Rights Holder") ceasing to be an Eligible Person for any reason, subject to the provisions described below; (iii) a determination by the Board that a Performance Rights Holder has acted fraudulently or dishonestly or is in breach of his or her obligations to any Group Member; (iv) subject to any automatic vesting in accordance with the Plan, if applicable vesting conditions have not been met in the prescribed period; (v) the expiry date set out in the related invitation; or (vi) the seven year anniversary of the grant of the Performance Right.
- (f) Cessation of Entitlement Ill Health or Death: Subject to any invitation's terms and conditions, if a Performance Rights Holder ceases to be an Eligible Person due to ill health or death, then (i) if all relevant vesting conditions are met or no vesting conditions are imposed, Performance Rights may be exercised (by the personal representatives in the case of death) as set out under "Lapse" above; or (ii) if any relevant vesting conditions have not been met, the Performance Rights will automatically lapse immediately upon the Performance Rights Holder ceasing to be an Eligible Participant, unless the Board determines otherwise that all or a portion of those Performance Rights immediately vest.
- (g) Cessation of Entitlement Termination for Cause: Subject to any invitation's terms and conditions, if a Performance Rights Holder is terminated for cause, then (i) if all relevant vesting conditions are met or no vesting conditions are imposed, the right to exercise Performance Rights is immediately suspended for a period of 14 days, during which period the Board may determine to lift the suspension and allow such Performance Rights to be exercised for a period of 30 days, following which such Performance Rights will lapse (however, if the Board does not provide for such 30 day period, the Performance Rights will automatically lapse at the end of the 14 day suspension); or (ii) if any relevant vesting conditions have not been met, the Performance Rights will lapse on the day the Performance Rights Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant.
- (h) Cessation of Entitlement Termination by Consent or Cessation of Employment for Other Reasons: Subject to any invitation's terms and conditions, if a Performance Rights Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant (i) by their own volition, with the written consent of the Board; (ii) by reason of redundancy; or (iii) for reasons other than ill health or death, termination for cause or by consent, or redundancy, then: (A) if all relevant vesting conditions are met or no vesting conditions are imposed, the Performance Rights may be exercised for a period of 30 days after the Performance Rights Holder ceases to be an Eligible Person, following which such Performance

- Rights will lapse; or (B) if any relevant vesting conditions have not been met, the Performance Rights will lapse on the day the Performance Rights Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant, unless the Board determines otherwise that all or apportion of those Performance Rights immediately vest.
- (i) Change of Control: Subject to the terms and conditions of a grant of a Performance Right, the Board may in its absolute discretion determine that all or a portion of the unvested Performance Rights automatically vest and automatically exercise on the occurrence of a change of control.
- (j) Winding up: The Board may, in its absolute discretion, permit the exercise of Performance Rights, irrespective or whether the relevant vesting conditions have been met, during such period as the Board determines where the Company passes a resolution for voluntary winding up or an order is made for the Company's compulsory winding up.
- (k) Assignability: Performance Rights will be transferable or assignable only with the prior written consent of the Board, which may be withheld in its absolute discretion. If a Performance Rights Holder purports to transfer, assign, mortgage, charge or otherwise dispose of or encumber any Performance Rights without Board consent, the Performance Rights immediately lapse. Performance Rights are transferable to the extent necessary to allow exercise by personal representatives pursuant to the Plan in the event of death of the holder.
- (l) Amendments: Subject to the ASX Listing Rules, the Board may at any time amend or add to all or any of the provisions of the Plan, or the terms or conditions of any Performance Right granted under the Plan, including vesting conditions. Unless any such amendment requires shareholder approval pursuant to the ASX Listing Rules, shareholder approval is not required. Despite the foregoing, no amendment may be made to the terms of a Performance Right without the consent of the holder of the Performance Right if the effect of the amendment is to reduce the rights of the holder of such Performance Right, other than an amendment introduced primarily (i) for the purpose of complying with present or future legislation or regulations applicable to the Company or the Plan; (ii) to correct any manifest error or mistake; or (iii) to take into consideration adverse tax implications in respect of the Plan.
- (m) Financial Assistance: The Plan does not provide for Manas to extend financial assistance to any Performance Rights Holder to facilitate the acquisition by such holder of Shares.
- (n) No other participation: Subject to adjustment for any bonus issue of Shares, during the currency of any Performance Rights and prior to their exercise, Performance Rights Holders are not entitled to participate in any new issue of Shares as a result of their holding Performance Rights. Performance Rights Holders do not have any voting or dividend rights.



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# **Proxy Voting Form**

If you are attending the meeting in person, please bring this with you for Securityholder registration.

**Holder Number:** 

Your proxy voting instruction must be received by **2.00pm (WST) on Wednesday, 26 May 2021,** being **not later than 48 hours** before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Voting instructions received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

### **SUBMIT YOUR PROXY**

Complete the form overleaf in accordance with the instructions set out below.

#### YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

The name and address shown above is as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, and you have an Issuer Sponsored holding, you can update your address through the investor portal: https://investor.automic.com.au/#/home. Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes.

#### STEP 1 - APPOINT A PROXY

If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that Individual or body corporate. A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company. Otherwise if you leave this box blank, the Chair of the Meeting will be appointed as your proxy by default.

#### DEFAULT TO THE CHAIR OF THE MEETING

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

### STEP 2 - VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS

You may direct your proxy how to vote by marking 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 SECOND PROXY

You may appoint up to two proxies. If you appoint two proxies, you should complete two separate Proxy Voting Forms and specify the percentage or number each proxy may exercise. If you do not specify a percentage or number, each proxy may exercise half the votes. You must return both Proxy Voting Forms together. If you require an additional Proxy Voting Form, contact Automic Registry Services.

### SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

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

**Joint holding:** Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the Shareholders should sign. A proxy form signed by the shareholder whose name appears first in the register, but not by the other joint holder(s), will also be accepted as valid.

**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 Proxy Voting Form when you return it.

**Companies**: To be signed in accordance with your Constitution. Please sign in the appropriate box which indicates the office held by you.

Email Address: Please provide your email address in the space provided.

By providing your email address, you elect to receive all communications despatched by the Company electronically (where legally permissible) such as a Notice of Meeting, Proxy Voting Form and Annual Report via email.

#### CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate 'Appointment of Corporate Representative' should be produced prior to admission. A form may be obtained from the Company's share registry online at https://automic.com.au.

#### Lodging your Proxy Voting Form:

#### Online:

Use your computer or smartphone to appoint a proxy at

https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah or scan the QR code below using your smartphone

Login & Click on 'Meetings'. Use the Holder Number as shown at the top of this Proxy Voting Form.



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