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## **OUTCOME OF CHALLENGE TO NEX METALS AGM AND EGM**

Metalicity Limited (ASX: MCT) ("the Company"; or "Metalicity") notes the outcome of the Supreme Court case<sup>1</sup> initiated by Metalicity in respect of the Nex Metals Explorations Ltd (ASX: NME, Nex Metals) Annual General Meeting (AGM) of 31 March 2022 and Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) of 25 July 2022.

The Court found that as contended by Metalicity, several proxies for the AGM "were not effective and should not have been accepted at the AGM"<sup>2</sup>. These in part were the proxies lodged online by the Managing Director of Nex Metals, Mr Ken Allen, purporting to be on behalf of other shareholders without clear authority. The Court also found that at the time of the AGM, Mr Allen had a relevant interest of 14.49% of the issued shares of Nex Metals<sup>3</sup>. However, unfortunately the Court went on to hold that despite the issues of the AGM, there would be no utility in making any orders in respect of the AGM as these would not impact or overturn the resolutions that were later validly passed at the EGM<sup>4</sup>.

## Commenting on the outcome, Metalicity Managing Director, Justin Barton said:

"We are obviously disappointed that the Court declined to overturn the recent shareholder meetings of Nex Metals, despite the Court finding that numerous AGM proxies were not effective and should not have been accepted. It remains a source of frustration that in our opinion basic norms of governance at Nex Metals have not been followed, yet there is little to no consequences for those involved."

"As there remains a fundamental mismatch between Metalicity's view of the value of Nex Metals, and that of the Nex Metals Board, we will be reviewing our position with respect to our substantial holding of circa 91 million shares in Nex Metals. We will continue to pursue recovery of the ~\$1.5m of unpaid joint venture costs from Nex Metals. We note Nex Metals Rights Issue recently closed with a 97% shortfall and appears not to have been supported by Nex Metals Directors."

Metalicity's claim against Nex Metals for approximately \$1.5M of unpaid joint venture costs continues (refer ASX Announcement of 14 June 2022) and is scheduled for a directions hearing on 14 December 2022.

Finally, the Yundamindra Plaint was heard in the Warden's Court between 5-7 December 2022. The Warden has adjourned the matter to 8 March 2023, whilst the Warden considers a no case submission.

This Announcement is approved by the Board of Metalicity Limited.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> METALICITY LTD -v- ALLEN [No 2] [2022] WASC 420.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Par 281 of the Judgement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Par 285 of the Judgement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Par 312 of the Judgement



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