

# NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

# VOLT RESOURCES LIMITED ACN 106 353 253

Date: 30 January 2023

**Time:** 11.00 am (WST)

**Location:** Level 25, 108 St Georges Terrace, Perth, Western Australia

This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisors prior to voting. Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting, please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 9486 7788.

If COVID-19 social distancing restrictions change prior to the Meeting, the Company will advise via an ASX announcement as to any changes in the manner in which the Meeting will be held and as to whether Shareholders will still be able to attend in person and participate in the usual way.

#### **VOLT RESOURCES LIMITED**

ACN 106 353 253

#### **NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a General Meeting of Volt Resources Limited (Volt or the Company) will be held at 11.00am (WST) on Monday, 30 January 2023 at Level 25, 108 St Georges Terrace, Perth, Western Australia.

Further details in respect of the Resolutions proposed in this Notice of Meeting are set out in the Explanatory Memorandum accompanying this Notice of Meeting. The Explanatory Memorandum and the accompanying Proxy Form should be read together with, and form part of, this Notice of Meeting.

Terms and abbreviations used in this Notice of Meeting are defined in the Glossary.

# **AGENDA**

# **Special business**

#### 1 Resolution 1 – Ratification of Placement 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 and approve the issue by the Company of 495,555,556 Shares, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### **Voting Exclusion Statement**

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 1 by or on behalf of:

- (a) a person who participated in the issue or is a counterparty to the agreement being approved; or
- (b) an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 1 by:

- (c) 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
- (d) the Chair 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
- (e) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

# 2 Resolution 2 – Ratification of Lead Manager Options

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 and approve the issue by the Company of 10,000,000 Options to nominees of Peak Asset Management, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

# **Voting Exclusion Statement**

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 2 by or on behalf of:

- (a) a person who participated in the issue or is a counterparty to the agreement being approved; or
- (b) an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 2 by:

(c) 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

- (d) the Chair 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
- (e) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

# 3 Resolution 3 – Approval to issue Placement Options

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.1 and for all other purposes, Shareholders approve the issue by the Company of 495,555,556 Options, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### Voting Exclusion Statement

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 3 by or on behalf of:

- (a) a person who is expected to participate in, or will obtain a material benefit as a result of, the proposed issue (except a benefit solely by reason of being a Shareholder); or
- (b) an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 3 by:

- (c) 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
- (d) the Chair 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
- (e) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

# 4 Resolution 4 – Approval to issue Shares and Options to Director in connection with Placement

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

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 10.11 and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue 55,555,556 Shares and 55,555,556 Options to Mr Asimwe Kabunga (or his nominee), on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

# Voting Exclusion Statement

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 4 by or on behalf of:

- (a) Mr Kabunga and any other person who will obtain a material benefit as a result of the issue of the securities (except a benefit solely by reason of being a Shareholder); or
- (b) an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 4 by:

- (c) 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
- (d) the Chair 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
- (e) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

#### 5 Resolution 5 – Approval to issue Shares and Options to Director in connection with Placement

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

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 10.11 and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue 2,777,777 Shares and 2,777,777 Options to Mr Trevor Matthews (or his nominee), on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### **Voting Exclusion Statement**

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 5 by or on behalf of:

- (a) Mr Matthews and any other person who will obtain a material benefit as a result of the issue of the securities (except a benefit solely by reason of being a Shareholder); or
- (b) an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 5 by:

- (c) 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
- (d) the Chair 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
- (e) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

# 6 Resolution 6 – Approval to issue Shares and Options to Director in connection with Placement

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

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 10.11 and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue 1,666,667 Shares and 1,666,667 Options to Mr Giacomo Fazio (or his nominee), on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### **Voting Exclusion Statement**

The Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of Resolution 6 by or on behalf of:

- (a) Mr Fazio and any other person who will obtain a material benefit as a result of the issue of the securities (except a benefit solely by reason of being a Shareholder); or
- (b) an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of Resolution 6 by:

- (c) 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
- (d) the Chair 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
- (e) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Asimwe Kabunga Chairman

30 December 2022

#### **VOTING AT THE GENERAL MEETING**

#### **VOTING ENTITLEMENTS**

The Directors have determined in accordance with Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations, that Shareholders entitled to vote at the Meeting will be the registered holders of Shares (**Registered Shareholders**) at 5.00 pm (WST) on Saturday, 28 January 2023 (**Voting Record Date**).

Shareholders who become Registered Shareholders after the date of dispatch of the Notice of Meeting, but prior to the Voting Record Date, and wish to vote at the Meeting by proxy, should contact the Company to request a Proxy Form.

Persons who hold a beneficial interest in Shares, such as an interest in Shares held through a trustee or nominee holder, and who wish to vote at the Meeting, should contact their broker or relevant intermediary.

The Board encourages you to attend the Meeting in person, by proxy, or by appointing an authorised representative or vote by completing and returning the enclosed Proxy Form.

#### **HOW TO VOTE**

You may vote by attending the Meeting in person, by proxy, or by appointing an authorised representative.

#### **Voting in Person**

To vote in person, attend the Meeting on the date and at the place set out in this Notice of Meeting. If possible, Shareholders are asked to arrive at the venue 15 minutes prior to the time designated for the Meeting, so that the Company may check the Shareholders' holding against the Company's share register and note attendance.

#### Voting by Proxy

<u>Appointment of Proxy</u>: Shareholders who are entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting, may appoint a proxy to act generally at the Meeting and to vote on their behalf. The proxy does not need to be a Shareholder.

A Shareholder that is entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and should specify the proportion of votes each proxy is entitled to exercise. If a Shareholder appoints two proxies, each proxy may exercise half of the Shareholder's votes if no proportion or number of votes is specified.

<u>Voting by proxy</u>: A Shareholder can direct its proxy to vote for or against, or abstain from voting on, the Resolution by marking the appropriate box in the voting directions to your proxy section of the Proxy Form. If a proxy holder votes, they must cast all votes as directed. Any directed proxies that are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed.

If the Chair is to act as your proxy (whether by appointment or by default) and you have not given directions on how to vote in the voting directions section of the Proxy Form for Resolutions 4, 5 and/ or 6, the Proxy Form expressly directs and authorises the Chair to cast your votes "for" the relevant Resolution. Subject to any voting prohibitions that may apply to the Chair in respect of Resolutions, 4, 5 and/ or 6 to restrict the Chair from voting undirected proxies, the Chair intends to vote all undirected proxies in favour of Resolutions 1 to 6.

# How to lodge Proxy Forms

To appoint a proxy please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and either:

- 1. Deliver the Proxy Form:
  - (a) by hand to:

Link Market Services
Parramatta Square, Level 22, Tower 6, 10 Darcy Street, Parramatta NSW 2150; or

(b) by post to:

Volt Resources Limited, c/- Link Market Services Limited, Locked Bag A14, Sydney South NSW 1235 Australia; or

- 2. By facsimile to +61 2 9287 0309; or
- 3. Lodge online at <u>www.linkmarketservices.com.au</u>, instructions as follows:

Select 'Investor Login' and in the 'Single Holding Login' section enter "Volt Resources Limited" or the ASX code "VRC" in the Issuer Name field, your Security Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN) (which is shown on the front of your Proxy Form), postcode (or country of residence if outside Australia), complete the security validation process and security code which is shown on the screen and click 'Login'. Select

the 'Voting' tab and then follow the prompts. You will be taken to have signed your Proxy Form if you lodge it in accordance with the instructions given on the website.

Your Proxy Form must be received by 11.00 am (WST) on Saturday, 28 January 2023.

# Appointment of corporate representatives

Any corporate Shareholder wishing to appoint a person to act as its representative at the Meeting may do so by providing the Company with notification of the appointment in accordance with the Constitution.

An 'Appointment of Corporate Representation' form can be obtained from the Company's share registry online at <a href="https://www.linkmarketservices.com.au">www.linkmarketservices.com.au</a> by clicking the 'Forms' link under the 'Resources' tab.

The notification of the appointment of a corporate representative must be received by the Company before the Meeting or at the registration desk on the day of the Meeting.

#### **BENEFICIAL SHAREHOLDERS**

If you hold Shares beneficially (such as through a trust or a nominee company) and have received these materials through your broker or through another intermediary, please contact your broker or other intermediary in relation to directing any votes attaching to those Shares.

# **QUESTIONS AT THE MEETING**

Shareholders will have the opportunity to submit questions during the Meeting in respect to the formal items of business.

#### **ENQUIRIES**

Shareholders are invited to contact the Company Secretary by telephone on +61 8 9486 7788 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

# **VOLT RESOURCES LIMITED**

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# **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Explanatory Memorandum and all attachments are important documents. They should be read carefully. If you have any questions regarding the matters set out in this Explanatory Memorandum or the Notice of Meeting, please contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 9486 7788, or consult your stockbroker or other professional adviser.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared for the Shareholders in connection with the General Meeting of the Company.

The purpose of this Explanatory Memorandum is to provide Shareholders with information that the Board believes to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to approve the Resolutions detailed in the Notice of Meeting.

# 1 RESOLUTION 1 – RATIFICATION OF PLACEMENT SHARES

# 1.1 Background

On 15 November 2022, the Company announced that it had received firm commitments from existing Shareholders and professional and sophisticated investors for a placement to raise \$10 million (before costs) through the issue of 495,555,556 Shares (**Placement Shares**) at an issue price of \$0.018 per Share (**Placement**). The issue price of \$0.018 per Placement Share represented a 5.3% discount to the trading price of the Company's shares (being \$0.019) prior to a trading halt being imposed on 11 November 2022.

Subject to Shareholder approval being obtained (being the subject of Resolution 3), participants in the Placement are also entitled to receive one Option for every one Placement Share subscribed for under the Placement for no additional consideration, with each Option having an exercise price of \$0.024 and an expiry date of 30 June 2025 (**Placement Options**).

In addition to the issue of the Placement Shares and Placement Options, the Company's chairman, Asimwe Kabunga, agreed to subscribe for an additional 55,555,556 Shares and 55,555,556 Options, the Company's managing director, Trevor Matthews, agreed to subscribe for an additional 2,777,777 Shares and 2,777,777 Options, and the Company's non-executive director, Giacomo Fazio, agreed to subscribe for an additional 1,666,667 Shares and 1,666,667 Options, each on the same terms as the Placement and subject to Shareholder approval being obtained (being the subject of Resolutions 4, 5 and 6).

Proceeds from the Placement are to be utilised to advance the Company's integrated graphite battery materials plans including:

- \$750k for the preparation of a feasibility study for a commercial scale LIB active anode material production facility that can be used as a template design for facilities in the US (such as the Energy Supply Developers Super Site) and Europe;
- \$300k to continue the production of lithium-ion battery anode, cathode conductive additive, alkaline and lead acid battery product samples for customer testwork and offtake discussions;
- \$200k for completion of the update of the Bunyu Stage 1 Feasibility Study focussed on capital and operating costs and approvals;
- \$3,300k for further working capital to assist in stabilising graphite production from the Zavalievsky mine and processing plant and the export of graphite products to customers in Europe;
- \$940k for ongoing business development, Bunyu graphite offtakes and Bunyu financing discussions and negotiations;
- \$690k for Serbian lithium licence applications and corporate expenditure, and Guinea gold project expenditure, and
- \$3,820k for corporate expenditure, working capital and capital raising fees.

Broadly speaking, and subject to a number of exceptions, Listing Rule 7.1 limits the amount of equity securities that an ASX-listed company can issue without the prior 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. Further, eligible entities (such as the Company) are able to seek the approval of its shareholders at its annual general meeting under Listing Rule 7.1A to

increase this 15% limit to 25% (being an additional 10%). The Company obtained this approval at its annual general meeting held on 30 November 2021.

Accordingly, the Company used its available capacity under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A to issue the Placement Shares. In particular, the Company issued 157,848,724 Placement Shares utilising the Company's available placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1, and a further 337,706,832 Placement Shares utilising its available placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1A.

As the issue of these Placement Shares did not fit within any of the exceptions to Listing Rules 7.1 or 7.1A and was not approved by the Company's Shareholders, the issue of these Placement Shares effectively used up the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1, reducing the Company's capacity to issue further equity securities without Shareholder approval for the 12 month period following the issue date.

Listing Rule 7.4 allows the shareholders of a listed company to approve an issue of equity securities. 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. To this end, Resolution 1 seeks Shareholder approval for the issue of the Placement Shares under, and for the purposes of, Listing Rule 7.4.

If Resolution 1 is passed, the Placement Shares will be <u>excluded</u> in calculating the Company's ability to issue, or agree to issue, new equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively increasing the number of equity securities it can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the issue of the Placement Shares.

If Resolution 1 is not passed, the Placement Shares will be <u>included</u> in calculating the Company's ability to issue, or agree to issue, new equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively decreasing the number of equity securities it can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the issue of the Placement Shares.

# 1.2 Listing Rule 7.5 information

Listing Rule 7.5 requires the following information to be disclosed to Shareholders in relation to the issue of the Placement Shares:

Allottee	The Placement Shares were issued to various professional and sophisticated investors identified and selected by the Company as persons who may be interested in participating in the Placement. None of these investors are a related party or substantial holder of the Company, a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel, an adviser to the Company, or an associate of any of those persons.
Number of securities issued	495,555,556
Class of security	Fully paid ordinary shares
Date of issue	22 November 2022
Issue price or other consideration	\$0.018 per Share

# Purpose, including intended use of the funds raised

Proceeds from the Placement will be utilised to advance activities at the Company's projects including:

- \$750k for the preparation of a feasibility study for a commercial scale LIB active anode
  material production facility that can be used as a template design for facilities in the US
  (such as the Energy Supply Developers Super Site) and Europe;
- \$300k to continue the production of lithium-ion battery anode, cathode conductive
  additive, alkaline and lead acid battery product samples for customer testwork and offtake
  discussions;
- \$200k for completion of the update of the Bunyu Stage 1 Feasibility Study focussed on capital and operating costs and approvals;
- \$3,300k for further working capital to assist in stabilising graphite production from the Zavalievsky mine and processing plant and the export of graphite products to customers in Europe;
- \$940k for ongoing business development, Bunyu graphite offtakes and Bunyu financing discussions and negotiations;
- \$690k for Serbian lithium licence applications and corporate expenditure, and Guinea gold project expenditure, and
- \$3,820k for corporate expenditure, working capital and capital raising fees.

# Voting exclusion statement

A voting exclusion statement for Resolution 1 is included in the Notice.

#### 1.3 Recommendation of Directors

The Board believes that Resolution 1 is in the best interests of the Company and unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution.

# 2. RESOLUTION 2 - RATIFICATION OF ISSUE OF LEAD MANAGER OPTIONS

# 2.1 Background

In connection with the Placement detailed in **section 1.1**, the Company issued 10,000,000 Options to nominees of Peak Asset Management in part consideration for lead manager services rendered by Peak Asset Management in connection with the Placement (**Lead Manager Options**). Each Lead Manager Option has an exercise price of \$0.024 and an expiry date of 30 June 2025.

The Lead Manager Options were issued on 22 November 2022, using the Company's placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1. A summary of Listing Rule 7.1 is set out in **section 1.1**.

The Company wishes to retain as much flexibility as possible to issue additional equity securities in the future without having to obtain approval for such future issues under Listing Rule 7.1. To this end, Resolution 2 seeks Shareholder approval for the issue of the Lead Manager Options under, and for the purposes of, Listing Rule 7.4.

If Resolution 2 is passed, the Lead Manager Options will be <u>excluded</u> in calculating the Company's ability to issue, or agree to issue, new equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively increasing the number of equity securities it can issue without Shareholder approval.

If Resolution 2 is not passed, the Lead Manager Options will be <u>included</u> in calculating the Company's ability to issue, or agree to issue, new equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively decreasing the number of equity securities it can issue without Shareholder approval.

# 2.2 Listing Rule 7.5 Information

Listing Rule 7.5 requires the following information to be disclosed to Shareholders in relation to the issue of the Lead Manager Options:

Allottee	Nominees of Peak Asset Management. Peak Asset Management provided lead manager services to the Company in connection with the Placement.			
Number of securities issued	10,000,000			
Class of security	Listed Options			
Material terms of Placement Options	Each Lead Manager Option entitles the holder to (upon exercise) one Share.  Each Lead Manager Option has an expiry date of 30 June 2025 and an exercise price of \$0.024.  The Lead Manager Options are transferable following quotation on ASX.  For the other material terms of the Lead Manager Options, see <b>Annexure A</b> .			
Date of issue	22 November 2022			
Issue price or other consideration	The Lead Manager Options were issued in part consideration for lead manager services rendered by Peak Asset Management in connection with the Placement.			
Purpose, including intended use of the funds raised	No funds were raised from the issue of the Lead Manager Options as the Lead Manager Options were issued in part consideration for lead manager services rendered by Peak Asset Management in connection with the Placement.			
Material terms of agreement with Peak Asset Management	The Lead Manager Options were issued to Peak Asset Management pursuant to the terms of its engagement to provide corporate advisory and lead manager services to the Company in connection with the Placement. The terms of that engagement are considered customary for the engagement of a lead manager in connection with an equity capital raising.			
	In addition to the issue of the Lead Manager Options, the Company also agreed to pay Peak Asset Management a capital raising fee of 6% (plus GST) on all funds raised by it under the Placement.			
Voting exclusion statement	A voting exclusion statement for Resolution 2 is included in the Notice.			

# 2.3 Recommendation of Directors

The Board believes that Resolution 2 is in the best interests of the Company and unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution.

# 3. RESOLUTION 3 – APPROVAL TO ISSUE PLACEMENT OPTIONS

# 3.1 Background

In detailed in **section 1.1** above, the Company agreed to issue Options to investors who participated in the Placement, on the basis that one Placement Option would be issued for every one Placement Share subscribed for under the Placement, subject to Shareholder approval being obtained. Each Placement Option will have an exercise price of \$0.024 and an expiry date of 30 June 2025, so as to be in the same class of Options as the Company's existing listed Options.

As set out in **section 1.1** above, 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 period. The Company obtained the approval of its Shareholders under Listing Rule 7.1A at its annual general meeting held on 30 November 2021, so as to effectively increase this 15% limit to 25%.

As the proposed issue of the Placement Options does not fit within within any of the exceptions to Listing Rules 7.1 or 7.1A and would, if issued, exceed the 25% limit the subject of Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A, the proposed issue of the Placement Options is subject to the approval of the Company's Shareholders under Listing Rule 7.1.

Resolution 3 seeks the required Shareholder approval for the issue of the Placement Options under, and for the purposes of, Listing Rule 7.1.

If Resolution 3 is passed, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of the Placement Options and the Placement Options will be <u>excluded</u> in calculating the Company's ability to issue, or agree to issue, new equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively increasing the number of equity securities it can issue without Shareholder approval.

If Resolution 3 is not passed, the Company will not be able to proceed with the issue of the Placement Options.

# 3.2 Listing Rule 7.3 information

Listing Rule 7.3 requires the following information to be disclosed to Shareholders in relation to the issue of the Placement Options:

Allottee	The subscribers for the Placement Shares the subject of Resolution 1, as detailed in <b>section</b> 1 above.			
Number of securities issued	495,555,556			
Class of security	Listed Options			
Material terms of Placement Options	Each Placement Option entitles the holder to (upon exercise) one Share.			
	Each Placement Option has an expiry date of 30 June 2025 and an exercise price of \$0.024.			
	Each Placement Option will be transferable following quotation on ASX.			
	For the other material terms of the Placement Options, see <b>Annexure A</b> .			
Date of issue	The Placement Options will be issued as soon as practicable after the Meeting, and in any event no later than 3 months after the date of the Meeting.			
Issue price or other consideration	The Placement Options will be issued for nil consideration.			
Purpose, including intended use of the funds raised	No funds will be raised from the issue of the Placement Options as they were offered for nil cash consideration to every investor who participated in the Placement on the basis of one Option for every one Placement Share subscribed for under the Placement.			
Voting exclusion statement	A voting exclusion statement for Resolution 3 is included in the Notice.			

# 3.3 Recommendation of Directors

The Board believes that Resolution 3 is in the best interests of the Company and unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution.

# 4. RESOLUTIONS 4, 5 and 6 – APPROVAL TO ISSUE DIRECTOR SECURITIES

# 4.1 Background

As outlined in **section 1.1** above, the Company's Directors have agreed to subscribe for Shares and Options on the same terms as the Placement as follows:

- Mr Asimwe Kabunga agreed to subscribe for 55,555,556 Shares and 55,555,556 Options;
- Mr Trevor Matthews agreed to subscribe for 2,777,777 Shares and 2,777,777 Options; and
- Mr Giacomo Fazio agreed to subscribe for 1,666,667 Shares and 1,666,667 Options,

each subject to the approval of Shareholders (Director Placement).

Resolutions 4, 5 and 6 seek Shareholder approval for the purposes of Listing Rule 10.11 to approve the Director Placement.

# 4.2 **Listing Rule 10.11**

Listing Rule 10.11 provides that unless one of the exceptions in Listing Rule 10.12 applies, an ASX-listed company must not issue or agree to issue securities to (amongst other persons) a related party of the Company without the approval of its Shareholders.

The proposed issue of Shares and Options pursuant to the Director Placement falls within Listing Rule 10.11 as each of Messrs Kabunga, Matthews and Fazio are Directors of the Company (and therefore a related party of the Company) and, as none of the exceptions in Listing Rule 10.12 apply, Shareholder approval is required for the issue of Shares and Options pursuant to the Director Placement under Listing Rule 10.11.

If Resolutions 4, 5 and 6 are passed, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of the Shares and Options pursuant to the Director Placement and raise \$1,000,000 through the issue of the Shares under the Director Placement. Further, the Shares and Options under the Director Placement will be treated as if they were issued with the prior approval of Shareholders for the purposes of calculating the Company's ability to issue, or agree to issue, new equity securities under Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A.

If Resolutions 4, 5 and/or 6 are not passed, the Company will not be able to proceed with the issue of the Shares and Options the subject of the relevant Resolution, and will not receive the additional funds that would have been received from the issue of Shares under the Director Placement.

The following information is provided to Shareholders for the purpose of Listing Rule 10.13:

Name of person	Mr Asimwe Kabunga (or his nominee), Mr Trevor Matthews (or his nominee) and Mr Giacomo Fazio (or his nominee).			
Listing Rule 10.11 category	Each of Messrs Kabunga, Matthews and Fazio falls within Listing Rule 10.11.1 as a "related party" of the Company by virtue of being a Director of the Company.			
Number and class of securities to be issued	<ul> <li>55,555,556 fully paid ordinary shares and 55,555,556 listed options to Mr Kabunga;</li> <li>2,777,777 fully paid ordinary shares and 2,777,777 listed options to Mr Matthews; and</li> <li>1,666,667 fully paid ordinary shares and 1,666,667 listed options to Mr Fazio.</li> </ul>			
Summary of the material terms of the securities	The Shares proposed to be issued under the Director Placement will be fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of the Company.  Each Option proposed to be issued under the Director Placement will entitle the holder to (upon exercise) one Share. Each Option will expire on 30 June 2025 and have an exercise price of \$0.024. The Options will be transferable following quotation on ASX. For the other material terms of the Options, see <b>Annexure A</b> .			
Proposed issue date	The Shares and Options proposed to be issued under the Director Placement will be issued as soon as practicable after the Meeting, and in any event no later than 1 month after the date of the Meeting. It is intended that the issue of all Shares and Options under the Director Placement will occur on the same date.			
Issue price or other consideration	The Shares proposed to be issued under the Director Placement are to be issued at a price of \$0.018 per Share.  The Options proposed to be issued under the Director Placement will be issued for nil consideration.			

Purpose, including	The Company intends to use the funds raised from the proposed issue of Shares under the		
intended use of the funds raised	Director Placement to advance the Company's integrated graphite battery material plans, including:		
	<ul> <li>preparation of a feasibility study of commercial scale LIB Active Anode Material production facility that can be used as a template design for facilities in the US (such as the Energy Supply Developers Super Site) and Europe;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>continuing the production of lithium-ion battery anode, cathode conductive additive, alkaline and lead acid battery product samples for customer testwork and offtake discussions;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>completion of the update of the Bunyu Stage 1 Feasibility Study focussed on capital and operating costs and approvals;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>further working capital to assist in stabilising graphite production at the Zavalievsky mine and processing plant and the export of graphite products to customers in Europe;</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>ongoing business development, Bunyu graphite offtakes and Bunyu financing discussions and negotiations, and</li> </ul>		
	corporate expenditure and working capital.		
Director remuneration or incentive	The proposed issue of the Shares and Options under the Director Placement are not intended to remunerate or incentivise Messrs Kabunga, Matthews or Fazio in their capacity as a Director. Each of Messrs Kabunga, Matthews and Fazio participated in the Director Placement on the same terms as investors participated in the Placement generally.		
Voting exclusion statement	A voting exclusion statement for Resolutions 4, 5 and 6 is included in the Notice.		

# 4.3 Section 208 of the Corporations Act

In accordance with section 208 of the Corporations Act, the Company must obtain Shareholder approval to give a financial benefit to a related party (which includes a Director) unless the giving of the financial benefit falls within an exception in sections 210 to 216 of the Corporations Act. Each of Messrs Kabunga, Matthews and Fazio are related parties of the Company for the purposes of the Corporations Act because they are Directors.

The Board (other than Mr Kabunga in relation to Resolution 4, Mr Matthews in relation to Resolution 5 and Mr Fazio in relation to resolution 6) has formed the view that Shareholder approval under section 208 of the Corporations Act is not required for the proposed issue of Shares and Options pursuant to the Director Placement because these Shares and Options will be issued on the same terms as the Shares and Options issued to participants in the Placement and as such the giving of the financial benefit is considered to be on arm's length terms and within the exception provided in section 210 of the Corporations Act.

# 4.4 Recommendation of Directors

The Board (other than Mr Kabunga in relation to Resolution 4, Mr Matthews in relation to Resolution 5 and Mr Fazio in relation to resolution 6) believes that Resolutions 4, 5 and 6 are in the best interests of the Company and unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolutions.

#### **GLOSSARY**

\$ means Australian dollars.

associate has the meaning given in the Corporations Act.

ASX means ASX Limited (ABN 98 008 624 691), or as the context requires, the financial market operated by it.

**ASX Listing Rules** or **Listing Rules** means the Listing Rules of the ASX, from time to time and as modified by any express waiver given by ASX.

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

**Chair or Chairman** means the person chairing the Meeting from time to time.

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
- (f) a person prescribed by the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth).

Company or Volt means Volt Resources Limited ACN 106 353 253.

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

**Corporations Act** means the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

**Director** means a director of the Company.

**Director Placement** has the meaning given in section 4.1.

Explanatory Memorandum means this Explanatory Memorandum accompanying the Notice of Meeting.

**General Meeting** or **Meeting** means the general meeting of Shareholders to be held at 11.00am (WST) on Monday, 30 January 2023 at Level 25, 108 St Georges Terrace, Perth, Western Australia or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

**Key Management Personnel** has the same meaning given in the accounting standards. Broadly speaking this includes those persons with the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company (whether directly or indirectly), and includes any Directors of the Company.

Lead Manager Options has the meaning given in section 2.1.

Listing Rules means the Listing Rules of ASX.

**Meeting** means the meeting convened by the Notice.

Notice of Meeting or Notice means the notice convening the Meeting, including this Explanatory Memorandum.

Option means an option issued, or proposed to be issued, by the Company to acquire a Share (as the context requires).

**Placement** has the meaning given in **section 1.1**.

Placement Options has the meaning given in section 1.1.

Placement Shares has the meaning given in section 1.1.

**Proxy Form** means the proxy form attached to this Notice of Meeting.

**Resolutions** means the resolutions set out in the Notice, 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 shareholder of the Company.

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

# Annexure A

# **Option Terms**

(a) (Entitlement): Each Option will entitle the holder to subscribe for one fully paid ordinary share in the Company (Share).

All Shares issued upon the exercise of the Options will rank equally in all respects with the Company's then existing Shares.

(b) (Exercise Price): The Options are exercisable at \$0.024 each (Exercise Price).

Each Option shall entitle the holder to acquire one Share upon payment of the Exercise Price to the Company.

(c) (Exercise Options): The Options may be exercised at any time prior to the 30 June 2025 (Expiry Date) in whole or in part, by completing and delivering a duly completed form of notice of exercise to the registered office of the Company together with the payment of the exercise price in immediately available funds for the number of Shares in respect of which the Options are exercised.

An Option not exercised on or before the Expiry Date will lapse.

Shares allotted and issued pursuant to the exercise of the Options will be allotted and issued, and a holding statement or share certificate provided to the holders of Options in respect of those Shares, on the above terms and conditions not more than ten Business Days after the receipt of a duly completed form of notice of exercise and the exercise amount in immediately available funds in Australian dollars in respect of the Options exercised.

(d) (Quotation):

Application will be made to ASX for official quotation of the Options.

Provided the Company is listed on ASX at the time, application will be made for official Quotation of the Shares issued upon exercise of Options not later than five Business Days after the date of allotment.

- (e) (Participation in entitlements): There are no participating rights or entitlements inherent in the Options and holders will not be entitled to participate in new issues of securities offered to Shareholders during the currency of the Options.
- (f) (Reorganisation of share capital): In the event of a reorganisation (including consolidation, subdivision, reduction or return) of the issued capital of the Company, all rights of holders of Options shall be changed to the extent necessary to comply with the Listing Rules applying to a reorganisation of capital at the time of the reorganisation.
- (g) (Bonus issue): If, from time to time, before the expiry of the Options the Company makes a pro-rata issue of Shares to shareholders for no consideration, the number of Shares over which an Option is exercisable will be increased by the number of Shares which the holder would have received if the Option had been exercised before the date for calculating entitlements to the pro-rata issue.
- (h) (**Pro-rata issue**): If the Company makes a pro-rata issue of securities (except a bonus issue) to shareholders (other than an issue in lieu or in satisfaction of dividends or by way of a dividend reinvestment) the Exercise Price of an Option shall be reduced according to the following formula and in accordance with the Listing Rules:

$$O' = O - (E(P - (S + D))) / (N + 1)$$

where:

O' = the new exercise price for an Option

O = the old exercise price for an Option

E = the number of underlying securities into which an Option is exercisable

P = the average market price per security (weighed by reference to volume) of the underlying securities during the five trading days ending on the day before the ex-rights date or ex-entitlements date

S = the subscription price for a security under the pro-rata issue

D = the dividend due but not yet paid on the existing underlying securities (except those to be issued under the pro-rata issue)

N = the number of securities with rights or entitlements that must be held to receive a right to one new security.

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# **PROXY FORM**

I/We being a member(s) of Volt Resources Limited and entitled to participate in 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 Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company to be held at 11:00am (WST) on Monday, 30 January 2023 at Level 25, 108 St Georges Terrace, Perth, Western Australia. (the Meeting) and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

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*	For Against Abstain*
1 Ratification of Placement Shares	5 Approval to issue Shares and Options to Mr Trevor Matthews in connection with Placement	
2 Ratification of Lead Manager Options	Approval to issue Shares and Options     to Mr Giacomo Fazio in connection  with Pleasment.	
3 Approval to issue Placement Options	with Placement	
4 Approval to issue Shares and Options to Mr Asimwe Kabunga in connection with Placement		

\* 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

# SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDERS - THIS MUST BE COMPLETED

votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

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

# **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 participate in 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 participate in 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 (WST) on Saturday, 28 January 2023,** 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**

#### https://investorcentre.linkgroup.com

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).



# BY MOBILE DEVICE

Our voting website is designed specifically for voting online. You can now lodge your proxy by scanning the QR code adjacent or enter the voting link https://investorcentre.linkgroup.com into your mobile device. Log in using the Holder Identifier and postcode for your shareholding.



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