# HALO FOOD CO. LIMITED ACN 621 970 652 NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Meeting will be held at:

**TIME**: 3.30 pm (AEST)

**DATE**: Thursday, 31 August 2023

PLACE: Level 5, 126-130 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Online at: https://meetings.linkgroup.com/HLF23

If attending online we recommend logging on to our online platform at least 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the Meeting using the instructions below:

- Enter https://meetings.linkgroup.com/HLF23 into a web browser on a mobile or online device:
- Securityholders will need their Security Reference Number of Holder Identification Number, which is printed at the top of the Proxy Form; and
- Proxy holders will need their proxy code which Link Market Services will provide via email no later than 48 hours prior to the Meeting.

More information about online participation and voting is available in the Online Platform Guide at https://halofoodco.com/investor-centre/

The business of the Meeting affects your shareholding and your vote is important.

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 advisers prior to voting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 7.00pm (AEST) on Tuesday 29 August 2023.

# BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

To receive and consider the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Director's report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

# 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as a **non-binding resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the Remuneration Report as contained in the Company's annual financial report for the financial year ended 31 March 2023."

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

A voting prohibition statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

# 3. RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR - PETER JAMES

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

"That, for the purpose of clause 15.2 of the Constitution, and for all other purposes, Peter James, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

Dated: 1 August 2023

By order of the Board

Heidi Aldred Company Secretary

#### **Voting Prohibition Statements**

# Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report

A vote on this Resolution 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; or
- (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 this Resolution; or
- (b) the voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy:
  - (i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; and
  - (ii) expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

# Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by the time and in accordance with the instructions set out on the Proxy Form.

In accordance with section 249L of the Corporations Act, Shareholders are advised that:

- each Shareholder has a right to appoint a proxy;
- the proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company; 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 the member appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes.

Shareholders and their proxies should be aware that:

- if proxy holders vote, they must cast all directed proxies as directed; and
- any directed proxies which are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed.

# Voting in person

To vote at the Meeting you can attend online or in person at the time, date and place set out above.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary by email at heidi.aldred@halofoodco.com or by phone on +613 9587 6483.

# **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions.

# 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Corporations Act, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 202 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

The Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless specifically requested to do so. The Company's annual financial report is available on its website at www.halofoodco.com.

# 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

# 2.1 General

The Corporations Act requires that at a listed company's annual general meeting, a resolution that the remuneration report be adopted must be put to the shareholders. However, such a resolution is advisory only and does not bind the company or the directors of the company.

The remuneration report sets out the company's remuneration arrangements for the directors and senior management of the company. The remuneration report is part of the directors' report contained in the annual financial report of the company for a financial year.

The chair of the meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for its shareholders to ask questions about or make comments on the remuneration report at the annual general meeting.

# 2.2 Voting consequences

A company is required to put to its shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of another meeting of shareholders to consider the appointment of directors of the company (**Spill Resolution**) if, at consecutive annual general meetings, at least 25% of the votes cast on a remuneration report resolution are voted against adoption of the remuneration report and at the first of those annual general meetings a Spill Resolution was not put to vote. If required, the Spill Resolution must be put to vote at the second of those annual general meetings.

If more than 50% of votes cast are in favour of the Spill Resolution, the company must convene a shareholder meeting (**Spill Meeting**) within 90 days of the second annual general meeting.

All of the directors of the company who were in office when the directors' report (as included in the company's annual financial report for the most recent financial year) was approved, other than the managing director of the company, will cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting but may stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

Following the Spill Meeting those persons whose election or re-election as directors of the company is approved will be the directors of the company.

# 2.3 Previous voting results

At the Company's previous annual general meeting the votes cast against the remuneration report considered at that annual general meeting were less than 25%. Accordingly, the Spill Resolution is not relevant for this Annual General Meeting.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – PETER JAMES

#### 3.1 General

The Constitution sets out the requirements for determining which Directors are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting.

Peter James, who has served as a Director since 25 September 2018 and was last re-elected on 28 October 2021, retires by rotation and seeks re-election.

# 3.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

Mr James is an experienced business leader with significant strategic and operational expertise. He has over 30 years' experience in the commercial sector and extensive experience as a Chair, Non-Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer across a range of publicly listed and private companies.

He is currently Chair of ASX-listed companies Macquarie Telecom Group Limited, Ansarada Limited and DroneShield Limited. Mr. James was previously the chair of Nearmap Limited. He is a fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and holds a BA Degree with Majors in Computer Science and Business.

# 3.3 Independence

If re-elected the Board considers Peter James will be an independent Director.

# 3.4 Board recommendation

The Board has reviewed Peter James performance since his appointment to the Board and considers that Mr James' skills and experience will continue to enhance the Board's ability to perform its role. Accordingly, the Board supports the re-election of Peter James and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 2.

# **GLOSSARY**

\$ means Australian dollars.

AEST means Eastern Standard Time as observed in Sydney, New South Wales.

**Annual General Meeting** or **Meeting** means the meeting convened by the Notice.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by ASX Limited, as the context requires.

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

**Business Day** means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

Chair means the chair of the Meeting.

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) for the purposes of the definition of 'closely related party' in the Corporations Act.

Company means Halo Food Co. Limited (ACN 621 970 652).

**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 issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of an entity within the consolidated group.

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

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

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

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report set out in the Director's report section of the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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

**Section** means a section of the Explanatory Statement.

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

**Shareholder** means a registered holder of a Share.