

23 October 2023

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Dear Manager,

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

The following documents were sent to shareholders today in relation to the Annual General Meeting of Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd (ASX:PIQ) to be held on Thursday, 23 November 2023 at 9:30 am (AWST):

- 1. Letter to Shareholders regarding the Notice of Meeting
- 2. Notice of Meeting
- 3. Proxy Form.

This announcement was authorised to be given to ASX by Dr Richard Lipscombe (Managing Director) and Mr Neville Gardiner (Non-Executive Chairman) on behalf of the Board of Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd.

Yours faithfully,

Karen Logan

**Company Secretary** 



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Dear Shareholder,

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

Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd (ASX:PIQ) (**Proteomics** or the **Company**) is convening its Annual General Meeting on Thursday, 23 November 2023 at 9:30 am (AWST).

In accordance with section 110D of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth), the Company will not be sending hard copies of the Notice of Meeting to Shareholders unless they have made a valid election to receive documents by hard copy. Instead, the Notice of Meeting and Annual Report can be viewed and downloaded from the Company's website at: www.proteomics.com.au/investors/annual-general-meeting/.

A copy of your personalised Proxy Form is enclosed for your convenience.

In order to receive shareholder communications by email and make elections as to receipt of documents from the Company in the future, please log on to the registry portal <a href="https://investor.automic.com.au/#/home">https://investor.automic.com.au/#/home</a> and update your 'Communication Preferences' under 'My Details'.

Once logged in, you can also lodge your proxy vote online. The Company strongly encourages Shareholders to lodge a directed proxy vote online or by form in accordance with the instructions on the Proxy Form prior to the meeting. Your proxy vote must be received by 9:30 am (AWST) on Tuesday, 21 November 2023. Any proxy vote received after that time will not be valid for the meeting.

The Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If you are in doubt as to how you should vote, you should seek advice from your professional advisers prior to voting. If you have questions about the Meeting and voting arrangements or have any difficulties obtaining the Notice of Meeting, please email the Company Secretary at <a href="mailto:enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com">enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com</a>.

Yours faithfully,

Karen Logan

Company Secretary



ABN 78 169 979 971

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

# **PROXY FORM**

# **Date of Meeting**

Thursday, 23 November 2023

# **Time of Meeting**

9:30 am (AWST)

# **Place of Meeting**

Harry Perkins Institute
QEII Medical Centre QQ Block
6 Verdun Street, Nedlands, WA, 6009

# 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.

Should you have any questions regarding the matters in this document please do not hesitate to contact the Company by email at <a href="mailto:enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com">enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com</a>



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

The Annual General Meeting of Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd (**Company** or **PILL**) is to be held on Thursday, 23 November 2023, at the Harry Perkins Institute, QEII Medical Centre QQ Block, 6 Verdun Street, Nedlands, WA, 6009, commencing at 9:30 am (AWST).

The Explanatory Memorandum that accompanies and forms part of this Notice describes the matters to be considered at this Meeting.

#### **BUSINESS**

#### Financial Statements and Other Reports - Year Ended 30 June 2023 (no resolution required)

To receive and consider the Company's Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2023, together with the declaration of Directors, the Remuneration Report, and the reports of the Directors and of the Auditor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

#### Resolution 1 - Non-Binding Resolution to Adopt 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 to adopt the Remuneration Report as set out in the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2023."

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

#### Resolution 2 - Re-election of Director - Mr Roger Moore

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

"That Mr Moore, being a director of the Company who retires by rotation in accordance with Clause 13.2 of the Company's Constitution and for all other purposes, and being eligible and offering himself for re-election, be re-elected as a director of the Company."

#### Resolution 3 - Adoption of Employee Incentive Options Plan

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

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)) and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to adopt a new employee incentive scheme titled 'Employee Incentive Options Plan' (**Plan**) and for the issue of 6,110,000 Options under that Plan, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."



# **VOTING EXCLUSION STATEMENTS**

In accordance with Listing Rule 14.11, the Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of:

1. Resolution 3: by or on behalf of a person who is eligible to participate in the employee incentive scheme or an associate of that person or those persons.

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of the 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 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:
  - 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

#### **VOTING PROHIBITION STATEMENTS**

Resolutions 1 and 3: 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.

#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

The Explanatory Memorandum is incorporated in and comprises part of this Notice. Shareholders are referred to the Definitions in the Explanatory Memorandum which contains definitions of capitalised terms used both in this Notice and the Explanatory Memorandum.

#### **VOTING ENTITLEMENTS**

For the purposes of section 1074E(2) of the Corporations Act and regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001*, the Company has determined that members holding ordinary shares as set out in the Company's share register at 4:00 pm (AWST) on Tuesday, 21 November 2023 will be entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.

#### **VOTING BY PROXY**

The Proxy Form provides further details on appointing proxies and lodging proxy votes. Proxy votes (together with any authority under which the Proxy Form was signed or a certified copy of the authority) must be received before 9:30 am (AWST) on Tuesday, 21 November 2023.

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 (2) or more votes may appoint two (2) proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the member appoints two (2) 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 in person, attend the Meeting at the time, date and place set out above.

The Company strongly encourages Shareholders to lodge a directed proxy vote online or by form in accordance with the instructions on the Proxy Form prior to the Meeting.

You may still attend the Meeting and vote in person even if you have appointed a proxy. If you have previously submitted a Proxy Form, your attendance will not revoke your proxy appointment unless you actually vote at the Meeting for which the proxy is proposed to be used, in which case, the proxy's appointment is deemed to be revoked with respect to voting on that resolution.

Please bring your personalised Proxy Form with you as it will help you to register your attendance at the Meeting. If you do not bring your Proxy Form with you, you can still attend the Meeting but the Company and/or representatives from Automic Share Registry will need to verify your identity. You can register from 9:00 am (AWST) on the day of the Meeting.

#### **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVE**

Any corporate Shareholder who has appointed a person to act as its corporate representative at the Meeting should provide that person with an original (or certified copy) certificate or letter executed in accordance with the Corporations Act authorising him or her to act as that company's representative. The authority may be sent to the Company in advance of the Meeting or handed in at the Meeting when registering as a corporate representative. The appointment must comply with section 250D of the Corporations Act.

#### **ATTORNEYS**

If an attorney is to attend the Meeting on behalf of a Shareholder, a properly executed original (or originally certified copy) of an appropriate power of attorney must be received by the Company by the deadline for the receipt of Proxy Forms, being no later than 9:30 am (AWST) on Tuesday, 21 November 2023. Previously lodged powers of attorney will be disregarded by the Company.

#### QUESTIONS

Shareholders are encouraged to submit questions in respect of the items of business as well as general questions in respect of the Company and its operations in advance of the Meeting to the Company by email at <a href="mailto:enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com">enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com</a>.

DATED THIS 23<sup>RD</sup> OF OCTOBER 2023 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Karen Logan
Company Secretary



#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared to provide Shareholders with material information to enable them to make an informed decision on the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting of Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd (Company or PILL).

The Directors recommend Shareholders read this Explanatory Memorandum in full before making any decision in relation to the Resolutions.

#### **Financial Statements and Report**

Under the Corporations Act, the Directors of the Company must table the Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for PILL for the year ended 30 June 2023 (**Annual Report**) at the Meeting. These reports, together with the declaration of Directors, are set out in the Annual Report. Shareholders who elected to receive a printed copy of annual reports should have received the Annual Report with this Notice of Annual General Meeting.

In accordance with section 314 (1AA)(c) of the Corporations Act, the Company advises the Annual Report is available from the Company's website (<a href="https://www.proteomics.com.au/wp-content/uploads/PIQ-Annual-Report-2023.pdf">https://www.proteomics.com.au/wp-content/uploads/PIQ-Annual-Report-2023.pdf</a>).

In accordance with section 317 of the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to discuss the Annual Report, including the Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

There is no requirement for Shareholders to approve the Annual Report.

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to:

- (a) discuss the Annual Report, which is available online;
- (b) ask questions about, or comment on, the management of the Company; and
- (c) ask the Auditor questions about:
  - (i) the conduct of the audit;
  - (ii) the preparation and content of the Auditor's Report;
  - (iii) accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
  - (iv) the independence of the Auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

In addition to taking questions at the Meeting, written questions to the Chair about the management of the Company, or to the Auditor about:

- (a) the preparation and contents of the Auditor's Report;
- (b) the conduct of the audit of the Annual Report,

may be submitted no later than 5 business days before the Meeting to the Company Secretary at the Company's registered office.

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

#### 1.1 General

Under the Corporations Act, the Company is required to include, in the Directors' Report, a detailed Remuneration Report setting out the prescribed information in relation to the remuneration of directors and executives of PILL and the Company's remuneration practices.

Shareholders will be given reasonable opportunity at the meeting to ask questions and make comments on the Remuneration Report.

Under section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Remuneration Report is required to be submitted for adoption by a resolution of Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting. The vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the



directors or the Company. However, the Board will take the outcome of the vote into consideration when reviewing remuneration practices and policies.

#### 1.2 Voting consequences

Under the Corporations Act, 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.

#### 1.3 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.

#### 1.4 Voting Intention

The Chair of the Meeting intends to vote all available proxies in favour of the Resolution.

#### 2. Resolution 2 – Re-election of Director – Mr Roger Moore

#### 2.1 General

ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and clause 14.2 of the Constitution provide that, other than a managing director, a director of an entity must not hold office (without re-election) past the third annual general meeting following the director's appointment or 3 years, whichever is the longer.

Mr Moore, who has served as a director since 14 October 2016, and was last re-elected on 25 November 2021, retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

#### 2.2 Qualifications and other directorships

Mr Moore has 40 years' experience in the international pharmaceutical industry, including almost 30 years as President of Novo Nordisk Japan (Novo Nordisk is the world's largest manufacturer of diabetes therapeutics including Insulin and a global leader in diabetes care). He established Novo's organisation in Japan as the first employee in 1977, and worked for the company until his retirement as Chairman at the end of 2007. In 2000 Mr Moore was appointed Senior Vice President, responsible for Novo Nordisk's business in Japan, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific, and also a member of the Senior Management Board of Novo Nordisk A/S. In 2007, Mr Moore was awarded the Knight's Cross of the Order of the Dannebrog (R) by Queen Margrethe II of Denmark.

#### 2.3 Independence

The Board has considered Mr Moore's independence and considers that he is an independent director.

#### 2.4 Board Recommendation

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



#### 2.5 Voting Intention

The Chair of the Meeting intends to vote all undirected proxies in favour of the Resolution.

#### 3. Resolution 3 - Adoption of Employee Incentive Options Plan

#### 3.1 General

Resolution 3 seeks Shareholder approval for the adoption of the employee incentive scheme titled "Employee Incentive Options Plan" (Employee Incentive Options Plan) and for the issue of Options under the Employee Incentive Options Plan in accordance with Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)).

With effect from 1 October 2022, a new employee share scheme (ESS) regime under the Corporations Act (New Regime) was introduced to replace and expand the current level of relief provided by ASIC CO 14/1000 Class Order. The purpose of the New Regime is to make it easier for companies to access regulatory relief from the Corporations Act provisions in respect of licencing, advertising and hawking and the design and distribution obligations with a streamlined set of disclosure requirements applying to the ESS.

The Company received approval to adopt its current incentive options plan (**Current Plan**) at the annual general meeting held on 26 November 2020. In light of the changes under the New Regime, the Company proposes to adopt the new Employee Incentive Options Plan to ensure compliance with and to take advantage of the benefits under the New Regime. The Company also has an incentive performance rights plan in place which only allows for the issue of performance rights.

The objective of the Employee Incentive Options Plan is to attract, motivate and retain key employees and the Company considers that the adoption of the Employee Incentive Options Plan and the future issue of Options under the Employee Incentive Options Plan will provide selected employees with the opportunity to participate in the future growth of the Company.

# 3.2 Listing Rule 7.1 and Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b))

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 shares it had on issue at the start of that period.

Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)) provides that Listing Rule 7.1 does not apply to an issue of securities under an employee incentive scheme if, within three years before the date of issue of the securities, the holders of the entity's ordinary securities have approved the issue of equity securities under the scheme as an exception to Listing Rule 7.1.

Exception 13(b) is only available if and to the extent that the number of equity securities issued under the scheme does not exceed the maximum number set out in the entity's notice of meeting dispatched to shareholders in respect of the meeting at which shareholder approval was obtained pursuant to Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)). Exception 13(b) also ceases to be available if there is a material change to the terms of the scheme from those set out in the notice of meeting.

If Resolution 3 is passed, the Company will be able to issue Options under the Employee Incentive Options Plan to eligible participants over a period of 3 years. The issue of any Options to eligible participants under the Employee Incentive Options Plan (up to the maximum number of Options stated in Section 3.3(b) below) will be excluded from the calculation of the number of equity securities that the Company can issue without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Company must seek Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 10.14 in respect of any future issues of Options under the Employee Incentive Options Plan to a related party or a person whose relationship with the company or the related party is, in ASX's opinion, such that approval should be obtained.

If Resolution 3 is not passed, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of Options under the Employee Incentive Options Plan to eligible participants, but any issues of Options will reduce, to that extent, the Company's capacity to issue equity securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1 for the 12 month period following the issue of the Options.

# 3.3 Technical information required by Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13)

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13), the following information is provided in relation to Resolution 3:

(a) a summary of the key terms and conditions of the Employee Incentive Options Plan is set out in Schedule 1;



- (b) the Company is seeking Shareholder approval to adopt the Employee Incentive Options Plan to include the new terms and conditions required by Division 1A of Part 7.12 of the Corporations Act, which replaced the previous relief provided by ASIC Class Order 14/1000 (Employee Incentive Scheme);
- (c) the Company has not issued any Options under the Employee Incentive Options Plan as this is the first time that Shareholder approval is being sought for the adoption of the Employee Incentive Options Plan, however, the Company has issued a total of 450,000 Options under the Current Plan since it was approved by Shareholders at the annual general meeting on 26 November 2020; and
- (d) the maximum number of Securities proposed to be issued under the Employee Incentive Options Plan, following Shareholder approval, is 6,110,000 Options. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of Options for which approval is sought will be issued immediately.



#### **DEFINITIONS**

\$ means an Australian dollar.

Annual General Meeting means the annual general meeting the subject of this Notice.

Annual Report has the same meaning as Financial Report.

#### Associated Body Corporate means

- (a) a related body corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act) of the Company;
- (b) a body corporate which has an entitlement to not less than 20% of the voting Shares of the Company; and
- (c) a body corporate in which the Company has an entitlement to not less than 20% of the voting shares.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) and where the context permits the Australian Securities Exchange operated by ASX Limited.

ASX Listing Rules and Listing Rules mean the official listing rules of ASX.

Auditor means the Company's auditor from time to time, at the date of the Notice, being BDO Audit (WA) Pty Ltd.

Auditor's Report means the auditor's report on the Financial Report.

Award has the meaning given to that term in the Employee Securities Incentive Plan.

**AWST** means Australian Western Standard Time, being the time in Perth.

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

Chair (or Chairperson) means the person appointed to chair the Meeting convened by this Notice.

**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 PILL means Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd (ACN 169 979 971).

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Current Plan** has the meaning given to that term in Section 3.1.

**Director** means a Director of the Company and **Directors** means the directors of the Company.

**ESS** has the meaning given to that term in Section 3.1.

Explanatory Memorandum means this explanatory memorandum accompanying the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

**Financial Report** means the annual financial report of the Company and its controlled entities prepared under Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act.

**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 official listing rules of the ASX.

Meeting means the meeting of Shareholders convened by the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

Notice or Notice of Meeting means the notice of annual general meeting accompanying this Explanatory Memorandum.

Option means an option to acquire a Share.

Employee Incentive Securities Plan has the meaning given to that term in Section 3.1.

Proxy Form means the proxy form attached to the Notice.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report as contained in the Directors' report section of the Company's annual financial report.

**Resolution** means a resolution in the Notice.

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

**Shareholder** means a shareholder of the Company.



# **SCHEDULE 1**

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PROPOSED INCENTIVE EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE OPTIONS PLAN

A summary of the material terms of the Company's Employee Incentive Options Plan (Plan) is set out below:

Eligible Participant	<b>Eligible Participant</b> means a person that is a 'primary participant' (as that term is defined in Division 1A of Part 7.12 of the Corporations Act) in relation to the Company or an Associated Body Corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act) and has been determined by the Board to be eligible to participate in the Plan from time to time.
Purpose	The purpose of the Plan is to:
	(a) assist in the reward, retention and motivation of Eligible Participants;
	(b) link the reward of Eligible Participants to Shareholder value creation; and
	(c) align the interests of Eligible Participants with shareholders of the Group (being the Company and each of its Associated Bodies Corporate), by providing an opportunity to Eligible Participants to receive an equity interest in the Company in the form of options ( <b>Options</b> ).
Maximum number of Options	The Company will not make an invitation under the Plan which involves monetary consideration if the number of Shares that may be issued, or acquired upon exercise of Options offered under an invitation, when aggregated with the number of Shares issued or that may be issued as a result of all invitations under the Plan during the 3 year period ending on the day of the invitation, will exceed 5% of the total number of issued Shares at the date of the invitation (unless the Constitution specifies a different percentage and subject to any limits approved by Shareholders under Listing Rule 7.2 Exception 13(b).
	The maximum number of equity securities proposed to be issued under the Plan in reliance on Listing Rule 7.2 (Exemption 13(a)), following Shareholder approval, is 6,110,000 Options. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of Options will be issued immediately.
Plan administration	The Plan will be administered by the Board. The Board may exercise any power or discretion conferred on it by the Plan rules in its sole and absolute discretion (except to the extent that it prevents the Participant relying on the deferred tax concessions under Subdivision 83A-C of the <i>Income Tax Assessment Act 1997</i> (Cth)). The Board may delegate its powers and discretion.
Eligibility, invitation and application	The Board may from time to time determine that an Eligible Participant may participate in the Plan and make an invitation to that Eligible Participant to apply for Options provided under the Plan on such terms and conditions as the Board decides.
	On receipt of an invitation, an Eligible Participant may apply for the Options the subject of the invitation by sending a completed application form to the Company. The Board may accept an application from an Eligible Participant in whole or in part.
	If an Eligible Participant is permitted in the invitation, the Eligible Participant may, by notice in writing to the Board, nominate a party in whose favour the Eligible Participant wishes to renounce the invitation.
Grant of Options	The Company will, to the extent that it has accepted a duly completed application, grant the Participant the relevant number and type of Options, subject to the terms and conditions set out in the invitation, the Plan rules and any ancillary documentation required.
Rights attaching to Options	Prior to an Option being exercised, the holder:
	(a) does not have any interest (legal, equitable or otherwise) in any Share the subject of the Option other than as expressly set out in the Plan;
	(b) is not entitled to receive notice of, vote at or attend a meeting of the shareholders of the Company;
	(c) is not entitled to receive any dividends declared by the Company; and
	(d) is not entitled to participate in any new issue of Shares (see Adjustment of Options section below).



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Restrictions on dealing with Options	Options issued under the Plan cannot be sold, assigned, transferred, have a security interest granted over or otherwise dealt with unless in Special Circumstances as defined under the Plan (including in the case of death or total or permanent disability of the holder) with the consent of the Board in which case the Options may be exercisable on terms determined by the Board.
	A holder must not enter into any arrangement for the purpose of hedging their economic exposure to an Option that has been granted to them.
Vesting of Options	Any vesting conditions applicable to the Options will be described in the invitation. If all the vesting conditions are satisfied and/or otherwise waived by the Board, a vesting notice will be sent to the Participant by the Company informing them that the relevant Options have vested. Unless and until the vesting notice is issued by the Company, the Options will not be considered to have vested. For the avoidance of doubt, if the vesting conditions relevant to an Option are not satisfied and/or otherwise waived by the Board, that security will lapse.
Forfeiture of Options	Options will be forfeited in the following circumstances:
	<ul> <li>in the case of unvested Options only, where the holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant (e.g. is no longer employed or their office or engagement is discontinued with the Company and any Associated Bodies Corporate (as defined in the Corporations Act) (the Group)</li> </ul>
	(b) where a Participant acts fraudulently, dishonestly, negligently, in contravention of any Group policy or wilfully breaches their duties to the Group and the Board exercises its discretion to deem some or all of the Convertible Securities held by a Participant to have been forfeited;
	(c) where there is a failure to satisfy the vesting conditions in accordance with the Plan;
	(d) on the date the Participant becomes insolvent; or
	(e) on the expiry date of the Options,
	subject to the discretion of the Board.
Listing of Options	An Option granted under the Plan will not be quoted on the ASX or any other recognised exchange. The Board reserves the right in its absolute discretion to apply for quotation of an Option granted under the Plan on the ASX or any other recognised exchange.
Exercise of Options and cashless exercise	To exercise a security, the Participant must deliver a signed notice of exercise and, subject to a cashless exercise (see next paragraph below), pay the exercise price (if any) to or as directed by the Company, at any time following vesting of the Option (if subject to vesting conditions) and prior to the expiry date as set out in the invitation or vesting notice.
	An invitation to apply for Options may specify that at the time of exercise of the Options, the Participant may elect not to be required to provide payment of the exercise price for the number of Options specified in a notice of exercise, but that on exercise of those Options the Company will transfer or issue to the Participant that number of Shares equal in value to the positive difference between the Market Value of the Shares at the time of exercise and the exercise price that would otherwise be payable to exercise those Options.
	<b>Market Value</b> means, at any given date, the volume weighted average price per Share traded on the ASX over the 5 trading days immediately preceding that given date, unless otherwise specified in an invitation.
	An Option may not be exercised unless and until that security has vested in accordance with the Plan rules, or such earlier date as set out in the Plan rules.
Timing of issue of Shares and quotation of Shares on exercise	Within five business days after the issue of a valid notice of exercise by a Participant, the Company will issue or cause to be transferred to that Participant the number of Shares to which the Participant is entitled under the Plan rules and issue a substitute certificate for any remaining unexercised Options held by that Participant.
Restriction periods and	If the invitation provides that any Shares issued upon the valid exercise of an Option are

the Participant with this restriction.

subject to any restrictions as to the disposal or other dealing by a Participant for a period,

the Board may implement any procedure it deems appropriate to ensure the compliance by



	Additionally, Shares issued on exercise of the Options are subject to the following restrictions:
	(a) if the Company is required but is unable to give ASX a notice that complies with section 708A(5)(e) of the Corporations Act, Shares issued on exercise of the Options may not be traded until 12 months after their issue unless the Company, at its sole discretion, elects to issue a prospectus pursuant to section 708A(11) of the Corporations Act;
	(b) all Shares issued on exercise of the Options are subject to restrictions imposed by applicable law on dealing in Shares by persons who possess material information likely to affect the value of the Shares and which is not generally available; and
	(c) all Shares issued on exercise of the Options are subject to the terms of the Company's Securities Trading Policy.
Rights attaching to Shares on exercise	All Shares issued upon exercise of the Option will rank equally in all respects with the then Shares of the Company.
Change of control	If a change of control event occurs (being an event which results in any person (either alone or together with associates) owning more than 50% of the Company's issued capital), the Board may in its discretion determine the manner in which any or all of the holder's Options will be dealt with, including, without limitation, in a manner that allows the holder to participate in and/or benefit from any transaction arising from or in connection with the change of control event. The Board may specify in the Invitation how the Options will be treated on a change of control event occurring, or the Board determining that such event is likely to occur, which may vary depending upon circumstances in which the Participant becomes a leaver and preserve some or all of the Board's discretion under this rule.
Participation in entitlements and bonus issues	Subject always to the rights under the following two paragraphs, Participants will not be entitled to participate in new issues of capital offered to holders of Shares such as bonus issues and entitlement issues.
Adjustment for bonus issue	If Shares are issued by the Company by way of bonus issue (other than an issue in lieu of dividends or by way of dividend reinvestment), the Participant is entitled, upon exercise of the Options, to receive an issue of as many additional Shares as would have been issued to the holder if the holder held Shares equal in number to the Shares in respect of which the Options are exercised.
Reorganisation	If there is a reorganisation of the issued share capital of the Company (including any subdivision, consolidation, reduction, return or cancellation of such issued capital of the Company), the rights of each Participant holding Options will be changed to the extent necessary to comply with the ASX Listing Rules applicable to a reorganisation of capital at the time of the reorganisation.
Buy-Back	Subject to applicable law, the Company may at any time buy-back Options and Shares issued upon exercise of Options in accordance with the terms of the Plan.
Employee Share Trust	The Board may in its sole and absolute discretion use an employee share trust or other mechanism for the purposes of holding Options for holders under the Plan and delivering Shares on behalf of holders upon exercise of Options.
Amendment of Plan	Subject to the following paragraph, the Board may at any time amend any provisions of the Plan rules, including (without limitation) the terms and conditions upon which any Options have been granted under the Plan and determine that any amendments to the Plan rules be given retrospective effect, immediate effect or future effect.
	No amendment to any provision of the Plan rules may be made if the amendment materially reduces the rights of any Participant as they existed before the date of the amendment, other than an amendment introduced primarily for the purpose of complying with legislation or to correct manifest error or mistake, amongst other things, or is agreed to in writing by all Participants.
Plan duration	The Plan continues in operation until the Board decides to end it. The Board may from time to time suspend the operation of the Plan for a fixed period or indefinitely and may end any suspension. If the Plan is terminated or suspended for any reason, that termination or suspension must not prejudice the accrued rights of the Participants.



	If a Participant and the Company (acting by the Board) agree in writing that some or all of the Options granted to that Participant are to be cancelled on a specified date or on the occurrence of a particular event, then those Options may be cancelled in the manner agreed between the Company and the Participant.
Income Tax Assessment Act	The Plan is a plan to which Subdivision 83A-C of the <i>Income Tax Assessment Act 1997</i> (Cth) applies (subject to the conditions in that Act) except to the extent an invitation provides otherwise.
Withholding	Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, and without limiting the amounts which may be deducted or withheld under Applicable Laws, if a member of the Group, a trustee or the Plan administrator is obliged, or reasonably believes that it may have an obligation to account for any Tax, or any superannuation amounts (or equivalent social security contributions, if applicable) in respect of a Participant (Withholding Amount), then that Group company, trustee or Plan administrator (as applicable) is entitled to withhold or be reimbursed by the Participant for the Withholding Amount payable or paid.
	To give effect to clause 19(a), the relevant Group company, trustee or Plan administrator may take any actions as it sees fit to ensure payment of, or recover (as applicable), the Withholding Amounts including (without limitation):
	(a) selling on behalf of the Participant the number of Shares granted under this Plan required to provide the Withholding Amount;
	(b) obtaining the Withholding Amount from the Participant (by salary deduction or otherwise);
	(c) forfeiting a sufficient number of Securities to satisfy the Withholding Amount; or
	(d) making any other arrangements with the Participant for payment or reimbursement of the Withholding Amount.



# **Proxy Voting Form**

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

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# **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 Shareholders should sign.

**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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STEP 1 - How to vote
APPOINT A PROXY:
I/We being a Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting of PROTEOMICS INTERNATIONAL LABORATORIES LTD, to be held at <b>09.30am (AWST) on Thursday, 23 November 2023 at Harry Perkins Institute, QEII Medical Centre QQ Block, 6 Verdun Street, Nedlands, WA 6009</b> hereby:
Appoint the Chair of the Meeting (Chair) OR if you are not appointing the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please write in the box provided below the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy or failing the person so named or, if no person is named, the Chair, or the Chair's nominee, to vote in accordance with the following directions, or, if no directions have been given, and subject to the relevant laws as the proxy sees fit and at any adjournment thereof.
The Chair intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions in which the Chair is entitled to vote.  Unless indicated otherwise by ticking the "for"," against" or "abstain" box you will be authorising the Chair to vote in accordance with the Chair's voting intention.
AUTHORITY FOR CHAIR TO VOTE UNDIRECTED PROXIES ON REMUNERATION RELATED RESOLUTIONS  Where I/we have appointed the Chair as my/our proxy (or where the Chair becomes my/our proxy by default), I/we expressly authorise the Chair to exercise my/our proxy on Resolutions 1 and 3 (except where I/we have indicated a different voting intention below) even though Resolutions 1 and 3 are connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel, which includes the Chair.
STEP 2 - Your voting direction
Resolutions For Against Abstain
Non-Binding Resolution to Adopt Remuneration Report
2 Re-election of Director – Mr Roger Moore
Adoption of Employee Incentive Options Plan
Please note: If you mark the abstain box for a particular Resolution, you are directing your proxy not to vote on that Resolution on a show of hands or or a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.
STEP 3 – Signatures and contact details
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Date (DD/MM/YY)

Contact Daytime Telephone