# NEON ENERGY LIMITED ACN 002 796 974

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**TIME**: 10.00AM

DATE: Friday 29 May 2015

PLACE: Training Room 2, Conference Centre, QV1 Building, 250 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000

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 wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 6144 4840

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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### Time and place of Meeting

Notice is given that the Meeting will be held at 10.00AM on Friday 29 May 2015 at:

Training Room 2, Conference Centre, QV1 Building, 250 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000

#### Your vote is important

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

#### Voting eligibility

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 4.00PM on Wednesday 27 May 2015.

#### Voting in person

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

#### 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 2 or more votes may appoint 2 proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the member appoints 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 changes to the Corporations Act made in 2011 mean 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.

Further details on these changes are set out below.

#### Proxy vote if appointment specifies way to vote

Section 250BB(1) of the Corporations Act provides that an appointment of a proxy may specify the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution and, **if it does**:

- the proxy need not vote on a show of hands, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (ie as directed); and
- if the proxy has 2 or more appointments that specify different ways to vote on the resolution, the proxy must not vote on a show of hands; and
- if the proxy is the chair of the meeting at which the resolution is voted on, the proxy must vote on a poll, and must vote that way (ie as directed); and
- if the proxy is not the chair, the proxy need not vote on the poll, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (ie as directed).

#### Transfer of non-chair proxy to chair in certain circumstances

Section 250BC of the Corporations Act provides that, if:

- an appointment of a proxy specifies the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution at a meeting of the Company's members; and
- the appointed proxy is not the chair of the meeting; and
- at the meeting, a poll is duly demanded on the resolution; and
- either of the following applies:
  - > the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting; or
  - > the proxy does not vote on the resolution,

the chair of the meeting is taken, before voting on the resolution closes, to have been appointed as the proxy for the purposes of voting on the resolution at the meeting.

#### 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 December 2014 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 December 2014.."

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

#### Voting Prohibition Statement:

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

- (i) a member of the Key Management Personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or
- (ii) 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:

the voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; or

- (iii) 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.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – DR ALAN STEIN

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 6.3 of the Constitution, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Mr Alan Stein, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

#### 4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR ROSS WILLIAMS

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 6.2 of the Constitution, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Mr Ross Williams, a Director who was appointed as an additional Director on 25 March 2015, retires, and being eligible, is reelected as a Director."

#### 5. RESOLUTION 4 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR TIMOTHY KESTELL

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 6.2 of the Constitution, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Mr Timothy Kestell, a Director who was appointed as an additional Director on 19 December 2014, retires, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

#### 6. RESOLUTION 5 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR PETER PYNES

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 6.2 of the Constitution, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Mr Peter Pynes, a Director who was appointed as an additional Director on 19 December 2014, retires, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

Dated: 1 May 2015

#### By order of the Board

Gabriel Chiappini Company Secretary

## 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 Constitution, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2014 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 http://www.neonenergy.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

Under changes to the Corporations Act which came into effect on 1 July 2011, 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.

#### 2.4 Proxy voting restrictions

Shareholders appointing a proxy for this Resolution should note the following:

Proxy	<b>Directions given</b>	No directions given
Key Management Personnel <sup>1</sup>	Vote as directed	Unable to vote <sup>3</sup>
Chair <sup>2</sup>	Vote as directed	Able to vote at discretion of Proxy <sup>4</sup>
Other	Vote as directed	Able to vote at discretion of Proxy

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Refers to Key Management Personnel (other than the Chair) whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of such a member.

<sup>2</sup> Refers to the Chair (where he/she is also a member of the Key Management Personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report), or a Closely Related Party of such a member).

<sup>3</sup> Undirected proxies granted to these persons will not be voted and will not be counted in calculating the required majority if a poll is called on this Resolution.

<sup>4</sup> The Proxy Form notes it is the Chair's intention to vote all undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – DR ALAN STEIN

ASX Listing Rule 14.4 provides that a director of an entity must not hold office (without re-election) past the third AGM following the director's appointment or 3 year, whichever is the longer.

Clause 6.3 of the Constitution requires that at the Company's annual general meeting in every year, one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not a multiple of 3, then the number nearest one-third (rounded upwards in case of doubt), shall retire from office, provided always that no Director (except a Managing Director) shall hold office for a period in excess of 3 years, or until the third annual general meeting following his or her appointment, whichever is the longer, without submitting himself or herself for re-election.

The Directors to retire at an annual general meeting are those who have been longest in office since their last election, but, as between persons who became Directors on the same day, those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by drawing lots.

A Director who retires by rotation under clause 6.3 of the Constitution is eligible for re-election.

The Company currently has 4 Directors and accordingly 1 must retire.

Alan Stein, the Director longest in office since his last election, retires by rotation and seeks re-election.

Dr Stein is a geologist with over 25 years experience in the international oil and gas industry. He was the CEO of AIM listed Fusion Oil & Gas Plc which made several discoveries offshore Mauritania and in 2004 he was one of the founders of Ophir Energy Plc where he was the CEO from inception until 2011. Ophir has made significant discoveries offshore Equatorial Guinea and Tanzania and is listed on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange where it is a constituent of the FTSE 250 index. Dr Stein is a director of private investment company Haroma Pty Ltd, and is the Non-Executive Chairman of Hanno Resources Limited which has mining interests in Africa.

Dr Stein was appointed as a Director of the Company on the 27 October 2009 and Chairman on the 29 November 2009.

The Board considers Dr Stein to be an independent director.

The Board supports the re-election of Dr Stein.

# 4. RESOLUTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS – MR ROSS WILLIAMS, MR TIMOTHY KESTELL AND MR PETER PYNES.

Clause 6.2 of the Constitution allows the Directors to appoint at any time a person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Directors, but only where the total number of Directors does not at any time exceed the maximum number specified by the Constitution.

Pursuant to clause 6.3 of the Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.4, any Director so appointed holds office only until the next following general meeting and is then eligible for election by Shareholders but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation (if any) at that meeting.

Mr Kestell and Mr Pynes having each been appointed on 19 December 2014, with Mr Williams appointed on 25 March 2015, will retire in accordance with clause 6.3 of the Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and being eligible, seek re-election from Shareholders.

Mr Williams is a founding shareholder of MACA Limited (ASX: MLD) and until recently held the position of Non-Executive Director. Mr Williams is a Non-Executive Director of Emerald Resources NL (ASX: EMR). Mr Williams has 16 years banking experience having held executive positions with a major Australian Bank. Mr Williams is a past Fellow of the Australian Institute of Banking and Finance and holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Financial Services Management.

Mr Kestell has over 18 years experience in equity markets, including working for Australian stockbrokers Euroz Securities and Patersons Securities Limited. In the past decade, Mr Kestell has played a key role in forming and/or recapitalising publically listed companies, as well as being involved in numerous takeovers, including Barrick Gold Limited's offer for Tusker Gold Limited. Mr Kestell holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree.

Mr Pynes has in excess of 25 years' experience in Australian and overseas capital markets. Mr Williams is a Non-Executive Director of Nexus Bonds Limited (ASX: NXB). Mr Pynes has played a key role in forming and capitalising both publically listed and unlisted companies. Mr Pynes has been involved in both initial public

offerings and takeovers, including the ASX listing of Tusker Gold Limited and its successful cash takeover by Barrick Gold Limited. Mr Pynes is a Director of MPC Funding Limited, a specialist financing company. Mr Pynes is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (FAICD) and a Senior Associate of the Financial Services Institute of Australia (SA FIN).

Mr Kestell and Mr Pynes were each appointed as a Director of the Company on the 19 December 2014. Mr Williams was appointed as a Director of the Company on 25 March 2015.

The Board considers Mr Williams to be a non-independent director.

The Board considers Mr Kestell to be a non-independent director.

The Board considers Mr Pynes to be a non-independent director.

The Board supports the re-election of Mr Williams, Mr Kestell and Mr Pynes.

## GLOSSARY

\$ means Australian dollars.

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

ASIC means the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

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

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

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 Neon Energy Limited (ACN 002 796 974).

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.

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

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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 December 2014.

**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 registered holder of a Share.

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



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# Proxy Form



# Vote and view the annual report online

• Go to www.investorvote.com.au **or** scan the QR Code with your mobile device. • Follow the instructions on the secure website to vote.

#### Your access information that you will need to vote:

#### Control Number: 999999

#### SRN/HIN: 19999999999 PIN: 99999

PLEASE NOTE: For security reasons it is important that you keep your SRN/HIN confidential.



## How to Vote on Items of Business

All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions.

#### Appointment of Proxy

**Voting 100% of your holding:** Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box your proxy may vote or abstain as they choose (to the extent permitted by law). If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.

**Voting a portion of your holding:** Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the percentage or number of securities you wish to vote in the For, Against or Abstain box or boxes. The sum of the votes cast must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%.

**Appointing a second proxy:** You are entitled to appoint up to two proxies to attend the meeting and vote on a poll. If you appoint two proxies you must specify the percentage of votes or number of securities for each proxy, otherwise each proxy may exercise half of the votes. When appointing a second proxy write both names and the percentage of votes or number of securities for each in Step 1 overleaf.

A proxy need not be a securityholder of the Company.

## **Signing Instructions for Postal Forms**

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

**Joint Holding:** Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the securityholders 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 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 sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

#### Attending the Meeting

Bring this form to assist registration. If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to attend the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" prior to admission. A form of the certificate may be obtained from Computershare or online at www.investorcentre.com under the help tab, "Printable Forms".

**Comments & Questions:** If you have any comments or questions for the company, please write them on a separate sheet of paper and return with this form.



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Resolution 4 Re-Election of Dire	ector – Mr Timothy Kestell				
Resolution 5 Re-Election of Dire	ector – Mr Peter Pynes				

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman of the Meeting may change his/her voting intention on any resolution, in which case an ASX announcement will be made.

Individual or Securityholder 1	Securityholder 2		Securityholde	Securityholder 3			
Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary			Director/Company Secretary				
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