# ADITYA BIRLA MINERALS LIMITED ACN 103 515 037

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TIME: 9.30am WST

**DATE**: 19 August 2015

**PLACE**: Duxton Hotel

1 St Georges Terrace Perth WA

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) 6143 4100.

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders to which this Notice of Meeting relates will be held at 9.30 am WST on 19 August 2015 at:

The Duxton Hotel Perth 1 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000

## YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

The business of the Annual General 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 5.00pm WST on 17 August 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

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Sydney South NSW 1235

By fax (02) 9287 0309 (within Australia) +61 2 9287 0309 (outside Australia)

Online Shareholders may submit their votes electronically online to the

Company's share registry by visiting **www.linkmarketservices.com.au**. Select 'Investor & Employee Login'. Refer to "Single Holding' and enter Aditya Birla Minerals Limited or the ASX code (ABY) 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

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and security code which is shown on the screen and click 'Login'. Select 'Voting' under the 'Action' header and then follow the prompts to submit your vote online.

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

- each member has a right to appoint a proxy;
- the proxy need not be a member of the Company; and
- a member 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.

Sections 250BB and 250BC of the Corporations Act came into effect on 1 August 2011 and apply to voting by proxy on or after that date. Shareholders and their proxies should be aware of these changes to the Corporations Act, as they will apply to this Annual General Meeting. Broadly, the changes 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 is 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 (i.e. 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 (i.e. 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 (i.e. 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:
  - o the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting;
  - 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.

### **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES**

A body corporate which is a shareholder, or which has been appointed as a proxy, is entitled to appoint any person to act as its representative at the AGM. The appointment of the representative must comply with the requirements in section 250D of the Corporations Act 2001. The representative should bring to the AGM evidence of his or her appointment as the body corporate's representative, including any authority under which the appointment is signed. Unless the appointment states otherwise, the representative may exercise on the body corporate's behalf all of the powers that the appointing body could exercise at a meeting or in voting on a resolution. Shareholders can download and fill out the 'Appointment of Corporate Representation' form from the of the share registry of the https://www.linkmarketservices.com.au/corporate/InvestorServices/Forms.html

## BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

#### **AGENDA**

## 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS – AGENDA ITEM

To receive and consider the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2015 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 2015."

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:

- (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.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR - MR JAGDISH CHANDRA LADDHA

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

"That Mr Jagdish Chandra Laddha, being a director of the Company who retires in accordance with Clause 3.3 of the Constitution of the Company and, being eligible, is hereby re-elected as a director of the Company."

## 4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR DEBU BHATTACHARYA

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

"That, for the purposes of clause 3.6(a)of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Mr Debu Bhattacharya, a Non-Executive Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

**DATED: 17 JULY 2015** 

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

PETER TORRE

**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 which are the subject of the business of the Meeting.

## 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS – AGENDA ITEM

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 March 2015 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. Shareholders can view the Annual Report, which contains the Financial Report for the year ended 31 March 2015, on the Company's website at www.adityabirlaminerals.com.au.

#### 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:

If you appoint a member of the 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 as your proxy

**You must direct your proxy how to vote** on this Resolution. 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.

If you appoint the Chair as your proxy (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).

You <u>do not</u> need to direct your proxy how to vote on this Resolution. However, if you do not direct the Chair how to vote, by signing the proxy form, you are expressly authorising the Chair to exercise his/her discretion in exercising your proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of Key Management Personnel.

If you appoint any other person as your proxy

You <u>do not</u> need to direct your proxy how to vote on this Resolution, and you <u>do</u> <u>not</u> need to mark any further acknowledgement on the Proxy Form.

### 3. RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF A DIRECTOR - MR JAGDISH CHANDRA LADDHA

In accordance with Clause 3.3 of the Constitution, any Director appointed to fill casual vacancy or as an additional Director holds office until the next annual general meeting of Shareholders and is then eligible for re-election. Mr Jagdish Chandra Laddha therefore retires at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Constitution and being eligible, has offered himself for re-election.

Mr Jagdish Chandra Laddha was appointed to fill a casual vacancy as a Director of the Company on 14 October 2014. Details of Mr Laddha's background and experience can be found in the Annual Report.

## 4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR DEBU BHATTACHARYA

Clause 3.6(a) of the Constitution of the Company requires a Director to retire from office at the third annual general meeting after the Director was last reelected.

Mr Debu Bhattacharya retires in accordance with that clause and being eligible for re-election, offers himself for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

Details of Mr Debu Bhattacharya's background and experience can be found in the Annual Report.

### 5. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Directors believe that the above proposals are in the best interest of the Company and, save where otherwise stated, unanimously recommend that the shareholders vote for in favour of the resolutions to be proposed at the Company's annual general meeting.

#### 6. QUESTIONS FROM SHAREHOLDERS

The Chairman will allow a reasonable opportunity for Shareholders to ask questions and make comments about the management of the Company and the remuneration report at the Meeting.

Mr Gavin Buckingham of Ernst and Young (or his representative) will attend the Meeting as the auditor responsible for presenting the auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2015. The Chairman will allow a reasonable opportunity for Shareholders as a whole to ask the auditor questions at the Meeting about:

- the conduct of the audit;
- the preparation and content of the auditor's report;
- the accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
- the independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

To assist the board of directors of the Company (**Board**) and the auditor of the Company in responding to any questions you may have, please submit questions in the manner described below by no later than 5.00pm (Perth time) on Wednesday,12 August 2015.

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## **GLOSSARY**

\$ means Australian dollars.

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

**ASIC** means the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

**ASX** means ASX Limited.

**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 Aditya Birla Minerals Limited (ACN 103 515 037).

**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.

**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 2013.

**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 holder of a Share.

**Spill Meeting** has the meaning given to that term in section 2.1 of the Explanatory Statement.

**Spill Resolution** has the meaning given to that term in section 2.1 of the Explanatory Statement.

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