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Ainsworth Game Technology Limited (AGT) – Proposed sale of Mr Len Ainsworth's shares to Novomatic

Ainsworth Game Technology Limited (**AGT**) is pleased to announce it has received notice from its major shareholder, Mr Len Ainsworth that he has agreed, subject to conditions outlined below, to sell 100% of his current holding in AGT (excluding a small number of shares that remain subject to employee options under the Len Ainsworth Option Share Trust) to Novomatic, the privately owned, Austrian based gaming technology company.

Share Sale, EGM

Mr Ainsworth agreed to sell his 172.1 million ordinary shares at \$2.75 per share for cash consideration, subject to regulatory and licence approvals. As Novomatic will own approximately 53% of AGT's issued capital upon completion of the sale, the sale is subject to shareholder approval pursuant to section 611 item 7 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (**Corporations Act**). The board of AGT supports the transaction and will convene an extraordinary general meeting of AGT shareholders to seek the necessary approval (**EGM**). The Board of AGT will prepare a notice of meeting and engage an independent expert. The EGM will be held within 3 months and further details will be provided to shareholders in due course.

Board recommendation

In the absence of a superior proposal each of the directors other than Mr Ainsworth who has recused himself, intends to vote the shares under their control in favour of the transaction. Each of the directors other than Mr Ainsworth intends to recommend shareholders vote in favour of the transaction, in the absence of a superior proposal and unless the independent expert opines that the advantages of the transaction do not outweigh the disadvantages to the non-associated shareholders.

Novomatic intentions – stability and continuity

If the 53% share sale completes:

- Novomatic supports maintaining AGT's listing on ASX and its current board and executive management teams staying in place with Novomatic intending to nominate additional directors (subject to regulatory approval);
- Mr Len Ainsworth will remain as chairperson; and
- Novomatic's intention is to maintain its holding at or around that level.



Novomatic has further indicated that it supports AGT's strategy to build a larger, diversified and more profitable international game technology company. Novomatic plans to provide significant game development and other intellectual property to AGT and work with AGT on a global distribution and marketing strategy after completion. AGT is excited by this prospect and will work with Novomatic on the details and execution in the coming months.

About Novomatic

Established in 1985 by owner and founder, Professor Johann F. Graf, Novomatic is one of the largest game technology companies in the world. Based in Austria, the company has over 18,000 employees. It owns around 3,300 intellectual property rights and has a global footprint with leading market positions in Austria, Germany, Italy, Great Britain, the Netherlands and other European markets and Latin America.

Novomatic an integrated gaming company is both a manufacturer of innovative high-tech gaming equipment and content and operator with significant land based and online operations. Novomatic is active in all gaming segments including AWP, Casino, Lottery and Sports Betting Solution, Online and Mobile.

From 2004 to 2014 Novomatic AG delivered 15.4% revenue CAGR and 21.7% EBITDA CAGR. In 2014, Novomatic AG reported sales revenues of EUR 2,0 billion and EBITDA of EUR 647 million.

Novomatic is part of Novomatic Group of Companies. Novomatic has two Swiss sister holding companies, which were founded by Professor Graf as well. Together with these two Swiss sister holding companies ACE Casino Holding AG and Gryphon Invest AG, the Novomatic Group achieved 2014 joint net consolidated revenues of approximately EUR 3,8 billion in 2014 and has about 24,000 employees worldwide.

Supporting AGT's Strategy

Len Ainsworth, Executive Chairman, said "I'm pleased Novomatic, in agreeing to acquire my shareholding, has committed to Ainsworth and our international growth strategy. Novomatic is an impressive and highly respected market leader in our industry. It has a clear commitment to innovation and new product development, which aligns with AGT. With its strength and support, Ainsworth's future is assured and our potential is increased. On behalf of the Board, management and employees I look forward to welcoming Novomatic to AGT and to working together to deliver our potential."

Professor Graf, Founder of Novomatic said, "Ainsworth is iconic and we are delighted to become substantial shareholders in the company (if shareholder approval is granted). We support the Board and management's strategy and look forward to assisting the Company as it continues to successfully build its international footprint and profile."

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