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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

**PROXY FORM** 

### Date of Meeting

Thursday, 17 November 2016

**Time of Meeting** 

10:00 am (AWST)

### **Place of Meeting**

Conference Room (Ground Floor)
Harry Perkins Institute
QEII Medical Centre QQ Block
6 Verdun Street, Nedlands, WA, 6009

### ANNUAL REPORT

The 2016 Annual Report is available from the Company website via the following link: <a href="http://www.proteomics.com.au/investors/reports-main-page/2016-annual-financial-reports/">http://www.proteomics.com.au/investors/reports-main-page/2016-annual-financial-reports/</a>



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

The Annual General Meeting of Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd (**Company** or **PILL**) is to be held on Thursday, 17 November 2016, at the Conference Room (Ground Floor), Harry Perkins Institute, QEII Medical Centre QQ Block, 6 Verdun Street, Nedlands, WA, 6009, commencing at 10:00 am (AWST).

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

#### **BUSINESS**

#### Financial and Other Reports - Year Ended 30 June 2016 (no resolution required)

To receive and consider the Company's Financial Report, the declaration of Directors, the Remuneration Report, and the reports of the Directors and of the Auditor for the year ended 30 June 2016.

### 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 2016."

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

#### **Voting Prohibition Statement:**

The Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 1 by, or on behalf of, any of the following persons:

- (a) a member of the Key Management Personnel, as disclosed in the Remuneration Report; or
- (b) a Closely Related Party (such as close family members and any controlled companies) 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.

### Resolution 2 - Re-election of Director - Mr Terry Sweet

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

"That Mr Sweet, 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 – Re-election of Director – Mr Ian 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, having been appointed on 14 October 2016, retires in accordance with Clause 13.4 of the Company's Constitution, Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, and being eligible and offering himself for re-election, be re-elected as a Director of the Company."

### **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.



### **PROXIES**

Please note that:

- A member entitled to attend and vote is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote on behalf of the member.
- A proxy need not be a member of the Company, but must be a natural person (not a corporation). A proxy may also be appointed by reference to an office held by the proxy (e.g. "the Company Secretary").
- Where more than one proxy is appointed, each proxy may be appointed to represent a specified proportion of the member's voting rights. If no such proportion is specified, each proxy may exercise half of the member's 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 (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; or
  - o 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.

The enclosed Proxy Form provides further details on appointing proxies and lodging Proxy Forms. Completed Proxy Forms (together with any authority under which the proxy was signed or a certified copy of the authority) must be returned before 10:00 a.m. (AWST) on Tuesday, 15 November 2016.

### **VOTING ENTITLEMENTS**

For the purposes of section 1074E(2) of the Corporations Act 2001 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 p.m. (AWST) on Tuesday, 15 November 2016 will be entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General 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 2001.



### **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 10:00 a.m. (AWST) on Tuesday, 15 November 2016. Previously lodged powers of attorney will be disregarded by the Company.

DATED THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016 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 2016 (2016 Annual Report) at the Meeting. These reports, together with the declaration of Directors, are set out in the 2016 Annual Report. Shareholders who elected to receive a printed copy of annual reports should have received the 2016 Annual Report with this Notice of Annual General Meeting.

In accordance with section 314 (1AA)(c) of the Corporations Act, the Company advises the 2016 Annual Report is available from the Company's website (<a href="http://www.proteomics.com.au/investors/reports-main-page/2016-annual-financial-reports/">http://www.proteomics.com.au/investors/reports-main-page/2016-annual-financial-reports/</a>).

In accordance with section 317 of the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to discuss the 2016 Annual Report, including the Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

There is no requirement for Shareholders to approve the 2016 Annual Report.

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

- (a) discuss the 2016 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 Terry Sweet

Clause 13.2 of the Constitution requires that at the annual general meeting, 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 retiring director is eligible for re-election.

The Company currently has 4 Directors. Accordingly, 1 must retire.

Three Directors were last elected on 20 November 2015. The Directors have agreed amongst themselves that Mr Sweet is to retire at the Annual General Meeting.

Mr Sweet, who has served as a director since 9 June 2014, retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Mr Sweet has been a Director of several listed companies over the past 30 years in both executive and non-executive capacities. These companies include XRF Scientific Ltd, where he was Managing Director for 4 years, Western Biotechnology Ltd, Heartlink Ltd, and Scientific Services Ltd. Originally trained as a chemist, his interests and expertise now lie in the area of development and supervision of a culture of Board integrity, commensurate with technology commercialisation. Mr Sweet is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

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

### 2.1 Board Recommendation

The Board (other than Mr Sweet) unanimously supports the re-election of Mr Sweet and recommends Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution.

### 2.2 Voting Intention

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



### 3. Resolution 3 – Re-election of Director – Mr Ian Roger Moore

ASX Listing Rule 14.4 provides that, a director appointed to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the board must not hold office (without re-election) past the next annual general meeting of the entity.

Clause 13.4 of the Constitution allows the Directors to appoint at any time a person to be a Director as an addition to the existing Directors. Any Director so appointed holds office only until the next following annual general meeting and is then eligible for re-election.

Mr Moore was appointed as a non-executive director by the Board on 14 October 2016. He retires in accordance with the Company's Constitution and Listing Rule 14.4 and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Mr Moore has 40 years of 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 insulin and a global leader in diabetes care). Mr Moore 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. From 2000, Roger Moore was appointed Senior Vice President, Japan and Oceania Region, responsible for Novo Nordisk's business in Japan, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific. He was also appointed a member of the Senior Management Board, Novo Nordisk A/S. In 2007, Mr Moore was awarded the Knight's Cross of the Order of the Dannebrog by Queen Margrethe II of Denmark. Since 2008, he has split his time between Australia and Japan and has worked to assist selected Australian biotech companies and selected Japanese pharma companies in their international business development activities.

The Company has undertaken the appropriate searches from government authorities and no exceptions were noted. The Board has prepared a skills matrix which is included in the Company's Corporate Governance Statement and considers that Mr Moore possesses the required broad based skills to help drive the Company's performance.

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

### 3.1 Board recommendation

The Board (other than Mr Moore) supports the re-election of Mr Moore and recommends Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution.

### 3.2 Board recommendation

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



### **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.

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

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).

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

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.

 $\textbf{Notice} \ \text{or} \ \textbf{Notice} \ \text{of} \ \textbf{Meeting} \ \text{means the notice} \ \text{of annual general meeting accompanying this Explanatory Memorandum}.$ 

**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 for the year ended 30 June 2016.

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

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

 $\textbf{Shareholder} \ means \ a \ shareholder \ of \ the \ Company.$ 



### PROXY FORM

MR SAM SAMPLE UNIT 123 123 SAMPLE STREET THE SAMPLE HILL SAMPLE ESTATE SAMPLEVILLE WA 6060

### 1. Appointment of Proxy

I/W	Ve being a member/s of Proteomics I	nternational Laboratories Lt	d hereby appoint			
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1.	Non-Binding Resolution to Adopt Remuneration Report					
2.	Re-election of Director – Mr Terry S					
3.	Re-election of Director – Mr Ian Ro					
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If two proxies are being appointed, the proportional voting rights this proxy represents is						
3. 9	Signature of Securityholder(s)					
Thi	s section must be signed in accordan	ce with the instructions over	rleaf to enable your	directions to be implen	nented.	
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### HOW TO COMPLETE THE PROXY FORM

### 1. 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 as they choose. 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. The appointment of a second proxy must be done on a separate copy of the Proxy Form. If a member appoints two proxies and the appointments do not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes each proxy is appointed to exercise, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes. Any fractions of votes resulting from the application of these principles will be disregarded.

A duly appointed proxy need not be a securityholder of the company.

#### 2. Items of Business

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark in one of the three boxes opposite each item of business. All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions. If you do not mark any of the boxes on a given item, 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.

#### 3. Signing Instructions

You must sign this form as follows in the spaces provided:

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 must sign.

**Power of Attorney:** If you have not previously 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.

### **Lodgement of a Proxy**

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign this Proxy Form and return by:

- (a) Post to Proteomics International Laboratories Ltd, C/- PO Box 356, West Perth, WA 6872; or
- (b) Facsimile to the Company on facsimile number +61 8 9321 0721; or
- (c) Email to the Company at <a href="mailto:enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com">enquiries@proteomicsinternational.com</a>.

This Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed) must be received no later than 48 hours before the commencement of the meeting.

Proxy Forms received after this time will by invalid.

### 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 the Company Secretary.