

# **General Meeting Notice and Proxy Form**

23 October 2020

Dear Shareholders,

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - NOTICE AND PROXY FORM

Black Cat Syndicate Limited's (Black Cat or the Company) 2020 Annual General Meeting is scheduled to be held in Perth, Western Australia on 25 November 2020 at 10.00am (AWST) (**Meeting**).

Whilst Black Cat intends to proceed with the Meeting as proposed, depending on the status of the evolving COVID-19 situation and Government restrictions on public gatherings in place at the time of the Meeting, the Directors may make a decision prior to the Meeting that Shareholders will not be able to attend the Meeting in person.

Accordingly, the Directors strongly encourage all shareholders to lodge a directed proxy form prior to the Meeting and appoint the Chair as their proxy.

The Australian government is implementing a wide range of measures to contain or delay the spread of COVID-19. If it becomes necessary or appropriate to make alternative arrangements to those set out in the Company's Notice of Meeting, the Company will notify Shareholders accordingly via the Company's website at <a href="www.blackcatsyndicate.com.au">www.blackcatsyndicate.com.au</a> and the ASX Company's Announcement Platform at asx.com.au (ASX:BC8). Any Shareholders who plan to physically attend the Meeting should closely monitor these platforms for any updates from by the Company in regard to attending the Meeting in person and alternative arrangements.

If Shareholders do not attend the Meeting in person, they will be able to participate by:

- (a) voting their Shares prior to the Meeting by lodging the enclosed proxy form attached to the Notice by no later than 4.00pm (AWST) on 23 November 2020; and
- (b) lodging questions in advance of the meeting by emailing the questions to the Chairman at <a href="mailto:admin@blackcatsyndicate.com.au">admin@blackcatsyndicate.com.au</a> by no later than 18 November 2020.



If, in response to Government restrictions on public gatherings, the Company puts in place alternative teleconference or online meeting facilities, detailed instructions on how to access such facilities, will be made available to Shareholders on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.blackcatsyndicate.com.au">www.blackcatsyndicate.com.au</a> and the ASX Company's Announcement Platform at asx.com.au (ASX: BC8) prior to the Meeting.

In accordance with subsection 5(f) of the Corporations (Coronavirus Economic Response) Determination (No. 3) 2020, the Company will not be dispatching physical copies of the Notice of Meeting (**Notice**). Instead, a copy of the Notice will be available under the "ASX announcements" section of the Company's website at <a href="https://www.blackcatsyndicate.com.au/investors/asx-announcements-2020/">https://www.blackcatsyndicate.com.au/investors/asx-announcements-2020/</a>.

As you have not elected to receive notices by email, a copy of your personalised proxy form is enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Gareth Solly
Managing Director

### BLACK CAT SYNDICATE LIMITED ACN 620 896 282 NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Meeting will be held at:

**TIME**: 10:00 am (WST)

**DATE**: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**PLACE**: Harvard Room, Trinity on Hampden

230 Hampden Road, Crawley

Western Australia 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.

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 4:00 pm WST on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020.

#### 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 30 June 2020 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 30 June 2020."

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

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – LES DAVIS

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 14.2 of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Les Davis, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is reelected as a Director."

#### 4. RESOLUTION 3 – ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – TONY POLGLASE

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 14.4 of the Constitution, Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Tony Polglase, a Director who was appointed as an additional Director on 21 May 2020, retires, and being eligible, is elected as a Director."

#### 5. RESOLUTION 4 – APPROVAL OF 7.1A MANDATE

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a **special resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue up to that number of Equity Securities equal to 10% of the issued capital of the Company at the time of issue, calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and otherwise on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement."

#### 6. RESOLUTION 5 – RE-APPROVAL OF INCENTIVE OPTION 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, Shareholders re-approve the Company's Incentive Option Plan and for the issue of securities under that Option Plan, on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement."

Dated: 19 October 2020

By order of the Board

**Dan Travers** 

**Company Secretary** 

#### **Voting Prohibition Statements**

## Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report

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:

- 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

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 5 – Adoption of Incentive Option Plan

A person appointed as a proxy must not vote, on the basis of that appointment, on this Resolution if:

- (a) the proxy is either:
  - (i) a member of the Key Management Personnel; or
  - (ii) a Closely Related Party of such a member; and
- (b) the appointment does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution.

However, the above prohibition does not apply if:

(a) the proxy is the Chair; and

the appointment expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

#### **Voting Exclusion Statements**

In accordance with Listing Rule 14.11, the Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of the resolution set out below by or on behalf of the following persons:

Resolution 5 – Adoption of Incentive Option Plan

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) a person as a proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with the directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (b) 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
- (c) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) 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
  - (ii) the holder votes on the resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

#### Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Voting Form and return by the time and in accordance with the instructions set out on the Voting 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 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.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on 08 (within Australia) 9316 9100 / (outside Australia) +61 (08) 9316 9100.

#### **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 Corporations Act, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 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 https://www.blackcatsyndicate.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

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.

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.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – LES DAVIS

#### 3.1 General

The Constitution sets out the requirements for determining which Directors are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting.

Les Davis, who has served as a Director since 4 August 2017 and was last reelected on 27 November 2018, retires by rotation and seeks re-election.

#### 3.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

Les Davis has a Master's Degree in Mineral Economics from Curtin University of WA and over 40 years mining industry experience including 17 years hands-on experience in mine development and narrow vein mining. Les career incorporates over 25 years senior management and executive experience including roles as Mine Manager, Technical Services Manager, Concentrator Manager, Resident Manager and GM Expansion Projects with organisations including WMC Resources, Reliance Mining and Consolidated Minerals and is the founding Managing Director of ASX listed Silver Lake Resources.

#### 3.3 Independence

If re-elected the Board considers Les Davis will be an independent Director.

#### 3.4 Board recommendation

The Board has reviewed Les Davis's performance since his appointment to the Board and considers that Les Davis's skills and experience will continue to enhance the Board's ability to perform its role. Accordingly, the Board supports the re-election of Les Davis and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 2.

#### 4. RESOLUTION 3 – ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – TONY POLGLASE

#### 4.1 General

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 the Constitution and Listing Rule 14.4, any Director so appointed holds office only until the next annual 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.

Tony Polglase, having been appointed by other Directors on 21 May 2020 in accordance with the Constitution, will retire in accordance with the Constitution and Listing Rule 14.4 and being eligible, seeks election from Shareholders.

#### 4.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

Tony Polglase has more than 40 years of multi-disciplined mining experience across ten different countries and is qualified in mechanical and electrical engineering with an honours degree in metallurgy. Tony has significant experience in the development and operation of mining projects, having been responsible for, or closely involved with, the commissioning of more than seven mines.

Most recently, Tony Polglase was a driving force behind Avanco Resources Ltd. Avanco successfully transitioned from explorer to producer after discovering Antas, one of the world's highest grade copper deposits in Brazil. Under Tony's guidance, Avanco went on to develop Antas on-time and on-budget. Avanco was acquired in 2018 by OZ Minerals Ltd for ~\$430 million.

Tony Polglase's operational experience involves both open-pit and underground mines as well as processing and maintenance management.

#### 4.3 Independence

Tony Polglase has no interests, position or relationship that might influence, or reasonably be perceived to influence, in a material respect his/her capacity to bring an independent judgement to bear on issues before the Board and to act in the best interest of the Company as a whole rather than in the interests of an individual security holder or other party.

If elected the Board considers Tony Polglase will be an independent Director.

#### 4.4 Other material information

The Company conducts appropriate checks on the background and experience of candidates before their appointment to the Board. These include checks as to a person's experience, educational qualifications, character, criminal record and bankruptcy history. The Company undertook such checks prior to the appointment of Tony Polglase.

#### 4.5 Board recommendation

The Board has reviewed Tony Polglase's performance since his appointment to the Board and considers that Tony Polglase's skills and experience will continue to enhance the Board's ability to perform its role. Accordingly, the Board supports the election of Tony Polglase and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 3.

#### 5. RESOLUTION 4 – APPROVAL OF 7.1A MANDATE

#### 5.1 General

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

However, under Listing Rule 7.1A, an eligible entity may seek shareholder approval by way of a special resolution passed at its annual general meeting to increase this 15% limit by an extra 10% to 25% (7.1A Mandate).

An 'eligible entity' means an entity which is not included in the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a market capitalisation of \$300,000,000 or less. The Company is an eligible entity for these purposes.

Resolution 4 seeks Shareholder approval by way of special resolution for the Company to have the additional 10% placement capacity provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A to issue Equity Securities without Shareholder approval.

If Resolution 4 is passed, the Company will be able to issue Equity Securities up to the combined 25% limit in Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A without any further Shareholder approval.

If Resolution 4 is not passed, the Company will not be able to access the additional 10% capacity to issue Equity Securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1A, and will remain subject to the 15% limit on issuing Equity Securities without Shareholder approval set out in Listing Rule 7.1.

#### 5.2 Technical information required by Listing Rule 7.1A

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.3A, the information below is provided in relation to Resolution 4:

#### (a) Period for which the 7.1A Mandate is valid

The 7.1A Mandate will commence on the date of the Meeting and expire on the first to occur of the following:

- (i) the date that is 12 months after the date of this Meeting;
- (ii) the time and date of the Company's next annual general meeting; and
- (iii) the time and date of approval by Shareholders of any transaction under Listing Rule 11.1.2 (a significant change in the nature or scale of activities) or Listing Rule 11.2 (disposal of the main undertaking).

#### (b) Minimum Price

Any Equity Securities issued under the 7.1A Mandate must be in an existing quoted class of Equity Securities and be issued at a minimum price of 75% of the volume weighted average price of Equity Securities in that class, calculated over the 15 trading days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- (i) the date on which the price at which the Equity Securities are to be issued is agreed by the entity and the recipient of the Equity Securities; or
- (ii) if the Equity Securities are not issued within 10 trading days of the date in Section 5.2(b)(i), the date on which the Equity Securities are issued.

#### (c) Use of funds raised under the 7.1A Mandate

The Company intends to use funds raised from issues of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate to advance its exploration and feasibility programs, project development and general working capital purposes.

#### (d) Risk of Economic and Voting Dilution

Any issue of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate will dilute the interests of Shareholders who do not receive any Shares under the issue.

If Resolution 4 is approved by Shareholders and the Company issues the maximum number of Equity Securities available under the 7.1A Mandate, the economic and voting dilution of existing Shares would be as shown in the table below.

The table below shows the dilution of existing Shareholders calculated in accordance with the formula outlined in Listing Rule 7.1A.2, on the basis of the closing market price of Shares and the number of Equity Securities on issue as at 16 October 2020.

The table also shows the voting dilution impact where the number of Shares on issue (Variable A in the formula) changes and the economic dilution where there are changes in the issue price of Shares issued under the 7.1A Mandate.

Dilution			ution			
Number of Shares on Issue (Variable A in Listing Rule 7.1A.2)		Shares issued – 10% voting dilution	Issue Price			
			\$0.395	\$0.790	\$1.19	
			50% decrease	Issue Price	50% increase	
			Funds Raised			
Current	110,287,667 Shares	11,028,766 Shares	\$4,356,362	\$8,712,725	\$13,069,087	
50% increase	165,431,501 Shares	16,543,150 Shares	\$6,534,544	\$13,069,088	\$19,603,632	
100% increase	220,575,334 Shares	22,057,533 Shares	\$8,712,725	\$17,425,451	\$26,138,176	

<sup>\*</sup>The number of Shares on issue (Variable A in the formula) could increase as a result of the issue of Shares that do not require Shareholder approval (such as under a prorata rights issue or scrip issued under a takeover offer) or that are issued with Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1.

#### The table above uses the following assumptions:

- 1. There are currently 110,287,667 Shares on issue as at the date of this Notice of Meeting;
- 2. The issue price set out above is the closing market price of the Shares on the ASX on 16 October 2020.
- 3. The Company issues the maximum possible number of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate.
- 4. The Company has not issued any Equity Securities in the 12 months prior to the Meeting that were not issued under an exception in Listing Rule 7.2 or with approval under Listing Rule 7.1.
- 5. The issue of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate consists only of Shares. It is assumed that no Options are exercised into Shares before the date of issue of the Equity Securities.
- 6. The calculations above do not show the dilution that any one particular Shareholder will be subject to. All Shareholders should consider the dilution caused to their own shareholding depending on their specific circumstances.
- 7. This table does not set out any dilution pursuant to approvals under Listing Rule 7.1 unless otherwise disclosed.
- 8. The 10% voting dilution reflects the aggregate percentage dilution against the issued share capital at the time of issue. This is why the voting dilution is shown in each example as 10%.
- 9. The table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of placements under the 7.1A mandate, based on that Shareholder's holding at the date of the Meeting.

#### Shareholders should note that there is a risk that:

- (i) the market price for the Company's Shares may be significantly lower on the issue date than on the date of the Meeting; and
- (ii) the Shares may be issued at a price that is at a discount to the market price for those Shares on the date of issue.

#### (e) Allocation policy under the 7.1A Mandate

The recipients of the Equity Securities to be issued under the 7.1A Mandate have not yet been determined. However, the recipients of Equity Securities could consist of current Shareholders or new investors (or both), none of whom will be related parties of the Company.

The Company will determine the recipients at the time of the issue under the 7.1A Mandate, having regard to the following factors:

- (i) the purpose of the issue;
- (ii) alternative methods for raising funds available to the Company at that time, including, but not limited to, an entitlement issue, share purchase plan, placement or other offer where existing Shareholders may participate;
- (iii) the effect of the issue of the Equity Securities on the control of the Company;
- (iv) the circumstances of the Company, including, but not limited to, the financial position and solvency of the Company;
- (v) prevailing market conditions; and
- (vi) advice from corporate, financial and broking advisers (if applicable).

#### (f) Previous approval under Listing Rule 7.1A

The Company previously obtained approval from its Shareholders pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A at its annual general meeting held on 27 November 2019 (**Previous Approval**).

During the 12-month period preceding the date of the Meeting, being on and from 25 November 2019, the Company issued 8,736,708 Shares pursuant to the Previous Approval (**Previous Issue**), which represent approximately 10.38% of the total diluted number of Equity Securities on issue in the Company on 25 November 2019, which was 84,179,618.

Further details of the issues of Equity Securities by the Company pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A.2 during the 12 month period preceding the date of the Meeting are set out below.

The following information is provided in accordance with Listing Rule 7.3A.6(b) in respect of the Previous Issue:

Date of Issue and	Date of Issue: 22 July 2020		
Appendix 2A	Date of Appendix 2A: 22 July 2020		
Recipients	Professional and sophisticated investors as part of a placement announced on 15 July 2020. The placement participants were identified through a bookbuild process, which involved Shaw and Partners seeking expressions of interest to participate in the placement from non-related parties of the Company.		

Number and Class of Equity Securities Issued	8,736,708 Shares <sup>2</sup>		
Issue Price and discount to Market Price <sup>1</sup> (if any)	\$0.82 per Share (at a discount 7.3% to Market Price).		
Total Cash	<b>Amount raised</b> : \$7,164,101		
Consideration and Use of Funds	Amount spent: \$Nil		
	Use of funds: Undertake exploration programs to expand the resource base, to fund mining and milling studies and acquire long lead time items and ongoing working capital.		
	Amount remaining: \$7,164,101		
	Proposed use of remaining funds <sup>3</sup> : Undertake exploration programs to expand the resource base, to fund mining and milling studies and acquire long lead time items and ongoing working capital.		

#### Notes:

- Market Price means the closing price of Shares on ASX (excluding special crossings, overnight sales and exchange traded option exercises). For the purposes of this table the discount is calculated on the Market Price on the last trading day on which a sale was recorded prior to the date of issue of the relevant Equity Securities.
- 2. Fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of the Company, ASX Code:BC8 (terms are set out in the Constitution).
- 3. This is a statement of current intentions as at the date of this Notice. As with any budget, intervening events and new circumstances have the potential to affect the manner in which the funds are ultimately applied. The Board reserves the right to alter the way the funds are applied on this basis.

#### 5.3 Voting Exclusion Statement

As at the date of this Notice, the Company is not proposing to make an issue of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A. Accordingly, a voting exclusion statement is not included in this Notice.

#### 6. RESOLUTION 5 – ADOPTION OF INCENTIVE OPTION PLAN

#### 6.1 General

Resolution 5 seeks Shareholder re-approval of the Company's employee incentive scheme titled "Incentive Option Plan" (**Option Plan**) and for the issue of Options under the Option Plan in accordance with Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)).

The objective of the Option Plan when it was first adopted was to attract, motivate and retain key employees and the Company considers that the adoption of the Option Plan and the future issue of Options under the Option Plan will provide selected employees with the opportunity to participate in the future growth of the Company.

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 exception to Listing Rule 7.1. The Plan was adopted on the Company's listing in January 2018, and therefore in order for the Company to continue to rely on Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 13(b)), the Plan needs to be re-approved at this Meeting.

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 5 is passed, the Company will be able to issue Options under the Option Plan to eligible participants over a period of 3 years. The issue of any Options to eligible participants under the Option Plan (up to the maximum number of Options stated in Section 6.2(c) 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 Option 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 5 is not passed, the Company will be able to proceed with the issue of Options under the Option 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.

#### 6.2 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 5:

- (a) a summary of the key terms and conditions of the Option Plan is set out in Annexure A;
- (b) the Company has issued 1,950,000 Options under the Option Plan since the Company was admitted to the Official List; and
- the maximum number of Securities proposed to be issued under the Option Plan, following Shareholder approval, at any given time will be 5,514,383 (being 5% of the number of the Company's fully paid ordinary shares on issue as at the date of this Notice). This limit will include the number of fully paid ordinary shares issued in the preceding 3 years pursuant to prior offers under an employee incentive plan. It is not envisaged that the maximum number of Securities for which approval is sought will be issued immediately.

#### **GLOSSARY**

\$ means Australian dollars.

**7.1A Mandate** has the meaning given in Section 5.

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

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

#### **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) or the financial market operated by ASX Limited, as the context requires.

**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:

- (d) a spouse or child of the member;
- (e) a child of the member's spouse;
- (f) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- (g) 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;
- (h) a company the member controls; or
- (i) 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 Black Cat Syndicate Limited (ACN 620 896 282).

**Constitution** means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Directors** means the current directors of the Company.

**Equity Securities** includes a Share, a right to a Share or Option, an Option, a convertible security and any security that ASX decides to classify as an Equity Security.

**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.

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

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

**Option** means an option to acquire a Share.

**Option Plan** means the incentive option plan the subject of Resolution 5 as summarised in Schedule 1.

Optionholder means a holder of an Option.

**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 30 June 2020.

**Resolutions** means the resolutions set out in the Notice, or any one of them, as the context requires.

**Section** means a section of the Explanatory Statement.

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

**Shareholder** means a registered holder of a Share.

**Variable A** means "A" as set out in the formula in Listing Rule 7.1A.2.

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

#### ANNEXURE A - SUMMARY OF INCENTIVE OPTION PLAN

The material terms of the Incentive Option Plan (Option Plan) are summarised below:

- (a) **Eligibility**: Participants in the Option Plan may be:
  - (i) a Director (whether executive or non-executive) of the Company and any Associated Body Corporate of the Company (each, a **Group Company**);
  - (ii) a full or part time employee of any Group Company;
  - (iii) a casual employee or contractor of a Group Company to the extent permitted by ASIC Class Order 14/1000 as amended or replaced (Class Order); or
  - (iv) a prospective participant, being a person to whom the offer is made but who can only accept the offer if an arrangement has been entered into that will result in the person becoming a participant under subparagraphs (i), (ii), or (iii) above,

who is declared by the Board to be eligible to receive grants of Options under the Option Plan (Eligible Participant).

- (b) Offer: The Board may, from time to time, in its absolute discretion, make a written offer to any Eligible Participant to apply for up to a specified number of Options, upon the terms set out in the Option Plan and upon such additional terms and conditions as the Board determines.
- (c) Plan limit: The Company must have reasonable grounds to believe, when making an offer, that the number of Shares to be received on exercise of Options offered under an offer, when aggregated with the number of Shares issued or that may be issued as a result of offers made in reliance on the Class Order at any time during the previous 3 year period under an employee incentive scheme covered by the Class Order or an ASIC exempt arrangement of a similar kind to an employee incentive scheme, will not exceed 5% of the total number of Shares on issue at the date of the offer.
- (d) **Issue price:** Unless the Options are quoted on the ASX, Options issued under the Option Plan will be issued for no more than nominal cash consideration.
- (e) **Exercise price**: The Board may determine the Option exercise price (if any) for an Option offered under that Offer in its absolute discretion. To the extent the Listing Rules specify or require a minimum price, the Option exercise price must not be less than any minimum price specified in the Listing Rules.
- (f) **Vesting conditions**: An Option may be made subject to vesting conditions as determined by the Board in its discretion and as specified in the offer for the Option (**Vesting Conditions**).
- (g) Vesting: The Board may in its absolute discretion (except in respect of a change of control occurring where Vesting Conditions are deemed to be automatically waived) by written notice to a Participant (being an Eligible Participant to whom Options have been granted under the Option Plan or their nominee where the Options have been granted to the nominee of the Eligible Participant (Relevant Person)), resolve to waive any of the Vesting Conditions applying to Options due to:

- (i) special circumstances arising in relation to a Relevant Person in respect of those Options, being:
  - (A) a Relevant Person ceasing to be an Eligible Participant due to:
    - (I) death or total or permanent disability of a Relevant Person; or
    - (II) retirement or redundancy of a Relevant Person;
  - (B) a Relevant Person suffering severe financial hardship;
  - (C) any other circumstance stated to constitute "special circumstances" in the terms of the relevant offer made to and accepted by the Participant; or
  - (D) any other circumstances determined by the Board at any time (whether before or after the offer) and notified to the relevant Participant which circumstances may relate to the Participant, a class of Participant, including the Participant or particular circumstances or class of circumstances applying to the Participant,

(Special Circumstances), or

- (ii) a change of control occurring; or
- (iii) the Company passing a resolution for voluntary winding up, or an order is made for the compulsory winding up of the Company.
- (h) Lapse of an Option: An Option will lapse upon the earlier to occur of:
  - (i) an unauthorised dealing in, or hedging of, the Option occurring;
  - (ii) a Vesting Condition in relation to the Option is not satisfied by its due date, or becomes incapable of satisfaction, as determined by the Board in its absolute discretion, unless the Board exercises its discretion to waive the Vesting Conditions and vest the Option in the circumstances set out in paragraph (g) or the Board resolves, in its absolute discretion, to allow the unvested Options to remain unvested after the Relevant Person ceases to be an Eligible Participant;
  - (iii) in respect of unvested Option only, a Relevant Person ceases to be an Eligible Participant, unless the Board exercises its discretion to vest the Option in the circumstances set out in paragraph (g) or the Board resolves, in its absolute discretion, to allow the unvested Options to remain unvested after the Relevant Person ceases to be an Eligible Participant;
  - (iv) in respect of vested Options only, a Relevant Person ceases to be an Eligible Participant and the Options granted in respect of that Relevant Person are not exercised within one (1) month (or such later date as the Board determines) of the date that Relevant Person ceases to be an Eligible Participant;
  - (v) the Board deems that an Option lapses due to fraud, dishonesty or other improper behaviour of the Eligible Participant;

- (vi) the Company undergoes a change of control or a winding up resolution or order is made and the Board does not exercise its discretion to vest the Option; and
- (vii) the expiry date of the Option.
- (i) **Not transferrable**: Subject to the Listing Rules, Options are only transferrable in Special Circumstances with the prior written consent of the Board (which may be withheld in its absolute discretion) or by force of law upon death, to the Participant's legal personal representative or upon bankruptcy to the participant's trustee in bankruptcy.
- (j) **Shares**: Shares resulting from the exercise of the Options shall, subject to any sale restrictions (refer to paragraph (k)), from the date of issue, rank on equal terms with all other Shares on issue.
- (k) Sale restrictions: The Board may, in its discretion, determine at any time up until exercise of Options, that a restriction period will apply to some or all of the Shares issued to a Participant on exercise of those Options (Restriction Period). In addition, the Board may, in its sole discretion, having regard to the circumstances at the time, waive any such Restriction Period.
- (I) Quotation of Shares: If Shares of the same class as those issued upon exercise of Options issued under the Option Plan are quoted on the ASX, the Company will, subject to the Listing Rules, apply to the ASX for those Shares to be quoted on ASX within 10 business days of the later of the date the Shares are issued and the date any Restriction Period applying to the disposal of Shares ends. The Company will not apply for quotation of any Options on the ASX.
- (m) **No participation rights:** There are no participation rights or entitlements inherent in the Options and Participants will not be entitled to participate in new issues of capital offered to Shareholders during the currency of the Options without exercising the Options.
- (n) Change in exercise price or number of underlying securities: An Option does not confer the right to a change in exercise price or in the number of underlying Shares over which the Option can be exercised.
- (o) **Reorganisation:** If, at any time, the issued capital of the Company is reorganised (including consolidation, subdivision, reduction or return), the terms of the Options will be changed in a manner consistent with the Corporations Act and the Listing Rules at the time of the reorganisation.
- (p) Amendments: Subject to express restrictions set out in the Option Plan and complying with the Corporations Act, Listing Rules and any other applicable law, the Board may, at any time, by resolution amend or add to all or any of the provisions of the Option Plan, or the terms or conditions of any Option granted under the Option Plan including giving any amendment retrospective effect.



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#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

For your proxy appointment to be effective it must be received by 10:00 AM (AWST) on Monday, 23 November 2020.

## **Proxy Form**

#### 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.

#### PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

#### **Corporate Representative**

If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to participate in the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Appointment of Corporate Representative". A form may be obtained from Computershare or online at www.investorcentre.com under the help tab, "Printable Forms".

#### **Lodge your Proxy Form:**



#### Online:

Lodge your vote online at www.investorvote.com.au using your secure access information or use your mobile device to scan the personalised QR code.

Your secure access information is



Control Number: 999999 SRN/HIN: 19999999999

PIN: 99999

For Intermediary Online subscribers (custodians) go to www.intermediaryonline.com

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Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited GPO Box 242 Melbourne VIC 3001 Australia

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

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Change of address. If incorrect,
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Securityholders sponsored by a
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