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# AGM NOTICE AND PROXY FORM

Argonaut Resources NL advises that the following documents will be sent to shareholders on Wednesday 21 October 2015:

- Notice of Annual General Meeting 2015
- Proxy Form
- Annual Report (to those shareholders who have requested it)

The Notice of Annual General Meeting and Proxy Form are attached.

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## LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS

29 September 2015

Dear Shareholder

#### **Annual General Meeting**

On behalf of the Board, I am pleased to invite you to attend the Annual General Meeting of Argonaut Resources NL (the **Company**). This will be held at 10.00am (AEDT) on Friday, 20 November 2015 at:

The offices of Franks & Associates Suite 4, Level 9 341 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

Enclosed are the following documents:

- Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement;
- Proxy Form for the Annual General Meeting; and
- Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2015, for those Shareholders who have requested a printed copy.

If you are unable to attend the Meeting, I encourage you to appoint a proxy, by following the instructions on page 3 of the Notice of Meeting. You may also provide questions or comments in advance of the Meeting, by contacting the Company Secretary, using the details set out on page 15 of the Notice.

#### Important notice - 2015 Annual Report

Shareholders are reminded that the Annual Report is only mailed to those Shareholders who have elected to receive it in hard copy. The 2015 Annual Report can be viewed on the Company's website at <u>http://www.argonautresources.com/irm/content/annual-reports.aspx?RID=305</u>.

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual General Meeting.

Yours faithfully

Patrick Elliott Chairman

# **ARGONAUT RESOURCES NL**

# ABN 97 008 084 848

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TIME: 10.00am (AEDT)

DATE: Friday, 20 November 2015

PLACE: The offices of Franks & Associates Suite 4, Level 9 341 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

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, using the contact details on page 15.

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## YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

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

#### VOTING IN PERSON

To vote in person, attend the Annual General Meeting on the date and at the place set out on page 5.

#### APPOINTING A PROXY

A Shareholder who is entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and vote at the Meeting on their behalf. A proxy does not need to be a Shareholder of Argonaut.

If a Shareholder is entitled to cast two or more votes at the Meeting, the Shareholder may appoint two proxies and may specify the percentage or number of votes each proxy can exercise. If the proxy form does not specify the percentage or number of the Shareholder's votes that each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise half of the Shareholder's votes on a poll. Fractions will be disregarded.

To appoint a proxy online, go to <u>www.linkmarketservices.com.au</u> and click the 'Investor & Employee Login' button. You will need your HIN (holder identification number) or SRN (shareholder reference number) to log in.

Alternatively, you can appoint a proxy by completing and signing the enclosed proxy form and sending the form to:

- (a) by post to Link Market Services at Locked Bag A14, Sydney South NSW 1235 Australia; or
- (b) by fax to Link Market Services at (+61 2) 9287 0309.

The deadline for receipt of proxy appointments is 10.00am (AEDT) on Wednesday, 18 November 2015.

#### Proxy appointments received later than this time will be invalid.

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

If the proxy form is signed under a power of attorney on behalf of a Shareholder, then the attorney must make sure that either the original power of attorney or a certified copy is

sent with the proxy form, unless the power of attorney has already been provided to the Share Registry.

#### CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES

If a representative of a corporate Shareholder or a corporate proxy will be attending the Meeting, the representative should bring to the Meeting adequate evidence of their appointment, unless this has previously been provided to the Share Registry.

An appointment of corporate representative form may be obtained from Link Market Services by calling (+61) 1300 554 474 or online at http://www.linkmarketservices.com.au/corporate/InvestorServices/Forms.html.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Shareholders of Argonaut Resources NL will be held at the offices of Franks & Associates, Suite 4, Level 9, 341 George Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000, at 10.00am (AEDT) on Friday, 20 November 2015. Registration will open at 9.30am (AEDT).

The Explanatory Statement to this Notice of Meeting provides additional information on matters to be considered at the AGM. Terms and abbreviations used in this Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement are defined in the Glossary.

The Directors have determined under 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 of the Company at 7.00pm (AEDT) on Wednesday, 18 November 2015.

## AGENDA

## ADOPTION OF ANNUAL REPORT

To receive and consider the Annual Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 June 2015.

Shareholders will be asked to consider, and if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the Resolutions below, which will be proposed as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. **RESOLUTION 1 RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR MR PATRICK ELLIOTT** "That Mr Patrick Elliott be re-elected as a Director of the Company."
- 2. RESOLUTION 2 RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR MR MALCOLM RICHMOND "That Mr Malcolm Richmond be re-elected as a Director of the Company."
- 3. RESOLUTION 3 ADOPTION OF THE REMUNERATION REPORT *"To adopt the Argonaut Remuneration Report for the year ended 30 June 2015."*

Shareholders will be asked to consider, and if thought fit, to pass the Resolution below, which will be proposed as Special Resolution:

## 4. RESOLUTION 4 – APPROVAL OF 10% CAPACITY TO ISSUE EQUITY SECURITIES

"That for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, Shareholders approve the issue of equity securities up to 10% of the issued capital in the Company (at the time of the issue) calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and on the terms and conditions in the Explanatory Statement."

DATED: 29 September 2015

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

ARGONAUT RESOURCES NL ANDREW BURSILL, COMPANY SECRETARY

## Voting Exclusion Statement

For the definitions of Key Management Personnel (KMP) and Closely Related Parties, please refer to the Glossary on page 16.

The Corporations Act restricts members of the KMP of the Company and their Closely Related Parties from voting in relation to remuneration related Resolutions (such as Resolution 3).

In addition, separate voting restrictions apply in respect of Resolution 4 under the ASX Listing Rules.

What this means for Shareholders: If you intend to appoint a member of the KMP (other than the Chairman of the Meeting) as your proxy, please ensure that you direct them how to vote on Resolution 3. If you do not do so, your proxy will not be able to vote on your behalf on Resolution 3.

If you intend to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, you are encouraged to direct him how to vote by marking a box for Resolution 3 (for example if you wish to vote for, or against, or to abstain from voting). If you appoint the Chairman as your proxy without directing him how to vote, the proxy form authorises him to vote as he decides on Resolution 3 (even though those Resolutions are connected with the remuneration of KMP). The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote in favour of Resolution 3 (where permissible).

Resolution	Voting exclusions			
Resolution 3 – Adoption of Remuneration Report	<ul> <li>A vote must not be cast in any capacity by:</li> <li>a current or former member of the KMP whose remuneration details are included in the remuneration report for the year ended 30 June 2015, and</li> <li>any Closely Related Parties of such member of the KMP.</li> <li>In addition, no votes may be cast as a proxy by any other person who has become a member of the KMP by the time of the AGM, or their</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Closely Related Parties.</li> <li>However, the Company need not disregard a vote cast as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote on Resolution 3 if:</li> <li>the vote is cast in accordance with the directions on the proxy form, specifying how the proxy is to vote on the Resolution; or</li> <li>the vote is cast by the Chairman of the Meeting and the proxy form authorises him to vote as he decides on the Resolution (even though it is connected with the remuneration of members of the KMP, including the Chairman).</li> </ul>			
Resolution 4 – Approval of 10% Capacity to Issue Equity	<ul> <li>A vote must not be cast by:</li> <li>the persons who may participate in the proposed issue of the securities, and any persons who might obtain a benefit, except a benefit solely in the capacity of a holder of Shares, if the resolution is passed; and</li> </ul>			

The Company will disregard votes cast on Resolutions 3 and 4 by the persons detailed in the table below.

Securities	- any associates of those persons.
	<ul> <li>However, the Company need not disregard a vote cast as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote on Resolution 4 if:</li> <li>the vote is cast in accordance with the directions on the proxy form, specifying how the proxy is to vote on the Resolution; or</li> </ul>
	- the vote is cast by the Chairman of the Meeting, in accordance with
	a direction on the proxy form, to vote as the proxy decides.

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of the Shareholders of the Company in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday, 20 November 2015 at 10.00am (AEDT).

This purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions in the Notice of Meeting.

## 1. ANNUAL REPORT

The business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the Company's Annual Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 June 2015, which are included in Argonaut's Annual Report.

In accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, Shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity at the Annual General Meeting to ask questions and make comments on the Annual Report, and on the management of Argonaut.

The Company's auditor will be present at the Meeting. During the discussion of this item, the auditor will be available to answer questions on:

- 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.

#### Written questions for the auditor

If you would like to submit a written question about the content of the Auditor's Report or the conduct of the audit of the Annual Financial Report to the Company's auditor, please send your question to the Company Secretary. A list of qualifying questions will be made available at the Meeting.

Please note that all written questions must be received at least five business days before the Meeting, that is by Friday, 13 November 2015.

## 2. RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Clause 6.5(a) of the Constitution requires that one third of the Directors (or if their number is not a multiple of three, then the number nearest one third) must retire at each annual general meeting. It also provides that a Director who retires under clause 6.5(a) is eligible for re-election. A Managing Director (if any) is exempt from this requirement.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 1 - MR PATRICK ELLIOTT**

Mr Elliott will retire by rotation and seeks re-election in accordance with clause 6.5(a) of the Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.4.

#### Brief Curriculum Vitae of Mr Elliott

Non-Executive Chairman

#### Experience and expertise

Mr Elliott has been non-executive Chairman of Argonaut Resources NL for over 12 years. He is an investment banker who has 40 years' experience in financial management and resource investment and development.

#### Current directorships of other listed companies

Chairman of Variscan Mines Limited and Cap-XX Limited (Listed on AIM in the UK) and Director of Global Geoscience Limited.

#### *Former directorships of other listed companies in the last three years* Cuesta Coal Limited

#### Special responsibilities

None

**Board recommendation:** During 2015, the Non-executive Directors reviewed Mr Elliott's performance and provided him with feedback. Following that review, the Directors (with Mr Elliott abstaining) unanimously recommend the re-election of Mr Elliott.

#### **RESOLUTION 2 - MR MALCOLM RICHMOND**

Mr Richmond will retire by rotation and seeks re-election in accordance with clause 6.5(a) of the Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.4.

#### Brief Curriculum Vitae of Mr Richmond

Non-Executive Director

#### Experience and expertise

Professor Richmond is a qualified metallurgist and economist with extensive board experience in the resource and technology industries. He is a fellow of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences & Engineering and the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Professor Richmond spent 30 years with the Rio Tinto and CRA Groups including the position of managing director of research and development and vice president strategy and acquisitions. Immediately prior to his retirement he held the position of managing director of development at Hamersley Iron Pty Limited.

Professor Richmond served as a visiting professor at the University of Western Australia until January 2012, teaching in the MBA programme.

#### Current directorships of other listed companies

Chairman of Strike Resources Limited.

#### Former directorships of other listed companies in the last three years

Water Resources Group Limited, Cuervo Resources Inc (listed on CSE) and Advanced Braking Technology Limited.

# Special responsibilities

None

**Board recommendation:** During 2015, the Non-executive Directors reviewed Mr Richmond's performance and provided him with feedback. Following that review, the Directors (with Mr Richmond abstaining) unanimously recommend the re-election of Mr Richmond.

## 3. RESOLUTION 3 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

The Remuneration Report is set out in the Annual Report. The Remuneration Report details the Company's remuneration arrangements for the Directors and senior management of the Company.

S250R(2) of the Corporations Act requires that a resolution to adopt the Remuneration Report be put to the vote of the Company. Shareholders should note that the vote on Resolution 3 is advisory only and not binding on the Company or its Directors.

However, under the Corporations Act, if at least 25% of the votes cast on Resolution 3 are against the adoption of the Remuneration Report then:

- if comments are made on the Remuneration Report at the Meeting, Argonaut's 2016 Remuneration Report will be required to include an explanation of the Board's proposed action in response or, if no action is proposed, the Board's reasons for this; and
- if, at next year's AGM, at least 25% of the votes cast on the resolution for adoption of the 2016 Remuneration Report are against it, Argonaut will be required to put to Shareholders a resolution proposing that an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) be called to consider the election of Directors (Spill Resolution). If the Spill Resolution is passed (i.e. more than 50% of the votes cast are in favour of it), all of the Directors (other than the Managing Director) will cease to hold office at the subsequent EGM, unless re-elected at that Meeting.

Last year, a resolution was passed to adopt the 2014 Remuneration Report, with in excess of 75% of votes cast in favour of the resolution on a poll.

In accordance with the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity at the Annual General Meeting to ask questions and make comments on the Remuneration Report.

**Board recommendation:** The Remuneration Report forms part of the Directors' Report, which was approved in accordance with a unanimous resolution of the Board. Each Non-Executive Director recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of adopting the Remuneration Report.

## ASX Listing Rule 7.1

ASX Listing Rule 7.1 restricts listed companies in relation to the number of equity securities that they can issue or agree to issue without shareholder approval. Generally, a listed company cannot, in any 12 month period, issue a number of equity securities which is more than 15% of their fully paid ordinary shares on issue without shareholder approval (15% limit), unless an exception applies. The Company has not exceeded this 15% limit.

## ASX Listing Rule 7.1A

ASX Listing Rule 7.1A enables eligible entities to issue equity securities up to 10% of their issued capital through placements over a 12 month period after an annual general meeting. This 10% placement capacity (**10% limit**) is in addition to the Company's 15% limit under ASX Listing Rule 7.1.

An eligible entity for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.1A is an entity that is not included in the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a market capitalisation of \$300 million or less. The Company is an eligible entity.

## Shareholder approval

Shareholder approval is now sought in accordance with ASX Listing Rule 7.1A to give the Company the ability to issue equity securities under the 10% limit. Resolution 4 must be passed as a Special Resolution, meaning that at least 75 per cent of the votes cast at the AGM must be in favour of Resolution 4.

## Current securities on issue

As at the date of this Notice, the Company has the following classes and numbers of equity securities on issue:

Security Class	Number on issue
Shares	443,791,701
Listed Options, exercise price \$0.06, expiry date	38,004,957
31 March 2017	
Unlisted Options, exercise price \$0.15, expiry	10,000,000
date 11 December 2015	
Unlisted Options, exercise price \$0.10, expiry	7,000,000
date 31 December 2015	

## Duration of approval of 10% limit

Shareholder approval of the 10% limit under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A is valid from the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained and expires on the earlier to occur of:

- (i) the date that is 12 months after the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained; or
- (ii) the date of the approval by shareholders of a transaction under ASX Listing Rule 11.1.2 (a significant change to the nature or scale of activities) or ASX Listing Rule 11.2 (disposal of main undertaking),(the **period of approval**).

## Formula for calculation of 10% limit

The exact number of equity securities to be issued under the 10% limit will be determined in accordance with the following formula, which is prescribed in ASX Listing Rule 7.1A.2:

Eligible entities which have obtained shareholder approval at an annual general meeting may issue or agree to issue, during the period of approval, a number of equity securities calculated in accordance with the following formula:

## (A x D) – E

- *A* is the number of shares on issue 12 months before the date of issue or agreement:
  - plus the number of fully paid ordinary shares issued in the 12 months under an exception in ASX Listing Rule 7.2;
  - plus the number of partly paid ordinary shares that became fully paid in the 12 months;
  - plus the number of fully paid ordinary shares issued in the 12 months with approval of holders of shares under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 or ASX Listing Rule 7.4. This does not include an issue of fully paid ordinary shares under the entity's 15% limit without shareholder approval;
  - less the number of fully paid ordinary shares cancelled in the 12 months.

Note that A has the same meaning in ASX Listing Rule 7.1 when calculating an entity's 15% limit.

- **D** is 10%
- *E* is the number of equity securities issued or agreed to be issued under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A.2 in the 12 months before the date of the issue or agreement to issue that are not issued with the approval of shareholders under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 or ASX Listing Rule 7.4.

ASX Listing Rule 7.3A requires the following information to be provided to Shareholders:

## (a) Minimum Price

The issue price of equity securities issued under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A must be not less than 75% of the VWAP of the Company's equity securities in the same class, calculated over the 15 Trading Days immediately before:

- (i) the date on which the price at which the equity securities are to be issued is agreed; or
- (ii) if the equity securities are not issued within 5 Trading Days of the date in paragraph (i) above, the date on which the equity securities are issued.

## (b) Risk of voting dilution

If Resolution 4 is approved by Shareholders and the Company issues equity securities under the 10% limit, the existing Shareholders' voting power in the Company will be diluted as shown in the below table. There is a risk that:

- (i) the market price for the Company's equity securities may be significantly lower on the date of the issue of the equity securities than on the date of the Meeting; and
- the equity securities may be issued at a price that is at a discount to the market price for the Company's equity securities on the issue date or the equity securities are issued as part of the consideration for the acquisition of a new asset;

which may have an effect on the amount of funds raised by the issue of the equity securities.

The below table below shows the dilution of existing Shareholders on the basis of the current market price of Shares and the current number of Shares for variable 'A', calculated in accordance with the formula in ASX Listing Rule 7.1A(2), as at the date of this Notice.

The table also shows:

- (i) two examples where variable 'A' has increased, by 50% and 100%. Variable 'A' is based on the number of Shares the Company currently has on issue. The number of Shares on issue may increase as a result of issues of Shares that do not require Shareholder approval (for example, a pro rata entitlements issue or scrip issued under a takeover offer) or future specific placements under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 that are approved at a future Shareholders' meeting; and
- (ii) two examples of where the issue price of Shares has decreased by 50% and increased by 100% as against the current market price.

		Dilution		
Variable 'A' in ASX Listing Rule 7.1A.2		<b>\$0.003</b> 50% decrease in Issue Price	<b>\$0.006</b> Issue Price	<b>\$0.012</b> 100% increase in Issue Price
Current Variable 'A' 443,791,701	10% Voting Dilution	44,379,170	44,379,170	44,379,170
	Funds Raised \$	133,138	266,275	532,550
50% increase in current variable 'A' 665,687,551	10% Voting Dilution	66,568,755	66,568,755	66,568,755
	Funds Raised \$	199,706	399,413	798,825
100% increase in current variable 'A' 887,583,402	10% Voting Dilution	88,758,340	88,758,340	88,758,340
	Funds Raised \$	266,275	532,550	1,065,100

The above table has been prepared on the following assumptions:

(i) the Company issues the maximum number of equity securities available under the 10% limit.

- (ii) no Options (including any Options issued under the 10% limit) are exercised into Shares before the date of the issue of equity securities.
- (iii) 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%.
- (iv) the table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of placements under the 10% limit, based on that Shareholder's holding at the date of the Meeting;
- (v) the table shows only the effect of issue of equity securities under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A, not under the 15% limit under ASX Listing Rule 7.1;
- (vi) the issue of equity securities under the 10% limit consists only of Shares. If the issue of equity securities includes Options, it is assumed that those Options are exercised into Shares for the purpose of calculating the voting dilution effect on existing Shareholders.
- (vii) the issue price is \$0.006 being the closing market price of the Shares on the ASX on 10 September 2015.

## (c) **Period of approval**

The Company will only issue and allot the equity securities during the period of approval. The approval under Resolution 4 for the issue of the equity securities will cease to be valid in the event that Shareholders approve a transaction under ASX Listing Rule 11.1.2 (a significant change to the nature or scale of activities) or ASX Listing Rule 11.2 (disposal of main undertaking).

#### (d) Purpose of issue under 10% limit

The Company may seek to issue the equity securities for the following purposes:

(i) Cash consideration. In such circumstances, the Company intends to use the funds raised towards continued precious metals exploration (principally in the areas of copper and gold) and feasibility study expenditure on the Company's current assets and general working capital.

The Company will comply with the disclosure obligations under ASX Listing Rules 7.1A(4) and 3.10.5A upon issue of any equity securities.

## (e) Allocation policy

The Company's allocation policy is dependent on the prevailing market conditions at the time of any proposed issue pursuant to the 10% limit. The identity of the allottees of equity securities will be determined on a case by case basis, having regard to the factors including but not limited to the following:

- (i) the purpose of the issue;
- the alternative methods for raising funds that are available to the Company at the time, including but not limited to, rights issues or other issues in which existing security holders can participate;
- (iii) the effect of the issue of the equity securities on the control of the Company;

- (iv) the circumstances of the Company, including the financial position and solvency of the Company; and
- (v) advice from corporate, financial and broking advisers (if available).

The allottees under the 10% limit have not been determined as at the date of this Notice but may include existing substantial Shareholders and/or new Shareholders who are not related parties or associates of a related party of the Company.

#### (f) Voting exclusion statement

A voting exclusion statement applies to this item of business, as set out in the Notice of Meeting.

At the date of the Notice, the Company has not approached any particular existing Shareholder or security holder to participate in the issue of the equity securities. No existing Shareholder's votes will therefore be excluded under the voting exclusion in this Notice.

#### (g) Previous approval under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A

The Company previously obtained Shareholder approval under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A at the Company's Annual General Meeting on 19 November 2014.

During the 12 months preceding the date of this Meeting, being from and including 20 November 2014 to and including 20 November 2015 (**preceding 12 month period**) the Company has not issued any equity securities.

**Board recommendation:** The Directors unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of approving the 10% limit. This will enable the Company to have the flexibility to issue further equity securities representing up to 15% of the Company's share capital under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 and an additional 10% of the Company's share capital under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A during a 12 month period without seeking further Shareholder approval.

#### **ENQUIRIES**

Shareholders may contact the Company Secretary if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

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## GLOSSARY

AEDT means Australian Eastern Daylight Time, Sydney, New South Wales.

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

Argonaut Group means Argonaut and its controlled entities.

ASX means ASX Limited (ABN 97 008 084 848).

ASX Listing Rules means the Listing Rules of ASX.

**Board** means the board of Directors of the Company as constituted from time to time.

**Closely Related Parties**, in relation to a member of KMP, means the member's spouse, child or dependant (or a child or dependant of the member's spouse), anyone else in the member's family who may be expected to influence or be influenced by the member in the member's dealings with Argonaut (or the Argonaut Group), and any company the member controls.

Company or Argonaut means Argonaut Resources NL (ABN 97 008 084 848).

Constitution means the Constitution of the Company.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

Directors mean the directors of the Company.

**Documents** means each of the Notice, Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form and all other documents that accompany each other when sent to each Shareholder.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice.

**Key Management Personnel** or **KMP** means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of Argonaut or the Argonaut Group, whether directly or indirectly. Members of the KMP include Directors and certain senior executives.

Notice means the notice of Meeting that accompanies and forms part of the Documents.

**Option** means an option, if exercised in accordance with its terms, to acquire one Share in the Company.

**Ordinary Resolution** means a resolution passed by more than 50 per cent of the votes at a general meeting of Shareholders.

**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.

Share Registry means Link Market Services

**Special Resolution** means a resolution passed by at least 75 per cent of the votes at a general meeting of Shareholders.

Trading Day has the meaning given to that term in Listing Rule 19.12.

**VWAP** means the volume weighted average price of trading in Shares on the ASX market and the Chi-X market over a specified period, excluding block trades, large portfolio trades, permitted trades during the pre-trading hours period, permitted trades during the posttrading hours period, out of hours trades ad exchange traded option exercises.

#### Interpretation

In these Documents, unless the context requires otherwise:

- (a) a reference to a word includes the singular and the plural of the word and vice versa;
- (b) a reference to a gender includes any gender;
- (c) if a word or phrase is defined, then other parts of speech and grammatical forms of that word or phrase have a corresponding meaning;
- (d) a term which refers to a natural person includes a company, a partnership, an association, a corporation, a body corporate, a joint venture or a governmental agency;
- (e) headings are included for convenience only and do not affect interpretation;
- (f) a reference to a document includes a reference to that document as amended, novated, supplemented, varied or replaced;
- (g) a reference to a thing includes a part of that thing and includes but is not limited to a right;
- (h) the terms "included", "including" and similar expressions when introducing a list of items do not exclude a reference to other items of the same class or genus;
- (i) a reference to a statute or statutory provision includes but is not limited to:
  - (i) a statute or statutory provision which amends, extends, consolidates or replaces the statute or statutory provision;
  - (ii) a statute or statutory provision which has been amended, extended, consolidated or replaced by the statute or statutory provision; and
  - (iii) subordinate legislation made under the statute or statutory provision including but not limited to an order, regulation, or instrument;
- (j) reference to "\$", "A\$", "Australian Dollars" or "dollars" is a reference to the lawful tender for the time being and from time to time of the Commonwealth of Australia; and
- (k) a reference to an asset includes all property or title of any nature including but not limited to a business, a right, a revenue and a benefit, whether beneficial, legal or otherwise.



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# **PROXY FORM**

I/We being a member(s) of Argonaut Resources NL and entitled to attend and vote hereby appoint:

#### **APPOINT A PROXY**

the Chairman of the Meeting *(mark box)*  **OR** if you are **NOT** appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy

or failing the person or body corporate named, or if no person or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act on my/our behalf (including to vote in accordance with the following directions or, if no directions have been given and to the extent permitted by the law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held at **10:00am on Friday, 20 November 2015 at The offices of Franks & Associates, Suite 4, Level 9, 341 George Street, Sydney NSW 2000** (the **Meeting**) and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

**Important for Resolution 3:** If the Chairman of the Meeting is your proxy, either by appointment or by default, and you have not indicated your voting intention below, you expressly authorise the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise the proxy in respect of Resolution 3, even though the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel (**KMP**).

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business.

For Against Abstain\*

## **VOTING DIRECTIONS**

Proxies will only be valid and accepted by the Company if they are signed and received no later than 48 hours before the Meeting. Please read the voting instructions overleaf before marking any boxes with an  $\boxtimes$ 

#### Resolutions

- 1 Re-election of Director Mr Patrick Elliott
- 2 Re-election of Director Mr Malcolm Richmond
- 3 Adoption of the Remuneration Report
- 4 Approval of 10% Capacity to Issue Equity Securities



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\* If you mark the Abstain box for a particular Item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or on a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

## SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDERS – THIS MUST BE COMPLETED

Shareholder 1 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 2 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 3 (Individual)

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#### Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary

#### Director/Company Secretary (Delete one)

Director

This form should be signed by the shareholder. If a joint holding, either shareholder may sign. If signed by the shareholder's attorney, the power of attorney must have been previously noted by the registry or a certified copy attached to this form. If executed by a company, the form must be executed in accordance with the company's constitution and the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).



#### YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

This is your name and address as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, please make the correction on the form. Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes. **Please note: you cannot change ownership of your shares using this form.** 

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PROXY**

If you wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, mark the box in Step 1. If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that individual or body corporate in Step 1. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.

#### **DEFAULT TO CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING**

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will default to the Chairman of the Meeting, who is required to vote those proxies as directed. Any undirected proxies that default to the Chairman of the Meeting will be voted according to the instructions set out in this Proxy Form, including where the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of KMP.

#### **VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS – PROXY APPOINTMENT**

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark in one of the boxes opposite each item of business. All your shares will be voted in accordance with such a direction unless you indicate only a portion of voting rights are to be voted on any item by inserting the percentage or number of shares you wish to vote in the appropriate box or boxes. If you do not mark any of the boxes on the items of business, 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.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF A SECOND PROXY**

You are entitled to appoint up to two persons as proxies to attend the Meeting and vote on a poll. If you wish to appoint a second proxy, an additional Proxy Form may be obtained by telephoning the Company's share registry or you may copy this form and return them both together.

To appoint a second proxy you must:

(a) on each of the first Proxy Form and the second Proxy Form state the percentage of your voting rights or number of shares applicable to that form. If the appointments do not specify the percentage or number of votes that each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise half your votes. Fractions of votes will be disregarded; and

(b) return both forms together.

#### SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

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

Individual: where the holding is in one name, the holder must sign.

**Joint Holding:** where the holding is in more than one name, either shareholder may sign.

**Power of Attorney:** to sign under Power of Attorney, you must lodge the Power of Attorney with the registry. If you have not previously lodged this document for notation, 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 indicate the office held by signing in the appropriate place.

#### **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES**

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" should be produced prior to admission in accordance with the Notice of Meeting. A form of the certificate may be obtained from the Company's share registry or online at www.linkmarketservices.com.au.

#### LODGEMENT OF A PROXY FORM

This Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed) must be received at an address given below by **10:00am on Wednesday, 18 November 2015,** being not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Form received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

Proxy Forms may be lodged using the reply paid envelope or:

#### ONLINE

#### www.linkmarketservices.com.au

Login to the Link website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Select 'Voting' and follow the prompts to lodge your vote. To use the online lodgement facility, shareholders will need their "Holder Identifier" (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN) as shown on the front of the Proxy Form).

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