# AVANCO RESOURCES LIMITED ACN 126 379 646

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TIME: 2.00pm AEST

**DATE**: 30 May 2016

PLACE: Buckingham Rook II Room Stamford Plaza Melbourne Hotel 111 Little Collins Street Melbourne, Victoria

This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 9324 1865.

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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Time and place of Meeting

Notice is given that the Meeting will be held at 2.00pm AEST on Monday 30 May 2016 at:

Buckingham Rook II Room Stamford Plaza Melbourne Hotel 111 Little Collins Street Melbourne, Victoria

### Your vote is important

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

### Voting eligibility

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 2.00pm AEST on 28 May 2016.

### Voting in person

To vote in person, attend the Meeting at the time, date and place set out above.

### Voting by proxy

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

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 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 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 two (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:
  - > the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting; or
  - > 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.

# **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 31 December 2015 together with the declaration of the directors, the director's report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

### 2. **RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as a **non-binding resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the Remuneration Report as contained in the Company's annual financial report for the financial year ended 31 December 2015."

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

### Voting Prohibition Statement:

A vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of either of the following persons:

- (a) a member of the Key Management Personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or
- (b) a Closely Related Party of such a member.

However, a person (the **voter**) described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:

- (c) the voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; or
- (d) the voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy:
  - (i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; and
  - (ii) expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

### 3. RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF A DIRECTOR – MR SCOTT FUNSTON

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 11.3 of the Constitution, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Mr Scott Funston, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

## 4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF A DIRECTOR – MR SIMON MOTTRAM

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 11.3 of the Constitution, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Mr Simon Mottram, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

## 5. **RESOLUTION 4 – RE-ELECTION OF A DIRECTOR – MR VERNON TIDY**

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

"That, for the purpose of clauses 11.11 and 11.12 of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Mr Vernon Tidy, a Director who was appointed on 20 July 2015, retires, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

## 6. **RESOLUTION 5 – ISSUE OF OPTIONS TO COLIN JONES**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of Section 208 of the Corporations Act, ASX Listing Rule 10.11 and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue 5,000,000 Options to Colin Jones (or his nominee) on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement."

**Voting Exclusion**: The Company will disregard any votes cast on this Resolution by Colin Jones (or his nominee) and any of their associates. However, the Company need not disregard a vote if it is cast by a person as a proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with the directions on the Proxy Form, or, it is cast by the person chairing the meeting as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with a direction on the Proxy Form to vote as the proxy decides.

### Voting Prohibition Statement:

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

## 7. RESOLUTION 6 – ISSUE OF OPTIONS TO VERNON TIDY

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, the following resolution as an **ordinary** resolution:

"That, for the purposes of Section 208 of the Corporations Act, ASX Listing Rule 10.11 and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue 5,000,000 Options to Vernon Tidy (or his nominee) on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement." **Voting Exclusion**: The Company will disregard any votes cast on this Resolution by Vernon Tidy (or his nominee) and any of their associates. However, the Company need not disregard a vote if it is cast by a person as a proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with the directions on the Proxy Form, or, it is cast by the person chairing the meeting as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with a direction on the Proxy Form to vote as the proxy decides.

### Voting Prohibition Statement:

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

### 8. **RESOLUTION 7 – REPLACEMENT OF CONSTITUTION**

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

"That, for the purposes of section 136(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to repeal its existing Constitution and adopt a new constitution in its place in the form as signed by the chairman of the Meeting for identification purposes."

Dated 28 April 2016

By order of the Board

Scott Funston Company Secretary

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions.

# 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Constitution, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 together with the declaration of the directors, the directors' report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

The Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless specifically requested to do so. The Company's annual financial report is available on its website at www.avancoresources.com.

# 2. **RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT**

## 2.1 General

The Corporations Act requires that at a listed company's annual general meeting, a resolution that the remuneration report be adopted must be put to the shareholders. However, such a resolution is advisory only and does not bind the company or the directors of the company.

The remuneration report sets out the company's remuneration arrangements for the directors and senior management of the company. The remuneration report is part of the directors' report contained in the annual financial report of the company for a financial year.

The chair of the meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for its shareholders to ask questions about or make comments on the remuneration report at the annual general meeting.

### 2.2 Voting consequences

Under changes to the Corporations Act which came into effect on 1 July 2011, a company is required to put to its shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of another meeting of shareholders to consider the appointment of directors of the company (**Spill Resolution**) if, at consecutive annual general meetings, at least 25% of the votes cast on a remuneration report resolution are voted against adoption of the remuneration report and at the first of those annual general meetings a Spill Resolution was not put to vote. If required, the Spill Resolution must be put to vote at the second of those annual general meetings.

If more than 50% of votes cast are in favour of the Spill Resolution, the company must convene a shareholder meeting (**Spill Meeting**) within 90 days of the second annual general meeting.

All of the directors of the company who were in office when the directors' report (as included in the company's annual financial report for the most recent financial year) was approved, other than the managing director of the company, will cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting but may stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

Following the Spill Meeting those persons whose election or re-election as directors of the company is approved will be the directors of the company.

## 2.3 Previous voting results

At the Company's previous annual general meeting the votes cast against the remuneration report considered at that annual general meeting were less than 25%. Accordingly, the Spill Resolution is not relevant for this Annual General Meeting.

## 2.4 Proxy voting restrictions

Shareholders appointing a proxy for this Resolution should note the following:

Proxy	Directions given	No directions given
Key Management Personnel <sup>1</sup>	Vote as directed	Unable to vote <sup>3</sup>
Chair <sup>2</sup>	Vote as directed	Able to vote at discretion of Proxy <sup>4</sup>
Other	Vote as directed	Able to vote at discretion of Proxy

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Refers to Key Management Personnel (other than the Chair) whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of such a member.

<sup>2</sup> Refers to the Chair (where he/she is also a member of the Key Management Personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report), or a Closely Related Party of such a member).

<sup>3</sup> Undirected proxies granted to these persons will not be voted and will not be counted in calculating the required majority if a poll is called on this Resolution.

<sup>4</sup> The Proxy Form notes it is the Chair's intention to vote all undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions.

# 3. RESOLUTIONS 2 AND 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS – SCOTT FUNSTON AND SIMON MOTTRAM

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

Clause 11.3 of the Constitution provides that at each annual general meeting of the Company, one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not a multiple of three (3), then the number nearest one-third, and any other Director who is not in such one-third who has held office for three (3) years or more (except a Managing Director), must retire from office. Any Director appointed by the Directors to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Directors under clause 11.11 of the Constitution is not taken into account when determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation.

Clause 11.5 of the Constitution provides that the Directors to retire at any annual general meeting of the Company must be 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 must (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.

A Director who retires by rotation under clause 11.3 of the Constitution is eligible for re-election.

The Company currently has seven (7) Directors. Mr Anthony Polglase is the Managing Director and therefore not subject to retirement by rotation. Accordingly, Mr Scott Funston and Simon Mottram must retire by rotation in accordance with the Constitution.

Mr Funston is a qualified Chartered Accountant and Company Secretary with 15 years' experience in the mining industry and the accounting profession. His expertise is financial management, regulatory compliance and corporate advice. Mr Funston possesses a strong knowledge of the Australian Securities Exchange requirements and currently assists or has previously assisted a number of resources companies operating throughout Australia, South America, Asia, USA and Canada with financial accounting, stock exchange compliance and regulatory activities.

Mr Mottram is a geologist with over 20 years' experience predominantly in iron oxide copper gold, nickel sulphide and precious metals. Having held senior management positions with a number of successful mining companies both in Australia and overseas Mr Mottram has extensive knowledge in base and precious metal evaluations, and has seen a number of discoveries advanced through to commercial mine development and has been central to several significant exploration successes.

His exploration experience aligns extremely well with Avanco's projects and Mr Mottram is an expert in the application of modern exploration techniques, largescale drill programmes and feasibility studies. Mr Mottram is a graduate of Melbourne RMIT University, a Fellow of the AusIMM, is fluent in Portuguese, and assumes responsibility for all of the company's exploration activities.

The Directors (other than Mr Scott Funston and Mr Simon Mottram who have an interest in the outcome of Resolutions 2 and 3 respectively) support the re-election of both Mr Scott Funston and Mr Simon Mottram as Directors.

# 4. **RESOLUTION 4 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – VERNON TIDY**

Clauses 11.11 and 11.12 of the Constitution of the Company provide that the Directors may at any time appoint 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, but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at that meeting.

Vernon Tidy retires in accordance with the Constitution and, being eligible for reelection, offers himself for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

Mr Tidy is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. As Partner of Ernst & Young's Perth office, Mr Tidy was head of the mining and metals industry group. Mr Tidy brings compelling skills encompassing corporate governance and critical review of financial compliance gained from servicing mining clients varying from the largest multinationals through to junior explorers. It includes experience with projects in Australia, South America, South East Asia and Africa providing exposure to the ASX, LSE, AIM and TSX stock exchanges.

The Directors (other than Mr Vernon Tidy who has an interest in the outcome of this Resolution) support the re-election of Mr Tidy as Director.

# 5. **RESOLUTIONS 5 AND 6 – ISSUE OF OPTIONS TO DIRECTORS**

## 5.1 General

The Company has agreed, subject to obtaining Shareholder approval, to grant a total of 10,000,000 Options (**Director Options**) to Colin Jones and Vernon Tidy (**Related Parties**), on the terms and conditions set out below.

For a public company, or an entity that the public company controls, to give a financial benefit to a related party of the public company, the public company or entity must:

- (a) obtain the approval of the public company's members in the manner set out in Sections 217 to 227 of the Corporations Act; and
- (b) give the benefit within 15 months following such approval,

unless the giving of the financial benefit falls within an exception set out in Sections 210 to 216 of the Corporations Act.

The grant of the Director Options constitutes the giving of a financial benefit, and Messrs Jones and Tidy are related parties of the Company by virtue of being Directors.

In addition, ASX Listing Rule 10.11 also requires shareholder approval to be obtained where an entity issues, or agrees to issue, securities to a related party, or a person whose relationship with the entity or a related party is, in ASX's opinion, such that approval should be obtained unless an exception in ASX Listing Rule 10.12 applies.

It is the view of the Directors that the exceptions set out in Sections 210 to 216 of the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rule 10.12 do not apply in the current circumstances. Accordingly, Shareholder approval is sought for the grant of Director Options.

### 5.2 Shareholder Approval (Chapter 2E of the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rule 10.11)

Pursuant to and in accordance with the requirements of Section 219 of the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rule 10.13, the following information is provided in relation to the proposed grant of the Director Options:

- (a) the related parties are Messrs Jones and Tidy and they are related parties by virtue of being Directors of the Company;
- (b) the maximum number of Director Options (being the nature of the financial benefit being provided) to be granted to the Related Parties is:
  - (i) 5,000,000 Director Options to Colin Jones; and
  - (ii) 5,000,000 Director Options to Vern Tidy;
- (c) the Director Options will be granted to the Related Parties no later than one (1) month after the date of the Meeting (or such later date as permitted by any ASX waiver or modification of the ASX Listing Rules) and it is anticipated the Director Options will be issued on one date;
- (d) the Director Options will be granted for nil cash consideration, accordingly no funds will be raised;

- (e) the terms and conditions of the Director Options are set out in Schedule 1;
- (f) the value of the Director Options and the pricing methodology is set out in Schedule 2;
- (g) the relevant interests of the Related Parties in securities of the Company as at the date of this Notice are set out below:

Related Party	Shares	Options <sup>1</sup>
Colin Jones	1,215,155	5,000,000
Vernon Tidy	325,000	-

<sup>1</sup> All options are exercisable at \$0.10 with an expiry date of 30 June 2018.

(h) the remuneration and emoluments from the Company for the previous financial year and the proposed remuneration and emoluments for the current financial year are set out below:

Related Party	Current Financial Year	Previous Financial Year
Colin Jones	\$160,000	\$160,000
Vernon Tidy <sup>1</sup>	\$80,000	\$30,000

<sup>1</sup> Mr Tidy was appointed as a Director on 20 July 2015.

(i) if the Director Options granted to the Related Parties are exercised, a total of 10,000,000 Shares would be issued. This will increase the number of Shares on issue from 2,456,906,443 to 2,466,906,443 (assuming that no other Options are exercised and no other Shares are issued) with the effect that the shareholding of existing Shareholders would be diluted by an aggregate of 0.41%. The issue of Shares upon exercise of Director Options issued to each of the Related Parties will dilute the shareholding of existing Shareholders by the following percentages: 0.205% by Colin Jones and 0.205% by Vernon Tidy.

The market price for Shares during the term of the Director Options would normally determine whether or not the Director Options are exercised. If, at any time any of the Director Options are exercised and the Shares are trading on ASX at a price that is higher than the exercise price of the Director Options, there may be a perceived cost to the Company.

The trading history of the Shares on ASX in the 12 months before the date of this Notice is set out below:

	Price	Date
Highest	\$0.084	Most recently on 21 March 2016
Lowest	\$0.05	Most recently on 21 January 2016
Last	\$0.074	28 April 2016

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the primary purpose of the grant of Director Options to Mr Jones and Mr Tidy is to provide cost effective consideration to Mr Jones and Mr Tidy for their ongoing commitment and contribution to the Company and to align their interests with those of the Shareholders. The Board does not consider that there are any significant opportunity costs to the Company or benefits foregone by the Company in issuing the Director Options upon the terms proposed;

- (k) Colin Jones declines to make a recommendation to Shareholders in relation to Resolution 5 due to his material personal interest in the outcome of the Resolution on the basis that Mr Jones is to be granted Director Options should Resolution 5 be passed. The other Directors, who do not have a material interest in the outcome of Resolution 5, recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 5. The Board (other than Colin Jones) is not aware of any other information that would be reasonably required by Shareholders to allow them to make a decision whether it is in the best interests of the Company to pass the Resolution;
- (I) Vernon Tidy declines to make a recommendation to Shareholders in relation to Resolution 6 due to his material personal interest in the outcome of the Resolution on the basis that Mr Tidy is to be granted Director Options should Resolution 6 be passed. The other Directors, who do not have a material interest in the outcome of Resolution 6, recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 6. The Board (other than Vernon Tidy) is not aware of any other information that would be reasonably required by Shareholders to allow them to make a decision whether it is in the best interests of the Company to pass the Resolution; and
- (m) in forming their recommendations, each Director considered the experience of each other Related Party, the current market price of Shares, the current market practices when determining the number of Director Options to be granted as well as the exercise price and expiry date of those Director Options.

Approval pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1 is not required in order to issue the Director Options to the Related Parties as approval is being obtained under ASX Listing Rule 10.11. Accordingly, the issue of Director Options to the Related Parties will not be included in the 15% calculation of the Company's annual placement capacity pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1.

# 6. **RESOLUTION 7 – REPLACEMENT OF CONSTITUTION**

# 6.1 General

A company may modify or repeal its constitution or a provision of its constitution by special resolution of Shareholders.

Resolution 7 is a special resolution which will enable the Company to repeal its existing Constitution and adopt a new constitution (**Proposed Constitution**) which is of the type required for a listed public company limited by shares updated to ensure it reflects the current provisions of the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rules.

This will incorporate amendments to the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rules since the current Constitution was adopted in 2007.

The Directors believe that it is preferable in the circumstances to replace the existing Constitution with the Proposed Constitution rather than to amend a multitude of specific provisions. The Proposed Constitution is broadly consistent with the provisions of the existing Constitution and the Directors believe that the majority of the amendments are not material nor will they have any significant impact on Shareholders.

It is not practicable to list all of the changes to the Constitution in detail in this Explanatory Statement, however, a summary of the proposed material changes is set out below.

A copy of the Proposed Constitution is available for review by Shareholders at the Company's website www.avancoresources.com and at the offices of the Company. A copy of the Proposed Constitution can also be sent to Shareholders upon request to the Company Secretary (+61 89324 1865). Shareholders are invited to contact the Company if they have any queries or concerns.

### 6.2 Summary of material proposed changes

### Minimum Shareholding (clause 3)

Clause 3 of the Constitution outlines how the Company can manage shareholdings which represent an "unmarketable parcel" of shares, being a shareholding that is less than \$500 based on the closing price of the Company's Shares on ASX as at the relevant time.

The Proposed Constitution is in line with the requirements for dealing with "unmarketable parcels" outlined in the Corporations Act such that where the Company elects to undertake a sale of unmarketable parcels, the Company is only required to give one notice to holders of an unmarketable parcel to elect to retain their shareholding before the unmarketable parcel can be dealt with by the Company, saving time and administrative costs incurred by otherwise having to send out additional notices.

Clause 3 of the Proposed Constitution continues to outline in detail the process that the Company must follow for dealing with unmarketable parcels.

### Fee for registration of off market transfers (clause 8.4(c))

On 24 January 2011, ASX amended ASX Listing Rule 8.14 with the effect that the Company may now charge a "reasonable fee" for registering paper-based transfers, sometimes referred to "off-market transfers".

Clause 8.4 of the Proposed Constitution is being made to enable the Company to charge a reasonable fee when it is required to register off-market transfers from Shareholders. The fee is intended to represent the cost incurred by the Company in upgrading its fraud detection practices specific to off-market transfers.

Before charging any fee, the Company is required to notify ASX of the fee to be charged and provide sufficient information to enable ASX to assess the reasonableness of the proposed amount.

### Dividends (clause 21)

Section 254T of the Corporations Act was amended effective 28 June 2010.

There is now a three-tiered test that a company will need to satisfy before paying a dividend replacing the previous test that dividends may only be paid out of profits.

The amended requirements provide that a company must not a pay a dividend unless:

- (a) the company's assets exceed its liabilities immediately before the dividend is declared and the excess is sufficient for the payment of the dividend;
- (b) the payment of the dividend is fair and reasonable to the company's shareholders as a whole; and
- (c) the payment of the dividend does not materially prejudice the company's ability to pay its creditors.

The existing Constitution reflects the former profits test and restricts the dividends to be paid only out of the profits of the Company. The Proposed Constitution is updated to reflect the new requirements of the Corporations Act. The Directors consider it appropriate to update the Constitution for this amendment to allow more flexibility in the payment of dividends in the future should the Company be in a position to pay dividends.

### Partial (proportional) takeover provisions (new clause 36)

A proportional takeover bid is a takeover bid where the offer made to each shareholder is only for a proportion of that shareholder's shares.

Pursuant to section 648G of the Corporations Act, the Company has included in the Proposed Constitution a provision whereby a proportional takeover bid for Shares may only proceed after the bid has been approved by a meeting of Shareholders held in accordance with the terms set out in the Corporations Act.

This clause of the Proposed Constitution will cease to have effect on the third anniversary of the date of the adoption of last renewal of the clause.

### Information required by section 648G of the Corporations Act

### Effect of proposed proportional takeover provisions

Where offers have been made under a proportional off-market bid in respect of a class of securities in a company, the registration of a transfer giving effect to a contract resulting from the acceptance of an offer made under such a proportional off-market bid is prohibited unless and until a resolution to approve the proportional off-market bid is passed.

### Reasons for proportional takeover provisions

A proportional takeover bid may result in control of the Company changing without Shareholders having the opportunity to dispose of all of their Shares. By making a partial bid, a bidder can obtain practical control of the Company by acquiring less than a majority interest. Shareholders are exposed to the risk of being left as a minority in the Company and the risk of the bidder being able to acquire control of the Company without payment of an adequate control premium. These amended provisions allow Shareholders to decide whether a proportional takeover bid is acceptable in principle, and assist in ensuring that any partial bid is appropriately priced.

### Knowledge of any acquisition proposals

As at the date of this Notice of Meeting, no Director is aware of any proposal by any person to acquire, or to increase the extent of, a substantial interest in the Company.

Potential advantages and disadvantages of proportional takeover provisions

The Directors consider that the proportional takeover provisions have no potential advantages or disadvantages for them and that they remain free to make a recommendation on whether an offer under a proportional takeover bid should be accepted.

The potential advantages of the proportional takeover provisions for Shareholders include:

- (a) the right to decide by majority vote whether an offer under a proportional takeover bid should proceed;
- (b) assisting in preventing Shareholders from being locked in as a minority;
- (c) increasing the bargaining power of Shareholders which may assist in ensuring that any proportional takeover bid is adequately priced; and
- (d) each individual Shareholder may better assess the likely outcome of the proportional takeover bid by knowing the view of the majority of Shareholders which may assist in deciding whether to accept or reject an offer under the takeover bid.

The potential disadvantages of the proportional takeover provisions for Shareholders include:

- (a) proportional takeover bids may be discouraged;
- (b) lost opportunity to sell a portion of their Shares at a premium; and
- (c) the likelihood of a proportional takeover bid succeeding may be reduced.

### Recommendation of the Board

The Directors do not believe the potential disadvantages outweigh the potential advantages of adopting the proportional takeover provisions and as a result consider that the proportional takeover provision in the Proposed Constitution is in the interest of Shareholders and unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 7.

# GLOSSARY

\$ means Australian dollars.

**AEST** means Australian Eastern Standard Time.

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

ASIC means the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by ASX Limited, as the context requires.

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

**Board** means the current board of directors of the Company.

**Business Day** means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

Chair means the chair of the Meeting.

Closely Related Party of a member of the Key Management Personnel means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealing with the entity;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) for the purposes of the definition of 'closely related party' in the Corporations Act.

Company means Avanco Resources Limited (ACN 126 379 646).

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Director Options** means the Options proposed to be issued to Messrs Jones and Tidy subject to Shareholder approval of Resolution 5 and 6.

Directors mean the current directors of the Company.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice.

**Key Management Personnel** has the same meaning as in the accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of an entity within the consolidated group.

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

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

**Proxy Form** means the proxy form accompanying the Notice.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report set out in the Directors' report section of the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 31 December 2015.

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

**Schedule** means a schedule to this Notice.

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

Shareholder means a registered holder of a Share.

# SCHEDULE 1 - TERMS OF THE DIRECTOR OPTIONS

The Options entitle the holder to subscribe for Shares on the following terms and conditions:

- (a) Each Option gives the Optionholder the right to subscribe for one Share.
- (b) The Options will expire at 5.00pm (WST) on 30 June 2018 (**Expiry Date**). Any Option not exercised before the Expiry Date will automatically lapse on the Expiry Date.
- (c) The amount payable upon exercise of each Option will be \$0.10 (Exercise Price).
- (d) The Options will vest the day they are issued. The Options held by each Optionholder may be exercised in whole or in part, and if exercised in part, multiples of 1,000 must be exercised on each occasion.
- (e) An Optionholder may exercise their Options by lodging with the Company, before the Expiry Date:
  - (i) a written notice of exercise of Options specifying the number of Options being exercised; and
  - (ii) a cheque or electronic funds transfer for the Exercise Price for the number of Options being exercised (**Exercise Notice**).
- (f) An Exercise Notice is only effective when the Company has received the full amount of the Exercise Price in cleared funds.
- (g) Within 10 Business Days of receipt of the Exercise Notice accompanied by the Exercise Price, the Company will allot the number of Shares required under these terms and conditions in respect of the number of Options specified in the Exercise Notice.
- (h) The Options are not transferable.
- (i) All Shares allotted upon the exercise of Options will upon allotment rank pari passu in all respects with other Shares.
- (j) The Company will not apply for quotation of the Options on ASX. However, the Company will apply for quotation of all Shares allotted pursuant to the exercise of Options on ASX within 10 Business Days after the date of allotment of those Shares.
- (k) If at any time the issued capital of the Company is reconstructed, all rights of an Optionholder are to be changed in a manner consistent with the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules at the time of the reconstruction.
- (I) There are no participating rights or entitlements inherent in the Options and Optionholders will not be entitled to participate in new issues of capital offered to Shareholders during the currency of the Options. However, the Company will ensure that for the purposes of determining entitlements to any such issue, the record date will be at least 7 Business Days after the issue is announced. This will give Optionholders the opportunity to exercise their Options prior to the date for determining entitlements to participate in any such issue.

- (m) An Option does not confer the right to a change in Exercise Price or a change in the number of underlying securities over which the Option can be exercised.
- (n) If a takeover bid causes or is likely to cause a change in control of the Company, the Board has the discretion to give Optionholders an immediate right to exercise their Options. This discretion may only be exercised to ensure where possible, that Optionholders are able to exercise the Outstanding Options within the time available to accept the takeover offer.

# **SCHEDULE 2 - VALUATION OF DIRECTOR OPTIONS**

The Director Options to be issued to Messrs Jones and Tidy pursuant to Resolutions 5 and 6 have been valued by internal management.

Using the Black & Scholes option model and based on the assumptions set out below, the Director Options were ascribed the following value:

Assumptions:	
Valuation date	18 April 2016
Market price of Shares	\$0.07
Exercise price	\$0.10
Expiry date (length of time from issue)	2.20 years
Risk free interest rate	2.04% (5 year Government Bonds)
Volatility (discount)	80%
Indicative value per Related Party Option	\$0.025327
Total Value of Related Party Options	
- Vernon Tidy	\$126,635
- Colin Jones	\$126,635

Note: The valuation noted above is not necessarily the market price that the Director Options could be traded at and is not automatically the market price for taxation purposes.

### **PROXY FORM**

ANNIIAL GENERAL MEETING

### AVANCO RESOURCES LIMITED ACN 126 379 646

l/We	
of:	
Being a Sho	areholder entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting, hereby appoint:
Name:	
OR:	the Chair of the Meeting as my/our proxy.

or failing the person so named or, if no person is named, the Chair, or the Chair's nominee, to vote in accordance with the following directions, or, if no directions have been given, and subject to the relevant laws as the proxy sees fit, at the Meeting to be held at 2pm on Monday, 30 May 2016 at Buckingham Rook II Room, Stamford Plaza Melbourne Hotel, 111 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, and at any adjournment thereof.

#### AUTHORITY FOR CHAIR TO VOTE UNDIRECTED PROXIES ON REMUNERATION RELATED RESOLUTIONS

Where I/we have appointed the Chair as my/our proxy (or where the Chair becomes my/our proxy by default), I/we expressly authorise the Chair to exercise my/our proxy on Resolutions 1 and 5 to 6 (except where I/we have indicated a different voting intention below) even though Resolutions 1 and 5 to 6 connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel, which includes the Chair.

#### CHAIR'S VOTING INTENTION IN RELATION TO UNDIRECTED PROXIES

The Chair intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions. In exceptional circumstances the Chair may change his/her voting intention on any Resolution. In the event this occurs an ASX announcement will be made immediately disclosing the reasons for the change.

Voting on bu	siness of the Meeting	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
Resolution 1	Adoption of Remuneration Report			
Resolution 2	Re-election of a Director – Scott Funston			
Resolution 3	Re-election of a Director – Simon Mottram			
Resolution 4	Re-election of a Director – Vernon Tidy			
Resolution 5	Issue of Options to Colin Jones			
Resolution 6	Issue of Options to Vernon Tidy			
Resolution 7	Replacement of Constitution			
Please note: If you	umark the abstain box for a particular Resolution, you are dire	ecting your proxy no	t to vote on the	t Resolution

**Please note**: If you mark the abstain box for a particular Resolution, you are directing your proxy not to vote on that Resolution on a show of hands or on a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

If two proxies are being appointed, the proportion of voting rights this proxy represents is:

Individual or Shareholder 1	Shareholder	2 Shareholder 3
Sole Director/Company Secretary	Director	Director/Company Secretary
Date:		
Contact name:		Contact ph (daytime):
E-mail address:		Consent for contact by e-mail in relation to this Proxy Form: YES 🗌 NO 🗌

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### Instructions for completing Proxy Form

- 1. (Appointing a proxy): A Shareholder entitled to attend and cast a vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on their behalf at the Meeting. If a Shareholder is entitled to cast 2 or more votes at the Meeting, the Shareholder may appoint a second proxy to attend and vote on their behalf at the Meeting. However, where both proxies attend the Meeting, voting may only be exercised on a poll. The appointment of a second proxy must be done on a separate copy of the Proxy Form. A Shareholder who appoints 2 proxies may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If a Shareholder appoints 2 proxies and the appointments do not specify the proportion or number of the Shareholder's votes each proxy is appointed to 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 Shareholder.
- 2. (Direction to vote): A Shareholder may direct a proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. The direction may specify the proportion or number of votes that the proxy may exercise by writing the percentage or number of Shares next to the box marked for the relevant item of business. Where a box is not marked the proxy may vote as they choose subject to the relevant laws. Where more than one box is marked on an item the vote will be invalid on that item.

### 3. (Signing instructions):

- (Individual): Where the holding is in one name, the Shareholder must sign.
- (Joint holding): Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the Shareholders should sign.
- (**Power of attorney**): If you have not already provided the power of attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the power of attorney to this Proxy Form when you return it.
- (Companies): Where the company has a sole director who is also the sole company secretary, that person must sign. Where the company (pursuant to Section 204A of the Corporations Act) does not have a company secretary, a sole director can also sign alone. Otherwise, a director jointly with either another director or a company secretary must sign. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. In addition, if a representative of a company is appointed pursuant to Section 250D of the Corporations Act to attend the Meeting, the documentation evidencing such appointment should be produced prior to admission to the Meeting. A form of a certificate evidencing the appointment may be obtained from the Company.
- 4. (Attending the Meeting): Completion of a Proxy Form will not prevent individual Shareholders from attending the Meeting in person if they wish. Where a Shareholder completes and lodges a valid Proxy Form and attends the Meeting in person, then the proxy's authority to speak and vote for that Shareholder is suspended while the Shareholder is present at the Meeting.
- 5. (Return of Proxy Form): To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by:
  - (a) post to PO Box 1726, WEST PERTH WA 6872 Australia; or
  - (b) facsimile to the Company on facsimile number +61 8 9200 1850; or
  - (c) email to the Company at info@avancoresources.com,

so that it is received not less than 48 hours prior to commencement of the Meeting.

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