

# **Evolution Mining Limited**ACN 084 669 036

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PROXY FORM EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Date of Annual General Meeting 23 November 2017

Time of Annual General Meeting 11.00am (Sydney time)

Place of Annual General Meeting Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Hotel 61-101 Phillip Street Sydney NSW 2000

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

#### What you should do

#### STEP ONE - Read the meeting documentation

This is an important document. You should read all of the Notice of Annual General Meeting, Explanatory Memorandum and Proxy Form before deciding whether or not to vote in favour of any of the resolutions. If you do not understand any of the meeting documents, or are not sure what to do, please consult your legal or financial adviser immediately.

#### STEP TWO - Vote

If you are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting in person, you should complete the Proxy Form and ensure that it (and any power of attorney under which it is signed) is received by the Company's share registry at an address given below not later than 11.00am (Sydney time) on 21 November 2017. Proxy Forms received after that time will be invalid.

Online: The Proxy Form can be lodged online by visiting <a href="www.linkmarketservices.com.au">www.linkmarketservices.com.au</a>. Select 'Investor

Login' and enter Evolution Mining Limited in the Issuer name field, your Security Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN) (which is shown on the front of your Proxy Form), postcode and security code which is shown on the screen and click 'Login'. Select the 'Voting' tab and then follow the prompts. You will be taken to have signed your Proxy Form if you lodge it in accordance

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#### **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions about any matter contained in this document, please contact the Company's share registry, Link Market Services Limited, on +61 1300 554 474.

#### **KEY DATES**

Deadline for lodgement of Proxy Forms
Date and time for determining eligibility to vote
Date and time of Annual General Meeting

11.00am (Sydney time) on 21 November 2017 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 21 November 2017 11.00am (Sydney time) on 23 November 2017

#### EVOLUTION MINING LIMITED ACN 084 669 036

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Members of Evolution Mining Limited ACN 084 669 036 ("the Company") will be held at Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Hotel, 61-101 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000 on 23 November 2017 at 11.00am (Sydney time).

#### **AGENDA**

#### **BUSINESS**

#### **Annual Financial Report**

To receive and consider the Annual Financial Report of the Company and the reports of the Directors and independent external auditors for the financial year ended 30 June 2017.

#### Resolution 1 - Adoption of Remuneration Report

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

"That the Remuneration Report forming part of the Company's 2017 Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2017 be adopted."

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

#### Resolution 2 - Election of Ms Andrea Hall as Director of the Company

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

"That Ms Andrea Hall, having been appointed as a Director since the last Annual General Meeting and who retires in accordance with clause 8.1(c) of the Constitution of the Company and being eligible for election, is elected as a Director."

#### Resolution 3 - Re-election of Mr James (Jim) Askew as Director of the Company

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

"That Mr James Askew, being a Director who retires in accordance with clause 8.1(d) of the Constitution of the Company and being eligible for re-election, is re-elected as a Director."

#### Resolution 4 - Re-election of Mr Thomas McKeith as Director of the Company

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

"That Mr Thomas McKeith, being a Director who retires in accordance with clause 8.1(d) of the Constitution of the Company and being eligible for re-election, is re-elected as a Director."

#### Resolution 5 - Issue of Performance Rights to Mr Jacob (Jake) Klein

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

"That the issue of up to 692,165 Performance Rights to Mr Jacob (Jake) Klein under the Evolution Mining Limited Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan (Plan) be approved for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.14 and for all other purposes, on the terms set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### Resolution 6 – Issue of Performance Rights to Mr Lawrence (Lawrie) Conway

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

"That the issue of up to 369,050 Performance Rights to Mr Lawrence (Lawrie) Conway under the Evolution Mining Limited Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan be approved for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.14 and for all other purposes, on the terms set out in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### Resolution 7 – Approval of the Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 9(b)), section 260C(4) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) and for all other purposes, shareholders approve the issue of securities under the Evolution Mining Limited Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan on the terms described in the Explanatory Statement which forms part of the Notice of Meeting."

#### **ENTITLEMENT TO VOTE**

#### **Snapshot date**

It has been determined that under regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations, for the purposes of the Annual General Meeting, shares in the Company will be taken to be held by the persons who are the registered holders at 7.00pm (Sydney time) on 21 November 2017. Accordingly, share transfers registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.

#### **VOTING EXCLUSION STATEMENTS**

#### Resolution 1 - Adoption of Remuneration Report

A vote on Resolution 1 must not be cast (in any capacity) by, or on behalf of, the following persons:

- a. a member of the Key Management Personnel (KMP) whose remuneration details are included in the 2017 Remuneration Report; or
- b. a closely related party of such a KMP (including close family members and companies the KMP controls).

However, a person described above may cast a vote on Resolution 1 as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:

- a. the proxy appointment is in writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote (e.g. for, against, abstain) on the resolution; or
- b. the vote is cast by the Chairman of the Meeting and the appointment of the Chairman as proxy:
  - i. does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on the resolution; and
  - ii. expressly authorises the Chairman to exercise the proxy even if the resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the KMP.

"Key management personnel" and "closely related party" have the same meaning as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

#### Resolutions 5 and 6 - Issue of Performance Rights to Mr Jacob (Jake) Klein, Mr Lawrence (Lawrie) Conway

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 14.11, the Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolutions 5 and 6 by any Director of the Company who is eligible to participate in the Evolution Mining Limited Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan (Plan) and their associates. Only Executive Directors are eligible to participate in the Plan so therefore Mr Klein and Mr Conway and their associates will be excluded from voting on Resolutions 5 and 6.

However, the Company need not disregard a vote cast on Resolutions 5 and 6 if:

- a. it is cast by a person as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote in accordance with the directions on the proxy form: or
- b. 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.

In addition, a vote must not be cast on Resolutions 5 and 6 as a proxy by a member of the KMP at the date of the AGM, or a closely related party of those persons, unless it is cast as proxy for a person entitled to vote in accordance with their directions. This restriction on voting undirected proxies does not apply to the Chairman of the Meeting because the proxy appointment expressly authorises the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise undirected proxies even if the resolution is connected, directly or indirectly, with the remuneration of the KMP.

#### Resolution 7 – Approval of the Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 14.11, the Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 7 by any Director of the Company (except one who is ineligible to participate in any employee incentive scheme in relation to the entity) and their associates.

However, the Company need not disregard a vote cast on Resolution 7 if:

- a. it is cast by a person as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote in accordance with the directions on the proxy form: or
- b. 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.

In addition, a vote must not be cast on Resolution 7 as a proxy by a member of the KMP at the date of the AGM, or a closely related party of those persons, unless it is cast as proxy for a person entitled to vote in accordance with their directions. This restriction on voting undirected proxies does not apply to the Chairman of the Meeting because the proxy appointment expressly authorises the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise undirected proxies even if the resolution is connected, directly or indirectly, with the remuneration of the KMP.

#### **PROXIES**

A shareholder of the Company (Member) entitled to attend and to vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and to vote instead of the Member. The proxy need not be a Member and can be an individual or a body corporate.

If a Member appoints a body corporate as a proxy, that body corporate will need to ensure that it:

- appoints an individual as its corporate representative to exercise its powers at the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with section 250D of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (Corporations Act); and
- provides satisfactory evidence of the appointment of its corporate representative prior to commencement of the Annual General Meeting.

If such evidence is not received before the Annual General Meeting, then the body corporate (through its representative) will not be permitted to act as a proxy.

Members are entitled to appoint up to two individuals to act as proxies to attend and vote on their behalf. Where more than one proxy is appointed, each proxy may be appointed to represent a specified proportion of the Member's voting rights. If the Member appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the Member's votes each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise half of the votes. On a show of hands, neither proxy may vote if more than one proxy attends.

Any directed proxies that are not voted on any poll at the Annual General Meeting by a Member's appointed proxy will automatically default to the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting, who is required to vote proxies as directed on a poll.

The Corporations Act prohibits members of the KMP of the Company (which includes each of the Directors of the Company) from voting on the Remuneration Report (Resolution 1) and remuneration related resolutions (Resolutions 5 – 7 inclusive). Where the KMP is appointed as a proxy, the KMP must be directed as proxy how to vote on Resolutions 1, 5 – 7 (inclusive) (ie directed to vote 'for', 'against' or 'abstain'). Undirected proxy votes on Resolutions 1, 5 – 7 (inclusive) cannot be voted by a KMP and will be treated as invalid by the Company. If you intend to appoint a member of the KMP your proxy, please ensure that you direct them how to vote on Resolutions 1, 5 – 7 (inclusive) by marking either the 'for', 'against' or to 'abstain' box for each of Resolutions 1, 5 – 7 (inclusive).

The exception to the above prohibition is in the instance of the Chairman of the Meeting who, under the Corporations Act, can vote undirected proxies where the proxy appointment expressly authorises the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise undirected proxies even if the resolution is connected, directly or indirectly, with the remuneration of the KMP. The Proxy Form accompanying this Notice of Meeting provides this express authorisation.

Mr Klein will not chair the meeting for the consideration of Resolution 5. For the duration of this Resolution, the meeting will be chaired by a Non-Executive Director nominated by Mr Klein, pursuant to clause 7.5(d) of the Constitution. As Chairman of the Meeting during Resolution 5, this Non-Executive Director will also be entitled to exercise any undirected proxies in respect of these Resolutions as the express authorisation on the Proxy Form to exercise the proxy even if the resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the KMP is given to the Chairman of the Meeting (and not any one individual).

A proxy must be signed by the Member or his/her attorney duly authorised in writing or, if the Member is a corporation, in accordance with the Corporations Act. The Proxy Form and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which the Proxy Form is signed, or a copy or facsimile which appears on its face to be an authentic copy of that proxy, power or authority, must be returned to Company's share registry at an address given below by no later than 11.00am (Sydney time) on 21 November 2017:

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A Proxy Form accompanies this Notice of Annual General Meeting.

To be valid, a Proxy Form and the Power of Attorney under which it is signed or proof thereof must be to the satisfaction of the Directors of the Company.

The Company reserves the right to declare invalid any proxy not received in this manner.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF THE COMPANY

Evan Elstein Company Secretary Dated: 19 October 2017

# **EVOLUTION MINING LIMITED ACN 084 669 036**

#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Explanatory Memorandum is for the information of Members in connection with resolutions to be considered at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 23 November 2017 at 11.00am (Sydney time).

#### **Business**

#### **Annual Financial Report**

The Corporations Act requires the reports of the Directors and independent external auditors and the annual financial report, including the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2017, to be laid before the Annual General Meeting, but does not require a formal resolution on the financial statements or reports. However, provision will be made at the Annual General Meeting for Members as a whole to ask questions or make comments on the reports or the management of the Company. Members may question the auditor regarding the conduct of the audit, the independence of the auditor, preparation and content of the reports and accounting policies adopted by the Company.

The Company's 2017 Annual Report is available on the Company's website at www.evolutionmining.com.au/Reports/.

#### Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report

In accordance with section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company is required to present to its Members the Remuneration Report as disclosed in the Company's 2017 Annual Report.

The vote is advisory only and is not binding on the Directors of the Company. A reasonable opportunity will be given to Members as a whole to ask questions about, or make comments on, the Remuneration Report. The Remuneration Report is set out in the Company's 2017 Annual Report and is also available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.evolutionmining.com.au/Reports/">www.evolutionmining.com.au/Reports/</a>.

The Remuneration Report explains the Board policies in relation to the nature and level of remuneration paid to the Company's key management personnel (KMP) (including the Directors of the Company), sets out details of the remuneration and service agreement for each member of the KMP and sets out the details of any share based compensation.

Under the Corporations Act, if at least 25% of the votes cast on the relevant resolution are voted against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at two consecutive annual general meetings, the Company will be required to put to Members at the second annual general meeting a resolution proposing that another general meeting be held within 90 days, at which all of the Company's Directors (other than the Executive Chairman, who for the purposes of clauses 8.1(f) and 9.1 of the Constitution of the Company serves as the Managing Director) must retire unless they are re-elected at that meeting (Spill Resolution).

The Company has not had a vote of 25% against the adoption of the Remuneration Report since the introduction of this requirement in the Corporations Act and as such the 2017 Notice of Meeting does not contain a Spill Resolution.

For the voting exclusions applicable to this Resolution 1, please refer to the 'Entitlement to Vote' section of the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

#### **Board Recommendation**

Due to each Director having an interest in the outcome of Resolution 1, and for good governance, the Board refrains from making a recommendation to Members.

Note - The Chairman of the Annual General Meeting intends to vote all available proxies in favour of Resolution 1.

#### Resolution 2 - Election of Ms Andrea Hall as a Director of the Company

Ms Hall was appointed by the Board as a Non-Executive Director on 1 October 2017 and serves as member of the Audit Committee. In accordance with clause 8.1(c) of the Constitution of the Company and being eligible, Ms Hall offers herself for election.

Ms Hall is a Chartered Accountant with more than 30 years' experience' in the financial services industry in roles involved in internal audit, risk management, corporate and operational governance, external audit, financial management and strategic planning. Prior to retiring from KPMG in 2012, Ms Hall was a Perth-based partner within KPMG's Risk Consulting Services where she serviced industries including mining, mining services, transport, healthcare, insurance, property government.

Ms Hall is a Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee at ASX-listed Pioneer Credit Limited and Tap Oil Limited. She is also a Non-Executive Director of Insurance Commission of Western Australia and Lotterywest.

#### **Board Recommendation**

The Board, with Ms Hall abstaining, unanimously recommends that Members vote to approve Resolution 2.

#### Resolution 3 - Re-election of Mr James (Jim) Askew as a Director of the Company

The ASX Listing Rules require that the Company must hold an election of Directors each year. Mr Askew was re-elected by the Members at the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting and is one of the Directors longest in office since last re-election.

In addition, Mr Askew serves as a member of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Risk Management Committee. Mr Askew will retire at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting in accordance with clause 8.1(d) of the Constitution of the Company and being eligible, has offered himself for re-election.

Mr Askew is a mining engineer with over 40 years' broad international experience as a Director and Chief Executive Officer for a wide range of Australian and international publicly listed mining, mining finance and other mining related companies. He also has extensive technical expertise in open pit and underground mines including design, construction and operations. He has also served on the boards of numerous resource public companies, which currently include Chairman of OceanaGold Limited (chairman since November 2006) and Syrah Resources Limited. He is also a Non-Executive Director of Endeavour Mining Corporation (since July 2017).

#### **Board Recommendation**

The Board, with Mr Askew abstaining, unanimously recommends that Members vote to approve Resolution 3.

#### Resolution 4 – Re-election of Thomas McKeith as a Director of the Company

The ASX Listing Rules require that the Company must hold an election of Directors each year. Mr McKeith was elected by the Members at the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting and is one of the Directors longest in office since last re-election.

In addition, Mr McKeith serves as the Chairman of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and is a member of the Audit Committee. Mr McKeith will retire at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting in accordance with clause 8.1(d) of the Constitution of the Company and being eligible, has offered himself for re-election.

Mr McKeith is a Geologist with 28 years' experience in various mine geology, exploration and business development roles. He was formerly Executive Vice President: Growth and International Projects for Gold Fields Limited where he was responsible for global greenfields exploration and project development. Mr McKeith was also Chief Executive Officer of Troy Resources Limited and held Non-Executive Director roles at Sino Gold Mining Limited and Avoca Resources. Mr McKeith is currently also Chairman of ABM Resources (since June 2016).

#### **Board Recommendation**

The Board, with Mr McKeith abstaining, unanimously recommends that Members vote to approve Resolution 2.

# Resolutions 5 and 6 – Issue of Performance Rights to Mr Jacob (Jake) Klein and Mr Lawrence (Lawrie) Conway under the Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan

ASX Listing Rule 10.14 requires member approval for the acquisition of securities by a director under an employee incentive scheme. If approved, the approval applies to the issue of the Performance Rights and the issue of ordinary fully paid shares (if any) on the vesting of the Performance Rights.

Resolution 5 is seeking Member approval for the grant of 692,165 Performance Rights to Mr Klein under the Company's Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan (**Plan**) and Resolution 6 is seeking Member approval for the grant of 369,050 Performance Rights to Mr Conway under the Plan.

The number of Performance Rights proposed to be issued to Mr Klein and to Mr Conway is the maximum amount of Performance Rights that will vest if they satisfy what the Board considers stretch or outstanding performance achievement, as described below.

The vesting of the Performance Rights incorporates performance conditions which trigger vesting at 'threshold', 'target' and 'exceptional' performance levels and the vesting scales have been designed appropriately to reward above target and truly exceptional Company performance.

The Performance Rights will be issued in accordance with the rules of the Plan and in a single tranche to be performance tested at the end of a three year period ending 30 June 2020. Subject to the satisfaction of the performance conditions described below and to any adjustment in accordance with the rules of the Plan (e.g. upon a reconstruction of securities), Mr Klein and Mr Conway will each receive one share in the Company for each Vested Performance Right granted to them.

#### **Performance Conditions of Performance Rights**

The Performance Rights will only vest on a Relevant Date if Mr Klein and Mr Conway remain as employees of the Company up to and including that Relevant Date.

The number of Performance Rights which vest on the Relevant Dates will depend on the extent to which the Vesting Conditions have been satisfied for the relevant period.

Upon the Vesting Conditions having been satisfied (as determined and ratified by the Board) Mr Klein and Mr Conway will be allocated Performance Shares.

The Vesting Conditions will be based on:

Measure			
The Company's relative total shareholder return (TSR) measured against the TSR for a peer group of 20 comparator gold mining companies (Peer Group Companies) (Relative TSR Performance Rights)	25%		
The Company's absolute TSR return (Absolute TSR Performance Rights)	25%		
Growth in Evolution's Earnings Per Share (EPS Performance Rights)	25%		
Growth in Ore Reserves Per Share (Ore Reserves Performance Rights)	25%		

The Peer Group Companies for the FY18 Performance Rights comprise the following:

Acacia Mining plc	Alamos Gold Inc
B2Gold Corporation	Centamin Egypt Inc
Centerra Gold Inc	Detour Gold Corporation
Endeavour Mining Corporation	Eldorado Gold Corporation
Gold Fields Limited	IAMGOLD Corporation
Kirkland Lake Gold Limited	New Gold Inc
Northern Star Resources Limited	Oceana Gold Corp
Regis Resources NL	Resolute Mining Limited
Saracen Mineral Holdings Limited	St Barbara Limited
Tahoe Resources Inc	Yamana Gold Inc

The Board has the discretion to adjust the composition and number of the Peer Group Companies on an annual basis for each year's Performance Rights grant, to take into account events including, but not limited to, takeovers, mergers and de-mergers that might occur during the relevant period. Any adjustments made to the Peer Group Companies will be disclosed in the Company's Remuneration Report.

The effective testing date for the Performance Rights is 30 June 2020 with the testing to occur within 90 days after that date. Performance Rights will lapse after testing if they do not vest. There is no re-testing.

#### **Relative TSR Performance Rights**

25% of the Performance Rights will be tested against the Company's TSR performance relative to the Peer Group Companies (Relative TSR Performance Rights). The Company's TSR will be based on the percentage by which its 30-day volume weighted average share price on ASX (VWAP) at the close of trade on 30 June 2020 (plus the value of any dividends paid during the performance period) (2020 Evolution TSR) has increased over the Company's 30-day VWAP at the close of trade on the 30 June 2017. For the avoidance of doubt, the 30 day VWAP as at 30 June 2017 was \$2.438695 (2017 Evolution VWAP).

The TSR for each Peer Group Company will be based on the percentage by which each Peer Group Company's 30-day VWAP at the close of trade on 30 June 2020 (plus the value of any dividends paid during the performance period) (each a **2020 Peer Group TSR**) has increased over that company's 30-day VWAP at the close of trade on 30 June 2020.

The proportion of the TSR Performance Rights that will vest will be based on the 2020 Evolution TSR as compared to the 2020 Peer Group TSRs and will be determined as follows:

Level of performance achieved	Company Relative TSR Performance	% of Relative TSR Performance Rights vesting		
Threshold	Equal to top 50th percentile	33%		
	Above the top 50th percentile and below the	Straight-line pro-rata between 33%		
	top 25th percentile	and 66%		
Target	Equal to top 25th percentile	66%		
	Above the top 25th percentile and below the	Straight-line pro-rata between 66%		
	top 10th percentile	and 100%		
Exceptional	Equal to top 10th percentile or above	100%		

#### **Absolute TSR Performance Rights**

25% of the Performance Rights will be tested against the Company's absolute TSR performance relative to the 2017 Evolution VWAP (**Absolute TSR Performance Rights**), measured as the cumulative annual TSR over the three year performance period ending 30 June 2020.

The proportion of the Absolute TSR Performance Rights that will vest will be determined by the Company's ranking against Peer Group Companies is as follows:

Level of performance achieved	2018 Company Absolute TSR Performance	% of Absolute TSR Performance Rights vesting			
Threshold	Equal to 10% per annum return	33%			
	Above 10% per annum return and below	Straight-line pro-rata between			
	15% per annum return	33%and 66%			
Target	Equal to 15% per annum return	66%			
	Above 15% per annum return and below	Straight-line pro-rata between 66%			
	20% per annum return	and 100%			
Exceptional	Equal to 20% per annum return or above	100%			

#### Earnings Per Share (EPS) Performance Rights

25% of the Performance Rights will be tested against the Company's growth in EPS (calculated by excluding any Non-Recurring Items), measured as the cumulative annual growth rate over the three year performance period to 30 June 2020.

Level of performance achieved	2020 Company EPS Performance	% of EPS Performance Rights vesting		
Threshold	Equal to 7% per annum growth in EPS	33%		
	Above 7% per annum growth and below 11%	Straight-line pro-rata between		
	per annum growth	33%and 66%		
Target	Equal to 11% per annum growth	66%		
	Above 11% per annum growth and below 15%	Straight-line pro-rata between		
	per annum growth	66%and 100%		
Exceptional	Equal to 15% per annum growth or above	100%		

#### **Growth in Ore Reserves Per Share**

The remaining 25% of the Performance Rights will be tested against the Company's growth in Ore Reserves Per Share, calculated by measuring the growth over the three year performance period by comparing the baseline measure of the Ore Reserves as at 31 December 2016 (**Baseline Ore Reserves**) to the Ore Reserves as at 31 December 2019 on a per share basis, with testing to be performed at 30 June 2020.

Level of performance achieved	2020 Company Ore Reserves Per Share Performance	% of Ore Reserves Per Share Performance Rights vesting			
Threshold	Equal to 90% of Baseline Ore Reserves	33%			
	Above 90% of Baseline Ore Reserves but below 100% of Baseline Ore Reserves	Straight-line pro-rata between 33% and 66%			
Target	Equal to 100% of Baseline Ore Reserves	66%			
	Above 100% of Baseline Ore Reserves and	Straight-line pro-rata between			
	below 120% of Baseline Ore Reserves	66%and 100%			
Exceptional	Equal to 120% of Baseline Ore Reserves and	100%			
	above				

Refer to the Company website for other key terms of the Plan.

#### Disclosure for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.15 regarding Resolution 5

To enable Member approval to be effectively obtained under ASX Listing Rule 10.14, the following disclosures are made pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 10.15:

- 1. Mr Klein is a Director of the Company;
- 2. the maximum number of Performance Rights that can be granted to Mr Klein under this approval is 692,165;
- 3. there is no loan proposed in relation to the proposed award of Performance Rights to Mr Klein;
- 4. the Performance Rights that are to be awarded to Mr Klein are intended to be awarded as soon as practicable after the 2017 Annual General Meeting and in any event will not be awarded later than 12 months after the 2017 Annual General Meeting;
- 5. Vested Performance Rights will convert to fully paid ordinary shares on a one-for-one basis;
- 6. the price payable on the issue or exercise of each Performance Right is nil;

- 7. the following grants under the Plan have been made to persons to which ASX Listing Rule 10.14 applies since the Plan was last approved by Members at the 2014 Annual General Meeting:
  - a. 2017 Extraordinary General Meeting 3,375,000 Performance Rights to Mr Klein
  - b. 2016 Annual General Meeting 748,622 Performance Rights to Mr Klein
  - c. 2016 Annual General Meeting 299,364 Performance Rights to Mr Conway
  - d. 2016 Annual General Meeting 27,857 Additional Performance Rights to Mr Klein
  - e. 2016 Annual General Meeting 6,694 Additional Performance Rights to Mr Conway
  - f. 2015 Annual General Meeting 1,397,197 Performance Rights to Mr Klein
  - g. 2015 Annual General Meeting 335,232 Performance Rights to Mr Conway
  - h. 2014 Annual General Meeting 2,229,965 Performance Rights to Mr Klein
  - i. 2014 Annual General Meeting 536,347 Performance Rights to Mr Conway; and
- 8. the Executive Directors, being Mr Klein and Mr Conway, are the only persons referred to in ASX Listing Rule 10.14 entitled to participate in the Plan.

Member approval for Resolution 5 is sought under Listing Rule 10.14, and is not required under Listing Rule 7.1.

For the voting exclusions applicable to this Resolution 5, please refer to the 'Entitlement to Vote' section of the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

#### **Board Recommendation**

The Board, with Mr Klein abstaining, unanimously recommends that Members vote to approve Resolution 5.

Note – The Chairperson, who will be nominated pursuant to clause 7.5(d) of the Company's Constitution for this Resolution, intends to vote all available proxies in favour of Resolution 5.

#### Disclosure for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.15 regarding Resolution 6

To enable Member approval to be effectively obtained under ASX Listing Rule 10.14, the following disclosures are made pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 10.15:

- 1. Mr Conway is a Director of the Company;
- 2. the maximum number of Performance Rights that can be granted to Mr Conway under this approval is 369,050;
- 3. there is no loan proposed in relation to the proposed award of Performance Rights to Mr Conway; and
- 4. the Performance Rights that are to be awarded to Mr Conway are intended to be awarded as soon as practicable after the 2017 Annual General Meeting and in any event will not be awarded later than 12 months after the 2017 Annual General Meeting.
- 5. Refer also to disclosures #5 #8 under "Disclosure for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.15 regarding Resolution 5" (pages 10 &11).

Member approval for Resolution 6 is sought under Listing Rule 10.14, and is not required under Listing Rule 7.1.

For the voting exclusions applicable to Resolution 6, please refer to the 'Entitlement to Vote' section of the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

#### **Board Recommendation**

The Board, with Mr Conway abstaining, unanimously recommends that Members vote to approve Resolution 6.

Note - The Chairman intends to vote all available proxies in favour of Resolution 6.

#### Resolution 7 – Approval of the Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan

The Company seeks Member approval for the adoption of Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan (Plan).

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 7.2 (Exception 9(b)), if Resolution 7 is passed, approval will be in relation to issues made under the Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan (Plan) for the following 3 years.

The Plan was last approved by Members at the Company's 2014 Annual General Meeting.

Since the last approval of the Plan, the Company has issued the following securities under the Plan:

- 30,963,493 Performance Rights;
- 4,358,661 fully paid ordinary shares (on exercise of Options issued under the Plan); and
- 19,438,501 fully paid ordinary shares (on vesting of Performance Rights issued under the Plan).

#### **Background**

In line with the Company's Remuneration philosophy, the Board believes that an equity-based incentive is a key component of the "at-risk" remuneration arrangements for employees. As such the Directors of the Company seek authorisation to issue Plan Interests under the Plan in accordance with ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 9(b) so that any shares issued under the Plan will be excluded from the maximum number of new shares that may be issued by the Company in any 12 month period for a period of three years from the date of approval. The Board considers it desirable to maintain this flexibility so that it may access capital under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 through subsequent issues should they be required.

The Company is also seeking Member approval of the Plan in order that it may obtain the benefit of the exemption in section 260C(4) of the Corporations Act for financial assistance provided under an employee share scheme approved by Members.

A copy of the terms and conditions of the Plan is available on the Company's website or here.

A summary of the terms of the Plan is set out below.

#### **Key Terms of the Plan**

The Board is empowered under the Plan terms and conditions to determine the key terms of any Options or Performance Rights (**Plan Interests**) allocated under the Plan.

#### Eligibility

The Plan is open to eligible employees, namely the Chief Executive Officer or Executive Chairman or any employee who directly reports to the Chief Executive Officer of the Company (or any Group Company) or any other person who is declared by the Board to be eligible to be granted a Performance Right or Option under the Plan from time to time (Eligible Employees).

#### **Participation**

Each Eligible Employee who acquires a legal or beneficial interest in a Plan Interest (including the legal personal representative of the person) becomes a 'Participant' in the Plan.

#### Invitation

An offer by the Board to acquire a Plan Interest and become a Participant in the Plan will be in such form and subject to such conditions as the Board determines.

The invitation will specify the terms attaching to the offer, including each of the following (as applicable):

- the number and type of Plan Interests to which the invitation relates;
- the date of the invitation;
- any application price (if any) by Eligible Employees to acquire the Plan Interests;
- any exercise price payable by Participants;
- the date which unvested Plan Interests will lapse or expire (Expiry Date);
- any conditions that must be satisfied in relation to a Participant's and/or the Company's performance during a specified period (**Performance Conditions**);
- any requirements additional to the Performance Conditions that must be met to release Plan Interests from the Plan (and deliver Shares to Participants) (**Vesting Conditions**); and
- any conditions that will result in a Plan Interest lapsing (Lapsing Conditions).

#### Rights of Participants

Unless Lapsing Conditions are triggered or the Expiry Date reached, Plan Interests remain subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan until all applicable Performance Conditions and Vesting Conditions are achieved. Upon vesting and exercise of Plan Interests (as applicable), Participants will receive Shares (which are no longer held under the Plan). Shares delivered by the Company upon vesting of Plan Interests will rank equally with all other Shares in the Company.

A holder of Plan Interests is not entitled to participate in a new issue of Shares or other securities made by the Company to Shareholders merely because he or she holds Options or Performance Rights.

The Company will apply for quotation on the official list of the ASX of the Shares (as the case may be) or upon the exercise of an Option issued or a vested Performance Right that vests under the Plan. The Company will not seek official quotation by ASX of any Options or Performance Rights.

In the event of a change of control, the Board may exercise its discretion to deal with the Plan Interests and give notice to Participants by:

- converting Participants' Performance Rights to Shares whether or not all conditions have been met;
- permitting the exercise of some or all Options whether or not Vesting Conditions have been met; and/or

• removing any disposal restrictions attaching to Plan Shares.

#### Change of Control

Under the Plan, upon a person becoming:

- a legal or beneficial owner of 50% or more of the issued share capital in the Company; or
- entitled to, acquiring, holding or having a relevant interest in more than 50% of the issued share capital in the Company,
- all Plan Interests which have not already vested will vest or become exercisable, subject to the absolute discretion
  of the Board.

#### Discretion to make cash payment

The Board may determine that the Company will satisfy its obligations under the Plan by making a cash payment to the Participant in lieu of allocating Shares to the Participant.

#### Continuing Employment

Generally, unless determined otherwise by the Board, Plan Interests will lapse on the Director or employee ceasing to be an employee of the Company (or a member of the Evolution Mining group of companies).

Unless determined otherwise by the Board, in the event of a Participant's death, disablement, bona fide redundancy or any other reason approved by the Board, and at the time the Participant continues to satisfy any other relevant conditions attaching to the Plan Interests, the Participant remains entitled to the Plan Interests in the same manners as if the employment has not ended (this also applies to Options that are capable of being exercised).

#### Assignment

Plan Interests issued under the Plan are not transferable or assignable.

#### Administration

The Plan will be administered by the Board which has an absolute discretion to determine appropriate procedures for its administration and resolve questions of fact or interpretation and formulate special terms and conditions (subject to any applicable Listing Rules) in addition to those set out in the Plan.

#### Termination and amendment

The Plan may be terminated or suspended at any time by the Board but any such suspension or termination will not affect nor prejudice rights of any Participant holding Plan Interests at that time. The Plan may be amended at any time by the Board.

#### FY2017 Awards

Resolutions 5 and 6 above relate to awards under the Plan, pursuant to Member approval.

Further details about the FY2017 Awards (and future awards under the Plan) will be contained in the Company's annual Remuneration Report.

#### ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 9

The Company will only be able to rely on ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 9 (an exception to the restrictions regarding the issue of capital without shareholder approval under ASX Listing Rule 7.1) if there has been no change to the number or terms of the securities to be issued, the mechanism for pricing or payment or any other material terms of the Plan. Any securities issued following material changes to the Plan will not have the benefit of ASX Listing Rule 7.2, Exception 9 until such time as the revised plan is approved by shareholders.

#### **Board Recommendation**

The Board unanimously recommends that Members vote to approve Resolution 7.



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## PROXY FORM

I/We being a member(s) of Evolution Mining Limited 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 11:00am on Thursday, 23 November 2017 at the Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Hotel, 61-101 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000 (the Meeting) and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

**Important for Resolution 1, 5, 6 & 7:** 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 1, 5, 6 & 7 even though Resolutions are 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.

#### **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  $\boxtimes$ 

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2	1 Adoption of Remuneration Report			5 Issue of Performance Rights to Mr Jacob (Jake) Klein		
STEP	2 Election of Ms Andrea Hall as Director of the Company			6 Issue of Performance Rights to Mr Lawrence (Lawrie) Conway		
	3 Re-election of Mr James (Jim) Askew as Director of the Company			7 Approval of the Employee Share Option and Performance Rights Plan		
	4 Re-election of Mr Thomas McKeith as Director of the Company					
	* If you mark the Abstain box for a part	ticular Item,	, you are directing yo	ur proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show o	of hands	or on a poll and your

## SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDERS - THIS MUST BE COMPLETED

votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

Shareholder 1 (Individual) Joint Shareholder 2 (Individual) Joint Shareholder 3 (Individual)

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).



#### **HOW TO COMPLETE THIS SHAREHOLDER PROXY FORM**

#### 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 Resolutions are 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 11:00am on Tuesday, 21 November 2017, 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).



#### BY MOBILE DEVICE

Our voting website is designed specifically for voting online. You can now lodge your proxy by scanning the QR code adjacent or enter the voting link www.linkmarketservices.com.au into your mobile device. Log in using the Holder Identifier and postcode for your shareholding.



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