# Notice of Annual General Meeting

DATE: **19 November 2010** 

TIME: **11.30am (CDST)** 

PLACE: Rundle Capital Partners Pty Ltd

Level 11, 50 Pirie Street

Adelaide SA 5000



Austin Exploration Limited & Controlled Entity ABN 98 114 198 471 25 Peel Street Adelaide SA 5000

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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of shareholders of Austin Exploration Limited ACN 114 198 471 ('Austin' or 'the Company') will be held at Rundle Capital Partners Pty Ltd, 50 Pirie Street Adelaide SA 5000 on 19 November 2010 at 11.30am (CDST).

# **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

**TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER** the Company's financial report and reports of the directors and of the auditor for the financial year ended 30 June 2010.

### Resolutions

#### 1. TO RE-ELECT DIRECTOR - Dominic Pellicano

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

"That Dominic Pellicano, being the director who has been longest in office, retires by rotation and is eligible for re-election, be re-elected as a director of the Company."

[see the accompanying Explanatory Statement]

#### 2. TO ELECT DIRECTOR - William Mark Hart

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

"That William Mark Hart, a director appointed as an additional director in accordance with clause 58 of the Constitution of the Company, is elected as a director of the Company."

[see the accompanying Explanatory Statement]

#### 3. TO ADOPT THE REMUNERATION REPORT on pages 23 - 28 of the Annual Report

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

"That the Remuneration Report for the period ended 30 June 2010 be adopted."

[see the accompanying Explanatory Statement]

# 4. Approval of Issue of Shares and Unlisted Options

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

"That, for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.11 and for all other purposes, the issue of 1,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company to William Mark Hart, or his nominee, together with attaching options on a 1:1 basis under terms disclosed in section 4 of the Explanatory Statement accompanying the notice convening this meeting, is approved and authorised."

#### Voting exclusion statement

The Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 4 by William Mark Hart and

any associate of the respective shareholder.

However, the Company is not required to disregard a vote if:

- (a) it is cast by any of those persons as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with the directions in the proxy form;
- (b) it is cast by the Chairman of 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.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

To deal with any other business that may legally be brought forward in accordance with the Constitution and the Corporations Act 2001

# **Background Information**

To assist you in deciding how to vote on the above Resolutions, further details as background information to the Resolutions are set out in the Explanatory Statement forming part of this notice of meeting.

#### Questions from shareholders

The Chairman of the meeting will allow a reasonable opportunity for stakeholders to ask questions or make comments on the management of the Company at the meeting.

Simon Gray of Grant Thornton Chartered Accountants, as the auditor responsible for preparing the auditor's report for the year ended 30 June 2010 (or his representative) will attend the meeting. The Chairman of the meeting will allow a reasonable opportunity for the members as a whole to ask the auditor questions at the meeting about:

- The conduct of the audit;
- The preparation and content of the auditor's report;
- The accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
- . The independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

To assist the board of directors and the auditor of the Company in responding to any questions you may have, please submit any questions you may have headed 'Questions from shareholders' to the address below to be received no later than 5.00pm (Adelaide time) on 12 November 2010.

In person or by mail: Registered Office – 25 Peel Street, Adelaide South Australia 5000

By Facsimile: +61 8 8339 7909

As required by section 250PA of the Corporation Act 2001, the Company will distribute a list of questions prior to the commencement of the annual general meeting, setting out the questions received and directed to the auditor in writing at least 5 business days prior to the meeting that the auditor considers relevant to the content of the audit report or the conduct of the audit of the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2010. The Chairman of the meeting will allow a reasonable opportunity for the auditor to respond to the questions set out on this list.

# **Voting Restrictions**

Voting exclusion statements are set out under the text of the Resolutions above where required by the ASX Listing Rules

# **Voting Entitlement**

The Company has determined that, for the purposes of voting at the meeting, shares will be taken to be held by the registered holders at close of business (Adelaide time) on 17 November 2010, subject to the Constitution of the Company.

# **Proxies**

A shareholder who is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting has a right to appoint a proxy and should use the proxy form accompanying this document. The proxy need not be a shareholder.

A shareholder who is entitled to cast 2 or more votes may appoint 2 proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If a shareholder appoints 2 proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the shareholder's votes each proxy may exercise, section 249X of the Corporations Act will take effect so that each proxy may exercise half of the votes (ignoring fractions).

A proxy's authority to speak and vote for a shareholder at the meeting is suspended if the shareholder is present at the meeting. The proxy form must be signed and dated by the shareholder or the shareholder's attorney. Joint shareholders must each sign.

Proxy forms or the original of such other authority (if any) under which the proxy form is signed must be received by Computershare at Level 5, 115 Grenfell Street, Adelaide SA 5000 or GPO Box 242, Melbourne, VIC 3001 or by fax (within Australia) 1800 783 447 (outside Australia) +61 3 9473 2555 not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the meeting.

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By Order of the Board Graham Seppelt Company Secretary Dated: 19 October 2009 Adelaide, South Australia

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

# **Financial Statements and Reports**

The Corporations Act 2001 requires the annual report (which includes the financial statements and directors declaration), the directors' report and the auditor's report in respect of the financial year of Austin Exploration Limited ("Austin") ended 30 June 2010 to be laid before the 2010 Annual General Meeting. Shareholders will be given an opportunity at the Meeting to ask questions and make comments on these reports and on the business, operations and management of Austin.

#### 1. Resolution 1. - Re-election of director Mr Dominic Pellicano

Clause 59.1 of the Company's Constitution requires that at each Annual General Meeting one-third of the directors must retire from office. A director appointed during the year either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the directors is not taken into account in determining the directors who must retire by rotation. Therefore, Dominic Pellicano, being the director who has longest been in office, retires by rotation and is eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting on 19th November 2010. In accordance with clause 59.2 of the Company's Constitution, Dominic Pellicano has submitted himself for re-election at the Annual General Meeting as a director.

Dominic Pellicano's details are set out in the 2010 Annual Report.

The Directors (other than Dominic Pellicano), unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution. The Chairman intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of this Resolution.

#### 2. Resolution 2. - Election of director Mr William Mark Hart.

During the year William Mark Hart was appointed a Director by the board of directors. In accordance with clause 58 of the Company's Constitution, a director appointed by the board holds office until the Annual General Meeting and is then eligible for election. William Mark Hart seeks election as a director of the Company.

William Hart's details are set out in the 2010 Annual Report.

The Directors, (other than William Hart), unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of the Resolution. The Chairman intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of this Resolution.

#### 3. Resolution 3 - Adoption of Remuneration Report

Section 240L and 250R of *The Corporation Act 2001* require that a resolution that the Remuneration Report be adopted must be put to the vote at the Company's Annual General Meeting. The vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the directors or the Company.

The Remuneration Report is set out on pages 23 - 28 of the 2010 Annual Report.

An electronic copy of the Austin Exploration Annual Report can be located on the Company's web site at www.austinexploration.com.au/Financials.html

The Chairman intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of this Resolution.

#### 4. Resolution 4. - Approval of Issue of Shares and Unlisted Options

On 3 June 2010 the company announced the appointment of Dr William Mark Hart as a director of the company. Mark Hart brings to the company a wealth of industry expertise and since his appointment as director, Mark has provided strong and beneficial input to the formulation of the company's future direction in the US.

The directors have now announced the appointment of Mark Hart as Chief Executive Officer of Austin Exploration Limited and as part of the employment package have agreed to issue to him 1 million ordinary shares and 1 million options with an exercise price of \$0.10 per option and with an expiry date of 30 November 2011, subject to shareholder approval.

The directors are now seeking approval pursuant to Listing Rule 10.11 from shareholders for the issue of shares and unlisted options (Director Securities) to Mark William Hart or his nominee as follows:

	ORDINARY SHARES	UNLISTED OPTIONS		
William Mark Hart	1,000,000	1,000,000		

No amounts will be paid by Mark Hart or his nominee upon approval of this Resolution.

Quotation of the options on ASX will not be sought.

Approval pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1 is not required in order to issue the Director Securities as approval is being obtained under Listing Rule 10.11. Shareholders should note that the issue of the Director Securities will not be included in the 15% calculation for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1. if the issue is approved pursuant to Listing Rule 10.11.

Listing Rule 10.13 requires certain information to be contained in the notice of meeting and explanatory memorandum where shareholders will consider a resolution pursuant to Listing Rule 10.11. This information is set out below.

- (a) The maximum number of securities to be issued: the number of shares to be issued is 1,000,000 shares; the number of options to be issued is 1,000,000 options.
- (b) The date by which the securities will be issued: the Director Securities will be issued immediately after the conclusion of the meeting and in any event no later than one month after the meeting.
- (c) The issue price of the securities: the Director Securities will be issued for nil cash consideration. The shares will be taken to be issued at an issue price of **\$0.03** per share.
- (d) The name of the allottee: as set out above.
- (e) The terms of the securities: the shares will rank equally with the Company's ordinary issued shares. The terms of the options are set out above.
- (f) The intended use of the funds received: the funds raised from the exercise of the options will be used to fund the Company's exploration projects and for general working capital requirements.

The Chairman intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of this Resolution.



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# Lodge your vote:



# ⊠ By Mail:

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Alternatively you can fax your form to (within Australia) 1800 783 447 (outside Australia) +61 3 9473 2555

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# **Proxy Form**



並 For your vote to be effective it must be received by 11:30am (Adelaide time) Wednesday 17 November 2010

# How to Vote on Items of Business

All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions.

# Appointment of Proxy

Voting 100% of your holding: Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box your proxy may vote as they choose. If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.

Voting a portion of your holding: Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the percentage or number of securities you wish to vote in the For, Against or Abstain box or boxes. The sum of the votes cast must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%

Appointing a second proxy: You are entitled to appoint up to two proxies to attend the meeting and vote on a poll. If you appoint two proxies you must specify the percentage of votes or number of securities for each proxy, otherwise each proxy may exercise half of the votes. When appointing a second proxy write both names and the percentage of votes or number of securities for each in Step 1 overleaf.

A proxy need not be a securityholder of the Company.

# Signing Instructions

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the securityholder must sign.

Joint Holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the securityholders should sign.

Power of Attorney: If you have not already lodged the Power of Attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.

Companies: Where the company has a Sole Director who is also the Sole Company Secretary, this form must be signed by that person. If the company (pursuant to section 204A of the Corporations Act 2001) does not have a Company Secretary, a Sole Director can also sign alone. Otherwise this form must be signed by a Director jointly with either another Director or a Company Secretary. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

# Attending the Meeting

Bring this form to assist registration. If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to attend the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" prior to admission. A form of the certificate may be obtained from Computershare or online at www.investorcentre.com under the information tab, "Downloadable Forms".

Comments & Questions: If you have any comments or questions for the company, please write them on a separate sheet of paper and return with this form.

Turn over to complete the form





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3 Adoption of Remuneration Report					
4 Approval of Issue of Shares and Unlis	ted Options				
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