# BAYRIDGE RESOURCES CORP.

Unit 220, 333 Terminal Avenue Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6A 4C1

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL AND SPECIAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general and special meeting (the "**Meeting**") of the holders (the "**Shareholders**") of common shares (the "**Common Shares**") in the authorized share structure of Bayridge Resources Corp. (the "**Company**") will be held at the King George Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 905 West Pender Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada on February 26, 2024 at 11 a.m. (Vancouver time) for the following purposes:

- 1. to receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the period from October 7, 2022 to December 31, 2022, together with the independent auditors' reports thereon;
- 2. to fix the number of directors to be elected;
- 3. to elect the directors for the ensuing year;
- 4. to re-appoint Crowe MacKay LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as auditor of the Company and to authorize the directors to fix the auditor's remuneration;
- 5. to approve the Company's 2024 Equity Incentive Plan;
- 6. to approve the Company's continuation into the province of Alberta; and
- 7. to transact such further or other business as may properly come before the Meeting or, if the meeting is adjourned or postponed, any reconvened Meeting.

Accompanying this Notice is an Information Circular, a form of proxy (the "**Proxy**") or voting instruction form, and a request card for use by shareholders who wish to receive the Company's interim and/or annual financial statements. The Information Circular provides additional information relating to the matters to be considered at the Meeting and forms part of this Notice.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on January 23, 2024 as the record date for determining the shareholders who are entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting or any adjournment thereof. A shareholder entitled to vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxyholder to attend and vote in his/her stead. If you are unable to attend the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof, in person, please date, execute, and return the enclosed Proxy in accordance with the instructions set out in the notes to the Proxy and any accompanying information from your intermediary.

Late proxies may be accepted or rejected by the Chair of the Meeting at his or her discretion and the Chair of the Meeting is under no obligation to accept or reject any particular late proxy. The Chair of the Meeting may waive or extend the proxy cut-off without notice.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 23rd day of January, 2024

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BAYRDIGE RESOURCES CORP.

By: "Gurcharn Deol"

Chief Executive Officer

These securityholder materials are being sent to both registered and non-registered owners of the securities. If you are a non-registered owner, and the Company or its agent has sent these materials directly to you, your name and address and information about your holdings of securities have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the intermediary holding on your behalf. By choosing to send these materials to you directly, the Company (and not the intermediary holding on your behalf) has assumed responsibility for (i) delivering these materials to you, and (ii) executing your proper voting instructions. Please return your voting instructions as specified in the request for voting instructions.

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# MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR AS AT JANUARY 23, 2024

This management information circular ("Information Circular") is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by management of Bayridge Resources Corp. (the "Company") for use at the annual general and special meeting (the "Meeting") of the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") to be held on February 26, 2024 at 11am (Vancouver Time) and any adjournment or postponement thereof, for the purposes set forth in the attached Notice of Annual General and Special Meeting (the "Notice of Meeting"). Except where otherwise indicated, the information contained herein is stated as of January 23, 2024.

In this Information Circular, references to the "Company" and "we" refer to Bayridge Resources Corp. "Common Shares" means common shares without par value in the capital of the Company. "Registered Shareholders" means Shareholders whose names appear on the records of the Company as the registered holders of Common Shares. "Non-Registered Shareholders" means Shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name. "Intermediaries" refers to brokers, investment firms, clearing houses and similar entities that own securities on behalf of Non-Registered Shareholders. Unless otherwise indicated, all references to "\$" or "dollars" in this Information Circular means Canadian Dollars.

# GENERAL PROXY INFORMATION

#### **Solicitation of Proxies**

The solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail, but proxies may be solicited personally or by telephone by directors, officers and regular employees of the Company. The Company will bear all costs of this solicitation. We have arranged to send meeting materials directly to Registered Shareholders, as well as Non-Registered Shareholders who have consented to their ownership information being disclosed by the Intermediary holding the Common Shares on their behalf (non-objecting beneficial owners). We have not arranged for Intermediaries to forward the meeting materials to Non-Registered Shareholders who have objected to their ownership information being disclosed by the Intermediary holding the Common Shares on their behalf (objecting beneficial owners) under National Instrument 54-101 Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer ("NI 54- 101"). As a result, objecting beneficial owners will not receive the Information Circular and associated meeting materials unless their Intermediary assumes the costs of delivery.

# **Appointment and Revocation of Proxies**

The individuals named in the accompanying form of proxy (the "Proxy") are officers of the Company or solicitors for the Company. If you are a Registered Shareholder, you have the right to attend the Meeting or vote by proxy and to appoint a person or company other than the person designated in the Proxy, who need not be a Shareholder, to attend and act for you and on your behalf at the Meeting. You may do so either by inserting the name of that other person in the blank space provided in the Proxy or by completing and delivering another suitable form of Proxy.

If you are a Registered Shareholder you may wish to vote by proxy whether or not you are able to attend the Meeting. Registered Shareholders electing to submit a proxy may do so by completing, dating and signing the enclosed form of proxy and returning it to the Company's transfer agent, Odyssey Trust Company ("Odyssey"), in accordance with the instructions on the Proxy. Alternatively, Registered Shareholders may vote their shares via the internet or by telephone as per the instructions provided on the Proxy.

In all cases you should ensure that the Proxy is received at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the Meeting or the adjournment or postponement thereof at which the Proxy is to be used.

Every Proxy may be revoked by an instrument in writing:

- (i) executed by the Shareholder or by his/her attorney authorized in writing or, where the Shareholder is a company, by a duly authorized officer or attorney of the company; and
- (ii) delivered either to the registered office of the Company at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, at which the Proxy is to be used, or to the chairman of the Meeting on the day of the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, or in any other manner provided by law.

Only Registered Shareholders have the right to revoke a Proxy. Non-Registered Shareholders who wish to change their vote must, at least seven days before the Meeting, arrange for their respective Intermediaries to revoke the Proxy on their behalf. If you are a

Non-Registered Shareholder, see "Voting by Non-Registered Shareholders" below for further information on how to vote your Common Shares.

#### **Exercise of Discretion by Proxyholder**

If you vote by Proxy, the persons named in the Proxy will vote or withhold from voting the Common Shares represented thereby in accordance with your instructions on any ballot that may be called for. If you specify a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon, your Common Shares will be voted accordingly. The Proxy confers discretionary authority on the persons named therein with respect to:

- (i) each matter or group of matters identified therein for which a choice is not specified;
- (ii) any amendment to or variation of any matter identified therein;
- (iii) any other matter that properly comes before the Meeting; and
- (iv) exercise of discretion of the proxyholder.

In respect of a matter for which a choice is not specified in the Proxy, the persons named in the Proxy will vote the Common Shares represented by the Proxy for the approval of such matter. Management is not currently aware of any other matters that could come before the Meeting.

# **Voting by Non-Registered Shareholders**

The following information is of significant importance to Shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name. Non-Registered Shareholders should note that the only Proxies that can be recognized and acted upon at the Meeting are those deposited by Registered Shareholders.

If Common Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by an Intermediary, then in almost all cases those Common Shares will not be registered in the Shareholder's name on the records of the Company. Such Common Shares will more likely be registered under the name of the Shareholder's Intermediary or an agent of that Intermediary. In the United States, the vast majority of such Common Shares are registered under the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company (which acts as depositary for many U.S. brokerage firms and custodian banks), and in Canada, under the name of CDS & Co. (the registration name for The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, which acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms).

If you have consented to disclosure of your ownership information, you will receive a request for voting instructions from the Company or Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("**Broadridge**"). If you have declined to disclose your ownership information, you may receive a request for voting instructions from your Intermediary if they have assumed the cost of delivering the Information Circular and associated meeting materials. Every Intermediary has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions to clients. However, most Intermediaries now delegate responsibility for obtaining voting instructions from clients to Broadridge in the United States and in Canada.

If you are a Non-Registered Shareholder, you should carefully follow the instructions on the voting instruction form received from Broadridge in order to ensure that your Common Shares are voted at the Meeting. The voting instruction form supplied to you will be similar to the Proxy provided to the Registered Shareholders by the Company. However, its purpose is limited to instructing the Intermediary on how to vote on your behalf.

The voting instruction form sent by Broadridge will name the same persons as the Company's proxy to represent you at the Meeting. Although as a Non-Registered Shareholder you may not be recognized directly at the Meeting for the purposes of voting Common Shares registered in the name of your Intermediary, you, or a person designated by you (who neednot be a Shareholder), may attend at the Meeting as Proxyholder for your Intermediary and vote your Common Shares in that capacity. To exercise this right to attend the Meeting or appoint a Proxyholder of your own choosing, you should insert your own name or the name of the desired representative in the blank space provided in the voting instruction form. Alternatively, you may provide other written instructions requesting that you or your desired representative attend the Meeting as Proxyholder for your Intermediary. The completed voting instruction form or other written instructions must then be returned in accordance with the instructions on the form.

If you receive a voting instruction form from Broadridge, you cannot use it to vote Common Shares directly at the Meeting – the voting instruction form must be completed as described above and returned in accordance with its instructions well in advance of the Meeting in order to have the Common Shares voted.

#### INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS OR COMPANIES IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Except as disclosed herein, no person has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in matters to be acted upon at the Meeting other than the election of directors. For the purpose of this paragraph, "person" shall include each of the following persons or companies: (a) if the solicitation is made by or on behalf of management of the Company, each person who has been a director, senior officer or insider of the Company at any time since the beginning of the Company's last financial year; (b) if the solicitation is made other than by or on behalf of management of the Company, each person or company by whom, or on whose behalf, directly or indirectly, the solicitation is made; (c) each proposed nominee for election as a director of the Company; or (d) each associate or affiliate of any of the persons or companies included in subparagraphs (a) to (c).

# RECORD DATE AND QUORUM

The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") has fixed the record date for the Meeting as the close of business on January 23, 2024 (the "Record Date"). Shareholders of record as at the Record Date are entitled to receive notice of the Meeting and to vote their Common Shares at the Meeting, except to the extent that any such Shareholder transfers any Common Shares after the Record Date and the transferee of those Common Shares establishes that the transferee owns the Common Shares and demands, not less than ten (10) days before the Meeting, that the transferee's name be included in the list of Shareholders entitled to vote at the Meeting, in which case, only such transferee shall be entitled to vote such Common Shares at the Meeting.

Under the Articles of the Company, the quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of Shareholders is one person who is, or who represents by proxy, two or more shareholders who, in the aggregate, hold at least 5% of the issued shares entitled to be voted at the Meeting.

#### VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS OF VOTING SECURITIES

The Company's authorized capital consists of an unlimited number of Common Shares without par value. On the Record Date there were 21,268,344 Common Shares issued and outstanding, with each Common Share carrying the right to one vote. Only Shareholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to vote in person or by proxy at the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Company, as of the date of this Information Circular, there are no Shareholders who beneficially own, or exercises control or direction over Common Shares, directly or indirectly, carrying 10% or more of the voting rights attached to Common Shares.

# PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

To the knowledge of the Company's directors, the only matters to be placed before the Meeting are those set forth in the accompanying Notice of Meeting and discussed below.

# PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited annual financial statements of the Company for the period from October 7, 2022 to December 31, 2022, and the auditor's report thereon, will be placed before the Meeting. The Company's financial statements are available on the SEDAR+ website at www.sedarplus.ca.

### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The Company proposes to fix the number of directors of the Company at four (4) and to nominate the persons listed below for election as directors. Each director will hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company or until his or her successor is elected or appointed, unless his or her office is earlier vacated. Management does not contemplate that any of the nominees will be unable to serve as a director.

The following table sets out the names of the director nominees; their positions and offices in the Company, the period of time that they have been directors of the Company, their principal occupations or employment, and the number of Common Shares that each beneficially owns or over which control or direction is exercised, directly and indirectly.

| Name, Residence<br>and Present<br>Position within<br>the Company                             | Director<br>Since  | Number of Common Shares<br>Beneficially Owned or Over<br>Which Control or Direction<br>is Exercised, Directly or<br>Indirectly <sup>(1)</sup> | Principal Occupation, Business or<br>Employment <sup>(1)</sup>   |
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| Gurcharn Deol <sup>(2)</sup> Richmond, BC  Chief Executive Officer, Director                 | October 7,<br>2022 | 2,000,100   | Mr. Deol has over 35 years of experience in the financial markets. He has served on both public and private company boards. His past and current experience includes providing management and consulting services to companies, project analysis, investor relations, technical marker analysis and the financing of international projects. Mr. Deol currently serves as director of Neotech Metals Corp., director of Ambari Brands Inc., and director of Green Battery Minerals Inc.  |
| Brijender Jassal Delta, BC  Director, Former Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary | October 27, 2022   | 80,000  | Mr. Jassal has 25 years of experience as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) (CGA) in Canada, is a Fellow of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA) in London, England, and holds a certificate in Accounting and Finance from Ryerson University in Toronto. Mr. Jassal joined the Company in October 2022 and has been an important member of the team working on the financial reporting and corporate side of the operations. Mr. Jassal is also adept at corporate governance and dealing with regulatory requirements for publicly traded companies. |
| Brian Thurston <sup>(2)</sup> Vancouver, BC  Director  | April 17,<br>2023  | NIL   | Mr. Thurston has been President and Chief Executive Officer of International Metals Mining Corp. (formerly, Gold State Resources Inc.) since March 5, 2021, President and CEO of Mapache Mining PLC since 2018 and General Manager of MineGate Exploration Inc. since December 2011. He was previously President and CEO of Canadian Mining Corp. from March 2017 to July 2018 and President and CEO of IMC International Mining Corp. (CSE) from March 2017 to November 2020.   |
| Trevor<br>Nawalkowsk<br>i <sup>(2)</sup><br>Calgary, AB<br><i>Director</i>                   | May 22,<br>2023    | NIL   | Mr. Nawalkowski is President of Shing Digital Inc., an IT Managed Service and Technology Solutions company. He has 15+ years of senior management, executive and legal experience in IT, oil and gas, automation systems, digital communications and more. Mr. Nawalkowski is currently a director of Eureka Lithium (formerly Scout Minerals) and Argyle Resources Corp. and was previously a director of Archer Exploration Corp. (from April 15, 2020 to September 24, 2021)  |

# **Notes:**

<sup>(1)</sup> The information as to principal occupation, business or employment and Common Shares beneficially owned or controlled is not within the knowledge of management of the Company and has been furnished by the respective nominees. Unless otherwise stated above, any nominees named above have held the principal occupation or employment indicated for at least the five preceding years.

<sup>(2)</sup> Member of the audit committee of the Company.

# Corporate Cease Trade Orders or Bankruptcies

Other than as disclosed below, to the best of the Company's knowledge, no proposed director or executive officer of the Company is, at the date of this Information Circular, or was within the 10 years prior to the date of this Information Circular, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including the Company) that:

- (a) was subject to an order that was issued while the proposed director or executive officer was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer, or
- (b) was subject to an order that was issued after the proposed director or executive officer ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

For the purposes of the foregoing, "order" means

- (a) a cease trade order;
- (b) an order similar to a cease trade order; or
- (c) an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation,

that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days.

Mr. Deol previously served as a director of Cache Exploration Inc. ("Cache") from January, 2020 to April, 2022. The British Columbia Securities Commission (the "BCSC") issued a management cease trade order against insiders of Cache for failure to file annual audited financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for the year ended September 30, 2020. Cache then failed to file the audited annual financial statements by the new deadline of March 29, 2021. Consequently, the BCSC issued a cease trade order against Cache for the failure to file the audited annual financial statements. The cease trade order and management cease trade order were both revoked on April 7, 2021. On June 4, 2021, while Mr. Deol was still in office, the BCSC issued another cease trade order against Cache for failing to file its interim financial statements and MD&A for the period ended March 31, 2021. The order remains in effect.

Mr. Deol was the Chief Financial Officer and a director of West Island Brands (previously, Matica Enterprises Inc.). On May 3, 2021, while Mr. Deol was still in office, the Company applied to the BCSC for a management cease trade order for a delay in filing their December 31, 2020 audited financial statements and MD&A as contemplated by NP 12-203 – Management Cease Trade Orders and received such management cease trade order. The order was revoked on June 22, 2021 after the relevant documentation was filed.

Mr. Thurston was the President and CEO of Upper Canyon Minerals Corp. ("Upper Canyon"). On May 8, 2013, the BCSC issued a cease trade order against Upper Canyon for failure to file annual audited financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for the year ended December 31, 2012. On August 14, 2013, the Alberta Securities Commission issued a cease trade order against Upper Canyon for failure to make the same filings. The cease trade orders were revoked on May 16, 2017.

Mr. Thurston was an independent director of Chemesis International Inc. ("Chemesis"). On January 11, 2022, the BCSC issued a cease trade order against Chemesis for failure to file its June 30, 2021 audited financial statements and MD&A, and its interim financial statements and MD&A for the period ended September 30, 2021, pursuant to National Policy 11-207 Failure-to-File Cease Trade Orders and Revocations in Multiple Jurisdictions. The cease trade order was revoked on March 29, 2022.

Mr. Jassal is a director and the chief financial officer of Lake Winn Resources Corp. ("Lake Winn"). On May 4, 2021, the BCSC issued a management cease trade order against insiders of Lake Winn for failure to file its annual audited financial statements and MD&A for the year ended December 31, 2020. The BCSC then filed a cease trade order against Lake Winn for failure to file its annual filings for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the interim financial statements and MD&A for the period ended March 31, 2021. The cease trade order was revoked on September 13, 2022, and the management cease trade order was revoked on October 27, 2022.

To the best of the Company's knowledge, no proposed director or executive officer of the Company, nor any shareholder holding sufficient securities of the Company to affect materially the control of the Company, nor any personal holding company of any such person:

(a) is, as at the date of this Information Circular, or has been within the 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, a director or executive officer of any company (including the Company) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or

(b) has, within the 10 years before the date of this Information Circular, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the director, executive officer or shareholder.

# **Penalties or Sanctions**

To the best of the Company's knowledge, no director or executive officer of the Company, nor any shareholder holding sufficient securities of the Company to materially affect control of the Company has been subject to:

- (a) any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to Canadian securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or
- (b) any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor making an investment decision.

# APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to approve the appointment of the auditor of the Company. Management is recommending that Shareholders vote to re-appoint Crowe Mackay LLP of 1177 W Hastings St #1100, Vancouver, BC, V6E 4T5 as auditor of the Company to hold office until the next annual general meeting of Shareholders, or until its successor has been appointed, and to authorize the directors to fix the remuneration of the auditor.

# APPROVAL OF EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

On December 19, 2023 the Board approved the Company's 2024 Equity Incentive Plan (the "**Plan**"). At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to approve the Plan.

The purpose of the Plan is to provide an incentive to directors, officers, employees and consultants to acquire a proprietary interest in the Company, to continue their participation in the affairs of the Company and to increase their efforts on behalf of the Company.

The following summary of the Plan does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Plan. A copy of the Plan is annexed hereto as Schedule "B".

The Plan will be administered by the Board (or a committee thereof) (the "Plan Administrator") and will provide that the Plan Administrator may from time to time, in its discretion, and in accordance with CSE requirements, grant to eligible Participants (as defined in the Plan), non-transferable awards (the "Awards"). Such Awards include options ("Options"), and restricted share units ("RSUs").

The number of Common Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to Awards granted under the Plan will not, in the aggregate, exceed 10% of the then issued and outstanding Common Shares on a rolling basis.

The maximum number of Common Shares for which Awards may be issued to any one Participant in any 12-month period shall not exceed 5% of the outstanding Common Shares, unless disinterested shareholder approval as required by the policies of the CSE is obtained, or 2% in the case of a grant of Awards to any consultant or persons (in the aggregate) retained to provide Investor Relations Activities (as defined by the CSE). Further, unless disinterested shareholder approval as required by the policies of the CSE is obtained: (i) the maximum number of Common Shares for which Awards may be issued to insiders of the Company (as a group) at any point in time shall not exceed 10% of the outstanding Common Shares; and (ii) the aggregate number of Awards granted to insiders of the Common (as a group), within any 12-month period, shall not exceed 10% of the outstanding Common Shares.

The following is a summary of the various types of Awards issuable under the Plan.

#### **Options**

The exercise price of the Options will be determined by the Plan Administrator at the time each Option is granted, which price must in all cases be not less than the Market Price on the Date of Grant (as defined in the Plan).

Subject to any accelerated termination, each Option expires on the expiry date specified in the Award Agreement (as defined in the Plan) and in any case no later than the tenth anniversary of the date of grant. Subject to the requirements of the Exchange, the expiry date of an Option that expires during a Black Out Period (as defined in the Plan) shall automatically extend without any further act or formality, to that date which is the 10th Business Day after the end of the Black-Out Period.

The Plan Administrator shall have the authority to determine the vesting terms applicable to each Option granted under the Plan. Once an instalment becomes vested, it shall remain vested and shall be exercisable until expiration or termination of the Option, unless specified by the Plan Administrator or set forth in writing in any written employment agreements, Award Agreement or other written agreement between the Company and the Participant (as defined in the Plan).

#### Restricted Share Units

All RSUs received by a Participant shall be credited to an account maintained for the Participant on the books of the Company, as of the Date of Grant. The Plan Administrator has the authority to determine the vesting terms applicable to each RSU granted under the Plan.

Unless as otherwise provided for in the Award Agreement, on the settlement date for any RSU, the Participant shall redeem each vested RSU for one fully paid and non-assessable Share of the Company, a cash payment, or a combination of Shares and cash as determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion. Subject to vesting restrictions imposed by the CSE, the settlement shall occur no later the final business day of the third calendar year following the year in which the RSU is granted.

Notwithstanding the other provisions of the Plan, in the event that the settlement date for an RSU falls during a Black-Out Period or other trading restriction imposed by the Corporation, then such settlement date shall be automatically extended to the 10<sup>th</sup> Business Day following the date that such Black-Out Period or other trading restriction is lifted, terminated or removed.

Unless otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator and set forth in the particular Award Agreement, RSUs shall be credited with dividend equivalents in the form of additional RSUs, as applicable, as of each dividend payment date in respect of which normal cash dividends are paid on Shares and calculated in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

# Additional Option and Award Terms

Notwithstanding any other terms of the Plan, Options and Awards may be subject to potential cancellation, recoupment, rescission, payback or other action in accordance with the terms of any clawback, recoupment or similar policy adopted by the Company or the relevant subsidiary of the Company and in effect at the Date of Grant of the Award, or as set out in the Participant's employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement, or as otherwise required by law or the rules of the Exchange.

The Awards may be exercised, in the case of Options, and settled, in the case of RSUs, in accordance with the terms above, provided that: (i) upon a Participant's termination by way of voluntary resignation, any Option or Award held by a Participant that has not been exercised or settled as of the Termination Date (as defined in the Plan) shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination date, (ii) upon the Participants termination without Cause (as defined in the Plan) any unvested Options or Awards held by the Participant as of the Termination Date shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination Date and any vested Options or other Awards may be exercised or surrendered to the Corporation until the earlier of (A) the expiry date of such Option or Award and (B) the date that is 60 days after the Termination Date, at which point any outstanding Options or Awards will be immediately forfeited, (iii) where a Participant has become Disabled (as defined by the Plan) any Option or Award that has not vested as of the date of Disability shall continue to vest in accordance with its terms and may be exercised or surrendered to the Company by the Participant until the earlier of the (A) the expiry date of such Option or Award and (B) the third anniversary of the Participant's date of Disability, at which point any outstanding Options or Awards will be immediately forfeited, (iv) upon death of a Participant any Option or Award that has not yet vested will vest as of the date of the death of the Participant and may be exercised or surrendered to the Company by the Participant until the earlier of the (A) the expiry date of such Option or Award and (B) the first anniversary of the date of death of such Participant, at which point any outstanding Options or Awards will be immediately forfeited, (v) and where a Participant retires, any Option or Award that has not vested as of the date of Retirement (as defined in the Plan) shall continue to vest in accordance with its terms and may be exercised or surrendered to the Company by the Participant until the earlier of the (A) the expiry date of such Option or Award and (B) the third anniversary of the Participants date of Retirement, at which point any outstanding Options or Awards will be immediately forfeited.

Except as may be set forth in an employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation and the Participant, the Plan Administrator may, without the consent of any Participant, take such steps as it deems necessary or desirable, including to cause (i) the conversion or exchange of any outstanding Awards into or for, rights or other securities of substantially equivalent value, as determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion, in any entity participating in or resulting from a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan); (ii) outstanding Awards to vest and become exercisable, realizable, or payable, or restrictions applicable to an Award to lapse, in whole or in part prior to or upon consummation of such Change in Control, and, to the extent the Plan Administrator determines, terminate upon or immediately prior to the effectiveness of such Change in Control; (iii) the termination of an Award in exchange for an amount of cash and/or property, if any, equal to the amount that would

have been attained upon the exercise or settlement of such Award or realization of the Participant's rights as of the date of the occurrence of the transaction net of any exercise price payable by the Participant (and, for the avoidance of doubt, if as of the date of the occurrence of the transaction the Plan Administrator determines in good faith that no amount would have been attained upon the exercise or settlement of such Award or realization of the Participant's rights net of any exercise price payable by the Participant, then such Award may be terminated by the Company without payment); (iv) the replacement of such Award with other rights or property selected by the Board in its sole discretion; or (v) any combination of the foregoing. In taking any of such actions, the Plan Administrator will not be required to treat all Awards similarly in the transaction.

Shareholders will be asked at the Meeting to approve, with or without variation, the following ordinary resolution:

# "BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. the Company's 2024 equity incentive plan, adopted by the board of directors of the Company effective as of December 19, 2023, (the "Plan"), in substantially the form described in the management information circular of the Company dated January 23, 2024 be and is hereby confirmed, ratified, and approved, and that in connection therewith a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares at the time of each grant be approved for granting as options ("Options") and restricted share units ("RSUs);
- 2. the Board of Directors of the Company be authorized in its absolute discretion to administer the Plan, and amend or modify the Plan in accordance with its terms and conditions and with the policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange (CSE); and
- 3. any one or more director(s) or officer(s) of the Company be authorized and directed to do all acts and things and to execute and deliver all documents required, as in the opinion of such director or officer may be necessary or appropriate in order to give effect to this resolution."

A copy of the Plan is available at the records office of the Company, until the business day immediately preceding the date of the Meeting, and a copy will also be made available at the Meeting. A copy of this Plan is also annexed hereto as Schedule "B".

The Board recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of the Plan.

# CONTINUATION INTO ALBERTA

The Company presently exists under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) (the "BCBCA"). Management is seeking shareholder approval to continue (the "Continuation") the Company to Alberta under the *Alberta Business Corporations Act* (the "ABCA"). Upon the Continuation under the ABCA becoming effective, the Company will become a corporation to which the ABCA applies as if it had been incorporated under the ABCA, and the BCBCA will cease to apply to the Company.

In order to effect the Continuation, the following steps must be taken:

- 1. pursuant to the provisions of the BCBCA, the Company must obtain the authorization of the Shareholders by special resolution, being a resolution passed by a special majority of the shareholders which is two-thirds of the votes cast in person or by proxy in respect of the Continuation Resolution (the "Continuation Resolution");
- 2. the Company must apply to the Registrar under the BCBCA for authorization of the Continuation from British Columbia; and
- 3. the Company must apply to the Registrar under the ABCA for a Certificate of Continuance into Alberta.

The Continuation will affect certain of the rights of Shareholders as they currently exist under the BCBCA. Shareholders should consult their legal advisors regarding implications of the Continuation which may be of particular importance to them.

The Company's Board may, despite receiving Shareholder approval, abandon the application for the Continuation without further approval of the Shareholders. In making such determination, the Company's Board, at its sole discretion, will determine whether it is in the Company's best interests to proceed with the Continuation after considering all relevant factors at the particular time, whether or not foreseen at this date.

#### New Articles and Bylaws

Continuation requires that the Company adopt new articles and bylaws. The proposed articles of continuance (the "Articles of Continuance") to be filed under the ABCA to effect a continuation out of the jurisdiction of the BCBCA and into the jurisdiction of the ABCA are attached as Schedule "C" to this Circular. The proposed Articles of Continuance will become the new charter documents of the Company, replacing the Company's notice of articles. If the Company is continued under the ABCA, the Board intends to adopt bylaws in the form attached as Schedule "D" to this Circular. The proposed bylaws will replace the current Articles of the Company.

# Effect of Continuation

On the effective date of the Continuation, a holder of shares of the Company will continue to hold the same number of shares of the Company domiciled in the new jurisdiction. The existing share certificates representing the Company's shares will not be cancelled. Holders of convertible securities of the Company, if any, on the effective date of the Continuation, will continue to hold convertible securities to purchase an identical number of securities of the Company on substantially the same terms.

The principal attributes of the securities of the Company under the ABCA will be substantially similar to those of the corresponding securities of the Company under the BCBCA. See "Summary of the Differences Between the BCBCA and the ABCA", below.

The Continuation, if approved, will effect a change in the legal domicile of the Company on the effective date thereof under the ABCA, but the Company's business and operations will not change as a result of the Continuation.

As of the effective date of the Continuation, the election, duties, resignations and removal of the Company's directors and officers will be governed by the ABCA and the Company will no longer be subject to the BCBCA.

By operation of the ABCA, as of the effective date of the Continuation, all of the assets, property, rights, liabilities and obligations of the Company immediately before the Continuation will continue to be the assets, property, rights, liabilities and obligations of the Company continued under the ABCA. On the effective date of the Continuation, the Company's property will continue to be the property of the Company continued under the ABCA; the Company continued under the ABCA will continue to be liable for the obligations of the Company; an existing cause of action, claim or liability to prosecution of the Company will be unaffected; a civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding pending by or against the Company may be continued to be prosecuted by or against the Company; and a conviction against the Company may be continued against the Company continued under the ABCA, or a ruling, order or judgment in favour of or against the Company may be enforced by or against the Company continued under the ABCA.

# Summary of the Differences between the BCBCA and the ABCA

The BCBCA and the ABCA are similar in many respects, although there are a number of notable differences in respect of corporate law matters. Shareholders should consult their legal advisors with respect to the detailed provisions of the ABCA and their rights thereunder. The following is a summary of certain differences between the ABCA and the BCBCA which management of the Company considers to be of significance. This summary is not an exhaustive review of the two statues nor does it constitute a legal interpretation thereof. Shareholders are invited to consult their legal advisors for particulars of the differences.

# Constating Documents

Under the BCBCA, a company's governing documents are known as its Notice of Articles and Articles. When a corporation continues under the ABCA, its governing documents are known as its Articles of Continuance and Bylaws.

#### Directors

At least 1/4 of directors of a company incorporated under the ABCA must be resident Canadians. By contrast, there are no residency requirements for directors of a company organized under the BCBCA. Under the ABCA, directors may be removed by a resolution passed by a majority of the votes cast by the shareholders who voted in respect of such resolution or signed by all the shareholders entitled to vote on that resolution (an "Alberta Ordinary Resolution") whereas under the BCBCA, directors may be removed by a resolution passed at a general meeting by a special majority (which, for the Company, is currently set at two-thirds of the votes cast on such resolution) of the shareholders or a resolution passed by being consented to in writing by all of the shareholders holding shares that carry the right to vote at general meetings (a "Special Resolution") or, if the articles of a company otherwise provide that a director may be removed by a resolution of the shareholders entitled to vote at general meetings passed by less than a special majority or may be removed by some other method, by the resolution or method specified.

### Alterations of Capital

Under the BCBCA, a company may consolidate or subdivide its outstanding securities by the type of resolution specified by the articles, or if the articles do not specify the type of resolution, by a special resolution. Under the ABCA, consolidation or subdivision of a company's securities requires a Special Resolution.

# Amendments to the Charter Documents of a Company

Changes to the Notice of Articles or Articles of a company under the BCBCA are affected by the type of resolution specified by the BCBCA, or, if the BCBCA does not specify the type of resolution, by the type of resolution specified in the Articles of the company, or, if neither the BCBCA nor the Articles specify the type of resolution, by a special resolution. This means that many alterations, including change of name or other alterations to the Articles, could be authorized solely by a resolution of the directors. A company incorporated under the ABCA may amend its Articles by special resolution. The ABCA also requires a special resolution to be passed for other fundamental changes, such as altering the share capital of a company, approving a continuation in another jurisdiction, and the like.

# Place of Meetings

The ABCA provides that meetings of shareholders must be held in Alberta, unless the bylaws provide otherwise. Under the BCBCA, meetings may be held outside British Columbia if the location is provided for in the articles, or the articles do not restrict the corporation from approving a location outside British Columbia and the location is approved by the resolution required by the articles for that purpose, if any, or otherwise by a resolution passed at a general meeting by a simple majority of the votes cast by shareholders or a resolution passed by being consented to in writing by shareholders holding shares that carry the right to vote at general meetings who, in the aggregate, hold shares carrying at least a special majority (which, for the Company, is currently set at two-thirds of the votes cast on such resolution) of the votes entitled to be cast on the resolution (a "BC Ordinary Resolution"), or the location of the meeting is approved in writing by the BC Registrar before the meeting is held.

# Ability to Set Necessary Levels of Shareholder Consent

Under the BCBCA, a company, in its articles, can establish levels for various shareholder approvals (other than those prescribed by the BCBCA). The percentage of votes required for a Special Resolution can be specified in the articles and may be no less than 2/3 and no more than 3/4 of the votes cast. The ABCA does not provide for flexibility on shareholder approvals, which are either Alberta Ordinary Resolutions passed by a majority of the votes cast or, where specified in the ABCA, Special Resolutions which must be passed by 2/3 of the votes cast.

# Shareholders' Proposals

A shareholder of a company incorporated under the ABCA who is entitled to vote may submit notice of a shareholder proposal. The BCBCA includes a more detailed regime for shareholder proposals than the ABCA. For example, a person submitting a proposal under the BCBCA must have been a registered owner or beneficial owner of one or more shares carrying the right to vote at general meetings and must have owned such shares for an uninterrupted period of at least two years before the date of signing the proposal. In addition, the proposal must be signed by shareholders who, together with the submitter, are registered or beneficial owners of: (a) at least 1% of the issued shares of the company that carry the right to vote at general meetings; or (b) shares with a fair market value exceeding an amount prescribed by regulation (currently \$2,000).

# Sale of Undertaking

Under the ABCA, the sale by a company of all or substantially all of its assets, outside the ordinary course of business is permitted only if authorized by Special Resolution. Under the BCBCA, the sale, lease or disposition by a company of all or substantially all of its undertaking, outside the ordinary course of business, is permitted only if authorized by a Special Resolution. Unlike the ABCA, however, the BCBCA exempts disposition by way of security interest, certain limited leases and certain transactions involving affiliates.

# Dissent Rights

The ABCA provides that shareholders who dissent to certain actions being taken by a company may exercise a right of dissent and require the company to purchase the shares held by such shareholders at the fair value of such shares. This dissent right is available where a company proposes to: (i) amend its articles to add, change or remove any provision restricting or constraining the issue or transfer of any class of shares; (ii) amend its articles to add, change or remove any restrictions on business or businesses that the company may carry on; (iii) amend its articles to add or remove an express statement establishing unlimited liability of shareholders;

(iv) enter into certain amalgamations; (v) continue out of the jurisdiction; and (vi) sell, lease or exchange all or substantially all of its property. The BCBCA provides a similar dissent remedy, although the procedure for exercising this remedy differs from that set forth in the ABCA and some of the circumstances in which the right to dissent arises are different.

# Oppression Remedy

Under the ABCA, a shareholder, former shareholder, director, former director, officer or former officer and certain creditors of a company or any of its affiliates, or any other person who, in the discretion of a court, is a proper person to seek an oppression remedy, may apply to a court for an order the court thinks fit where, in respect of a company or any of its affiliates, any act or omission effects a result, or the business or affairs are or have been carried on or conducted in a manner, or the powers of the directors are or have been exercised in a manner, that is oppressive or unfairly prejudicial to, or that unfairly disregards the interest of, any security holder, creditor, director or officer.

Pursuant to Section 227 of the BCBCA, a shareholder (which term includes any person whom the court considers to be an appropriate person to make an application under Section 227) of a company has the right to apply to the court for an order under Section 227 on the grounds that the affairs of the company are being or have been conducted, or that the powers of the directors are being exercised, in a manner oppressive to one or more of the shareholders, including the applicant, or that some act of the company has been done or is threatened, or that some resolution of the shareholders or of the shareholders holding shares of a class or series of shares has been passed or is proposed, that is unfairly prejudicial to one or more shareholders, including the applicant. In response to such an application, the court may make such order as it considers appropriate, including an order to direct or prohibit any act proposed by the company.

#### Derivative Actions

Pursuant to Section 232 of the BCBCA, a shareholder (which term includes any person whom the court considers to be an appropriate person to make an application under Section 232 of the BCBCA) or director of a company may, with leave of the court, and after having made reasonable efforts to cause the directors of the company to prosecute a legal proceeding, prosecute such proceeding in the name of and on behalf of the company to enforce a right, duty or obligation owed to the company that could be enforced by the company itself or to obtain damages for any breach of such right, duty or obligation. There is a similar right of a shareholder or director, with leave of the court, and in the name and on behalf of the company, to defend a legal proceeding brought against the company.

The ABCA contains similar provisions for derivative actions but the right to bring a derivative action is available to a broader group. In addition to shareholders and directors, the right under the ABCA is available to former shareholders, former directors, officers, former officers, any affiliate of the foregoing, and any person who, in the discretion of the court, is a proper person to make an application to the court to bring a derivative action.

# Status as an Alberta Company

As a British Columbia company, the Company's charter documents consist of notice of articles and articles and any amendments thereto to date. Upon the completion of the Continuation, the Company will cease to be governed by the BCBCA and will thereafter be deemed to have been formed under the ABCA. As part of the Continuation Resolution, the Shareholders will be asked to approve the adoption of articles of continuance and bylaws which comply with the requirements of the ABCA, copies of which have been attached hereto as Schedules "C" and "D", respectively.

# Further Information

For further information regarding the similarities and differences between the ABCA and the BCBCA, Shareholders should consult their legal advisors and refer to the statutes, copies of which will be available at the Company registered office, during normal business hours up to and including the date of the Meeting.

# Shareholder's Right to Dissent in Respect of Continuation

The following is a summary of the operation of the provisions of the BCBCA relating to a Shareholder's dissent and appraisal rights in respect of the Continuation (the "**Dissent Rights**"). Such summary is not a comprehensive statement of the procedures to be followed by a Shareholder who seeks such dissent and appraisal rights. Any Shareholder considering the exercise of the right of dissent should seek legal advice, since failure to comply strictly with the provisions of the BCBCA may prejudice the registered Shareholder's right of dissent.

Pursuant to Section 238 of the BCBCA, any the Shareholder who dissents from the Continuation Resolution (a "Dissenting Shareholder") in compliance with Sections 237 to 247 of the BCBCA will be entitled to be paid by the Company the fair value of the

shares held by such Dissenting Shareholder determined as at the point in time immediately before the passing of the Continuation Resolution. A Dissenting Shareholder who wishes to have dissent exercised with respect to shares of which the Dissenting Shareholder is the beneficial owner must: (i) dissent with respect to all of the shares, if any, of which the Dissenting is both the registered owner and the beneficial owner; and (ii) cause each shareholder who is a registered owner of any other shares of which the Dissenting Shareholder is the beneficial owner to dissent with respect to all of those shares.

The filing of a notice of dissent deprives a Dissenting Shareholder of the right to vote at the Meeting, except if such Dissenting Shareholder ceases to be a Dissenting Shareholder in accordance with the Dissent Rights. For greater certainty, a Shareholder who wishes to exercise the Dissent Rights may not vote in favour of the Continuation. A Shareholder who wishes to dissent must deliver written notice of dissent to the Company c/o Segev LLP, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 905 West Pender Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 1L6 at least two days before the date on which the Continuation Resolution is to be voted upon and such notice of dissent must strictly comply with the requirements of Section 242 of the BCBCA.

In particular, the written notice of dissent must set out the number of shares in respect of which the notice of dissent is to be sent and:

- (i) if such shares constitute all of the shares of which the Shareholder is the registered and beneficial owner, a statement to that effect;
- (ii) if such shares constitute all of the shares of which the Shareholder is both the registered and beneficial owner but if the Shareholder owns additional shares beneficially (e.g., the Shareholder is a beneficial owner of shares registered in the name of an intermediary such as a broker, custodian, nominee, other intermediary, or in some other name), a statement to that effect and the names of the registered shareholders, the number of shares held by such registered owners and a statement that written notices of dissent have or will be sent with respect to such shares; or
- (iii) if the dissent rights are being exercised by a registered owner who is not the beneficial owner of such shares, a statement to that effect and the name of the beneficial owner and a statement that the registered owner is dissenting with respect to all shares of the beneficial owner registered in such registered owner's name.

The Company is required promptly after the later of: (i) the date on which it forms the intention to proceed with the Continuation; and (ii) the date on which the written notice of dissent was received, to notify each Dissenting Shareholder of its intention to act on the Continuation.

Upon receipt of such notification, each Dissenting Shareholder is then required, if the Dissenting Shareholder wishes to proceed with the dissent, within one month after the date of such notice to send to the Company: (i) a written statement that the Dissenting Shareholder requires the Company to purchase all of its shares; (ii) the certificates representing such shares; and (iii) if the dissent right is being exercised by the Dissenting Shareholder on behalf of a beneficial owner who is not the Dissenting Shareholder, a statement signed by the beneficial owner which sets out whether the beneficial owner is the beneficial owner of other shares, and if so: (A) the names of the registered owners of such shares; (B) the number of such shares; and (C) that dissent is being exercised in respect of such shares. A Shareholder who fails to send to the Company, within the required time frame, the written statements described above and the certificates representing the shares in respect of which the Continuation Dissenting shareholder dissents, forfeits the Shareholder's right to dissent.

On sending the required documentation to the Company, the fair value for a Dissenting Shareholder's shares will be determined as follows:

- (i) if the Company and a Dissenting Shareholder agree on the fair value of the shares, then the Company must promptly pay that amount to the Dissenting Shareholder or promptly send notice to the Dissenting Shareholder that the Company is lawfully unable to pay the Dissenting Shareholders for their shares; or
- (ii) if a Dissenting Shareholder and the Company are unable to agree on a fair value, the Dissenting Shareholder may apply to the Supreme Court of British Columbia to determine the fair value of the shares, and the Company must pay to the Dissenting Shareholder the fair value determined by such Court or promptly send notice to the Dissenting Shareholder that the Company is lawfully unable to pay the Dissenting Shareholders for their shares.

The Company will be lawfully unable to pay the Dissenting Shareholder the fair value of their shares if the Company is insolvent or would be rendered insolvent by making the payment to the Dissenting Shareholder. In such event, Dissenting Shareholders will have 30 days to elect to either: (a) withdraw their dissent or (b) retain their status as a claimant and be paid as soon as the Company is lawfully able to do so or, in a liquidation, be ranked subordinate to its creditors but in priority to its shareholders.

If the Continuation is not implemented for any reason, Dissenting Shareholders will not be entitled to be paid the fair value for their shares and the Dissenting Shareholders will be entitled to the return of any share certificates delivered to the Company in connection with the exercise of the Dissent Rights. The discussion above is only a summary of the Dissent Rights which are technical and complex. This summary of Dissent Rights is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of Division 2 of Part 8 of the BCBCA, a copy of which is attached to this Circular as Schedule "E". It is suggested that any the Shareholder wishing to avail himself or herself of the Dissent Rights seek his or her own legal advice as failure to comply strictly with the applicable provisions of the BCBCA may prejudice the availability of such dissent rights. Dissenting Shareholders should note that the exercise of dissent rights can be a complex, time-consuming and expensive process.

#### Continuation Resolution

The complete text of the Continuation Resolution which the Company intends to place before the Meeting for approval, with or without modification, is as follows:

# "BE IT RESOLVED AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION THAT:

- 1. the directors of the Company be authorized to cause the continuation (the "Continuation") of the Company from the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia) (the "BCBCA") to the Business Corporations Act (Alberta) (the "ABCA");
- 2. the Company is authorized to apply to the Director under the ABCA (the "AB Registrar") for a Certificate of Continuance continuing the Company as if it had been incorporated under the laws of the province of Alberta in accordance with the ABCA;
- 3. the Company is authorized to apply to the British Columbia Registrar of Companies for authorization to permit such continuation in accordance with section 308 of the BCBCA;
- 4. effective on the date shown in a Certificate of Continuance granted by the AB Registrar, the Company is authorized to adopt and confirm the Articles of Continuance and Bylaws substantially in the forms attached as Schedules "C" and "D", respectively, to the management information circular of the Company dated January 23, 2024 in substitution for the Notice of Articles and Articles of the Company;
- 5. any director or officer of the Company is individually authorized and directed for and on behalf of the Company to do all acts and things and to deliver all such documents, instruments and writings as may be necessary or desirable in connection with the Continuation, without further resolution;
- 6. the directors of the Company are authorized, in their discretion, by resolution, to abandon the application for Continuation without further approval, ratification or confirmation by the shareholders of the Company; and
- 7. any one or more directors or officers are authorized to take all necessary steps and proceedings, and to execute and deliver and file any and all applications, declarations, documents and other instruments and do all such other acts and thing as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to the provisions of this resolution."

The Company's Board of Directors unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote in favour the Continuation Resolution. In order to be effective, the Continuation Resolution must be approved by not less than two-thirds of the votes cast by Shareholders who vote in respect of such Special Resolution. Unless the Shareholder has specified in the enclosed form of proxy that the Shares represented by such proxy are to be voted against the Continuation Resolution, the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy will vote FOR the Continuation Resolution.

Shareholders who wish to dissent should take note that the procedures for dissenting to the Continuation require strict compliance with the applicable dissent procedures. Please refer to the heading "Shareholder's Right to Dissent in Respect of Continuation", above, for additional information.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

As of the date of this Information Circular, management of the Company knows of no other matters to be acted upon at the Meeting. However, should any other matters properly come before the Meeting, the Common Shares represented by the Proxy solicited hereby will be voted on such matters in accordance with the best judgment of the persons voting the Common Shares represented by the Proxy.

#### STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The Company was only a Reporting Issuer for one month during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, the Company's most recently completed financial year. Accordingly, and in accordance with Form 51-106F6V *Statement of Executive Compensation – Venture Issuers* ("Form 51-102F6V"), the following is a discussion of all significant elements of compensation awarded to, earned by, paid to or payable to Named Executive Officers as at the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

For the purposes of this Statement of Executive Compensation, a "Named Executive Officer" or "NEO" means each of the following individuals:

- (a) each individual who, in respect of the Company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief executive officer ("CEO"), including an individual performing functions similar to a CEO;
- (b) each individual who, in respect of the Company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief financial officer ("CFO"), including an individual performing functions similar to a CFO;
- (c) in respect of the Company and its subsidiaries, the most highly compensated executive officer other than the individuals identified in paragraphs (a) and (b) at the end of the most recently completed financial year whose total compensation was more than \$150,000, as determined in accordance with subsection 1.3(5) of Form 51-102F6V Statement of Executive Compensation Venture Issuers, for that financial year; and
- (d) each individual who would be an NEO under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was not an executive officer of the Company, and was not acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

During the Company's fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, the following individuals were the Named Executive Officers of the Company:

- Gurcharn Deol CEO and Director
- Brijender Jassal Director and former CFO and Corporate Secretary<sup>1,2</sup>

#### Notes

- (1) Mr. Jassal resigned from his position as corporate secretary of the Company during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 on December 7, 2023.
- (2) Mr. Jassal resigned from his position as CFO of the Company subsequent to the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 on January 4, 2024.

# Director and Named Executive Officer Compensation Discussion, Excluding Compensation Securities

At its present stage of development, the Company does not have any formal objectives, criteria and analysis for determining the compensation of its Named Executive Officers and primarily relies on the discussions and determinations of the board of directors.

With a view to minimizing its cash expenditures not directed at the exploration of the Property, the Company does not intend to pay a material amount of compensation to management for the next 12 months. However, this policy will be re-evaluated periodically. The Company expects to grant incentive stock options and RSUs to the Named Executive Officers and its non-executive directors, under its stock option plan which was approved by the Directors on December 19, 2023 and is being placed before the Meeting for Shareholder Approval. See "Approval of Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan" above for the material terms of the Plan.

# **Exercise of Compensation Securities by Directors and NEOs**

No director or NEO exercised any compensation securities during the year ended December 31, 2023.

# **Option Plans and Other Incentive Plans**

See "Approval of Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan" above for the material terms of the Plan. The Plan was adopted by the Board on December 19, 2023, and is being placed before the Meeting for Shareholder approval.

# **Termination and Change of Control Benefits**

Other than as described herein, the Company does not have any contracts, agreements, plans or arrangements in place with any NEOs that provides for payment following or in connection with any termination (whether voluntary, involuntary or constructive) resignation, retirement, a change of control of the Company or a change in an NEOs responsibilities.

# **Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements**

Other than as disclosed below, the Company did not have any employment, consulting or management agreements or arrangements with any of the Company's current NEOs or directors during the most recently completed financial year.

The Company and its subsidiaries have entered into, or had entered into, the following consulting or employment agreements with the NEOs:

# Spiral Investment Agreement

Pursuant to an executive consulting agreement between the Company and a company wholly-owned by Mr. Deol and his spouse, Spiral Investment Corp. ("**Spiral**"), dated December 1, 2023 (the "**2023 Agreement**"), Spiral receives a monthly fee of \$5,000, plus taxes, per month in exchange for management services provided by Mr. Deol on behalf of Spiral. The 2023 Agreement has a term of one (1) year. The 2023 Agreement replaced and superseded the agreement between the Company and Spiral dated October 22, 2022, pursuant to which Spiral was paid a monthly fee of \$1,000, plus taxes.

The Company may terminate Mr. Deol at any time during the term of the 2023 Agreement for just cause. The Company may also terminate Mr. Deol at any time prior to the end of the term upon providing Mr. Deol with notice of termination and paying to Mr. Deol the balance of the fees owing for the remainder of the term. Mr. Deol is not entitled to any additional payment in the event of a change in control, sale or merger of the Company.

In the 2023 financial year, the Company paid Spiral a total of \$18,270, plus taxes.

# Oversight and Description of Director and NEO Compensation

Compensation payable to directors, officers and employees of the Company is currently determined by the Board of Directors. The Board relies on the experience of its members to ensure that total compensation paid to the Company's management is fair and reasonable and is both in-line with the Company's financial resources and competitive with companies at a similar stage of development.

The Company does not have a compensation committee. All tasks related to developing and monitoring the Company's approach to the compensation of executive officers and directors of the Company are performed by members of the Board. The Board meets to discuss and determine management compensation as required, without reference to formal objectives, criteria, or analysis.

The Company does not have any arrangements, standard or otherwise, pursuant to which directors are compensated by the Company for their services in their capacity as directors, or for committee participation, involvement in special assignments or for services as consultants or experts. The Board intends to compensate directors primarily through the grant of stock options and reimbursement of expenses incurred by such persons acting as directors of the Company.

# Compensation Philosophy

The Company has taken a forward-looking approach for the compensation of its directors, officers, employees, and consultants to ensure that the Company can continue to build and retain a successful and motivated discovery and development team and, importantly, align the Company's future success with that of the Company's shareholders.

The Company's compensation strategy is to attract and retain talent and experience with focused leadership in the operations, financing and asset management of the Company with the objective of maximizing the value of the Company. The Company compensates its NEOs based on their skill and experience levels and the existing stage of development of the Company. NEOs are rewarded on the basis of the skill and level of responsibility involved in their position, the individual's experience and qualifications, the Company's resources, industry practice, and regulatory guidelines regarding executive compensation levels.

Under the Company's compensation policies and practices, NEOs and directors are not prevented from purchasing financial instruments, including prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars or units of exchange funds that are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by the NEO or director.

The Company has not currently identified specific performance goals or benchmarks as such relate to executive compensation. The stage of the Company's development and the size of its specialized management team allow frequent communication and constant management decisions with the interest of developing shareholder value as a primary goal.

The Board believes that the compensation policies and practices of the Company do not encourage executive officers to take unnecessary or excessive risk; however, the Board intends to review from time to time and, at least once annually, the risks, if any, associated with the Company's compensation policies and practices at such time.

# Annual Incentive Plan

The Company has no formal annual incentive plan. Long-term Compensation

Long-term compensation is paid to NEOs in the form of grants of Awards pursuant to the Plan.

#### Pension Plan Benefits

The Company has no pension, defined benefit or defined contribution plans in place.

# SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

The following table sets out information as at the end of the Company's most recently completed financial year ended December 31, 2023 with respect to compensation plans under which equity securities of the Company are authorized for issuance.

| Plan Category  | Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a) | Weighted-<br>average<br>exercise price<br>of outstanding<br>options,<br>warrants and<br>rights (b) | Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plan (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c) |
|--|---|--|--|
| Equity compensation plans approved by Shareholders (Equity Incentive Plan) | NIL   | NIL  | 2,103,384  |
| Equity compensation plans not approved by Shareholders                     | NIL   | NIL  | NIL  |
| Total:   |   |  | 2,103,384  |

#### INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

None of the directors, executive officers, employees, proposed nominees for election as directors or their associates, or any former executive officers, directors and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, is, as at the date of this Information Circular, or at any time since the beginning of the Company's most recently completed financial year have been, indebted to the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

#### INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Other than as disclosed herein, no informed person (a director, officer or holder of 10% or more of the Common Shares) or nominee for election as a director of the Company or any associate or affiliate of any informed person or proposed director had any interest in any transaction since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year or in any proposed transaction which has materially affected or would materially affect the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

# MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Management functions of the Company or any of its subsidiaries are not to any substantial degree performed by anyone other than by the directors or the executive officers of the Company or subsidiary.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

# Corporate Governance

Corporate governance relates to the activities of the Board, the members of which are elected by and are accountable to the Shareholders, and takes into account the role of the individual members of management who are appointed by the Board and charged with the day to day management of the Company. The Canadian Securities Administrators ("CSA") have adopted National Policy 58-201 Corporate Governance Guidelines, which provides non-prescriptive guidelines on corporate governance practices for reporting issuers such as the Company. In addition, the CSA has implemented National Instrument 58-101 Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices ("NI 58-101"), which prescribes certain disclosure by the Company of its corporate governance practices. This disclosure is presented below.

#### **Board of Directors**

Directors are considered to be independent if they have no direct or indirect material relationship with the Company. A material relationship is a relationship which could, in the view of the Board, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgment.

All members of the Board are considered to be independent, except for Gurcharn Deol (Chief Executive Officer).

The Board facilitates its independent supervision over Management by having regular Board meetings and by establishing and implementing prudent corporate governance policies and procedures.

# **Other Directorships**

The following table sets forth the directors of the Company who are directors of other reporting issuers:

| Name              | Name of other reporting issuer   |
|-------------------|--|
| Gurcharn Deol     | Ambari Brands Inc. (CSE); Neotech<br>Metals Corp. (CSE); and Green<br>Battery Minerals Inc. (TSX-V). |
| Brijender Jassal  | Green Battery Minerals Inc. (TSX-V); and Lake Winn Resources (TSX-V).                                |
| Trevor Nawalkowsk | Eureka Lithium Corp. (CSEN   |
| Brian Thurston    | International Metals Mining Corp. (CSE); Neotech Metals Corp. (CSE); and Vortex Energy Corp (CSE).   |

# Orientation and Continuing Education

New Board members receive an orientation package which includes reports on operations and results, and any public disclosure filings by the Company, as may be applicable. Board meetings are sometimes held at the Company's offices and, from time to time, are combined with presentations by the Company's management to give the directors additional insight into the Company's business. In addition, management of the Company makes itself available for discussion with all Board members.

# Ethical Business Conduct

The Board has found that the fiduciary duties placed on individual directors by the Company's governing corporate legislation and the common law and the restrictions placed by applicable corporate legislation on an individual director's participation in decisions of the Board in which the director has an interest have been sufficient to ensure that the Board operates independently of management and in the best interests of the Company

### Nomination of Directors

The Board considers its size each year when it considers the number of directors to recommend to the shareholders for election at the annual meeting of shareholders, taking into account the number required to carry out the Board's duties effectively and to maintain a diversity of view and experience. The Board does not have a nominating committee, and these functions are currently performed by the Board as a whole. However, if there is a change in the number of directors required by the Company, this policy will be reviewed.

# Compensation

The Board is responsible for determining compensation for the directors of the Company to ensure it reflects the responsibilities and risks of being a director of a public company.

#### Other Board Committees

The Board has no committees other than the Audit Committee.

#### **Board Assessments**

Due to the minimal size of the Board, no formal policy has been established to monitor the effectiveness of the directors, the Board, and its committees.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

#### **Audit Committee Disclosure**

Pursuant to Section 224(1) of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) and National Instrument 52-110 of the Canadian Securities Administrators ("**NI 52-110**") the Company is required to have an audit committee (the "**Committee**") comprising not less than three directors, a majority of whom are not officers, control persons or employees of the Company or an affiliate of the Company. NI 52-110 requires the Company as a venture issuer, to disclose annually in its Information Circular certain information concerning the composition of its audit committee and its relationship with its independent auditor, as set forth below.

The Audit Committee's role is to act in an objective, independent capacity as a liaison between the auditors, management and the Board and to ensure the auditors have a facility to consider and discuss governance and audit issues with parties not directly responsible for operation

#### The Audit Committee's Charter

The Company has adopted a Charter of the Audit Committee of the Board a copy of which is annexed hereto as Schedule "A".

# **Composition of the Audit Committee**

The Company's Audit Committee is composed of the following:

| Name                          | Independence <sup>(1)</sup> | Financial Literacy <sup>(2)</sup> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Gurcharan Deol                | Not Independent             | Yes                               |
| Brian Thurston                | Independent                 | Yes                               |
| Trevor Nawalkowski<br>(Chair) | Independent                 | Yes                               |

# **Notes**:

- (1) A member of an audit committee is independent if, in addition to meeting other regulatory requirements, the member has no direct or indirect material relationship with the Company, which could, in the view of the Board, reasonably interfere with the exercise of a member's independent judgment pursuant to NI 52-110.
- (2) An individual is financially literate if they have the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements.

### Relevant Education and Experience

Each member of the Company's Audit Committee has adequate education and experience that is relevant to his performance as an Audit Committee member and, in particular, the requisite education and experience that have provided the member with:

- (a) an understanding of the accounting principles used by the Company to prepare its financial statements and the ability to assess the general application of such principles in connection with the accounting for estimates, accruals and provisions;
- (b) experience preparing, auditing, analyzing or evaluating financial statements that present a breadth of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements, or experience actively supervising individuals engaged in such activities; and
- (c) an understanding of internal controls and procedures for financial reporting.

Below is a summary of the experience of each member of the Audit Committee.

Gurcharn Deol, Chief Executive Officer and Director – Mr. Deol has over 35 years of experience in the financial markets and has served as Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and director of multiple public companies. Furthermore, Mr. Deol has served on the audit committee of various public companies. Such roles have provided Mr. Deol with significant experience that is relevant to his performance as an Audit Committee member.

Trevor Nawalkowski, Director – Mr. Nawalkowski is a business consultant and entrepreneur, specializing in corporate business processes and procedure for public and private companies. His roles have included, among other things, corporate governance oversight, corporate secretary/legal review, business development and senior management. Mr. Nawalkowski also serves as a director a Eureka Lithium Corp., and previously served as a director of Archer Exploration Corp. (from April 15, 2020 to September 24, 2021), both CSE-listed issuers for which he served as an audit committee member. Through these roles, Mr. Nawalkowski has gained a thorough understanding of accounting principles, the evaluation of financial statements, and internal controls and procedures, in the context of both public and private companies.

Brian Thurston, Director – Mr. Thurston currently serves as CEO and director of International Metals Mining Corp. (formerly, Gold State Resources Inc.), a company listed on the TSX Venture Exchange. Mr. Thurston has also served as a senior executive and director of various private and public companies since 2004, primarily in the mineral exploration industry. He has served on multiple committees, including audit, disclosure, and corporate governance committees. Mr. Thurston therefore has experience overseeing all aspects of a public mineral exploration company, including operations, finance and financial reporting.

See "Election of Directors" for further details of each audit committee member's relevant education and experience.

# **Audit Committee Oversight**

At no time since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial period, has a recommendation of the Audit Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor not been adopted by the Board.

# **Reliance on Certain Exemptions**

Since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial period, the Company has not relied on the exemptions contained in Section 2.4, 6.1.1(4), 6.1.1(5), 6.1.1(6), or Part 8 of NI 52-110.

# **Pre-approval Policies and Procedures**

The Audit Committee is authorized by the Board to review the performance of the Company's external auditors and approve in advance provision of services other than auditing and to consider the independence of the external auditors, including a review of the range of services provided in the context of all consulting services bought by the Company. The Audit Committee is authorized to approve in writing any non-audit services or additional work which the Chairman of the Audit Committee deems is necessary, and the Chairman will notify the other members of the Audit Committee of such non-audit or additional work and the reasons for such non-audit work for the Committee's consideration, and if thought fit, approval in writing.

#### **External Auditor Service Fees**

The fees paid by the Company to its auditor in each of the last two fiscal years, by category, are as follows:

| Financial<br>Year Ending | Audit<br>Fees <sup>(1)</sup> | Audit<br>Related<br>Fees <sup>(2)</sup> | Tax Fees <sup>(3)</sup> | All Other<br>Fees <sup>(4)</sup> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2023                     | \$28,653                     | \$NIL                                   | \$1,100                 | \$NIL                            |
| 2022(5)                  | \$8,000                      | \$NIL                                   | \$NIL                   | \$NIL                            |

#### **Notes:**

- (1) "Audit Fees" include fees necessary to perform the annual audit and quarterly reviews of the Company's financial statements. Audit Fees include fees for review of tax provisions and for accounting consultations on matters reflected in the financial statements. Audit Fees also include audit or other attest services required by legislation or regulation, such as comfort letters, consents, reviews of securities filings and statutory audits.
- (2) "Audit-Related Fees" include services that are traditionally performed by the auditor. These audit-related services include employee benefit audits, due diligence assistance, accounting consultations on proposed transactions, internal control reviews and audit or attest services not required by legislation or regulation.
- (3) "Tax Fees" include fees for all tax services other than those included in "Audit Fees" and "Audit-Related Fees". This category includes fees for tax compliance, tax planning and tax advice. Tax planning and tax advice includes assistance with tax audits and appeals, tax advice related to mergers and acquisitions, and requests for rulings or technical advice from tax authorities.
- (4) "All Other Fees" include all other non-audit services.
- (5) Period from October 7, 2022 December 31, 2022

# **Exemption**

The Company is relying on section 6.1 of NI 52-110 which provides that the Company, as a venture issuer, is not required to comply with Part 3 (Composition of the Audit Committee) and Part 5 (Reporting Obligations) of NI 52-110.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to the Company is available on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com. Financial information is provided in the Company's comparative annual financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for its most recently completed financial year, and available online at www.sedar.com. Shareholders may request additional copies by mail to the Company's Registered and Records office at 220 – 333 Terminal Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6A 4C1.

# ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

| "Gurcharn Deol"         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Gurcharn Deol           |  |
| Chief Executive Officer |  |

#### SCHEDULE "A"

# BAYRIDGE RESOURCES CORP.

(the "Company")

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

This Charter establishes the composition, the authority, roles and responsibilities and the general objectives of the Company's audit committee, or its Board of Directors in lieu thereof (the "Audit Committee"). The roles and responsibilities described in this Charter must at all times be exercised in compliance with the legislation and regulations governing the Company and any subsidiaries.

# Composition

- *Number of Members*. The Audit Committee must be comprised of a minimum of three directors of the Company, a majority of whom will be independent. Independence of the board members will be as defined by applicable legislation.
- The members of the Committee will be appointed by the board of directors of the Company ("Board") annually at the first meeting of the Board following the annual meeting of the shareholders, to serve until the next annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are duly appointed.
- Chair. The Board will designate one member to act as chair of the Audit Committee (the "Chair") or, if it fails to do so, the members of the Audit Committee will appoint the Chair among its members.
- Financially Literacy. All members of the audit committee will be financially literate as defined by applicable legislation. If upon appointment a member of the Audit Committee is not financially literate as required, the person will be provided with a period of three months to acquire the required level of financial literacy.

#### Meetings

- Meetings and Quorum. The Audit Committee will meet at least quarterly, with the authority to convene additional meetings as circumstances require. A majority of the members of the Audit Committee will constitute a quorum.
- Agenda. The Chair will set the agenda for each meeting, after consulting with management and the external auditor. Agenda materials such as draft financial statements must be circulated to all Audit Committee members for members to have a reasonable amount of time to review the materials prior to the meeting.
- In Camera Sessions. The Audit Committee will, when appropriate, hold in camera sessions without management present.
- Minutes. The Audit Committee will keep minutes of its meetings which will be available for review by the Board. The Audit Committee may appoint any person who need not be a member, to act as the secretary at any meeting. The Audit Committee may invite such officers, directors and employees of the Company and such other advisors and persons as it may see fit, from time to time, to attend at meetings of the Audit Committee.

# **Roles and Responsibilities**

The roles and responsibilities of the Audit Committee include the following:

# **External Auditor**

The Audit Committee will:

- (a) Selection of the external auditor. Select, evaluate and recommend to the Board, for shareholder approval, the Auditor to examine the Company's accounts, controls and financial statements.
- (b) Scope of Work. Evaluate, prior to the annual audit by the Auditors, the scope and general extent of the Auditor's review, including the Auditor's engagement letter.
- (c) Compensation. Recommend to the Board the compensation to be paid to the external auditors.

- (d) Replacement of Auditor. If necessary, recommend the replacement of the Auditor to the Board of Directors.
- (e) Approve Non-Audit Related Services. Pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided by the Auditor to the Company or its subsidiaries.
- (f) Direct Responsibility for Overseeing Work of Auditors. Must directly oversee the work of the Auditor. The Auditor must report directly to the Audit Committee.
- (g) Resolution of Disputes. Assist with resolving any disputes between the Company's management and the Auditors regarding financial reporting.

# Financial Statements and Financial Information

#### The Audit Committee will:

- (a) Review Audited Financial Statements. Review the audited financial statements of the Company and related MD&A, discuss those statements with management and with the Auditor, and recommend their approval to the Board.
- (b) *Review of Interim Financial Statements*. Review and discuss with management the quarterly financial statements and related MD&A, and recommend their approval by the Board.
- (c) Public Disclosure. review the annual and interim financial statements and related MD&A, news releases that contain significant financial information that has not previously been released to the public, and any other public disclosure documents that are required to be reviewed by the Audit Committee under any applicable laws and satisfy itself that the documents do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it was made before the Corporation publicly discloses this information.
- (d) Auditor Reports and Recommendations. Review and consider any significant reports and recommendations issued by the Auditor, together with management's response, and the extent to which recommendations made by the Auditor have been implemented.

# Risk Management, Internal Controls and Information Systems

#### The Audit Committee will:

- (a) Internal Control. Review with the Auditors and with management, the general policies and procedures used by the Company with respect to internal accounting and financial controls. Remain informed, through communications with the Auditor, of any weaknesses in internal control that could cause errors or deficiencies in financial reporting or deviations from the accounting policies of the Company or from applicable laws or regulations.
- (b) *Financial Management*. Periodically review the team in place to carry out financial reporting functions, circumstances surrounding the departure of any officers in charge of financial reporting, and the appointment of individuals in these functions.
- (c) Accounting Policies and Practices. Review management plans regarding any changes in accounting practices or policies and the financial impact thereof.
- (d) *Litigation*. Review with the Auditors and legal counsel any litigation, claim or contingency, including tax assessments, that could have a material effect upon the financial position of the Company and the manner in which these matters are being disclosed in the consolidated financial statements.
- (e) *Other*. Discuss with management and the Auditors correspondence with regulators, employee complaints, or published reports that raise material issues regarding the Company's financial statements or disclosure.

# **Complaints**

- (a) Accounting, Auditing and Internal Control Complaints. The Audit Committee must establish a procedure for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Company regarding accounting, internal controls or auditing matters.
- (b) *Employee Complaints*. The Audit Committee must establish a procedure for the confidential transmittal on condition of anonymity by the Company's employees of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.

### Authority

- (a) Auditor. The Auditor, and any internal auditors hired by the company, will report directly to the Audit Committee.
- (b) To Retain Independent Advisors. The Audit Committee may, at the Company's expense and without the approval of management, retain the services of independent legal counsels and any other advisors it deems necessary to carry out its duties and set and pay the monetary compensation of these individuals.

# Reporting

The Audit Committee will report to the Board on:

- (a) the Auditor's independence;
- (b) the performance of the Auditor and any recommendations of the Audit Committee in relation thereto;
- (c) the reappointment and termination of the Auditor;
- (d) the adequacy of the Company's internal controls and disclosure controls;
- (e) the Audit Committee's review of the annual and interim consolidated financial statements;
- (f) the Audit Committee's review of the annual and interim management discussion and analysis;
- (g) the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory matters to the extent they affect the financial statements of the Company; and
- (h) all other material matters dealt with by the Audit Committee.

# **SCHEDULE "B"**

# **EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN**

(Begins on the following page)

# BAYRIDGE RESOURCES CORP. 2024 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

# ARTICLE 1 PURPOSE

# 1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Plan is to provide the Corporation with a share-related mechanism to attract, retain and motivate qualified Directors, Employees and Consultants, to reward such of those Directors, Employees and Consultants as may be granted Awards under this Plan by the Board from time to time for their contributions toward the long term goals and success of the Corporation and to enable and encourage such Directors, Employees and Consultants to acquire Shares as long term investments and proprietary interests in the Corporation.

# ARTICLE 2 INTERPRETATION

#### 2.1 Definitions

When used herein, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms have the indicated meanings, respectively:

- (a) "Affiliate" means any entity that is an "affiliate" for the purposes of National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus Exemptions*, as amended from time to time;
- (b) "Award" means any Option or Restricted Share Unit granted under this Plan, which may be denominated or settled in Shares, cash or in such other forms as provided for herein;
- (c) "Award Agreement" means a signed, written agreement between a Participant and the Corporation, in the form or any one of the forms approved by the Plan Administrator, and evidencing the terms and conditions on which an Award has been granted under this Plan (including written or other applicable employment agreements) and which need not be identical to any other such agreements;
- (d) "BCA" means the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia);
- (e) "Black-Out Period" means a period of time when pursuant to any policies of the Corporation or applicable law, any securities of the Corporation may not be traded by certain persons designated by the Corporation;
- (f) "Board" means the board of directors of the Corporation as it may be constituted from time to time:
- (g) "Business Day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which the principal commercial banks in the City of Vancouver are open for commercial business during normal banking hours;
- (h) "Canadian Taxpayer" means a Participant that is resident in Canada for purposes of the Tax Act;
- (i) "Cause" means:
  - (i) with respect to a particular Employee: (1) "cause" as such term is defined in the employment or other written agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation and the Employee; (2) in the event there is no written or other applicable

employment agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation or "cause" is not defined in such agreement, "cause" as such term is defined in the Award Agreement; or (3) in the event neither clause (1) nor (2) apply, then "cause" as such term is defined by applicable law or, if not so defined, such term shall refer to circumstances where an employer can terminate an individual's employment without notice or pay in lieu thereof;

- (ii) in the case of a Consultant (1) the occurrence of any event which, under the written consulting contract with the Consultant or the common law or the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Consultant provides services, gives the Corporation or any of its Affiliates the right to immediately terminate the consulting contract; or (2) the termination of the consulting contract as a result of an order made by any Regulatory Authority having jurisdiction to so order;
- (iii) in the case of a Director, ceasing to be a Director as a result of (1) ceasing to be qualified to act as a Director pursuant to the section 124 of the BCA; (2) a resolution having been passed by the shareholders pursuant to section 128(3)(a) of the BCA, or (3) an order made by any Regulatory Authority having jurisdiction to so order; or
- (iv) in the case of an Officer, (1) cause as such term is defined in the written employment agreement with the Officer or if there is no written employment agreement or cause is not defined therein, the usual meaning of just cause under the common law or the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Officer provides services; or (2) ceasing to be an Officer as a result of an order made by any Regulatory Authority having jurisdiction to so order.
- (j) "Change in Control" means the occurrence of any one or more of the following events:
  - (i) any transaction at any time and by whatever means pursuant to which any Person or any group of two or more Persons acting jointly or in concert (other than the Corporation or a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation) hereafter acquires the direct or indirect "beneficial ownership" (as defined in the *Securities Act* (British Columbia)) of, or acquires the right to exercise Control or direction over, securities of the Corporation representing more than 50% of the then issued and outstanding voting securities of the Corporation, including, without limitation, as a result of a take-over bid, an exchange of securities, an amalgamation of the Corporation with any other entity, an arrangement, a capital reorganization or any other business combination or reorganization;
  - (ii) the sale, assignment or other transfer of all or substantially all of the consolidated assets of the Corporation to a Person other than a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation;
  - (iii) the dissolution or liquidation of the Corporation, other than in connection with the distribution of assets of the Corporation to one or more Persons which were wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Corporation prior to such event;
  - (iv) the occurrence of a transaction requiring approval of the Corporation's shareholders whereby the Corporation is acquired through consolidation, merger, exchange of securities, purchase of assets, amalgamation, statutory arrangement or otherwise by any other Person (other than a short form amalgamation or exchange of securities with a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation);
  - (v) any other event which the Board determines to constitute a change in control of the

# Corporation; or

(vi) individuals who comprise the Board as of the last annual meeting of shareholders of the Corporation (the "Incumbent Board") for any reason cease to constitute at least a majority of the members of the Board, unless the election, or nomination for election by the Corporation's shareholders, of any new director was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the Incumbent Board, and in that case such new director shall be considered as a member of the Incumbent Board;

provided that, notwithstanding clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above, a Change in Control shall be deemed not to have occurred pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above if immediately following the transaction set forth in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) above: (A) the holders of securities of the Corporation that immediately prior to the consummation of such transaction represented more than 50% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding securities eligible to vote for the election of directors of the Corporation hold (x) securities of the entity resulting from such transaction (including, for greater certainty, the Person succeeding to assets of the Corporation in a transaction contemplated in clause (ii) above) (the "Surviving Entity") that represent more than 50% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding securities eligible to vote for the election of directors or trustees ("voting power") of the Surviving Entity, or (y) if applicable, securities of the entity that directly or indirectly has beneficial ownership of 100% of the securities eligible to elect directors or trustees of the Surviving Entity (the "Parent Entity") that represent more than 50% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding securities eligible to vote for the election of directors or trustees of the Parent Entity, and (B) no Person or group of two or more Persons, acting jointly or in concert, is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the voting power of the Parent Entity (or, if there is no Parent Entity, the Surviving Entity) (any such transaction which satisfies all of the criteria specified in clauses (A) and (B) above being referred to as a "Non-Qualifying Transaction" and, following the Non-Qualifying Transaction, references in this definition of "Change in Control" to the "Corporation" shall mean and refer to the Parent Entity (or, if there is no Parent Entity, the Surviving Entity) and, if such entity is a company or a trust, references to the "Board" shall mean and refer to the board of directors or trustees, as applicable, of such entity).

- (k) "Commencement Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(e);
- (I) "Committee" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2;
- (m) "Consultant" means an individual consultant or an employee or director of a consultant entity, other than a Participant that is an Employee, who:
  - is engaged to provide services on a bona fide basis to the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation, other than services provided in relation to a distribution of securities of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation;
  - (ii) provides the services under a written contract with the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation; and
  - (iii) spends or will spend a significant amount of time and attention on the affairs and business of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation;
- (n) "Control" means:
  - (i) when applied to the relationship between a Person and a corporation, the beneficial

ownership by that Person, directly or indirectly, of voting securities or other interests in such corporation entitling the holder to exercise control and direction in fact over the activities of such corporation;

- (ii) when applied to the relationship between a Person and a partnership, limited partnership, trust or joint venture, means the contractual right to direct the affairs of the partnership, limited partnership, trust or joint venture; and
- (iii) when applied in relation to a trust, the beneficial ownership at the relevant time of more than 50% of the property settled under the trust, and

the words "Controlled by", "Controlling" and similar words have corresponding meanings; provided that a Person who controls a corporation, partnership, limited partnership or joint venture will be deemed to Control a corporation, partnership, limited partnership, trust or joint venture which is Controlled by such Person and so on;

- (o) "Corporation" means Bayridge Resources Corp.;
- (p) "CSE" means the Canadian Securities Exchange;
- (q) "Date of Grant" means, for any Award, the date specified by the Plan Administrator at the time it grants the Award or if no such date is specified, the date upon which the Award was granted;
- (r) "Director" means a director of the Corporation who is not an Employee;
- (s) "Director Fees" means the total compensation (including annual retainer and meeting fees, if any) paid by the Corporation to a Director in a calendar year for service on the Board;
- (t) "Disabled" or "Disability" means, in respect of a Participant, suffering from a state of mental or physical disability, illness or disease that prevents the Participant from carrying out his or her normal duties as an Employee for a continuous period of six months or for any period of six months in any consecutive twelve month period, as certified by two medical doctors or as otherwise determined in accordance with procedures established by the Plan Administrator for purposes of this Plan;
- (u) "Effective Date" means the effective date of this Plan, being December 19, 2023;
- (v) "Employee" means an individual who:
  - (i) is considered an employee of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation for purposes of source deductions under applicable tax or social welfare legislation; or
  - (ii) works full-time or part-time on a regular weekly basis for the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Corporation or such subsidiary, and, for greater certainty, includes any Executive Chairman of the Corporation.
- (w) "Exchange" means the exchange on which the Shares are or may be listed from time to time;
- (x) "Exercise Notice" means a notice in writing, signed by a Participant and stating the Participant's intention to exercise a particular Option;
- (y) "Exercise Price" means the price at which an Option Share may be purchased pursuant to the

- exercise of an Option;
- (z) "Expiry Date" means the expiry date specified in the Award Agreement (which shall not be later than the tenth anniversary of the Date of Grant) or, if not so specified, means the tenth anniversary of the Date of Grant;
- (aa) "Insider" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 1(1) of the Securities Act (British Columbia);
- (bb) "Market Price" at any date in respect of the Shares shall be the greater of the closing trading price of the Shares on (i) the trading day prior to the relevant date, and (ii) the relevant date; provided that, in the event that such Shares are not listed and posted for trading on any Exhange, the Market Price shall be the fair market value of such Shares as determined by the Board in its sole discretion;
- (cc) "Option Shares" means Shares issuable by the Corporation upon the exercise of outstanding Options;
- (dd) "Participant" means an Employee, Consultant or Director to whom an Award has been granted under this Plan;
- (ee) "Participant's Employer" means with respect to a Participant that is or was an Employee, the Corporation or such subsidiary of the Corporation as is or, if the Participant has ceased to be employed by the Corporation or such subsidiary of the Corporation, was the Participant's Employer;
- (ff) "Person" means an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, unincorporated association, unincorporated syndicate, unincorporated organization, trust, body corporate, and a natural person in his or her capacity as trustee, executor, administrator or other legal representative;
- (gg) "Plan" means this Equity Incentive Plan, as may be amended from time to time;
- (hh) "Plan Administrator" means the Board or, to the extent that the administration of this Plan has been delegated by the Board to the Committee pursuant to Section 3.2, the Committee;
- (ii) "Regulatory Approvals" means any necessary approvals of the Regulatory Authorities as may be required from time to time for the implementation, operation or amendment of this Plan or for the Awards granted from time to time hereunder;
- (jj) "Regulatory Authorities" means all organized trading facilities on which the Shares are listed, and all securities commissions or similar securities regulatory bodies having jurisdiction over the Corporation, this Plan or the Awards granted from time to time hereunder;
- (kk) "Restricted Share Unit" or "RSU" means a unit equivalent in value to a Share, credited by means of a bookkeeping entry in the books of the Corporation in accordance with Article 5;
- (II) "Retirement" means, unless otherwise defined in the Participant's written or other applicable employment agreement or in the Award Agreement, the termination of the Participant's working career at the age of 67 or such other retirement age, with consent of the Plan Administrator, if applicable;
- (mm) "Securities Laws" means securities legislation, securities regulation and securities rules, as amended, and the policies, notices, instruments and blanket orders in force from time to time that govern or are applicable to the Corporation or to which it is subject;

- (nn) "Security Based Compensation Arrangement" means a stock option, stock option plan, employee stock purchase plan or any other compensation or incentive mechanism involving the issuance or potential issuance of Shares to Directors, officers, Employees and/or service providers of the Corporation or any subsidiary of the Corporation, including a share purchase from treasury which is financially assisted by the Corporation by way of a loan, guarantee or otherwise;
- (oo) "Share" means one common share in the capital of the Corporation as constituted on the Effective Date, or any share or shares issued in replacement of such common share in compliance with Canadian law or other applicable law, and/or one share of any additional class of common shares in the capital of the Corporation as may exist from time to time, or after an adjustment contemplated by Article 8, such other shares or securities to which the holder of an Award may be entitled as a result of such adjustment;
- (pp) "subsidiary" means an issuer that is Controlled directly or indirectly by another issuer and includes a subsidiary of that subsidiary, or any other entity in which the Corporation has an equity interest and is designated by the Plan Administrator, from time to time, for purposes of this Plan to be a subsidiary, provided that, in the case of a Canadian Taxpayer, the issuer is related (for purposes of the Tax Act) to the Corporation;
- (qq) "Tax Act" means the Income Tax Act (Canada);

# (rr) "Termination Date" means:

- (i) in the case of an Employee whose employment with the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation terminates, (i) the date designated by the Employee and the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation in a written employment agreement, or other written agreement between the Employee and Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation, or (ii) if no written employment agreement exists, the date designated by the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, on which an Employee ceases to be an employee of the Corporation or the subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, provided that, in the case of termination of employment by voluntary resignation by the Participant, such date shall not be earlier than the date notice of resignation was given, and "Termination Date" specifically does not mean the date of termination of any period of reasonable notice that the Corporation or the subsidiary of the Corporation (as the case may be) may be required by law to provide to the Participant; or
- (ii) in the case of a Consultant whose consulting agreement or arrangement with the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, terminates, the date that is designated by the Corporation or the subsidiary of the Corporation (as the case may be), as the date on which the Participant's consulting agreement or arrangement is terminated, provided that in the case of voluntary termination by the Participant of the Participant's consulting agreement or other written arrangement, such date shall not be earlier than the date notice of voluntary termination was given, and "Termination Date" specifically does not mean the date on which any period of notice of termination that the Corporation or the subsidiary of the Corporation (as the case may be) may be required to provide to the Participant under the terms of the consulting agreement or arrangement expires.

# 2.2 Interpretation

(a) Whenever the Plan Administrator exercises discretion in the administration of this Plan, the term

"discretion" means the sole and absolute discretion of the Plan Administrator.

- (b) As used herein, the terms "Article", "Section", "Subsection" and "clause" mean and refer to the specified Article, Section, Subsection and clause of this Plan, respectively.
- (c) Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing any gender include any other gender.
- (d) Unless otherwise specified, time periods within or following which any payment is to be made or act is to be done shall be calculated by excluding the day on which the period begins, including the day on which the period ends, and abridging the period to the immediately preceding Business Day in the event that the last day of the period is not a Business Day. In the event an action is required to be taken or a payment is required to be made on a day which is not a Business Day such action shall be taken or such payment shall be made by the immediately preceding Business Day.
- (e) Unless otherwise specified, all references to money amounts are to Canadian currency.
- (f) The headings used herein are for convenience only and are not to affect the interpretation of this Plan.

# ARTICLE 3 ADMINISTRATION

# 3.1 Administration

This Plan will be administered by the Plan Administrator and the Plan Administrator has sole and complete authority, in its discretion, to:

- (a) determine the individuals to whom grants of Awards under the Plan may be made;
- (b) make grants of Awards under the Plan, whether relating to the issuance of Shares or otherwise (including any combination of Options or Restricted Share Units), in such amounts, to such Persons and, subject to the provisions of this Plan, on such terms and conditions as it determines including without limitation:
  - (i) the time or times at which Awards may be granted;
  - (ii) the conditions under which:
    - (A) Awards may be granted to Participants; or
    - (B) Awards may be forfeited to the Corporation;
  - (iii) the number of Shares to be covered by any Award;
  - (iv) the price, if any, to be paid by a Participant in connection with the purchase of Shares covered by any Awards;
  - (v) whether restrictions or limitations are to be imposed on the Shares issuable pursuant to grants of any Award, and the nature of such restrictions or limitations, if any; and
  - (vi) any acceleration of exercisability or vesting, or waiver of termination regarding any Award, based on such factors as the Plan Administrator may determine;

- (c) establish the form or forms of Award Agreements;
- (d) cancel, amend, adjust or otherwise change any Award under such circumstances as the Plan Administrator may consider appropriate in accordance with the provisions of this Plan;
- (e) construe and interpret this Plan and all Award Agreements;
- (f) adopt, amend, prescribe and rescind administrative guidelines and other rules and regulations relating to this Plan, including rules and regulations relating to sub-plans established for the purpose of satisfying applicable foreign laws or for qualifying for favorable tax treatment under applicable foreign laws; and
- (g) make all other determinations and take all other actions necessary or advisable for the implementation and administration of this Plan.

# 3.2 Delegation to Committee

- (a) The initial Plan Administrator shall be the Board.
- (b) To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Board may, from time to time, delegate to a committee of the Board (the "Committee") all or any of the powers conferred on the Plan Administrator pursuant to this Plan, including the power to sub-delegate to any member(s) of the Committee or any specified officer(s) of the Corporation or its subsidiaries all or any of the powers delegated by the Board. In such event, the Committee or any sub-delegate will exercise the powers delegated to it in the manner and on the terms authorized by the delegating party.

# 3.3 Determinations Binding

Except as may be otherwise set forth in any written employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation and the Participant, any decision made or action taken by the Board, the Committee or any sub-delegate to whom authority has been delegated pursuant to Section 3.2 arising out of or in connection with the administration or interpretation of this Plan is final, conclusive and binding on the Corporation and all subsidiaries of the Corporation, the affected Participant(s), their respective legal and personal representatives and all other Persons.

# 3.4 Eligibility

All Employees, Consultants and Directors are eligible to participate in the Plan, subject to 7.1(f) Participation in the Plan is voluntary and eligibility to participate does not confer upon any Employee, Consultant or Director any right to receive any grant of an Award pursuant to the Plan. The extent to which any Employee, Consultant or Director is entitled to receive a grant of an Award pursuant to the Plan will be determined in the discretion of the Plan Administrator.

# 3.5 Plan Administrator Requirements

Any Award granted under this Plan shall be subject to the requirement that, if at any time the Corporation shall determine that the listing, registration or qualification of the Shares issuable pursuant to such Award upon any securities exchange or under any Securities Laws of any jurisdiction, or the consent or approval of the Exchange and any securities commissions or similar securities regulatory bodies having jurisdiction over the Corporation is necessary as a condition of, or in connection with, the grant or exercise of such Award or the issuance or purchase of Shares thereunder, such Award may not be accepted or exercised, as applicable, in whole or in part unless such listing, registration, qualification,

consent or approval shall have been effected or obtained on conditions acceptable to the Plan Administrator. Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the Corporation to apply for or to obtain such listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval. Participants shall, to the extent applicable, cooperate with the Corporation in complying with such legislation, rules, regulations and policies.

# 3.6 Total Shares Subject to Awards

- (a) Subject to adjustment as provided for in Article 8 and any subsequent amendment to this Plan, the aggregate number of Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to Awards granted under this Plan shall not exceed 10% of the Corporation's total issued and outstanding Shares from time to time. This Plan is considered an "evergreen" plan, since the shares covered by Awards which have been exercised or terminated shall be available for subsequent grants under the Plan and the number of Awards available to grant increases as the number of issued and outstanding Shares increases.
- (b) To the extent any Awards (or portion(s) thereof) under this Plan are exercised, terminated or are cancelled for any reason prior to exercise in full, any Shares subject to such Awards (or portion(s) thereof) shall be added back to the number of Shares reserved for issuance under this Plan and will again become available for issuance pursuant to the exercise of Awards granted under this Plan.
- (c) Any Shares issued by the Corporation through the assumption or substitution of outstanding stock options or other equity-based awards from an acquired company shall not reduce the number of Shares available for issuance pursuant to the exercise of Awards granted under this Plan.

### 3.7 Limits on Grants of Awards

Notwithstanding anything in this Plan:

- (a) the maximum number of Shares for which Awards may be issued to any one Participant in any 12-month period shall not exceed 5% of the outstanding Shares, calculated on the date an Award is granted to the Participant, unless the Company obtains disinterested shareholder approval as required by the policies of the Exchange;
- (b) the maximum number of Shares for which Awards may be issued to any Consultant or persons (in the aggregate) retained to provide Investor Relations Activities (as defined by the CSE) in any 12-month period shall not exceed 2% of the outstanding Shares, calculated on the date an Award is granted to the Consultant or any such person, as applicable; and
- (c) unless disinterested shareholder approval as required by the policies of the Exchange is obtained: (i) the maximum number of Shares for which Awards may be issued to Insiders (as a group) at any point in time shall not exceed 10% of the outstanding Shares; and (ii) the aggregate number of Awards granted to Insiders (as a group), within any 12- month period, shall not exceed 10% of the outstanding Shares, calculated at the date an Award is granted to any Insider.

# 3.8 Award Agreements

Each Award under this Plan will be evidenced by an Award Agreement. Each Award Agreement will be subject to the applicable provisions of this Plan and will contain such provisions as are required by this Plan and any other provisions that the Plan Administrator may direct. Any one officer of the Corporation is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the Corporation, any Award Agreement to a Participant granted an Award pursuant to this Plan.

# 3.9 Non-transferability of Awards

Except as permitted by the Plan Administrator, and to the extent that certain rights may pass to a beneficiary or legal representative upon death of a Participant by will or as required by law, no assignment or transfer of Awards, whether voluntary, involuntary, by operation of law or otherwise, vests any interest or right in such Awards or under this Plan whatsoever in any assignee or transferee and immediately upon any assignment or transfer, or any attempt to make the same, such Awards will terminate and be of no further force or effect.

# ARTICLE 4 OPTIONS

# 4.1 Granting of Options

The Plan Administrator may, from time to time, subject to the provisions of this Plan and such other terms and conditions as the Plan Administrator may prescribe, grant Options to any Participant. The terms and conditions of each Option grant shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement.

#### 4.2 Exercise Price

The Plan Administrator will establish the Exercise Price at the time each Option is granted, which Exercise Price must in all cases be not less than the Market Price on the Date of Grant.

# 4.3 Term of Options

Subject to any accelerated termination as set forth in this Plan, each Option expires on its Expiry Date. Should the Expiry Date for an Option fall within a Black-Out Period, subject to the requirements of the Exchange, such Expiry Date shall be automatically extended without any further act or formality to that date which is the 10<sup>th</sup> Business Day after the end of the Black-Out Period, such 10<sup>th</sup> Business Day to be considered the Expiry Date for such Option for all purposes under the Plan.

# 4.4 Vesting and Exercisability

- (a) The Plan Administrator shall have the authority to determine the vesting terms applicable to grants of Options.
- (b) Once an instalment becomes vested, it shall remain vested and shall be exercisable until expiration or termination of the Option, unless otherwise specified by the Plan Administrator, or as may be otherwise set forth in any written employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation and the Participant. Each vested Option or instalment may be exercised at any time or from time to time, in whole or in part, for up to the total number of Option Shares with respect to which it is then exercisable. The Plan Administrator has the right to accelerate the date upon which any instalment of any Option becomes exercisable.
- (c) Subject to the provisions of this Plan and any Award Agreement, Options shall be exercised by means of a fully completed Exercise Notice delivered to the Corporation.
- (d) The Plan Administrator may provide at the time of granting an Option that the exercise of that Option is subject to restrictions, in addition to those specified in this Section 4.4, such as vesting conditions relating to the attainment of specified Performance Goals.

# 4.5 Payment of Exercise Price

(a) Unless otherwise specified by the Plan Administrator at the time of granting an Option and set

forth in the particular Award Agreement, the Exercise Notice must be accompanied by payment of the Exercise Price. The Exercise Price must be fully paid by certified cheque, bank draft or money order payable to the Corporation or by such other means as might be specified from time to time by the Plan Administrator, which may include (i) through an arrangement with a broker approved by the Corporation (or through an arrangement directly with the Corporation) whereby payment of the Exercise Price is accomplished with the proceeds of the sale of Shares deliverable upon the exercise of the Option, or (ii) such other consideration and method of payment for the issuance of Shares to the extent permitted by the Securities Laws, or any combination of the foregoing methods of payment.

(b) No Shares will be issued or transferred until full payment therefor has been received by the Corporation.

# ARTICLE 5 RESTRICTED SHARE UNITS

# 5.1 Granting of RSUs

- (a) The Plan Administrator may, from time to time, subject to the provisions of this Plan and such other terms and conditions as the Plan Administrator may prescribe, grant RSUs to any Participant in respect of services rendered in the year of grant. The terms and conditions of each RSU grant shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement.
- (b) The number of RSUs (including fractional RSUs) granted at any particular time pursuant to this Article 5 will be calculated by dividing (i) the amount of any compensation that is to be paid in RSUs, as determined by the Plan Administrator, by (ii) the Market Price of a Share on the Date of Grant.

# 5.2 RSU Account

All RSUs received by a Participant shall be credited to an account maintained for the Participant on the books of the Corporation, as of the Date of Grant.

# 5.3 Vesting of RSUs

The Plan Administrator shall have the authority to determine any vesting terms applicable to the grant of RSUs.

# 5.4 Settlement of RSUs

- (a) The Plan Administrator shall have the sole authority to determine the settlement terms applicable to the grant of RSUs. Except as otherwise provided in an Award Agreement, on the settlement date for any RSU, the Participant shall redeem each vested RSU for:
  - (i) one fully paid and non-assessable Share issued from treasury to the Participant or as the Participant may direct, or
  - (ii) a cash payment, or
  - (iii) a combination of Shares and cash as contemplated by paragraphs (i) and (ii) above,

in each case as determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion.

(b) Any cash payments made under this Section 5.4 by the Corporation to a Participant in respect of

- RSUs to be redeemed for cash shall be calculated by multiplying the number of RSUs to be redeemed for cash by the Market Price per Share as at the settlement date.
- (c) Payment of cash to Participants on the redemption of vested RSUs may be made through the Corporation's payroll in the pay period that the settlement date falls within.
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in an Award Agreement, no settlement date for any RSU shall occur, and no Share shall be issued or cash payment shall be made in respect of any RSU, under this Section 5.4 any later than the final Business Day of the third calendar year following the year in which the RSU is granted.
- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, in the event that the settlement date for an RSU falls during a Black-Out Period or other trading restriction imposed by the Corporation, then such settlement date shall be automatically extended to the 10<sup>th</sup> Business Day following the date that such Black-Out Period or other trading restriction is lifted, terminated or removed.

# ARTICLE 6 ADDITIONAL AWARD TERMS

### **6.1** Dividend Equivalents

- (a) Unless otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator and set forth in the particular Award Agreement, as part of a Participant's grant of RSUs and in respect of the services provided by the Participant for such original grant, RSUs shall be credited with dividend equivalents in the form of additional RSUs, as applicable, as of each dividend payment date in respect of which normal cash dividends are paid on Shares. Such dividend equivalents shall be computed by dividing: (i) the amount obtained by multiplying the amount of the dividend declared and paid per Share by the number of RSUs held by the Participant on the record date for the payment of such dividend, by (ii) the Market Price at the close of the first business day immediately following the dividend record date, with fractions computed to three decimal places. Dividend equivalents credited to a Participant's account shall vest in proportion to the RSUs to which they relate, and shall be settled in accordance with Section 5.4.
- (b) The foregoing does not obligate the Corporation to declare or pay dividends on Shares and nothing in this Plan shall be interpreted as creating such an obligation.

### 6.2 Withholding Taxes

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Plan, the granting, vesting or settlement of each Award under this Plan is subject to the condition that if at any time the Plan Administrator determines, in its discretion, that the satisfaction of withholding tax or other withholding liabilities is necessary or desirable in respect of such grant, vesting or settlement, such action is not effective unless such withholding has been effected to the satisfaction of the Plan Administrator. In such circumstances, the Plan Administrator may require that a Participant pay to the Corporation the minimum amount as the Corporation or an Affiliate of the Corporation is obliged to withhold or remit to the relevant taxing authority in respect of the granting, vesting or settlement of the Award. Any such additional payment is due no later than the date on which such amount with respect to the Award is required to be remitted to the relevant tax authority by the Corporation or an Affiliate of the Corporation, as the case may be. Alternatively, and subject to any requirements or limitations under applicable law, the Corporation may (a) withhold such amount from any remuneration or other amount payable by the Corporation or any Affiliate to the Participant, (b) require the sale of a number of Shares issued upon exercise, vesting, or

settlement of such Award and the remittance to the Corporation of the net proceeds from such sale sufficient to satisfy such amount, or (c) enter into any other suitable arrangements for the receipt of such amount.

### 6.3 Recoupment

Notwithstanding any other terms of this Plan, Awards may be subject to potential cancellation, recoupment, rescission, payback or other action in accordance with the terms of any clawback, recoupment or similar policy adopted by the Corporation or the relevant subsidiary of the Corporation and in effect at the Date of Grant of the Award, or as set out in the Participant's employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement, or as otherwise required by law or the rules of the Exchange. The Plan Administrator may at any time waive the application of this Section 6.3 to any Participant or category of Participants.

# ARTICLE 7 TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICES

### 7.1 Termination of Employment, Services or Director

Subject to Section 7.2, unless otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator or as set forth in an employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement:

- (a) where a Participant's employment, consulting agreement or arrangement is terminated or the Participant ceases to hold office or his or her position, as applicable, by reason of voluntary resignation by the Participant or termination by the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation for Cause, then any Option or other Award held by the Participant that has not been exercised as of the Termination Date shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination Date;
- (b) where a Participant's employment, consulting agreement or arrangement is terminated by the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation without Cause (whether such termination occurs with or without any or adequate reasonable notice, or with or without any or adequate compensation in lieu of such reasonable notice) then any unvested Options or other Awards held by the Participant as of the Termination Date shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination Date and any vested Options or other Awards held by the Participant as of the Termination Date may be exercised or surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the Expiry Date of such Award; and (B) the date that is 60 days after the Termination Date. Any Option or other Award that remains unexercised or has not been surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period;
- (c) where a Participant becomes Disabled, then any Option or other Award held by the Participant that has not vested as of the date of the Disability of such Participant shall continue to vest in accordance with its terms and may be exercised or surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the Expiry Date of such Award; and (B) the third anniversary of the Participant's date of Disability. Any Option or other Award that remains unexercised or has not been surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period;
- (d) where a Participant's employment, consulting agreement or arrangement is terminated by reason of the death of the Participant, then any Option or other Award held by the Participant that has not

vested as of the date of the death of such Participant shall vest on such date and may be exercised or surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the Expiry Date of such Award; and (B) the first anniversary of the date of the death of such Participant. Any Option or other Award that remains unexercised or has not been surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period;

- (e) where a Participant's employment, consulting agreement or arrangement is terminated due to Retirement, then any Option or other Award held by the Participant that has not vested as of the date of such Retirement shall continue to vest in accordance with its terms and may be exercised or surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (A) the Expiry Date of such Award; and (B) the third anniversary of the Participant's date of Retirement. Any Option or other Award that remains unexercised or has not been surrendered to the Corporation by the Participant shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if, following his or her Retirement, the Participant commences (the "Commencement Date") employment, consulting or acting as a director of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries (or in an analogous capacity) or otherwise as a service provider to any Person that carries on or proposes to carry on a business competitive with the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, any Option or other Award held by the Participant that has not been exercised as of the Commencement Date shall be immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Commencement Date;
- (f) a Participant's eligibility to receive further grants of Options or other Awards under this Plan ceases as of:
  - (i) the date that the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, provides the Participant with written notification that the Participant's employment, consulting agreement or arrangement is terminated, notwithstanding that such date may be prior to the Termination Date; or
  - (ii) the date of the death, Disability or Retirement of the Participant; and
- (g) notwithstanding Subsection 7.1(b), unless the Plan Administrator, in its discretion, otherwise determines, at any time and from time to time, Options or other Awards are not affected by a change of employment or consulting agreement or arrangement, or directorship within or among the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation for so long as the Participant continues to be a Director, Employee or Consultant, as applicable, of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation.

### 7.2 Discretion to Permit Acceleration

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.1, the Plan Administrator may, in its discretion, at any time prior to, or following the events contemplated in such Section, or in an employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation and the Participant, permit the acceleration of vesting of any or all Awards or waive termination of any or all Awards, all in the manner and on the terms as may be authorized by the Plan Administrator.

### 7.3 Participants' Entitlement

Except as otherwise provided in this Plan, Awards previously granted under this Plan are not affected by any change in the relationship between, or ownership of, the Corporation and an Affiliate of the

Corporation. For greater certainty, all grants of Awards remain outstanding and are not affected by reason only that, at any time, an Affiliate of the Corporation ceases to be an Affiliate of the Corporation.

# ARTICLE 8 EVENTS AFFECTING THE CORPORATION

### 8.1 General

The existence of any Awards does not affect in any way the right or power of the Corporation or its shareholders to make, authorize or determine any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or any other change in the Corporation's capital structure or its business, or any amalgamation, combination, arrangement, merger or consolidation involving the Corporation, to create or issue any bonds, debentures, Shares or other securities of the Corporation or to determine the rights and conditions attaching thereto, to effect the dissolution or liquidation of the Corporation or any sale or transfer of all or any part of its assets or business, or to effect any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar character or otherwise, whether or not any such action referred to in this Article 8 would have an adverse effect on this Plan or on any Award granted hereunder.

### 8.2 Change in Control

Except as may be set forth in an employment agreement, Award Agreement or other written agreement between the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation and the Participant:

- (a) The Plan Administrator may, without the consent of any Participant, take such steps as it deems necessary or desirable, including to cause (i) the conversion or exchange of any outstanding Awards into or for, rights or other securities of substantially equivalent value, as determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion, in any entity participating in or resulting from a Change in Control; (ii) outstanding Awards to vest and become exercisable, realizable, or payable, or restrictions applicable to an Award to lapse, in whole or in part prior to or upon consummation of such Change in Control, and, to the extent the Plan Administrator determines, terminate upon or immediately prior to the effectiveness of such Change in Control; (iii) the termination of an Award in exchange for an amount of cash and/or property, if any, equal to the amount that would have been attained upon the exercise or settlement of such Award or realization of the Participant's rights as of the date of the occurrence of the transaction net of any exercise price payable by the Participant (and, for the avoidance of doubt, if as of the date of the occurrence of the transaction the Plan Administrator determines in good faith that no amount would have been attained upon the exercise or settlement of such Award or realization of the Participant's rights net of any exercise price payable by the Participant, then such Award may be terminated by the Corporation without payment); (iv) the replacement of such Award with other rights or property selected by the Board in its sole discretion; or (v) any combination of the foregoing. In taking any of the actions permitted under this Subsection 8.2(a), the Plan Administrator will not be required to treat all Awards similarly in the transaction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of Options held by a Canadian Taxpayer, the Plan Administrator may not cause the Canadian Taxpayer to receive (pursuant to this Subsection 8.2(a)) any property in connection with a Change of Control other than rights to acquire shares of a corporation or units of a "mutual fund trust" (as defined in the Tax Act), of the Corporation or a "qualifying person" (as defined in the Tax Act) that does not deal at arm's length (for purposes of the Tax Act) with the Corporation, as applicable, at the time such rights are issued or granted.
- (b) Notwithstanding Subsection 8.2(a), and unless otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator, if, as a result of a Change in Control, the Shares will cease trading on an Exchange, then the

Corporation may terminate all of the Awards granted under this Plan (other than Options held by Canadian Taxpayers) at the time of and subject to the completion of the Change in Control transaction by paying to each holder at or within a reasonable period of time following completion of such Change in Control transaction an amount for each Award equal to the fair market value of the Award held by such Participant as determined by the Plan Administrator, acting reasonably, or in the case of Options held by a Canadian Taxpayer by permitting the Canadian Taxpayer to surrender such Options to the Corporation for an amount for each such Option equal to the fair market value of such Option as determined by the Plan Administrator, acting reasonably, upon the completion of the Change in Control (following which such Options may be cancelled for no consideration).

### 8.3 Reorganization of Corporation's Capital

Should the Corporation effect a subdivision or consolidation of Shares or any similar capital reorganization or a payment of a stock dividend (other than a stock dividend that is in lieu of a cash dividend), or should any other change be made in the capitalization of the Corporation that does not constitute a Change in Control and that would warrant the amendment or replacement of any existing Awards in order to adjust the number of Shares that may be acquired on the vesting of outstanding Awards and/or the terms of any Award in order to preserve proportionately the rights and obligations of the Participants holding such Awards, the Plan Administrator will, subject to the prior approval of the Exchange, authorize such steps to be taken as it may consider to be equitable and appropriate to that end.

### 8.4 Other Events Affecting the Corporation

In the event of an amalgamation, combination, arrangement, merger or other transaction or reorganization involving the Corporation and occurring by exchange of Shares, by sale or lease of assets or otherwise, that does not constitute a Change in Control and that warrants the amendment or replacement of any existing Awards in order to adjust the number of Shares that may be acquired on the vesting of outstanding Awards and/or the terms of any Award in order to preserve proportionately the rights and obligations of the Participants holding such Awards, the Plan Administrator will, subject to the prior approval of the Exchange (if required), authorize such steps to be taken as it may consider to be equitable and appropriate to that end.

### 8.5 Immediate Acceleration of Awards

In taking any of the steps provided in Sections 8.3 and 8.4, the Plan Administrator will not be required to treat all Awards similarly and where the Plan Administrator determines that the steps provided in Sections 8.3 and 8.4 would not preserve proportionately the rights, value and obligations of the Participants holding such Awards in the circumstances or otherwise determines that it is appropriate, the Plan Administrator may, but is not required, to permit the immediate vesting of any unvested Awards.

### 8.6 Issue by Corporation of Additional Shares

Except as expressly provided in this Article 8, neither the issue by the Corporation of shares of any class or securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of any class, nor the conversion or exchange of such shares or securities, affects, and no adjustment by reason thereof is to be made with respect to the number of Shares that may be acquired as a result of a grant of Awards or other entitlements of the Participants under such Awards.

### 8.7 Fractions

No fractional Shares will be issued pursuant to an Award. Accordingly, (whether as a result of any adjustment under this Article 8, a dividend equivalent or otherwise), a Participant would become entitled to a fractional Share, the Participant has the right to acquire only the adjusted number of full Shares and no payment or other adjustment will be made with respect to the fractional Shares, which shall be disregarded.

# ARTICLE 9 AMENDMENT, SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF THE PLAN

### 9.1 Amendment, Suspension, or Termination of the Plan

The Plan Administrator may from time to time, without notice and without approval of the holders of voting shares of the Corporation, amend, modify, change, suspend or terminate the Plan or any Awards granted pursuant to the Plan as it, in its discretion, determines appropriate, provided, however, that:

- (a) no such amendment, modification, change, suspension or termination of the Plan or any Awards granted hereunder may materially impair any rights of a Participant or materially increase any obligations of a Participant under the Plan without the consent of the Participant, unless the Plan Administrator determines such adjustment is required or desirable in order to comply with any applicable Securities Laws or Exchange requirements; and
- (b) any amendments to the Plan or to any Awards granted pursuant to the Plan are subject to applicable Exchange approval, if any.

### 9.2 Shareholder Approval

Notwithstanding Section 9.1, if required by a Regulatory Authority or by the Plan Administrator, this Plan, and any amendment, modification, or change thereto, may be made subject to the approval of the holders of voting shares of the Corporation as prescribed by the Regulatory Authority. If shareholder approval is required, any Awards granted under this Plan prior to such time will not be exercisable or binding on the Company unless and until such approval is obtained.

### 9.3 Permitted Amendments

Without limiting the generality of Section 9.1, but subject to Section 9.2, the Plan Administrator may, without shareholder approval, at any time or from time to time, amend the Plan for the purposes of:

- (a) making any amendments to the general vesting provisions of each Award;
- (b) making any amendments to the provisions set out in Article 7;
- (c) making any amendments to add covenants of the Corporation for the protection of Participants, as the case may be, provided that the Plan Administrator shall be of the good faith opinion that such additions will not be prejudicial to the rights or interests of the Participants, as the case may be;
- (d) making any amendments not inconsistent with the Plan as may be necessary or desirable with respect to matters or questions which, in the good faith opinion of the Plan Administrator, having in mind the best interests of the Participants, it may be expedient to make, including amendments that are desirable as a result of changes in law in any jurisdiction where a Participant resides, provided that the Plan Administrator shall be of the opinion that such amendments and

- modifications will not be prejudicial to the interests of the Participants and Directors; or
- (e) making such changes or corrections which, on the advice of counsel to the Corporation, are required for the purpose of curing or correcting any ambiguity or defect or inconsistent provision or clerical omission or mistake or manifest error, provided that the Plan Administrator shall be of the opinion that such changes or corrections will not be prejudicial to the rights and interests of the Participants.

# ARTICLE 10 MISCELLANEOUS

### 10.1 Legal Requirement

The Corporation is not obligated to grant any Awards, issue any Shares or other securities, make any payments or take any other action if, in the opinion of the Plan Administrator, in its discretion, such action would constitute a violation by a Participant or the Corporation of any provision of any applicable statutory or regulatory enactment of any government or government agency or the requirements of any Exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed.

### 10.2 No Other Benefit

No amount will be paid to, or in respect of, a Participant under the Plan to compensate for a downward fluctuation in the price of a Share, nor will any other form of benefit be conferred upon, or in respect of, a Participant for such purpose.

### 10.3 Rights of Participant

No Participant has any claim or right to be granted an Award and the granting of any Award is not to be construed as giving a Participant a right to remain as an Employee, Consultant or Director. No Participant has any rights as a shareholder of the Corporation in respect of Shares issuable pursuant to any Award until the allotment and issuance to such Participant, or as such Participant may direct, of certificates representing such Shares.

### 10.4 Corporate Action

Nothing contained in this Plan or in an Award shall be construed so as to prevent the Corporation from taking corporate action which is deemed by the Corporation to be appropriate or in its best interest, whether or not such action would have an adverse effect on this Plan or any Award.

### 10.5 Conflict

In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Plan and an Award Agreement, the provisions of the Award Agreement shall govern. In the event of any conflict between or among the provisions of this Plan or any Award Agreement, on the one hand, and a Participant's employment agreement with the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, on the other hand, the provisions of the employment agreement or other written agreement shall prevail.

### **10.6** Participant Information

Each Participant shall provide the Corporation with all information (including personal information) required by the Corporation in order to administer the Plan (including as to whether the circumstances described in Section 7.1(e) exist). Each Participant acknowledges that information required by the Corporation in order to administer the Plan may be disclosed to any custodian appointed in respect of

the Plan and other third parties, and may be disclosed to such persons (including persons located in jurisdictions other than the Participant's jurisdiction of residence), in connection with the administration of the Plan. Each Participant consents to such disclosure and authorizes the Corporation to make such disclosure on the Participant's behalf.

### 10.7 Participation in the Plan

The participation of any Participant in the Plan is entirely voluntary and not obligatory and shall not be interpreted as conferring upon such Participant any rights or privileges other than those rights and privileges expressly provided in the Plan. In particular, participation in the Plan does not constitute a condition of employment or engagement nor a commitment on the part of the Corporation to ensure the continued employment or engagement of such Participant. The Plan does not provide any guarantee against any loss which may result from fluctuations in the market value of the Shares. The Corporation does not assume responsibility for the income or other tax consequences for the Participants and Directors and they are advised to consult with their own tax advisors.

### 10.8 International Participants

With respect to Participants who reside or work outside Canada, the Plan Administrator may, in its discretion, amend, or otherwise modify, without shareholder approval, the terms of the Plan or Awards with respect to such Participants in order to conform such terms with the provisions of local law, and the Plan Administrator may, where appropriate, establish one or more sub-plans to reflect such amended or otherwise modified provisions.

### 10.9 Successors and Assigns

The Plan shall be binding on all successors and assigns of the Corporation and its subsidiaries.

### 10.10 General Restrictions on Assignment

Except as required by law, the rights of a Participant under the Plan are not capable of being assigned, transferred, alienated, sold, encumbered, pledged, mortgaged or charged and are not capable of being subject to attachment or legal process for the payment of any debts or obligations of the Participant unless otherwise approved by the Plan Administrator.

### 10.11 Severability

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of the Plan shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision and any invalid or unenforceable provision shall be severed from the Plan.

### 10.12 Notices

All written notices to be given by a Participant to the Corporation shall be delivered personally, e-mail or mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

Bayridge Resources Corp. 1480-885 West Georgia St. Vancouver, BC V6C 3E3 Canada

Attention: Chief Financial Officer

All notices to a Participant will be addressed to the principal address of the Participant on file with the Corporation. Either the Corporation or the Participant may designate a different address by written

notice to the other. Such notices are deemed to be received, if delivered personally or by e-mail, on the date of delivery, and if sent by mail, on the fifth business day following the date of mailing; provided that in the event of any actual or imminent postal disruption, notices shall be delivered to the appropriate party and not sent by mail. Any notice given by either the Participant or the Corporation is not binding on the recipient thereof until received.

### 10.13 Effective Date

This Plan becomes effective on a date to be determined by the Plan Administrator, subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Corporation.

### 10.14 Governing Law

This Plan and all matters to which reference is made herein shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the internal laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein, without reference to conflicts of law rules.

### 10.15 Submission to Jurisdiction

The Corporation and each Participant irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of competent jurisdiction in the Province of British Columbia in respect of any action or proceeding relating in any way to the Plan, including, without limitation, with respect to the grant of Awards and any issuance of Shares made in accordance with the Plan.

## SCHEDULE "C"

# ARTICLES OF CONTINUANCE

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# **Articles of Continuance** into Alberta for Corporation

Public (when completed)

Business Corporations Act Section 188

This information is collected in accordance with the *Business Corporations Act*. It is required to convert an extra-provincial corporation to an Alberta corporation for the purpose of issuance of a certificate of continuance. Collection is authorized under s. 33(a) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Questions about the collection can be directed to Service Alberta Contact Centre staff at <a href="mailto:cr@gov.ab.ca">cr@gov.ab.ca</a> or 780-427-7013 (toll-free 310-0000 within Alberta).

|            | Name of Corporation   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|------------|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
|            | Bayridge Resources Corp.  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| <u>2</u> . | classes of shares, and any maximum number of shares that the corporation is authorized to issue:  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | See Schedule Re: Authorized Shares  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| 3.         | Restrictions on share transfers (if there are no restrictions, enter "NONE"):   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | None  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| ŀ.         | Number, or minimum and maximum number of directors:   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | Minimum of three (3); Maximum of ten (10)   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| 5.         | f the corporation is restricted FROM carrying on a certain business or restricted TO carrying on a certain business, specify the restrictions (if there are no restrictions, enter "NONE"): |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | None  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| S.         | Other rules or provisions (if there are no rules or provisions, enter "NONE"):  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | See Schedule Re: Other Provisions   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| <b>7</b> . | a change of name is effected, indicate previous name:   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | N/A   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| 3          | Current Extra-Provincial Registration (if applicable  | <i>i</i> ).                           |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | Corporation's Name on Alberta Extra-Provincial Registration   | <b>,</b>                              | Al              | berta Corporate Access Number     |  |  |
|            | N/A   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
| ).         | Current Jurisdiction Information  |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |
|            | Name in Home Jurisdiction   |                                       | Registration No | umber in the Current Jurisdiction |  |  |
|            | Bayridge Resources Corp.  |                                       | BC1381844       |                                   |  |  |
|            | Jurisdiction  | Date of formation in current jurisdic | tion yyyy-mm-dd | Business Number (mandatory)       |  |  |
|            | British Columbia  | 2022-10-07                            |                 | 797768017BC0001                   |  |  |
|            |   |                                       |                 |                                   |  |  |

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## 10. Authorized Representative/Authorized Signing Authority for the Corporation

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|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|--|
| Last Name                     | First name    | Middle Name (optional)  |  |
| Officer                       |               |                         |  |
| Relationship to Corporation   | Email Address | Phone Number (optional) |  |
|                               |               |                         |  |
| Date of Submission yyyy-mm-dd | Signature     |                         |  |

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### SCHEDULE RE AUTHORIZED SHARES

The authorized capital of the Corporation shall consist of an unlimited number of Common Shares without nominal or par value. The rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions attaching to the Common Shares are as set out herein.

- 1. The rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions attaching to the Common Shares are as follows:
  - (a) **Payment of Dividends:** The holders of the Common Shares shall be entitled to receive dividends if, as and when declared by the board of directors of the Corporation out of the assets of the Corporation properly applicable to the payment of dividends in such amounts and payable in such manner as the board of directors may from time to time determine.
  - (b) Participation upon Liquidation, Dissolution or Winding Up: In the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation or other distribution of assets of the Corporation among its shareholders for the purpose of winding up its affairs, the holders of the Common Shares shall be entitled to participate in the distribution. Such distribution shall be made in equal amounts per share on all the Common Shares at the time outstanding without preference or distinction.
  - (c) **Voting Rights:** The holders of the Common Shares shall be entitled to receive notice of and to attend all annual and special meetings of the shareholders of the Corporation and to one (1) vote in respect of each Common Share held at all such meetings.

### SCHEDULE RE OTHER PROVISIONS

- 1. The directors may, between annual general meetings, appoint one or more additional directors of the Corporation to serve until the next annual general meeting but the number of additional directors shall not at any time exceed one-third (1/3) of the number of directors who held office at expiration of the last annual meeting.
- 2. Meetings of shareholders may be held outside of Alberta.

## SCHEDULE "D"

## **BY-LAWS**

(Begins on the following page)

### SCHEDULE "D" PROPOSED BYLAWS

## BY-LAW NO. 1

A by-law relating generally to the transaction of the business and affairs of

### BAYRIDGE RESOURCES CORP.

(hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation")

### **DIRECTORS**

- 1. Calling of and notice of meetings Meetings of the board shall be held at such place and time and on such day as the chairman of the board, president or a vice-president, if any, or any two directors may determine. Notice of meetings of the board shall be given to each director not less than 48 hours before the time when the meeting is to be held. Each newly elected board may without notice hold its first meeting for the purposes of organization and the appointment of officers immediately following the meeting of shareholders at which such board was elected.
- 2. **Votes to govern** At all meetings of the board every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast on the question; and in case of an equality of votes the chairman of the meeting shall not be entitled to a second or casting vote.
- 3. **Interest of directors and officers generally in contracts** No director or officer shall be disqualified by their office from contracting with the Corporation nor shall any contract or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Corporation with any director or officer or in which any director or officer is in any way interested be liable to be voided nor shall any director or officer so contracting or being so interested be liable to account to the Corporation for any profit realized by any such contract or arrangement by reason of such director or officer holding that office or of the fiduciary relationship thereby established; provided that the director or officer shall have complied with the provisions of the Business Corporations Act.

### SHAREHOLDERS' MEETINGS

- 4. **Quorum** At any meeting of shareholders, a quorum shall be two persons present in person entitled to vote thereat and holding or representing by proxy not less than five (5%) per cent of the votes entitled to be cast thereat.
- 5. **Postponement or cancellation of meetings** A meeting of shareholders may be postponed or cancelled by the board at any time prior to the date of the meeting.
- 6. **Procedures at meetings** The board may determine the procedures to be followed at any meeting of shareholders including, without limitation, the rules of order. Subject to the foregoing, the chair of a meeting may determine the procedures of the meeting in all respects.
- 7. **Notice-and-access** Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere in the by-laws and, subject to the Business Corporations Act, the Corporation shall be entitled, at its discretion, to utilize the notice-and-access method of delivering shareholder meeting materials, soliciting proxies and receiving voting instructions from registered and beneficial shareholders adopted by the Canadian Securities Administrators in the amendments to the rules for communication between reporting issuers and their shareholders, as such rules may be modified from time to time.

### MEETING BY TELEPHONE

8. **Directors and Shareholders** - A director may participate in a meeting of the board or of a committee of the board and a shareholder may participate in a meeting of shareholders by means of telephone or other communication facilities that permit all persons participating in any such meeting to hear each other.

### **INDEMNIFICATION**

- 9. **Indemnification of directors and officers** The Corporation shall indemnify a director or officer of the Corporation, a former director or officer of the Corporation or a person who acts or acted at the Corporation's request as a director or officer of a body corporate of which the Corporation is or was a shareholder or creditor, and his heirs and legal representatives to the extent permitted by the Business Corporations Act.
- 10. Indemnity of others - Except as otherwise required by the Business Corporations Act and subject to paragraph 6, the Corporation may from time to time indemnify and save harmless any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Corporation) by reason of the fact that he is or was an employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, agent of or participant in another body corporate, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including legal fees), judgments, fines and any amount actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he acted honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Corporation and, with respect to any criminal or administrative action or proceeding that is enforced by a monetary penalty, had reasonable grounds for believing that his conduct was lawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement or conviction shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Corporation and, with respect to any criminal or administrative action or proceeding that is enforced by a monetary penalty, had no reasonable grounds for believing that his conduct was lawful.
- 11. **Right of indemnity not exclusive** The provisions for indemnification contained in the by-laws of the Corporation shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which any person seeking indemnification may be entitled under any agreement, vote of shareholders or directors or otherwise, both as to action in his official capacity and as to action in another capacity, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs and legal representatives of such a person.
- 12. No liability of directors or officers for certain matters - To the extent permitted by law, no director or officer for the time being of the Corporation shall be liable for the acts, receipts, neglects or defaults of any other director or officer or employee or for joining in any receipt or act for conformity or for any loss, damage or expense happening to the Corporation through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired by the Corporation or for or on behalf of the Corporation or for the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any of the moneys of or belonging to the Corporation shall be placed out or invested or for any loss or damage arising from the bankruptcy, insolvency or tortious act of any person, firm or body corporate with whom or which any moneys, securities or other assets belonging to the Corporation shall be lodged or deposited or for any loss, conversion, misapplication or misappropriation of or any damage resulting from any dealings with any moneys, securities or other assets belonging to the Corporation or for any other loss, damage or misfortune whatever which may happen in the execution of the duties of his respective office or trust or in relation thereto unless the same shall happen by or through his failure to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Corporation and in connection therewith to exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances. If any director or officer of the Corporation shall be employed by or shall perform services for the Corporation otherwise than as a director or officer or shall be a member of a firm or a shareholder, director or officer of a body corporate which is employed by or performs services for the Corporation, the fact of his being a director or officer of the Corporation shall not disentitle such director or officer or such firm or body corporate, as the case may be, from receiving proper remuneration for such services.

### BANKING ARRANGEMENTS, CONTRACTS, ETC.

13. **Banking arrangements** - The banking business of the Corporation, or any part thereof, shall be transacted with such banks, trust companies or other financial institutions as the board may designate,

appoint or authorize from time to time by resolution and all such banking business, or any part thereof, shall be transacted on the Corporation's behalf by such one or more officers and/or other persons as the board may designate, direct or authorize from time to time by resolution and to the extent therein provided.

- 14. **Execution of instruments** Contracts, documents or instruments in writing requiring execution by the Corporation may be signed by any two directors or officers, and all contracts, documents or instruments in writing so signed shall be binding upon the Corporation without any further authorization or formality. The board is authorized from time to time by resolution to appoint any officer or officers or any other person or persons on behalf of the Corporation to sign and deliver either contracts, documents or instruments in writing generally or to sign either manually or by facsimile signature and deliver specific contracts, documents or instruments in writing. The term "contracts, documents or instruments in writing" as used in this by-law shall include deeds, mortgages, charges, conveyances, powers of attorney, transfers and assignments of property of all kinds (including specifically but without limitation transfers and assignments of shares, warrants, bonds, debentures or other securities), share certificates, warrants, bonds, debentures and other securities or security instruments of the Corporation and all paper writings.
- 15. **Voting Rights in Other Bodies Corporate** The signing officers of the Corporation may execute and deliver proxies and arrange for the issuance of voting certificates or other evidence of the right to exercise the voting rights attaching to any securities held by the Corporation. Such instruments shall be in favour of such persons as may be determined by the officers executing or arranging for the same. In addition, the board may from time to time direct the manner in which and the persons by whom any particular voting rights or class of voting rights may or shall be exercised.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 16. **Invalidity of any provisions of this by-law** The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this by-law shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this by-law.
- 17. **Omissions and errors** The accidental omission to give any notice to any shareholder, director, officer or auditor or the non-receipt of any notice by any shareholder, director, officer or auditor or any error in any notice not affecting the substance thereof shall not invalidate any action taken at any meeting held pursuant to such notice or otherwise founded thereon.

### INTERPRETATION

18. **Interpretation** - In this by-law and all other by-laws of the Corporation words importing the singular number only shall include the plural and vice versa; words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders; words importing persons shall include an individual, partnership, association, body corporate, executor, administrator or legal representative and any number or aggregate of persons; "articles" include the original or restated articles of incorporation, articles of amendment, articles of amalgamation, articles of continuance, articles of reorganization, articles of arrangement and articles of revival; "board" shall mean the board of directors of the Corporation; "Business Corporations Act" shall mean the *Business Corporations Act* (Alberta), Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, Chapter B-9, as amended from time to time, or any Act that may hereafter be substituted therefor; "meeting of shareholders" shall mean and include an annual meeting of shareholders and a special meeting of shareholders of the Corporation; and "signing officers" means any person authorized to sign on behalf of the Corporation pursuant to paragraph 11.

### **SCHEDULE "E"**

### **DISSENT RIGHTS**

### **SECTIONS 237 TO 247 OF THE BCBCA**

### **Definitions and application**

### 237 (1) In this Division:

"dissenter" means a shareholder who, being entitled to do so, sends written notice of dissent when and as required by section 242;

"notice shares" means, in relation to a notice of dissent, the shares in respect of which dissent is being exercised under the notice of dissent;

### "payout value" means,

- (a) in the case of a dissent in respect of a resolution, the fair value that the notice shares had immediately before the passing of the resolution,
- (b) in the case of a dissent in respect of an arrangement approved by a court order made under section 291 (2) (c) that permits dissent, the fair value that the notice shares had immediately before the passing of the resolution adopting the arrangement,
- (c) in the case of a dissent in respect of a matter approved or authorized by any other court order that permits dissent, the fair value that the notice shares had at the time specified by the court order, or
- (d) in the case of a dissent in respect of a community contribution company, the value of the notice shares set out in the regulations,

excluding any appreciation or depreciation in anticipation of the corporate action approved or authorized by the resolution or court order unless exclusion would be inequitable.

- (2) This Division applies to any right of dissent exercisable by a shareholder except to the extent that
  - (a) the court orders otherwise, or
  - (b) in the case of a right of dissent authorized by a resolution referred to in section 238 (1) (g), the court orders otherwise or the resolution provides otherwise.

### Right to dissent

- 238 (1) A shareholder of a company, whether or not the shareholder's shares carry the right to vote, is entitled to dissent as follows:
  - (a) under section 260, in respect of a resolution to alter the articles
    - (i) to alter restrictions on the powers of the company or on the business the company is permitted to carry on,
    - (ii) without limiting subparagraph (i), in the case of a community contribution company, to alter any of the company's community purposes within the meaning of section 51.91, or
    - (iii) without limiting subparagraph (i), in the case of a benefit company, to alter the company's benefit provision;
  - (b) under section 272, in respect of a resolution to adopt an amalgamation agreement;
  - (c) under section 287, in respect of a resolution to approve an amalgamation under Division 4 of Part 9;
  - (d) in respect of a resolution to approve an arrangement, the terms of which arrangement permit dissent;

- (e) under section 301 (5), in respect of a resolution to authorize or ratify the sale, lease or other disposition of all or substantially all of the company's undertaking;
- (f) under section 309, in respect of a resolution to authorize the continuation of the company into a jurisdiction other than British Columbia;
- (g) in respect of any other resolution, if dissent is authorized by the resolution;
- (h) in respect of any court order that permits dissent.
- (1.1) A shareholder of a company, whether or not the shareholder's shares carry the right to vote, is entitled to dissent under section 51.995 (5) in respect of a resolution to alter its notice of articles to include or to delete the benefit statement.
- (2) A shareholder wishing to dissent must
  - (a) prepare a separate notice of dissent under section 242 for
    - (i) the shareholder, if the shareholder is dissenting on the shareholder's own behalf, and
    - (ii) each other person who beneficially owns shares registered in the shareholder's name and on whose behalf the shareholder is dissenting,
  - (b) identify in each notice of dissent, in accordance with section 242 (4), the person on whose behalf dissent is being exercised in that notice of dissent, and
  - (c) dissent with respect to all of the shares, registered in the shareholder's name, of which the person identified under paragraph (b) of this subsection is the beneficial owner.
- (3) Without limiting subsection (2), a person who wishes to have dissent exercised with respect to shares of which the person is the beneficial owner must
  - (a) dissent with respect to all of the shares, if any, of which the person is both the registered owner and the beneficial owner, and
  - (b) cause each shareholder who is a registered owner of any other shares of which the person is the beneficial owner to dissent with respect to all of those shares.

### Waiver of right to dissent

- 239 (1) A shareholder may not waive generally a right to dissent but may, in writing, waive the right to dissent with respect to a particular corporate action.
  - (2) A shareholder wishing to waive a right of dissent with respect to a particular corporate action must
    - (a) provide to the company a separate waiver for
      - the shareholder, if the shareholder is providing a waiver on the shareholder's own behalf, and
      - (ii) each other person who beneficially owns shares registered in the shareholder's name and on whose behalf the shareholder is providing a waiver, and
    - (b) identify in each waiver the person on whose behalf the waiver is made.
  - (3) If a shareholder waives a right of dissent with respect to a particular corporate action and indicates in the waiver that the right to dissent is being waived on the shareholder's own behalf, the shareholder's right to dissent with respect to the particular corporate action terminates in respect of the shares of which the shareholder is both the registered owner and the beneficial owner, and this Division ceases to apply to
    - (a) the shareholder in respect of the shares of which the shareholder is both the registered owner and the beneficial owner, and
    - (b) any other shareholders, who are registered owners of shares beneficially owned by the first mentioned shareholder, in respect of the shares that are beneficially owned by the first mentioned shareholder.

(4) If a shareholder waives a right of dissent with respect to a particular corporate action and indicates in the waiver that the right to dissent is being waived on behalf of a specified person who beneficially owns shares registered in the name of the shareholder, the right of shareholders who are registered owners of shares beneficially owned by that specified person to dissent on behalf of that specified person with respect to the particular corporate action terminates and this Division ceases to apply to those shareholders in respect of the shares that are beneficially owned by that specified person.

### Notice of resolution

- **240** (1) If a resolution in respect of which a shareholder is entitled to dissent is to be considered at a meeting of shareholders, the company must, at least the prescribed number of days before the date of the proposed meeting, send to each of its shareholders, whether or not their shares carry the right to vote,
  - (a) a copy of the proposed resolution, and
  - (b) a notice of the meeting that specifies the date of the meeting, and contains a statement advising of the right to send a notice of dissent.
  - (2) If a resolution in respect of which a shareholder is entitled to dissent is to be passed as a consent resolution of shareholders or as a resolution of directors and the earliest date on which that resolution can be passed is specified in the resolution or in the statement referred to in paragraph (b), the company may, at least 21 days before that specified date, send to each of its shareholders, whether or not their shares carry the right to vote,
    - (a) a copy of the proposed resolution, and
    - (b) a statement advising of the right to send a notice of dissent.
  - (3) If a resolution in respect of which a shareholder is entitled to dissent was or is to be passed as a resolution of shareholders without the company complying with subsection (1) or (2), or was or is to be passed as a directors' resolution without the company complying with subsection (2), the company must, before or within 14 days after the passing of the resolution, send to each of its shareholders who has not, on behalf of every person who beneficially owns shares registered in the name of the shareholder, consented to the resolution or voted in favour of the resolution, whether or not their shares carry the right to vote,
    - (a) a copy of the resolution,
    - (b) a statement advising of the right to send a notice of dissent, and
    - (c) if the resolution has passed, notification of that fact and the date on which it was passed.
  - (4) Nothing in subsection (1), (2) or (3) gives a shareholder a right to vote in a meeting at which, or on a resolution on which, the shareholder would not otherwise be entitled to vote.

### Notice of court orders

**241** If a court order provides for a right of dissent, the company must, not later than 14 days after the date on which the company receives a copy of the entered order, send to each shareholder who is entitled to exercise that right of dissent

- (a) a copy of the entered order, and
- (b) a statement advising of the right to send a notice of dissent.

### Notice of dissent

242 (1) A shareholder intending to dissent in respect of a resolution referred to in section 238 (1) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) or (1.1) must,

- (a) if the company has complied with section 240 (1) or (2), send written notice of dissent to the company at least 2 days before the date on which the resolution is to be passed or can be passed, as the case may be,
- (b) if the company has complied with section 240 (3), send written notice of dissent to the company not more than 14 days after receiving the records referred to in that section, or

- (c) if the company has not complied with section 240 (1), (2) or (3), send written notice of dissent to the company not more than 14 days after the later of
  - (i) the date on which the shareholder learns that the resolution was passed, and
  - (ii) the date on which the shareholder learns that the shareholder is entitled to dissent.
- (2) A shareholder intending to dissent in respect of a resolution referred to in section 238 (1) (g) must send written notice of dissent to the company
  - (a) on or before the date specified by the resolution or in the statement referred to in section 240 (2) (b) or (3) (b) as the last date by which notice of dissent must be sent, or
  - (b) if the resolution or statement does not specify a date, in accordance with subsection (1) of this section.
- (3) A shareholder intending to dissent under section 238 (1) (h) in respect of a court order that permits dissent must send written notice of dissent to the company
  - (a) within the number of days, specified by the court order, after the shareholder receives the records referred to in section 241, or
  - (b) if the court order does not specify the number of days referred to in paragraph (a) of this subsection, within 14 days after the shareholder receives the records referred to in section 241.
- (4) A notice of dissent sent under this section must set out the number, and the class and series, if applicable, of the notice shares, and must set out whichever of the following is applicable:
  - (a) if the notice shares constitute all of the shares of which the shareholder is both the registered owner and beneficial owner and the shareholder owns no other shares of the company as beneficial owner, a statement to that effect;
  - (b) if the notice shares constitute all of the shares of which the shareholder is both the registered owner and beneficial owner but the shareholder owns other shares of the company as beneficial owner, a statement to that effect and
    - (i) the names of the registered owners of those other shares,
    - (ii) the number, and the class and series, if applicable, of those other shares that are held by each of those registered owners, and
    - (iii) a statement that notices of dissent are being, or have been, sent in respect of all of those other shares;
  - (c) if dissent is being exercised by the shareholder on behalf of a beneficial owner who is not the dissenting shareholder, a statement to that effect and
    - (i) the name and address of the beneficial owner, and
    - (ii) a statement that the shareholder is dissenting in relation to all of the shares beneficially owned by the beneficial owner that are registered in the shareholder's name.
- (5) The right of a shareholder to dissent on behalf of a beneficial owner of shares, including the shareholder, terminates and this Division ceases to apply to the shareholder in respect of that beneficial owner if subsections (1) to (4) of this section, as those subsections pertain to that beneficial owner, are not complied with.

### Notice of intention to proceed

- 243 (1) A company that receives a notice of dissent under section 242 from a dissenter must,
  - (a) if the company intends to act on the authority of the resolution or court order in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent, send a notice to the dissenter promptly after the later of
    - (i) the date on which the company forms the intention to proceed, and
    - (ii) the date on which the notice of dissent was received, or

- (b) if the company has acted on the authority of that resolution or court order, promptly send a notice to the dissenter.
- (2) A notice sent under subsection (1) (a) or (b) of this section must
  - (a) be dated not earlier than the date on which the notice is sent,
  - (b) state that the company intends to act, or has acted, as the case may be, on the authority of the resolution or court order, and
  - (c) advise the dissenter of the manner in which dissent is to be completed under section 244.

### **Completion of dissent**

**244** (1) A dissenter who receives a notice under section 243 must, if the dissenter wishes to proceed with the dissent, send to the company or its transfer agent for the notice shares, within one month after the date of the notice,

- (a) a written statement that the dissenter requires the company to purchase all of the notice shares,
- (b) the certificates, if any, representing the notice shares, and
- (c) if section 242 (4) (c) applies, a written statement that complies with subsection (2) of this section.
- (2) The written statement referred to in subsection (1) (c) must
  - (a) be signed by the beneficial owner on whose behalf dissent is being exercised, and
  - (b) set out whether or not the beneficial owner is the beneficial owner of other shares of the company and, if so, set out
    - (i) the names of the registered owners of those other shares,
    - (ii) the number, and the class and series, if applicable, of those other shares that are held by each of those registered owners, and
    - (iii) that dissent is being exercised in respect of all of those other shares.
- (3) After the dissenter has complied with subsection (1),
  - (a) the dissenter is deemed to have sold to the company the notice shares, and
  - (b) the company is deemed to have purchased those shares, and must comply with section 245, whether or not it is authorized to do so by, and despite any restriction in, its memorandum or articles.
- (4) Unless the court orders otherwise, if the dissenter fails to comply with subsection (1) of this section in relation to notice shares, the right of the dissenter to dissent with respect to those notice shares terminates and this Division, other than section 247, ceases to apply to the dissenter with respect to those notice shares.
- (5) Unless the court orders otherwise, if a person on whose behalf dissent is being exercised in relation to a particular corporate action fails to ensure that every shareholder who is a registered owner of any of the shares beneficially owned by that person complies with subsection (1) of this section, the right of shareholders who are registered owners of shares beneficially owned by that person to dissent on behalf of that person with respect to that corporate action terminates and this Division, other than section 247, ceases to apply to those shareholders in respect of the shares that are beneficially owned by that person.
- (6) A dissenter who has complied with subsection (1) of this section may not vote, or exercise or assert any rights of a shareholder, in respect of the notice shares, other than under this Division.

### Payment for notice shares

**245** (1) A company and a dissenter who has complied with section 244 (1) may agree on the amount of the payout value of the notice shares and, in that event, the company must

- (a) promptly pay that amount to the dissenter, or
- (b) if subsection (5) of this section applies, promptly send a notice to the dissenter that the company is unable lawfully to pay dissenters for their shares.

- (2) A dissenter who has not entered into an agreement with the company under subsection (1) or the company may apply to the court and the court may
  - (a) determine the payout value of the notice shares of those dissenters who have not entered into an agreement with the company under subsection (1), or order that the payout value of those notice shares be established by arbitration or by reference to the registrar, or a referee, of the court,
  - (b) join in the application each dissenter, other than a dissenter who has entered into an agreement with the company under subsection (1), who has complied with section 244 (1), and
  - (c) make consequential orders and give directions it considers appropriate.
- (3) Promptly after a determination of the payout value for notice shares has been made under subsection (2) (a) of this section, the company must
  - (a) pay to each dissenter who has complied with section 244 (1) in relation to those notice shares, other than a dissenter who has entered into an agreement with the company under subsection (1) of this section, the payout value applicable to that dissenter's notice shares, or
  - (b) if subsection (5) applies, promptly send a notice to the dissenter that the company is unable lawfully to pay dissenters for their shares.
- (4) If a dissenter receives a notice under subsection (1) (b) or (3) (b),
  - (a) the dissenter may, within 30 days after receipt, withdraw the dissenter's notice of dissent, in which case the company is deemed to consent to the withdrawal and this Division, other than section 247, ceases to apply to the dissenter with respect to the notice shares, or
  - (b) if the dissenter does not withdraw the notice of dissent in accordance with paragraph (a) of this subsection, the dissenter retains a status as a claimant against the company, to be paid as soon as the company is lawfully able to do so or, in a liquidation, to be ranked subordinate to the rights of creditors of the company but in priority to its shareholders.
- (5) A company must not make a payment to a dissenter under this section if there are reasonable grounds for believing that
  - (a) the company is insolvent, or
  - (b) the payment would render the company insolvent.

### Loss of right to dissent

246 The right of a dissenter to dissent with respect to notice shares terminates and this Division, other than section 247, ceases to apply to the dissenter with respect to those notice shares, if, before payment is made to the dissenter of the full amount of money to which the dissenter is entitled under section 245 in relation to those notice shares, any of the following events occur:

- (a) the corporate action approved or authorized, or to be approved or authorized, by the resolution or court order in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent is abandoned;
- (b) the resolution in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent does not pass;
- (c) the resolution in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent is revoked before the corporate action approved or authorized by that resolution is taken;
- (d) the notice of dissent was sent in respect of a resolution adopting an amalgamation agreement and the amalgamation is abandoned or, by the terms of the agreement, will not proceed;
- (e) the arrangement in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent is abandoned or by its terms will not proceed;
- (f) a court permanently enjoins or sets aside the corporate action approved or authorized by the resolution or court order in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent;
- (g) with respect to the notice shares, the dissenter consents to, or votes in favour of, the resolution in respect of which the notice of dissent was sent;

- (h) the notice of dissent is withdrawn with the written consent of the company;
- (i) the court determines that the dissenter is not entitled to dissent under this Division or that the dissenter is not entitled to dissent with respect to the notice shares under this Division.

### Shareholders entitled to return of shares and rights

**247** If, under section 244 (4) or (5), 245 (4) (a) or 246, this Division, other than this section, ceases to apply to a dissenter with respect to notice shares,

- (a) the company must return to the dissenter each of the applicable share certificates, if any, sent under section 244 (1) (b) or, if those share certificates are unavailable, replacements for those share certificates,
- (b) the dissenter regains any ability lost under section 244 (6) to vote, or exercise or assert any rights of a shareholder, in respect of the notice shares, and
- (c) the dissenter must return any money that the company paid to the dissenter in respect of the notice shares under, or in purported compliance with, this Division.