# ANGUS GOLD INC.

18 King Street East, Suite 902 Toronto, ON M5C 1C4

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual and special meeting (the "**Meeting**") of the holders (the "**Shareholders**") of common shares ("**Common Shares**") of Angus Gold Inc. (the "**Company**") will be held at the offices of the Company's solicitors Peterson McVicar LLP, 18 King Street East, Suite 902, Toronto, ON M5C 1C4 on August 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. (Toronto time) for the following purposes, all as more particularly described in the enclosed management information circular (the "**Circular**"):

- (a) to receive the audited financial statements of the Company for the financial years ended January 31, 2023 and January 31, 2022, together with the auditors' reports thereon;
- (b) to elect the directors of the Company for the ensuing year;
- (c) to appoint the auditor of the Company for the ensuing year and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration;
- (d) to consider and, if deemed advisable, to pass, with or without variation, an ordinary resolution reapproving, ratifying and confirming the Company's 10% rolling incentive stock option plan for the ensuing year; and
- (e) to transact such further and other business as may be properly brought before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

The record date for the determination of Shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof is June 29, 2023, the close of business on the day immediately preceding the day on which the notice is given (the "**Record Date**"). Shareholders whose names have been entered in the register of Shareholders at the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to receive notice of, and to vote, at the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

#### **Notice and Access**

The Company has elected to use the notice-and-access process ("Notice-and-Access") that came into effect on February 11, 2013 under NI 54-101 – *Communications with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer* ("NI 54-101") and National Instrument 51-102 – *Continuous Disclosure Obligations*, for distribution of this Circular and other meeting materials to registered Shareholders of the Company and Non-Registered Holders (as defined herein). Notice-and-Access allows issuers to post electronic versions of meeting materials, including circulars, annual financial statements and management discussion and analysis, online, via SEDAR and one other website, rather than mailing paper copies of such meeting materials to Shareholders. The Company anticipates that utilizing the Notice-and-Access process will substantially reduce both postage and printing costs.

Meeting materials including the Circular and the Company's audited financial statements for the years ended January 31, 2023 and January 31, 2022 and the Company's management discussion and analysis for the year ended January 31, 2023, are available on Marrelli Trust Company Limited's website, the Company's transfer agent, at <a href="https://www.marrellitrust.ca/agm-materials/angus-gold-2023">https://www.marrellitrust.ca/agm-materials/angus-gold-2023</a> and on the Company's SEDAR profile at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

Although the Circular and related materials (collectively, the "**Meeting Materials**") will be posted electronically online, as noted above, the registered Shareholders and Non-Registered Holders (subject to the provisions set out below under the heading "**Notice to Beneficial Holders of Common Shares**") will receive a "notice package" (the "**Notice-and-Access Notification**"), by prepaid mail, which includes the information prescribed by NI 54-101, and a proxy form or voting instruction form from their respective intermediaries. Shareholders are reminded to review the Circular before voting. Management of the Company does not intend to pay for intermediaries to forward the Notice-and-Access Notification to OBOs (as defined herein) under NI 54-101, and therefore an OBO will not receive the Notice-and Access Notification unless the OBO's intermediary assumes the cost of delivery. Shareholders will not receive a paper copy of the Meeting Materials unless they request paper copies from the Company. Requests for paper copies of the Meeting Materials must

be received at least five (5) business days in advance of the proxy deposit date and time, being 10:00 a.m. (Toronto time) on August 11, 2023 and the Company will mail the requested materials within three (3) business days of the request. Shareholders with questions about Notice-and Access may contact the Company's registrar and transfer agent, Marrelli Trust Company Limited ("**Marrelli**") toll-free at 1-844-682-5888 or email <u>info@marrellitrust.ca</u>.

# Voting

All Shareholders are invited to attend the Meeting and may attend in person or may be represented by proxy. A "beneficial" or "non-registered" Shareholder will not be recognized directly at the Meeting for the purposes of voting Common Shares registered in the name of his/her/its broker; however, a beneficial Shareholder may attend the Meeting as proxyholder for the registered Shareholder and vote the Common Shares in that capacity. Only Shareholders as of the Record Date are entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Meeting.

Shareholders who are unable to attend the Meeting in person, or any adjournments or postponements thereof, are requested to complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy (registered holders) or voting instruction form (beneficial holders) and return it in the envelope provided. To be effective, the enclosed form of proxy or voting instruction form must be mailed or faxed so as to reach or be deposited with Marrelli Trust Company Limited, the Company's transfer agent (in the case of registered holders) at Marrelli Trust Company Limited, c/o Marrelli Transfer Services Corp., 82 Richmond Street East, 2nd Fl., Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1; Fax: 416-360-7812, not later than forty-eight (48) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays in the City of Toronto, Ontario) prior to the time set for the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof (the "Proxy Deadline"), or to your intermediary (in the case of beneficial holders) with sufficient time for them to file a proxy by the Proxy Deadline. SHAREHOLDERS ARE REMINDED TO REVIEW THE CIRCULAR BEFORE VOTING.

**DATED** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(Signed) "Patrick Langlois"

Patrick Langlois Director

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#### MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

This management information circular (the "**Circular**") is furnished in connection with the annual and special meeting (the "**Meeting**") of registered and non-registered (or beneficial) holders (collectively, the "**Shareholders**") of Common Shares (as hereinafter defined) of Angus Gold Inc. (the "**Company**") to be held at the offices of the Company's solicitors Peterson McVicar LLP, 18 King Street East, Suite 902, Toronto, ON M5C 1C4 on August 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. (Toronto time) and at any continuation thereof after an adjournment for the purposes set forth in the enclosed notice of annual and special meeting of Shareholders (the "**Notice**").

Unless otherwise stated, the information contained in this Circular is as of June 29, 2023.

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Management of the Company does not intend to pay for intermediaries to forward the Notice-and-Access Notification to OBOs (as defined herein) under NI 54-101, and therefore an OBO will not receive the Notice-and Access Notification unless the OBO's intermediary assumes the cost of delivery.

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# GENERAL INFORMATION RESPECTING THE MEETING

It is expected that the solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail, however, proxies may also be solicited by the officers, directors and employees of the Company by telephone, electronic mail, telecopier or personally. These persons will receive no compensation for such solicitation other than their regular fees or salaries. All costs of solicitation by management will be borne by the Company.

No person has been authorized to give any information or make any representations in connection with the matters being considered herein other than those contained in this Circular and, if given or made, any such information or representations should be considered not to have been authorized by the Company. This Circular does not constitute the solicitation of a proxy by any person in any jurisdiction in which such solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such solicitation.

References in this Circular to the Meeting include any adjournment(s) or postponement(s) thereof.

In this Circular, unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts "\$" are expressed in Canadian dollars.

# APPOINTMENT, VOTING AND REVOCATION OF PROXIES

### **Appointment of Proxy Holders**

A Shareholder who is unable to attend the Meeting in person is requested to complete and sign the enclosed form of proxy and to deliver it to Marrelli: (i) by mail or hand delivery to Marrelli Trust Company Limited, c/o Marrelli Transfer Services Corp., 82 Richmond Street East, 2nd Fl., Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1; or (ii) by facsimile at 416-360-7812. In order to be valid and acted upon at the Meeting, the form of proxy must be received no later than 10:00 a.m. (Toronto time) on August 11, 2023 or be deposited with the Secretary of the Company before the commencement of the Meeting or any adjournment thereof. The deadline for the deposit of proxies may be waived or extended by the Chair of the Meeting at his discretion, without notice.

If you are a non-registered holder of Common Shares and have received these materials through your broker, custodian, nominee or other intermediary, please complete and return the form of proxy or voting instruction form ("**VIF**") provided to you by your broker, custodian, nominee or other intermediary in accordance with the instructions provided therein.

The document appointing a proxy must be in writing and executed by the Shareholders or his attorney authorized in writing or, if the Shareholder is a corporation, under its corporate seal or by an officer or attorney thereof duly authorized.

A Shareholder submitting a form of proxy has the right to appoint a person (who need not be a Shareholder) to represent him or her at the Meeting other than the persons designated in the form of proxy furnished by the Company. To exercise that right, the name of the Shareholder's appointee should be legibly printed in the blank space provided. In addition, the Shareholder should notify the appointee of the appointment, obtain his or her consent to act as appointee and instruct the appointee on how the Shareholder's Common Shares are to be voted.

Shareholders who are not registered shareholders should refer to "Notice to Beneficial Holders of Common Shares" below.

# Revocation

A Shareholder who has submitted a form of proxy as directed hereunder may revoke it at any time prior to the exercise thereof. If a Person who has given a proxy personally attends the Meeting at which that proxy is to be voted, that Person may revoke the proxy and vote in person. In addition to the revocation in any other manner permitted by law, a proxy may be revoked by instrument in writing executed by the Shareholder or his attorney or authorized agent and deposited with Marrelli at any time up to 10:00 a.m. (Toronto time) on <u>August 12, 2023</u>: (i) by mail or hand delivery to <u>Marrelli Trust</u> <u>Company Limited, c/o Marrelli Transfer Services Corp., 82 Richmond Street East, 2nd Fl., Toronto, Ontario M5C 1P1</u>; or (ii) by facsimile at <u>416-360-7812</u>, or deposited with the Secretary of the Company before the commencement of the Meeting, or any adjournment thereof, and upon either of those deposits, the proxy will be revoked.

# Notice to Beneficial Holders of Common Shares

Only registered Shareholders or proxyholders duly appointed by registered Shareholders are permitted to vote at the Meeting. Most Shareholders of the Company are "non-registered" shareholders because the Shares they own are not registered in their names but are instead registered in the name of a brokerage firm, bank or other intermediary or in the name of a clearing agency. Shareholders who do not hold their Shares in their own name (referred to herein as "Beneficial Shareholders") should note that only registered Shareholders are entitled to vote at the Meeting. If Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by a broker, then in almost all cases those Shares will not be registered in such Shareholder's name on the records of the Company. Such Shares will more likely be registered under the name of the Shareholder's broker or an agent of that broker. In Canada, the vast majority of such Shares are registered under the name of CDS & Co. (the registration name for CDS Clearing and Depositary Services

Inc., which company acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms). Shares held by brokers (or their agents or nominees) on behalf of a broker's client can only be voted (for or against resolutions) at the direction of the Beneficial Shareholder. Without specific instructions, brokers and their agents and nominees are prohibited from voting Shares for the brokers' clients. Therefore, each Beneficial Shareholder should ensure that voting instructions are communicated to the appropriate person well in advance of the Meeting.

Regulatory policy requires brokers and other intermediaries to seek voting instructions from Beneficial Shareholders in advance of Shareholders' meetings. The various brokers and other intermediaries have their own mailing procedures and provide their own return instructions to clients, which should be carefully followed by Beneficial Shareholders in order to ensure that their Shares are voted at the Meeting. Often the form of proxy supplied to a Beneficial Shareholder by its broker is identical to the form of proxy provided by the Company to the registered Shareholders. However, its purpose is limited to instructing the registered Shareholder (i.e. the broker or agent of the broker) how to vote on behalf of the Beneficial Shareholder. The majority of brokers now delegate the responsibility for obtaining instructions from clients to Broadridge Financial Solutions Inc. ("**Broadridge**"). Broadridge typically prepares a machine-readable voting instruction form, mails those forms to the Beneficial Shareholders and asks Beneficial Shareholders to return the forms to Broadridge, or otherwise communicate voting instructions received and provides appropriate instructions respecting the voting of Shares to be represented at the Meeting. **A Beneficial Shareholder who receives a Broadridge voting instruction form cannot use that form to vote Shares directly at the Meeting. The voting instruction form must be returned to Broadridge (or instructions respecting the voting of Shares must be communicated to Broadridge well in advance of the Meeting) in order to have the Shares voted.** 

The Notice-and-Access Notification is being sent to both registered Shareholders and Beneficial Shareholders. Beneficial Shareholders fall into two categories – those who object to their identity being known to the issuers of securities which they own ("**Objecting Beneficial Owners**", or "**OBOs**") and those who do not object to their identity being made known to the issuers of the securities they own ("**Non-Objecting Beneficial Owners**", or "**NOBOs**"). Subject to the provisions of NI 54-101, issuers may request and obtain a list of their NOBOs from intermediaries via their transfer agents. If you are a Beneficial Shareholder, and the Company or its agent has sent these materials directly to you, your name, address and information about your holdings of Shares have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the intermediary holding the Shares on your behalf.

The Company's OBOs can expect to be contacted by Broadridge or their broker or their broker's agents as set out above.

Although Beneficial Shareholders may not be recognized directly at the Meeting for the purposes of voting Shares registered in the name of their broker, a Beneficial Shareholder may attend the Meeting as proxyholder for the registered Shareholder and vote the Shares in that capacity. Beneficial Shareholders who wish to attend the Meeting and indirectly vote their Shares as proxyholder for the registered Shareholder should enter their own names in the blank space on the proxy or voting instruction card provided to them and return the same to their broker (or the broker's agent) in accordance with the instructions provided by such broker.

All references to Shareholders in this Circular and the accompanying form of proxy and notice of Meeting are to registered Shareholders unless specifically stated otherwise.

# Voting

Common Shares represented by any properly executed proxy in the accompanying form will be voted for or against, or withheld from voting, as the case may be, on any ballot that may be called for in accordance with the instructions given by the Shareholder. In the absence of such direction, such Common Shares will be voted in favour of the matters set out herein. The enclosed form of proxy confers discretionary authority upon the persons named therein with respect to amendments or variations to matters identified in the Notice and with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting.

The accompanying form of proxy confers discretionary authority on the persons named in it with respect to amendments or variations to matters identified in the Notice or other matters that may properly come before the Meeting. As of the date hereof, the management of the Company is not aware of any such amendments, variations or other matters which may come before the Meeting. In the event that other matters come before the Meeting, then the management designees intend to vote in accordance with the judgment of management of the Company.

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

No person who has been a director or an officer of the Company at any time since the beginning of its last completed financial year, no proposed nominee for election as a director of the Company nor any associate of any such director, director nominee or officer has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting, except as disclosed in this Circular.

### VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

The authorized share capital of the Company consists of (i) an unlimited number of Class A Common Shares without par value (referred to this Circular as "**Common Shares**").

As at the date hereof, there are 49,101,050 Common Shares issued and outstanding. Each Common Share entitles the holder thereof to one vote on all matters to be acted upon at the Meeting.

The board of directors of the Company (the "**Board**") has fixed June 29, 2023 as the record date (the "**Record Date**"). Shareholders whose names have been entered in the register of Shareholders at the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to receive notice of, and to vote, at the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

To the knowledge of the management of the Company, as at the date of this Circular, no person or corporation beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, or exercises control or direction over, voting securities of the Company carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to any class of voting securities of the Company, other than as set out below:

| Name of Shareholder            | Number of Common Shares <sup>(1)(2)</sup> | Percentage of Common Shares <sup>(1)(2)</sup> |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Delbrook Capital Advisors Inc. | 8,102,300                                 | 16.5%   |
| Jamie Sokalsky                 | 5,534,000                                 | 11.3%   |
| David Palmer                   | 5,525,000                                 | 11.3%   |

Notes:

(1) The information as to Common Shares beneficially owned, controlled or directed, not being within the knowledge of the Company, has been obtained by the Company from publicly disclosed information and/or furnished by the relevant shareholder.

(2) On a non-diluted basis.

# PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

To the knowledge of the management of the Company, the only matters to be brought before the Meeting are those matters set forth in the accompanying Notice of Meeting.

#### 1. Financial Statements

The audited financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended January 31, 2023 and January 31, 2022, together with the auditors' reports thereon, which accompany this Circular, will be presented to Shareholders at the Meeting. These materials are also available on the Company's SEDAR profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

Receipt at the Meeting of these financial statements and the auditor's report thereon will not constitute approval or disapproval of any matter referred to therein. Shareholder approval is not required in relation to the financial statements.

#### 2. Election of Directors

The Company's articles provide that the Board will consist of a minimum of one and a maximum of ten directors. The Board currently consists of five (5) directors.

At the Meeting, the Shareholders will be asked to consider, and, if thought fit, approve with or without variation a resolution electing five current members of the Board, namely Patrick Langlois, Dennis Peterson, Stephen Burleton, David Cobbold and David Palmer. Messrs. Langlois, Peterson, Burleton, Cobbold and Palmer are incumbent directors. Messrs. Langlois, Peterson, Burleton and Cobbold were elected during the last annual and special meeting of shareholders and will stand for

re-election, Dr. Palmer was appointed to the Board on June 28, 2023. It is intended that each of the directors will hold office until the next annual meeting of Shareholders or until his or her successor is elected or appointed, unless such office is earlier vacated in accordance with the provisions of the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario) (the "**OBCA**"). In order to be effective, this resolution requires the approval of not less than 50% of the votes cast by Shareholders represented at the Meeting in person or by proxy.

Shareholders have the option to (i) vote for all of the directors of the Company listed in the table below; (ii) vote for some of the directors and withhold for others; or (iii) withhold for all of the directors. Unless otherwise instructed, proxies and voting instructions given pursuant to this solicitation by the management of the Company will be voted FOR the election of each of the proposed nominees set forth in the table below.

The management of the Company has no reason to believe that any of the nominees will be unable to serve as a director. However, if any proposed nominee is unable to serve as a director, the individuals named in the enclosed form of proxy will be voted in favour of the remaining nominees, and may be voted in favour of a substitute nominee unless the Shareholder has specified in the proxy that the Common Shares represented thereby are to be withheld from voting in respect of the election of directors.

The following table states the name of each person nominated by management for election as directors, such person's principal occupation or employment, period of service as a director of the Company, and the approximate number of voting securities of the Company that such person beneficially owns, or over which such person exercises direction or control:

| Name, and<br>Province and Country of<br>Residence  | Principal Occupation During the Last Five<br>Years <sup>(1)</sup>  | Director<br>Since    | Common Shares<br>Beneficially Owned<br>or Controlled <sup>(1)</sup> |
|--|--|----------------------|---|
| Patrick Langlois <sup>(2)</sup><br>Ontario, Canada | Chief Financial Offer & Vice President Corporate<br>Development with Probe Gold Inc.<br>(2015 – Present)   | July 25, 2017        | 3,235,000   |
| Dennis Peterson <sup>(2)</sup><br>Ontario, Canada  | Principal at Peterson McVicar LLP  | July 25, 2017        | 2,050,000   |
| Stephen Burleton<br>Ontario, Canada                | Director at Kirkland Lakes Discoveries Corp.<br>(formerly, Warrior Gold Inc.)<br>(2020 – Present)<br>Director at Banyan Gold Corp.<br>(2017 – Present)<br>Director at Imperial Helium Corp.<br>(February 2021 – 2022)<br>President and CEO with GT Gold Corp.<br>(2018 – 2019)<br>Vice President Business Development with<br>Richmont Mines Inc.<br>(2015 – 2017) | November 23,<br>2020 | 226,420   |
| David Cobbold <sup>(2)</sup><br>Ontario, Canada    | Vice Chairman, Metals & Mining<br>Macquarie Group<br>(2021 – Present)<br>Managing Director and Head of Mining<br>Macquarie Capital Markets Canada<br>(2011-2021)   | June 30, 2021        | 200,000   |

| David Palmer<br>Ontario, Canada | Chairman of the Company<br>(July 2023 – Present)<br>President and Chief Executive Officer with Probe<br>Gold Inc. | June 28, 2023 | 5,525,000 |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------|-----------|
|                                 | (2015 – Present)  |               |           |

Notes:

(1) Information about principal occupation, business or employment and number of Common Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or over which control or direction is exercised, not being within the knowledge of the Company, has been furnished by respective persons set forth above.

(2) Member of the Audit Committee.

#### **Biographical Notes for Directors**

#### David Palmer, Ph.D., P.Geo

Dr. Palmer serves as Chairman of the Board. Dr. Palmer is the President, Chief Executive Officer and director of Probe Gold Inc. (2015 – Present), having also held said positions of Probe Mines Limited (November 2003 to March 2015), a predecessor to Probe Gold. Prior to joining Probe Mines, Dr. Palmer spent 15 years as an Exploration Geologist and Consultant to the Canadian and international mining industry. He has managed projects and conducted research for major international mining companies around the world. Dr. Palmer holds a B.Sc. (Geology) degree from St. Francis Xavier University, M.Sc. and Ph.D. (Economic Geology) degrees from McGill University, and is a member of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario.

#### Patrick Langlois

Mr. Langlois is an accomplished executive in the metals and mining sector focused on opportunities to create growth and maximize shareholder value. Mr. Langlois is currently Chief Financial Officer and Vice President Corporate Development for Probe Gold Inc. Mr. Langlois has held several executive roles with Canadian public companies, including Vice President with Probe Mines Limited (from 2012 to 2015). He brings a successful track-record in corporate strategy, capital raising and mergers and acquisitions for over 20 years. Prior to his executive roles, Mr. Langlois held senior positions with Canadian investment banks and venture capital funds. Mr. Langlois is a CFA Charterholder, who holds a B.A. (Finance) and an MBA from Université de Sherbrooke.

#### **Dennis** Peterson

Mr. Peterson has over 30 years experience as a corporate securities lawyer specializing in corporate finance matters for small cap companies and has served as a director of the Company since its incorporation, and of Probe Mines from 2007 to 2015. Most of Mr. Peterson's practice focuses on junior natural resource companies, and he has extensive experience with all aspects of prospectus financings, private placements, mergers and acquisitions in the junior public markets. Companies he has worked with are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the TSX-V. Mr. Peterson holds a B. Comm (Hons.) degree from Queen's University and an LL.B. degree from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law.

#### Stephen Burleton

Mr. Burleton is an experienced mining executive with significant experience in capital raising, corporate development and strategy. Prior to his role as Interim CEO of the Company, Mr. Burleton was the President and CEO of GT Gold where he brought Newmont Corporation in as a strategic investor. Prior to that he was Vice President, Business Development, at Richmont Mines Inc. prior to Richmont being acquired by Alamos Gold Inc. for US\$770 million in November 2017. Mr. Burleton was responsible for the financing at Richmont and worked closely with its executive team in determining the Company's strategic direction. He has over 18 years of experience in the Canadian investment banking industry as Managing Director of Investment Banking at Wellington West Capital Markets Inc., Scotia Capital Inc., and BMO Capital Markets advising on strategic transactions and executing debt and equity financing for companies in the mining, fertilizer and industrial products sectors. Mr Burleton is a CFA Charterholder, holds an MBA from York University and received his ICD.D from the Rotman School of Management.

### David Cobbold

Mr. Cobbold is a veteran mining investment banker with 25 years of financial services experience. Currently, he is a Vice Chairman, Metals & Mining, Macquarie Group, where he is responsible for sourcing and leading merger, acquisition, sale and defence transactions for clients ranging from exploration and development companies to global metals & mining companies. Mr. Cobbold's clients are based in Canada, US, U.K, South African and Australia. In addition, Mr. Cobbold has extensive experience in global commodity and securities markets. Mr. Cobbold joined Macquarie in 2011 as Managing Director, Head of Mining, Macquarie Capital Markets Canada. Prior to joining Macquarie, Mr. Cobbold worked at CIBC World Markets and CIBC Capital Partners for 13 years in various capacities, including as a Managing Director, Global Mining Investment Banking and Managing Director, Equity Capital Markets. Mr. Cobbold holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics, University of Western Ontario and Master of Business Administration (MBA), Harvard Business School.

### Corporate Cease Trade Orders, Bankruptcies, Penalties or Sanctions

No proposed director of the Company is, as at the date hereof, or has been, within the previous 10 years, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer, of any company (including the Company) that:

- (a) while that person was acting in the capacity was the subject of a cease trade order or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, for a period of more than 30 consecutive days;
- (b) was the subject of a cease trade or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, for a period of more than 30 consecutive days that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of such company 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; or
- (c) 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.

No proposed director of the Company (or any personal holding company of any such individual):

- (a) is at the date hereof, or has been within the previous 10 years, a director or executive officer of any corporation 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 manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or
- (b) has, within 10 years before the date of this 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 such individual.

No proposed director of the Company (or any personal holding company of any such individual) has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision.

#### 3. Appointment of Auditor

DeVisser Gray LLP ("**DVG**") are the independent registered certified auditors of the Company. At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if thought advisable, to pass an ordinary resolution to re-appoint DVG to serve as auditors of the Company until the next annual meeting of Shareholders and to authorize the directors of the Company to fix their remuneration as such. To be adopted, this resolution is required to be passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Meeting.

Unless the Shareholder has specifically instructed in the enclosed form of proxy that the Common Shares represented by such proxy are to be withheld or voted otherwise, the persons named in the accompanying proxy will vote FOR the re-appointment of DVG as auditor of the Company to hold office until the next annual meeting of Shareholders or until a successor is appointed, and to authorize the Board to fix its remuneration.

The management of the Company recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of the re-appointment of DVG and the authorization of the directors of the Company to fix their remuneration.

# 4. Approval of Stock Option Plan

The Company maintains a share incentive plan (the "**Stock Option Plan**"), which was approved by Shareholders at a meeting held on March 21, 2019, amended by the Board July 15, 2022 to comply with TSX-V Policy 4.4 – *Security Based Compensation*, which policy was amended by the TSX-V as of November 24, 2021 and approved by Shareholders at a meeting held on August 29, 2022. The Stock Option Plan is a rolling stock option plan that sets the number of Common Shares issuable thereunder at a maximum of 10% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of any grant.

Pursuant to TSX-V policies, a TSX-V-listed issuer is required to obtain the approval of its shareholders for a "rolling" stock option plan at each annual meeting of shareholders. Accordingly, at the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to approve an ordinary resolution to approve the Stock Option Plan for the ensuing year.

The Stock Option Plan provides that the Board of the Company may from time to time, in its discretion, grant to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company, or any subsidiary of the Company, the option to purchase Common Shares. The Stock Option Plan provides for a floating maximum limit of 10% of the outstanding Common Shares as permitted by the policies of the TSX-V.

Outstanding options to purchase a total of 3,335,000. Common Shares have been issued to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company and remain outstanding. As at the date hereof, the number of options to purchase Common Shares remaining available for issuance under the Stock Option Plan is 1,575,105.

For a summary of the material terms of the Stock Option Plan, see "*Statement of Executive Compensation – Stock Option Plan*". The full text of the Stock Option Plan is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

# Shareholder Approval for the Stock Option Plan

Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if deemed advisable, to pass an ordinary resolution re-approving the Stock Option Plan (the "Stock Option Plan Resolution") authorizing grants of up to 10% of the Common Shares from time to time on the date of any one grant, which, to be effective, must be passed by not less than a majority of the votes cast by the holders of Common Shares present in person, or represented by proxy, at the Meeting.

The Board recommends that Shareholders vote FOR the Stock Option Plan Resolution. Unless the Shareholder has specifically instructed in the form of proxy or voting instruction form that the Common Shares represented by such proxy or voting instruction form are to be voted against the Stock Option Plan Resolution, the persons named in the proxy or voting instruction form will vote FOR the Stock Option Plan Resolution.

# 5. Other Matters

Management of the Company knows of no amendment, variation or other matter to come before the Meeting other than the matters referred to in the notice of meeting accompanying this Circular. However, if any other matter properly comes before the Meeting, valid forms of proxy will be voted on such matter in accordance with the best judgment of the persons voting the proxy.

# STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

# **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

For the purposes of this Circular, a Named Executive Officer ("NEO") of the Company means each of the following individuals:

a. a chief executive officer ("CEO") of the Company;

- b. a chief financial officer ("CFO") of the Company;
- 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;
- d. each of the Company's three most highly compensated executive officers, other than the President and CFO, who was serving as an executive officer at the end of the most recently completed fiscal year and whose total salary and bonus exceeds \$150,000 per year; and
- e. each individual who would be a NEO under paragraph (c) above but for the fact that the individual was neither an executive officer of the Company, nor acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

During the Company's most recently completed financial year, being the financial year ended January 31, 2023, the Company had 2 NEOs, namely Stephen Burleton, current CEO, and Marie-Josee Audet, current CFO.

### **Oversight and Description of Director and NEO Compensation**

The Board performs the duties of a compensation committee, as it does not have a defined compensation committee. The Board reviews and approves the compensation of executive officers. At the end of the financial year ended January 31, 2023, there were four (4) directors on the Board.

The Company is an exploratory stage mining corporation and does not expect to be generating revenues from operations in the foreseeable future. As a result, the use of traditional performance standards, such as corporate profitability, is not considered by the Board to be appropriate in the evaluation of corporate or NEO performance. The compensation of senior officers is also based, in part, on trends in the mineral exploration industry as well as achievement of the Company's business plans. The Board did not establish any quantifiable criteria during the financial year ended January 31, 2023 with respect to base compensation payable or the amount of equity compensation granted to NEOs and did not benchmark against a peer group of companies.

#### **Director and NEO Compensation, Excluding Compensation Securities**

The following table is a summary of compensation paid to each of the directors and NEOs of the Company for the three most recently completed fiscal years, specifically, the years ended and January 31, 2022, and January 31, 2023 referred to as Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 accordingly in the table below:

|   |                  | Table of compo   | ensation exclud | ing compensatio                         | on securities                   |                                   |                               |
|---|------------------|--|-----------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Name and Principal<br>Position          | Fiscal<br>period | Salary,<br>consulting<br>fee,<br>retainer or<br>commission<br>(\$) | Bonus<br>(\$)   | Committee or<br>meeting<br>fees<br>(\$) | Value of<br>perquisites<br>(\$) | All other<br>compensation<br>(\$) | Total<br>compensation<br>(\$) |
| Stephen Burleton <sup>(1)</sup>         | 2023             | 60,000   | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | Nil                               | 60,000                        |
| Interim CEO and Director                | 2022             | 48,871   | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | Nil                               | 48,871                        |
| Patrick Langlois <sup>(4)</sup>         | 2023             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | Nil                               | Nil                           |
| Director, Former CEO<br>and Former CFO  | 2022             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | Nil                               | Nil                           |
| Dennis Peterson <sup>(4)(5)</sup>       | 2023             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | 50,687                            | 50,687                        |
| Director                                | 2022             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | 36,651                            | 36,651                        |
| David Cobbold <sup>(3)(4)</sup>         | 2023             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | Nil                               | Nil                           |
| Director                                | 2022             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | Nil                               | Nil                           |
| David Palmer <sup>(6)</sup><br>Chairman | 2023             | N/A  | N/A             | N/A                                     | N/A                             | N/A                               | N/A                           |
| Marie-Josee Audet <sup>(2)(7)</sup>     | 2023             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | 66,797                            | 66,797                        |
| Chief Financial Officer                 | 2022             | Nil  | Nil             | Nil                                     | Nil                             | 51,448                            | 51,448                        |

Notes:

(1) Mr. Stephen Burleton was appointed as interim CEO on April, 7, 2021.

- (2) Marie-Josee Audet was appointed as CFO on July 9, 2020.
- (3) Mr. Cobbold was appointed as a director of the Company on June 30, 2021.
- (4) Member of the Audit Committee.
- (5) "Other Compensation" in respect of Mr. Peterson includes professional fees incurred by Peterson McVicar LLP, of which Mr. Peterson is a partner, for its services to the Company.
- (6) Dr. Palmer was appointed to the Board on June 28, 2023, and has not earned compensation in this role as of the date of this Circular.
- (7) "Other Compensation" in respect of Mrs. Audet includes compliance services and disbursements incurred by Marrelli Support Services Inc., DSA Corporate Services Inc., DSA Filling Services Limited, and Marrelli Press Release Services, collectively, the ("Marrelli Group"). The services provided by the Marrelli Group are: bookkeeping services, regulatory filing services, press release services and corporate secretarial services. Mrs. Audet is an employee of the Marrelli Group.

# Stock Option Plan

The Stock Option Plan and the Company restricted share unit ("**RSU Plan**") are the Company's only securities-based compensation plans. The following is a summary of the material terms of the Stock Option Plan (any terms not defined herein have the meaning defined in the Stock Option Plan):

- (a) The aggregate maximum number of Common Shares available for issuance from treasury under the Stock Option Plan at any given time is 10% of the outstanding Common Shares as at the date of grant of an Option under the Stock Option Plan.
- (b) No Options shall be granted to any Participant if such grant could result, at any time, in:
  - (i) the issuance to any one consultant, within any 12-month period, of a number of Common Shares exceeding 2% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares; and
  - the issuance to employees conducting investor relations activities, within any 12-month period, of an aggregate number of Common Shares exceeding 2% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares;

unless permitted otherwise by any applicable stock exchange.

- (c) Disinterested Shareholder Approval is required for the following:
  - the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares of the Company that are issuable pursuant to all share based compensation granted or issued to insiders (as a group) exceeds 10% of the Common Shares of the Company at any point in time;
  - (ii) the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares of the Company that are issuable pursuant to all share based compensation granted or issued in any 12-month period to Insiders (as a group) exceeds 10% of the Common Shares of the Company, calculated as at the date any Share Based Compensation is granted or issued to any insider;
  - (iii) any individual stock option grant that would result in the number of Common Shares issued to any individual in any twelve (12) month period under this Stock Option Plan exceeding five percent (5%) of the issued Common Shares of the Company, less the aggregate number of shares reserved for issuance or issuable under any other share compensation arrangements of the Company; and
  - (iv) any amendment to Stock Options held by insiders that would have the effect of decreasing the exercise price or extending the term of the Stock Options; and
- (d) The term of an Option shall not exceed 10 years from the date of grant of the option.
- (e) An Option shall vest and may be exercised in whole or in part at any time during the term of such Option after the date of the grant as determined by the Board, subject to extension where the expiry date falls within a Blackout Period.
- (f) Options may be granted by the Company pursuant to the recommendations of the Board or a

committee appointed to administer the Stock Option Plan from time to time provided and to the extent that such decisions are approved by the Board.

- (g) Options shall not be transferable or assignable by the Participant otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution and shall be exercisable during the lifetime of a Participant only by the Participant and after death only by the Participant's legal representative.
- (h) If a Participant who is a non-executive director of the Company ceases to be an Eligible Person as a result of his or her retirement from the Board, each unvested Option held by such Participant shall automatically vest on the date of his or her retirement from the Board, and thereafter each vested Option held by such Participant will cease to be exercisable on the earlier of the original Expiry Date of the Option and one year after the date of his or her retirement from the Board
- (i) If a Participant ceases to be an Eligible Person for any reason whatsoever, other than under an exception under the Stock Option Plan, each vested Option held by the Participant will cease to be exercisable on the earlier of the original Expiry Date of the Option and 6 months after the Termination Date; provided that all unvested Options held by such Participant shall automatically terminate and become void on the Termination Date of such Participant.
- (j) If a Participant dies, the legal representative of the Participant may exercise the Participant's vested Options for a period until the earlier of the original Expiry Date of the Option and 12 months after the date of the Participant's death, but only to the extent the Options were by their terms exercisable on the date of death.
- (k) Any Common Shares subject to an Option which for any reason is settled in cash, cancelled or, terminated, surrendered, forfeited or expired without being exercised, and pursuant to which no securities have been issued without having been exercised, shall again be available for grants under the Stock Option Plan. Common Shares subject to an Option which has been exercised by a Participant, shall again be available for grants under the Plan.

# **Restricted Share Unit Plan**

The RSU Plan is available to directors, employees and consultants which are collectively referred to in the RSU Plan as Service Providers of the Company, as determined by the Board (the "**Eligible Grantees**"). The RSU Plan was approved by Shareholders at a meeting held on August 27, 2021, amended by the Board July 15, 2022 to comply with TSX-V Policy 4.4 – *Security Based Compensation*, which policy was amended by the TSX-V as of November 24, 2021 and approved by Shareholders at a meeting held on August 29, 2022. As of the date of this Circular, the Company has granted 670,000 RSUs to Eligible Grantees.

The RSU Plan is intended to complement the Stock Option Plan by allowing the Company to offer a broader range of incentives to diversify and customize the rewards Eligible Grantees to promote long term retention and greater alignment with the competitive market. The following information is intended to be a brief description and summary of the material features of the RSU Plan:

- (a) The RSU Plan provides for a fixed maximum limit of 3,500,000 Common Shares as permitted by the policies of the TSX-V. The number of Common Shares issued or to be issued under the RSU Plan and all other security-based compensation arrangements, at any time, shall not exceed 20% of the total number of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company.
- (b) Subject to disinterested shareholder approval, the total number of Common Shares issuable to insiders under the RSU Plan, at any time, together with any other security-based compensation arrangements of the Company, shall not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company.
- (c) The total number of Common Shares issuable to insiders within any one-year period under the RSU Plan shall not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company.

- (d) The total number of Common Shares issuable to any one Service Provider within any one-year period under the RSU Plan shall not exceed 1% percent of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company.
- (e) The total number of Common Shares issuable to all Service Providers within any one-year period under the RSU Plan shall not exceed 2% percent of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company.
- (f) The annual grant of Awards under the RSU Plan to any one non-employee director shall not exceed \$150,000 in value and are subject to all restrictions and limitations as set forth in the RSU Plan.
- (g) Subject to disinterested Shareholder approval, all Awards granted to an individual under the RSU Plan and all other security-based compensation arrangements cannot exceed five percent (5%) of the issued Common Shares in any twelve (12) month period.
- (h) Neither awards nor any rights under any such awards shall be assignable or transferable. If Awards are forfeited, settled in cash, cancelled, terminated, surrendered or expire without being exercised, and pursuant to which no securities have been issued, Awards will continue to be issuable under the RSU Plan. The Board shall have the right to substitute or assume Awards in connection with mergers, reorganizations, separations, or other transactions. The RSU Plan shall terminate automatically after ten years and may be terminated on any earlier date or extended by the Board.

The Board may at any time, in its sole discretion and without the approval of Shareholders, amend, suspend, terminate or discontinue the RSU Plan and may amend the terms and conditions of any awards thereunder, subject to (a) any required approval of any applicable regulatory authority or the TSXV, and (b) approval of Shareholders of the Company, provided that Shareholder approval shall not be required for the following amendments and the Board may make changes which may include but are not limited to: (i) amendments of a 'housekeeping nature'; (ii) changes to vesting provisions; or (iii) changes to the term of the RSU Plan or awards made under the RSU Plan provided those changes do not extend the restriction period of any RSU beyond the original expiry date or restriction period. The Board may amend, modify, or supplement the terms of any outstanding award.

#### **Restricted Share Units**

The RSU Plan provides that the Board of the Company may, from time to time, in its sole discretion, grant awards of RSUs to Eligible Grantees. Each RSU shall represent one Common Share of the Company. The Board may, in its discretion but subject to TSXV vesting requirements, establish a period of time (a "**Vesting period**") applicable to such RSUs. Each award of RSUs may be subject to a different Vesting period. The Board may, in its sole discretion, prescribe restrictions in addition to or other than the expiration of the Vesting period, including the satisfaction of corporate or individual performance objectives, which may be applicable to all or any portion of the RSUs. The performance criteria will be established by the Board in its sole discretion. The Board may, in its sole discretion, revise the performance criteria. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) RSUs shall vest in full from a period beginning one year from the Grant Date to the date which is not later than three (3) years from the Grant Date; (ii) RSUs for which vesting may be accelerated by achieving performance targets shall vest in full from a period beginning one year from the Grant Date to the date which is not later than three (3) years from the Grant Date; and, (iii) at the election of an Outside Director at the time the Award is granted, RSUs may vest in full from a period beginning one year from the Grant Date to the date which is not later than three (3) years from the Grant Date; and, (iii) at the election of a Change of Control in accordance with Section 11.2 of the RSU Plan or his or her resignation from the Board.

Upon the expiration or termination of the Vesting period and the satisfaction of any other restrictions prescribed by the Board, the RSUs shall vest and shall be settled in either cash or Shares, as the Committee may so determine, unless otherwise provided in the Award Agreement.

A cash payment shall be in the amount equal to the "Market Price" per share as defined in the policies of the applicable stock exchange as the trading day prior to the date of vesting, and certified funds shall be paid for the RSUs valued at the Market Price. A Share payment shall be for Shares issued by the Company from treasury and a share certificate for that number of Shares equal to the number of vested RSUs shall be free of all restrictions. The cash payment or Shares shall be delivered to the Grantee or the Grantee's beneficiary or estate, as the case may be.

If a grantee's employment is terminated with cause, the Company may, within 30 days, annul an award if the grantee is an employee of the Company or an affiliate thereof. If a grantee's employment is terminated with or without cause, unless the Board otherwise provides in an award agreement or in writing after the award agreement is issued, any RSUs that have not vested and will not vest within 30 days from the date of termination, or with respect to which all applicable restrictions and conditions have not lapsed, shall immediately be deemed forfeited. Upon the death of a grantee, any RSUs granted to said grantee which, prior to the grantee's death, have not vested, will immediately vest and the grantee's estate shall be entitled to receive payment in accordance with the terms of the RSU Plan.

### **Compensation Securities Table**

The following table discloses the particulars of the option-based awards granted to NEOs and directors during the fiscal year ended January 31, 2023 and outstanding as at January 31, 2023:

| Name and<br>Position                            |  | Number of<br>securities<br>underlying<br>unexercised<br>options and<br>percentage of<br>class <sup>(1)</sup> | Date of issue or<br>grant  | Option<br>Exercise<br>Price<br>(\$)          | Closing<br>price of<br>underlying<br>security on<br>date of<br>grant (\$) | Closing<br>price of<br>underlying<br>security at<br>year end<br>(\$) | Option Expiration<br>Date  |
|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Stephen Burleton<br>CEO & Director              | Options<br>Options<br>Options<br>RSUs<br>Options<br>RSUs | 200,000 (0.4%)<br>200,000 (0.4%)<br>150,000 (0.3%)<br>45,000 (0.1%)<br>150,000 (0.3%)<br>50,000 (0.1%)       | November 23, 2020<br>April 7, 2021<br>August 27, 2021<br>August 27, 2021<br>August 29, 2022<br>August 29, 2022 | 0.68<br>0.80<br>0.90<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03 | 0.56<br>0.80<br>0.90<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03                              | 0.96   | November 23, 2025<br>April 7, 2026<br>August 27, 2026<br>N/A<br>August 29, 2027<br>N/A |
| Marie-Josee Audet<br>Chief Financial<br>Officer |  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  | N/A   | N/A  | N/A  |
| Patrick Langlois<br>Director                    | Options<br>RSUs<br>Options<br>RSUs                       | 150,000 (0.3%)<br>45,000 (0.1%)<br>150,000 (0.3%)<br>50,000 (0.1%)   | August 27, 2021<br>August 27, 2021<br>August 29, 2022<br>August 29, 2022                                       | 0.90<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03                 | 0.90<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03  | 0.96   | August 27, 2026<br>N/A<br>August 29, 2027<br>N/A                                       |
| Dennis Peterson<br>Director                     | Options<br>RSUs<br>Options<br>RSUs                       | 150,000 (0.3%)<br>45,000 (0.1%)<br>150,000 (0.3%)<br>50,000 (0.1%)   | August 27, 2021<br>August 27, 2021<br>August 29, 2022<br>August 29, 2022                                       | 0.90<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03                 | 0.90<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03  | 0.96   | August 27, 2026<br>N/A<br>August 29, 2027<br>N/A                                       |
| David Cobbold<br>Director                       | Options<br>RSUs<br>Options<br>RSUs                       | 200,000 (0.3%)<br>45,000 (0.1%)<br>150,000 (0.3%)<br>50,000 (0.1%)   | June 30, 2021<br>August 27, 2021<br>August 29, 2022<br>August 29, 2022   | 0.98<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03                 | 0.98<br>0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03  | 0.96   | June 30, 2026<br>N/A<br>August 29, 2027<br>N/A   |
| David Palmer<br>Chairman &<br>Director          | RSUs<br>Options<br>RSUs                                  | 45,000 (0.1%)<br>150,000 (0.3%)<br>50,000 (0.1%)   | August 27, 2021<br>August 29, 2022<br>August 29, 2022  | 0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03                         | 0.90<br>1.03<br>1.03  | 0.96   | August 27, 2026<br>August 29, 2027<br>August 29, 2027                                  |

Notes:

(1) Percentage based on 49,101,050 Common Shares issued and outstanding as at the date of this Circular.

#### SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

The following table provides details of the equity securities of the Company authorized for issuance as of the fiscal year ended January 31, 2023 pursuant to the Company's equity compensation plan currently in place:

| Plan Category   | Number of Securities to be<br>Issued upon Exercise of<br>Outstanding Options,<br>Warrants and Rights<br>(#) | Weighted Average<br>Exercise Price of<br>Outstanding Options,<br>Warrants and Rights<br>(\$) | Number of Securities<br>Remaining Available for<br>Future Issuance under<br>Equity Compensation<br>Plans<br>(#) |
|---|---|--|---|
| Equity compensation plans<br>approved by securityholders                    | 4,005,000   | \$0.90   | 4,405,105   |
| Equity compensation plans not<br>approved by securityholders <sup>(1)</sup> | N/A   | N/A  | N/A   |
| Total   | 4,005,000   | \$0.90   | 4,405,105   |

Notes:

(1) Based on a total of 49,101,050 Common Shares issued and outstanding as the date of this Circular.

#### Pension Plan Benefits, Termination and Change of Control Benefits

The Company has no pension or retirement plan. The Company has not provided compensation, monetary or otherwise to any person who now acts as a NEO of the Company, in connection with or related to the retirement, termination or resignation of such person and the Company has provided no compensation to such persons as a result of a change of control of the Company, its subsidiaries or affiliates. The Company is not party to any compensation plan or arrangement with NEOs resulting from the resignation, retirement or the termination of employment of any person.

#### **Compensation of Directors**

Currently no director of the Company receives any salary and, except for Options set out above, no compensation has been awarded to directors of the Company for the year ended January 31, 2023. Directors who are employed by the Company currently do not receive cash director's fees. All directors are entitled to participate in the Stock Option Plan and the RSU Plan.

#### INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

No executive officer, director, or employee of the Company, past or present, nor any proposed nominee for election as a director of the Company, nor any associate of any of the foregoing persons, at any time during the fiscal year ended January 31, 2023, and as at the date of this Circular, is or was indebted to the Company in connection with the purchase of securities or otherwise, nor is any such individual indebted to another entity with such debt being the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Company.

# INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Except as disclosed below and elsewhere in this Circular, no director, proposed director, executive officer, or person or company that beneficially owns, controls or directs, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of the Common Shares, nor any associate or affiliate of any such person or company, has or has had since the commencement of the financial year ended January 31, 2023, any material interest, directly or indirectly, in any transaction that has materially affected or is reasonably expected to materially affect the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

There are no management functions of the Company which are to any substantial degree performed by a person or a company other than the directors or executive officers of the Company.

### STATEMENT OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Effective June 30, 2005, National Instrument 58-101 *Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices* ("**NI 58-101**") and National Policy 58-201 *Corporate Governance Guidelines* ("**NP-58-201**") were adopted in each of the provinces and territories of Canada. NI 58-101 requires issuers to disclose the corporate governance practices they have adopted. NP 58-201 provides guidance on corporate governance practices.

The Board facilitates its exercise of independent supervision over the Company's management through frequent meetings. The Board, on a continuing basis, examines the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls processes and management information systems and reviews executive compensation and recommends stock option grants.

### **Board of Directors**

The Board currently consists of five directors: Patrick Langlois, Dennis Peterson, Stephen Burleton, David Cobbold and David Palmer. All of which are incumbent directors who will be nominated for re-election at the Meeting.

The Board currently has two independent directors, namely Patrick Langlois and David Cobbold. For this purpose, a director is independent if he or she has no direct or indirect "material relationship" with the Company. A "material relationship" is a relationship which could, in the view of the Company's Board, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of the director's independent judgment. Of the proposed nominees, two are considered non-independent. Mr. Peterson is the principal of Peterson McVicar LLP, which provides legal services to the Company, and Mr. Burleton serves as an executive officer of the Company and thereby each are considered to have a material relationship with the Company.

### **Other Directorships**

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

| Name of Director   | Other reporting issuer<br>(or equivalent in a foreign jurisdiction) | Trading Market          |
|--------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Dennis H. Peterson | Probe Gold Inc.   | TSX                     |
| Dennis H. Peterson | Bigstack Opportunities I Inc.                                       | TSX-V                   |
| David Cobbold      | Vizsla Silver Corp.   | TSX-V, NYSE & Frankfurt |
| David Cobbold      | Archer Exploration Corp.  | CSE                     |
| Stephen Burleton   | Kirkland Lake Discoveries Corp.<br>(formerly, Warrior Gold Inc.)    | TSX-V                   |
|                    | Banyan Gold Corp.   | TSX-V                   |
| David Palmer       | Probe Gold Inc.   | TSX                     |

#### **Orientation and Continuing Education**

The Company does not currently have a formal orientation and education program. The directors individually and as a group are encouraged to keep themselves informed on changing corporate governance and legal issues. Directors are individually responsible for updating their skills required to meet their obligations as directors.

# **Ethical Business Conduct**

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 will ensure that the Board operates independently of management and in the best interests of the Company.

Under corporate legislation, a director is required to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and to exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances. In addition, as some of the directors and proposed directors of the Company also serve as directors and officers of other companies, directors must comply with the conflict of interest provisions of the OBCA, as well as the relevant securities regulatory instruments, in order to ensure that directors exercise independent judgment in considering transactions and agreements in respect of which a director or officer has a material interest.

Any interested director will be required to declare the nature and extent of his or her interest, and will not be entitled to vote at meetings of directors at which matters that give rise to such a conflict of interest are considered.

#### Nomination of Directors

The Board has not appointed a nominating committee. As a result of the Company's size, its stage of development, and the size of the Board, the Board considers that a nominating committee is not required at this time.

#### **Board Committees**

The Board has no committees other than the Audit Committee.

#### Assessments

The Board does not consider formal assessments useful given the stage of the Company's business and operations. However, the CEO of the Company meets annually with each director individually, which facilitates a discussion of his contribution and that of other directors. When needed, time is set aside at a meeting of the Board for a discussion regarding the effectiveness of the Board and its committees. If appropriate, the Board then considers procedural or substantive changes to increase the effectiveness of the Board and its committees. On an informal basis, the CEO is also responsible for reporting to the Board on areas where improvements can be made. Any agreed upon improvements required to be made are implemented and overseen by the Board. A more formal assessment process will be instituted as, if, and when the Board considers it to be necessary.

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

#### Audit Committee Charter

The directors of the Company have adopted a charter for the Audit Committee (the "Audit Committee Charter"), which sets out the Audit Committee's mandate, organization, powers and responsibilities. The full text of the Audit Committee Charter is attached hereto as Schedule "A".

#### Composition of the Audit Committee

The members of the Audit Committee are Mr. Cobbold (Chair), Dennis Peterson and Patrick Langlois. Mr. Cobbold and Mr. Langlois are independent, as such term is defined in National Instrument 52-110 *Audit Committees* ("**NI 52-110**"), and all members of the Audit Committee are financially literate, meaning that each has the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level 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. In accordance with the requirement of Policy 3.1 of the TSX-V ("**Policy 3.1**"), neither Mr. Peterson, Mr. Langlois nor Mr. Cobbold are current officers, employees or Control Persons of the Company or of the Company's Associates or Affiliates, as such terms are defined in the policies of the TSX-V, and the requirement of Policy 3.1 in relation to the composition of the Audit Committee is met.

#### **Relevant Education and Experience**

#### **Patrick Langlois**

Mr. Langlois is an accomplished executive in the metals and mining sector focused on opportunities to create growth and maximize shareholder value. Prior to his current role as Director of the Company, he held several executive roles with TSX-V listed companies, including Vice President with Probe Mines Limited (from 2012 to 2015). Mr. Langlois is currently Chief Financial Officer and Vice President Corporate Development for Probe Metals Inc. He brings a successful track-record in capital raising and mergers and acquisitions for over 20 years. Prior to his executive roles, Mr. Langlois has held senior positions with Canadian investment banks and venture capital funds. Mr. Langlois is a CFA Charterholder, who holds a B.A. (Finance) and an MBA from Université de Sherbrooke.

#### **Dennis H. Peterson**

Mr. Peterson has over 30 years' experience as a corporate securities lawyer specializing in corporate finance matters for small cap companies, and has served as a director a number of public companies. Most of Mr. Peterson's practice focuses on junior natural resource companies, and he has extensive experience with all aspects of prospectus financings, private placements, mergers and acquisitions in the junior public markets. Companies he has worked with are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the TSX-V. Mr. Peterson holds a B. Comm (Hons.) degree from Queen's University and an LL.B. degree from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law.

### **David Cobbold**

Mr. Cobbold is a veteran mining investment banker with 25 years of financial services experience. Currently, he is a Vice Chairman, Metals & Mining Macquarie Group, where he is responsible for sourcing and leading merger, acquisition, sale and defence transactions for clients ranging from exploration and development companies to global metals & mining companies. Mr. Cobbold's clients are based in Canada, US, U.K, South African and Australia. In addition, Mr. Cobbold has extensive experience in global commodity and securities markets. Prior to joining Macquarie, Mr. Cobbold worked at CIBC World Markets and CIBC Capital Partners for 13 years in various capacities, including as a Managing Director, Global Mining Investment Banking and Managing Director, Equity Capital Markets. Mr. Cobbold holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics, University of Western Ontario and Master of Business Administration (MBA), Harvard Business School.

### Audit Committee Oversight

Since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year, there has not been a recommendation of the Audit Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor which was not adopted by the Board.

#### **Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures**

The Audit Committee has adopted specific policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services as described in its Charter.

#### Audit Fees to Auditor

The aggregate fees billed by the Company's external auditors in each of the last two financial years for audit services are approximately as follows:

| Financial Year Ending | Audit Fees <sup>(1)</sup> | Audit Related Fees | Tax Fees <sup>(2)</sup> | All Other Fees |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| January 31, 2023      | \$20,000                  | Nil                | \$2,000                 | Nil            |
| January 31, 2022      | \$15,000                  | Nil                | \$2,000                 | Nil            |

Notes:

(1) Aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by the auditor for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements.

(2) Aggregate fees billed for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning professional services. These services included reviewing tax returns and assisting in responses to government tax authorities.

### Exemption

Since the Company is a "Venture Issuer" pursuant to NI 52-110 (its securities are not listed or quoted on any of the Toronto Stock Exchange, a market in the United States of America, or a market outside of Canada and the United States of America), it is exempt from the requirements of 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 SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Financial information about the Company may be found in the Company's comparative annual financial statements and related management's discussion and analysis for the financial year ended January 31, 2023, which is also available on SEDAR. Inquiries, including requests for copies of the Company's comparative financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for the year ended January 31, 2023, may be directed to the Company at Suite 902, 18 King Street East, Toronto, ON M5C 1C4.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario, this 29th day of June, 2023

# BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(Signed) "Patrick Langlois"

Patrick Langlois

Director

#### **SCHEDULE "A"**

### AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER ANGUS GOLD INC.

### MANDATE

The Audit Committee ("**Committee**") is a committee of the board of directors (the "**Board**"). Its primary function shall be to assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to financial reporting and disclosure requirements, the overall maintenance of the systems of internal controls that management have established and the overall responsibility for Angus Gold Inc.'s (the "**Company**") external and internal audit processes.

The Committee shall have the power to conduct or authorize investigations into any matter within the scope of this Charter. It may request any officer or employee of the Company, its external legal counsel or external auditor to attend a meeting of the Committee or to meet with any member(s) of the Committee.

The Committee shall be accountable to the Board. In the course of fulfilling its specific responsibilities hereunder, the Committee shall maintain an open communication between the Company's outside auditor and the Board.

The responsibilities of a member of the Committee shall be in addition to such member's duties as a member of the Board.

The Committee has the duty to determine whether the Company's financial disclosures are complete, accurate, are in accordance with international financial reporting standards and fairly present the financial position and risks of the organization. The Committee should, where it deems appropriate, resolve disagreements, if any, between management and the external auditor, and review compliance with laws and regulations and the Company's own policies.

The Committee will provide the Board with such recommendations and reports with respect to the financial disclosures of the Company as it deems advisable.

#### MEMBERSHIP AND COMPOSITION

The Committee shall consist of at least three Directors who shall serve on behalf of the Board (the "**Members**"). The Members shall be appointed annually by the Board and shall meet the independence, financial literacy and experience requirements of the TSX Venture Exchange (the "**TSX-V**"), including Multilateral Statement 52-110 - Audit Committees, and other regulatory agencies as required.

A majority of Members will constitute a quorum for a meeting of the Committee.

The Board will appoint one Member to act as the Chairman of the Committee. In his absence, the Committee may appoint another person provided a quorum is present. The Chairman will appoint a Secretary of the meeting, who need not be a member of the committee and who will maintain the minutes of the meeting.

#### MEETINGS

At the request of the external auditor, the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer of the Company or any member of the Committee, the Chairman will convene a meeting of the Committee. In advance of every meeting of the Committee, the Chairman, with the assistance of the Chief Financial Officer, will ensure that the agenda and meeting materials are distributed in a timely manner and no less than five (5) business days before the meeting.

The Committee shall meet no less than four times per year or more frequently if circumstances or the obligations require.

# DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The duties and responsibilities of the Committee shall be as follows:

#### A. Financial Reporting and Disclosure

i. Review and discuss with management and the external auditor at the completion of the annual examination:

- a. the Company's audited financial statements and related notes;
- b. the external auditor's audit of the financial statements and their report thereon;
- c. any significant changes required in the external auditor's audit plan;
- d. any serious difficulties or disputes with management encountered during the course of the audit; and
- e. other matters related to the conduct of the audit, which are to be communicated to the Committee under generally accepted auditing standards.
- ii. Review and discuss with management and the external auditor at the completion of any review engagement or other examination, the Company's quarterly financial statements.
- iii. Review, discuss with management the annual reports, the quarterly reports, the Management Discussion and Analysis, Annual Information Form, prospectus and other disclosures and, if thought advisable, recommend the acceptance of such documents to the Board for approval.
- iv. Review and discuss with management any guidance being provided to shareholders on the expected future results and financial performance of the Company and provide their recommendations on such documents to the Board.
- v. Inquire of the auditors the quality and acceptability of the Company's accounting principles, including the clarity of financial disclosure and the degree of conservatism or aggressiveness of the accounting policies and estimates.
- vi. Meet independently with the external auditor and management in separate executive sessions, as necessary or appropriate.
- vii. Ensure that management has the proper systems in place so that the Company's financial statements, financial reports and other financial information satisfy legal and regulatory requirements. Based upon discussions with the external auditor and the financial statement review, if it deems appropriate, recommend to the Board the filing of the audited annual and unaudited quarterly financial statements.
- viii. Oversee and enforce Company's public disclosure practices.

### B. External Auditor

- i. Consider, in consultation with the external auditor, the audit scope and plan of the external auditor.
- ii. Recommend to the Board the external auditor to be nominated and review the performance of the auditor, including the lead partner of the external auditor.
- iii. Confirm with the external auditor and receive written confirmation at least once per year as to disclosure of any investigations or government enquiries, reviews or investigations of the outside auditor.
- iv. Take reasonable steps to confirm the independence of the external auditor, which shall include:
  - a. ensuring receipt from the external auditor of a formal written statement delineating all relationships between the external auditor and the Company, consistent with generally accepting auditing practices,
  - b. considering and discussing with the external auditor any disclosed relationships or services, including non-audit services, that may impact the objectivity and independence of the external auditor, and

c. approve in advance any non-audit related services provided by the auditor to the Company with a view to ensuring independence of the auditor, and in accordance with any applicable regulatory requirements, including the requirements of the TSX-V with respect to approval of non-audit related serviced performed by the auditor.

# C. Internal Controls and Audit

- i. Review and assess the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's systems of internal and management information systems through discussion with management and the external auditor to ensure that the Company maintains appropriate systems, is able to assess the pertinent risks of the Company and that the risk of a material misstatement in the financial disclosures can be detected.
- ii. Assess the requirement for the appointment of an internal auditor for the Company.
- iii. Inquire of management and the external auditor about the systems of internal controls that management and the Board have established and the effectiveness of those systems. In addition, inquire of management and the external auditor about significant financial risks or exposures and the steps management has taken to minimize such risks to the Company.

# **OVERSIGHT FUNCTION**

While the Committee has the responsibilities and powers set forth in this Charter, it is not the duty of the Committee to plan or conduct audits or to determine that the Company's financial statements are complete and accurate or are in accordance with IFRS and applicable rules and regulations. These are the responsibilities of management and the external auditors. The Committee, the Chairman and any Members identified as having accounting or related financial expertise are members of the Board, appointed to the Committee to provide broad oversight of the financial, risk and control related activities of the Company, and are specifically not accountable or responsible for the day to day operation or performance of such activities. Although the designation of a Member as having accounting or related financial expertise for disclosure purposes is based on that individual's education and experience, which that individual will bring to bear in carrying out his or her duties on the Committee, such designation does not impose on such person any duties, obligations or liability that are greater than the duties, obligations and liability imposed on such person as a member of the Committee and Board in the absence of such designation. Rather, the role of a Member who is identified as having accounting or related financial expertise and Board in the absence of all Members, is to oversee the process, not to certify or guarantee the internal or external audit of the Company's financial information or public disclosure.

# **CHARTER REVIEW**

The Committee will annually review and reassess the adequacy of this policy and submit any recommended changes to the Board for approval.

# SCHEDULE "B"

# STOCK OPTION PLAN ANGUS GOLD INC.

[See Attached.]

# ANGUS GOLD INC.

# **INCENTIVE STOCK OPTION PLAN**

# Section 1 General Provisions

### **1.1** Interpretation

For the purposes of this Plan, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (a) "Applicable Withholdings and Deductions" has the meaning given to that term in Section 1.10;
- (b) "Associate" has the meaning ascribed to that term such term in Policy 1.1 of the TSXV and any amendment thereto or replacement thereof;
- (c) "Associated Companies", "Affiliated Companies", "Controlled Companies" and "Subsidiary Companies" have the meanings ascribed to those terms under Section 1(1) of the Securities Act (Ontario);
- (d) **"Board**" has the meaning given to that term in Section 1.3(d);
- (e) **"Business Day"** means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a statutory or civic holiday in Ontario;
- (f) "**Cause**" means (i) if the Participant has a written employment agreement with the Corporation or a Subsidiary Company of the Corporation in which "cause" is defined, "cause" as defined therein; or otherwise (ii) (A) the inability of the Participant to perform his or her duties due to a legal impediment such as an injunction, restraining order or other type of judicial judgment, decree or order entered against the Participant; (B) the failure of the Participant to follow the Corporation's reasonable instructions with respect to the performance of his or her duties; (C) any material breach by the Participant of his or her obligations under any code of ethics, any other code of business conduct or any lawful policies or procedures of the Corporation; (D) excessive absenteeism, flagrant neglect of duties, serious misconduct, or conviction of crime or fraud; and (E) any other act or omission of the Participant which would in law permit an employee;
- (g) "Certificate" has the meaning given to that term in Section 1.3(e);
- (h) "Change of Control Event" means:
  - (i) The sale by the Corporation of all or substantially all of its assets;
  - (ii) The acceptance by the Shareholders, representing in the aggregate fifty percent (50%) or more of all of the issued Common Shares, of any offer, whether by way of a takeover bid or otherwise, for all or any of the outstanding Common Shares; provided that no change of control event shall be deemed to have occurred if upon completion of any such transaction individuals who were members of the Board immediately prior to the effective date of such transaction constitute a majority of the board of directors of the resulting corporation following such effective date;
  - (iii) The acquisition, by whatever means, by a person (or two or more persons who, in such acquisition, have acted jointly or in concert or intend to exercise jointly or in concert any voting rights attaching to the Common Shares acquired), directly

or indirectly, of beneficial ownership of such number of Common Shares or rights to Common Shares, which together with such person's then-owned Common Shares and rights to Common Shares, if any, represent (assuming the full exercise of such rights) fifty percent (50%) or more of the combined voting rights attached to the then-outstanding Common Shares;

- (iv) The entering into of any agreement by the Corporation to merge, consolidate, restructure, amalgamate, initiate an arrangement or be absorbed by, into or with another corporation; provided that no change of control event shall be deemed to have occurred if upon completion of any such transaction individuals who were members of the Board immediately prior to the effective date of such transaction constitute a majority of the board of directors of the resulting corporation following such effective date;
- (v) The passing of a resolution by the Board or Shareholders to substantially liquidate the assets of the Corporation or wind up the Corporation's business or significantly rearrange its affairs in one or more transactions or series of transactions or the commencement of proceedings for such a liquidation, winding-up or re-arrangement (except where such re-arrangement is part of a bona fide reorganization of the Corporation in circumstances where the business of the Corporation is continued and the shareholdings remain substantially the same following the re-arrangement); or
- (vi) The circumstance in which individuals who were members of the Board immediately prior to a meeting of the Shareholders involving a contest for the election of directors no longer constitute a majority of the Board following such election;
- (i) **"Code**" has the meaning given to that term in Section 3.1;
- (j) "Common Shares" means the common shares in the capital of the Corporation;
- (k) "Corporation" means Angus Gold Inc.;
- (1) "Consultant" has the meaning given to such term in Policy 4.4;
- (m) "Consultant Company" has the meaning given to such term in Policy 4.4;
- (n) "**Disinterested Shareholder Approval**" means the approval of a majority of shareholders of the Corporation voting at a duly called and held meeting of such shareholders, excluding votes of Insiders to whom options may be granted under the Plan;
- (o) "Eligible Person" means:
  - (i) any director, officer, employee or Consultant of the Corporation or any of its Subsidiary Companies; and
  - (ii) any Management Company Employees;
- (p) "Eligible U.S. Participants" has the meaning given to that term in Section 3.1;
- (q) "Exercise Price" has the meaning given to that term in Section 2.2;
- (r) **"Expiry Date**" has the meaning given to that term in Section 2.3(b);

- (s) "Good Reason" means, in respect of an officer of the Corporation who has been granted Options under this Plan, solely one of the following events, without such officer's written consent:
  - (i) a material diminution in such officer's position, duties or authorities;
  - (ii) the assignment of any duties that are materially inconsistent with the officer's role as a senior executive; or
  - (iii) a material reduction in the officer's compensation, other than an across the board reduction of not more than 5% that is generally applicable to all executives.
- (t) **"Insider**" means:
  - (i) an insider as defined under Section 1(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario), other than a person who falls within that definition solely by virtue of being a director or senior officer of a Subsidiary Company of the Corporation, and
  - (ii) an associate as defined under Section 1(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario) of any person who is an insider by virtue of (i) above;
- (u) "Investor Relations Activities" has the meaning given to such term in Policy 1.1 of the TSXV and any amendment thereto or replacement thereof;
- (v) "Management Company Employee" means an individual employed by a company providing management services to the Corporation, which services are required for the ongoing successful operation of the business enterprise of the Corporation.
- (w) **"Market Price**" means:
  - (i) prior to an initial public offering of the Common Shares, such price as is determined by the Board to constitute their fair market value, using such reasonable valuation mechanism as it selects; and
  - (ii) after an initial public offering of the Common Shares, the closing price of the Common Shares as reported on the TSXV on the last Business Day preceding the date on which the Option is granted by the Corporation (or, if such Common Shares are not then listed and posted for trading on the TSXV, on such stock exchange in Canada on which the Common Shares are listed and posted for trading as may be selected for such purpose by the Board); provided, however, that the Exercise Price of an Option shall not be less than the minimum Exercise Price required by the applicable rules of the TSXV. In the event that the Common Shares did not trade on such Business Day, the Market Price shall be the average of the bid and ask prices in respect of the Common Shares are not listed and posted for trading on such date. In the event that the Common Shares are not listed and posted for trading on any stock exchange, the Market Price shall be the fair market value of the Common Shares as determined by the Board in its sole discretion;
- (x) "**Option**" means an option to purchase Common Shares granted to an Eligible Person pursuant to the terms of the Plan;
- (y) "**Option Period**" has the meaning given to that term in Section 2.3(a);
- (z) "**Participant**" means an Eligible Person to whom Options have been granted;

- (aa) "Plan" means this Incentive Stock Option Plan of the Corporation;
- (bb) **"Policy 4.4**" means Policy 4.4 of the TSXV and any amendment thereto or replacement thereof;
- (cc) "Share Compensation Arrangement" means any stock option, stock option plan, employee stock purchase plan or any other compensation or incentive mechanism of the Corporation involving the issuance or potential issuance of Common Shares, including a share purchase from treasury which is financially assisted by the Corporation by way of a loan, guarantee or otherwise;
- (dd) "Shareholders" means holders of Common Shares;
- (ee) "Stock Exchange" means the TSXV, and any other stock exchange on which the Common Shares are listed or traded;
- (ff) **"Termination Date**" means the date on which a Participant ceases to be an Eligible Person; and
- (gg) **"TSXV**" means the TSX Venture Exchange.

Words importing the singular number only shall include the plural and vice versa and words importing the masculine shall include the feminine.

This Plan and all matters to which reference is made herein shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.

# 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of the Plan is to advance the interests of the Corporation by: (i) providing Eligible Persons with additional incentive; (ii) encouraging stock ownership by such Eligible Persons; (iii) increasing the proprietary interest of Eligible Persons in the success of the Corporation; (iv) encouraging Eligible Persons to remain with the Corporation or its Subsidiary Companies; and (v) attracting new directors, employees and officers.

# **1.3** Administration

- (a) This Plan shall be administered by the Board.
- (b) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Board is authorized to provide for the granting, exercise and method of exercise of Options (as hereinafter defined), all on such terms (which may vary between Options granted from time to time) as it shall determine. In addition, the Board shall have the authority to (i) construe and interpret this Plan and all agreements entered into hereunder; (ii) prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating to this Plan; and (iii) make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of this Plan. All determinations and interpretations made by the Board shall be binding on all Participants (as hereinafter defined) and on their legal, personal representatives and beneficiaries.
- (c) The Board shall be permitted, through the establishment of appropriate procedures, to monitor the trading of Common Shares by persons who are performing Investor Relations Activities for the Corporation and who have been granted Options pursuant to this Plan.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision contained herein, the Board shall have the right to delegate the administration and operation of this Plan, in whole or in part, to a committee of the Board and/or to any member of the Board. Whenever used

herein, the term "**Board**" means the board of directors of the Corporation, and shall be deemed to include any committee or director to which the Board has, fully or partially, delegated the administration and operation of this Plan pursuant to this Section 1.3.

- (e) An Option shall be evidenced by an incentive stock option agreement certificate ("**Certificate**"), signed on behalf of the Corporation, which Certificate shall be in such form as the Board shall approve from time to time.
- (f) No member of the Board shall be liable for any action or determination taken or made in good faith in the administration, interpretation, construction or application of the Plan or any Options granted under it.

# 1.4 Shares Reserved

- (a) Subject to Section 1.4(d), the securities that may be acquired by Participants under this Plan shall consist of authorized but unissued Common Shares.
- (b) The Corporation shall at all times during the term of this Plan ensure that the number of Common Shares it is authorized to issue shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Plan.
- (c) At such time as the Common Shares are listed on the TSXV, the aggregate number of Common Shares issuable under this Plan, and under all other Share Compensation Arrangements, shall not exceed 10% of the total number of Common Shares issued and outstanding from time to time. Any Common Shares subject to an Option which for any reason is settled in cash, cancelled, terminated, surrendered, forfeited or expired without being exercised, and pursuant to which no securities have been issued without having been exercised, shall again be available for grants under the Plan. Any Common Shares subject to an Option which has been exercised by a Participant, shall again be available for grants under the Plan, and under all other Share Compensation Arrangements. Fractional shares will not be issued and will be treated as specified in Section 1.11(d).
- (d) If there is a change in the outstanding Common Shares by reason of any stock dividend or split, recapitalization, amalgamation, consolidation, combination or exchange of shares, or other corporate change, the Board shall make, subject where required to the prior approval of the Stock Exchange, appropriate substitution or adjustment in:
  - (i) the number or kind of Common Shares or other securities reserved for issuance pursuant to the Plan, and
  - (ii) the number and kind of Common Shares or other securities subject to unexercised Options theretofore granted and in the Exercise Price of such securities;

without any change in the total price applicable to the unexercised portion of the Option, but with a corresponding adjustment in the price for each Common Share covered by the Option; provided, however, that no substitution or adjustment shall obligate the Corporation to issue or sell fractional shares. If the Corporation is reorganized, amalgamated with another corporation or consolidated, the Board shall make such provisions for the protection of the rights of Participants as the Board in its discretion deems appropriate. All Common Shares reserved for issuance in connection with the grant of Options in lieu of dividends are subject to applicable limitations and restrictions in the Plan, and in the case the Corporation is unable to reserve a sufficient amount of Common Shares under the Plan underlying Options granted in lieu of dividends, the Corporation may satisfy its obligation to credit Options to a Participant by making a payment in cash based on the Market Price per Common Share on the date on which the dividends on Common Shares are payable.

# 1.5 Limits with Respect to Certain Persons

- (a) The maximum number of Common Shares which may be issued to:
  - (i) any Consultant in any twelve (12) month period under this Plan may be no more than two percent (2%) of the outstanding Common Shares of the Corporation; and
  - (ii) all Persons conducting Investor Relations Activities for the Corporation in any twelve (12) month period may be, in aggregate, no more than two percent (2%) of the outstanding Common Shares of the Corporation,

less the aggregate number of shares reserved for issuance or issuable under any other Share Compensation Arrangement of the Corporation.

- (b) Options granted to Consultants conducting Investor Relations Activities for the Corporation shall vest over a period of not less than twelve (12) months with no more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the options vesting in any three (3) month period.
- (c) Options granted to Insiders are subject to section 1.6(e)(i) hereof;

# **1.6** Amendment and Termination

- (a) The Board may from time to time, suspend, terminate or discontinue the Plan at any time, or amend or revise the terms of the Plan or of any Option granted under the Plan and any Certificate relating thereto, provided that no such suspension, termination, amendment or revision will be made:
  - (i) except in compliance with applicable law and with the prior approval, if required, of the Stock Exchange or any other regulatory body having authority over the Corporation, the Plan or the Shareholders; and
  - (ii) in the case of an amendment or revision, if it materially adversely affects the rights of any Participant, without the consent of the Participant.
- (b) If the Plan is terminated, the provisions of the Plan and any administrative guidelines and other rules and regulations adopted by the Board and in force on the date of termination will continue in effect as long as any Option or any rights pursuant thereto remain outstanding and, notwithstanding the termination of the Plan, the Board will remain able to make such amendments to the Plan or the Options as they would have been entitled to make if the Plan were still in effect.
- (c) Subject to any applicable rules of the Stock Exchange, the Board may from time to time, in its absolute discretion and without the approval of Shareholders, make the following amendments to the Plan or any Option:
  - (i) amend the vesting provisions of the Plan and any Certificate;
  - (ii) amend the Plan or an Option as necessary to comply with applicable law or the requirements of the Stock Exchange or any other regulatory body having authority over the Corporation, the Plan or the Shareholders;
  - (iii) any amendment of a "housekeeping" nature, including, without limitation, to clarify the meaning of an existing provision of the Plan, correct or supplement

any provision of the Plan that is inconsistent with any other provision of the Plan, correct any grammatical or typographical errors or amend the definitions in the Plan regarding administration of the Plan; and

- (iv) any amendment respecting the administration of the Plan.
- (d) Shareholder approval is required for an amendment to the Plan that would result in:
  - (i) any change that would materially modify the eligibility requirements for participation in the Plan.
- (e) Disinterested Shareholder Approval is required for the following amendments to the Plan if:
  - the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares of the Corporation that are issuable pursuant to all Share Based Compensation granted or issued to Insiders (as a group) exceeds 10% of the Common Shares of the Corporation at any point in time;
  - (ii) the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares of the Corporation that are issuable pursuant to all Share Based Compensation granted or issued in any 12month period to Insiders (as a group) exceeds 10% of the Common Shares of the Corporation, calculated as at the date any Share Based Compensation is granted or issued to any Insider;
  - (iii) any individual stock option grant that would result in the number of Common Shares issued to any individual in any twelve (12) month period under this Plan exceeding five percent (5%) of the issued Common Shares of the Corporation, less the aggregate number of shares reserved for issuance or issuable under any other Share Compensation Arrangement of the Corporation; and
  - (iv) any amendment to Options held by Insiders that would have the effect of decreasing the exercise price or extending the term of the Options.

For the purposes of the limitations set forth in items (i) and (iii), Options held by an Insider at any point in time that were granted to such Participant prior to it becoming an Insider shall be considered Options granted to an Insider irrespective of the fact that the Participant was not an Insider at the time of grant.

# 1.7 Compliance with Legislation

- (a) The Plan (including an amendment to the Plan), the terms of the issue or grant of any Option under the Plan, the grant and exercise of Options hereunder, and the Corporation's obligation to sell and deliver Common Shares upon the exercise of Options, shall be subject to all applicable federal, provincial and foreign laws, rules and regulations, the rules and regulations of the Stock Exchange and to such approvals by any regulatory or governmental agency as may, in the opinion of counsel to the Corporation, be required. The Corporation shall not be obliged by any provision of the Plan or the grant of any Option hereunder to issue or sell Common Shares in violation of such laws, rules and regulations or any condition of such approvals.
- (b) No Option shall be granted, and no Common Shares issued hereunder, where such grant, issue or sale would require registration of the Plan or of Common Shares under the securities laws of any foreign jurisdiction, and any purported grant of any Option or purported issue of Common Shares hereunder in violation of this provision shall be void.

- (c) The Corporation shall have no obligation to issue any Common Shares pursuant to the Plan unless such Common Shares shall have been duly listed, upon official notice of issuance, with the Stock Exchange. Common Shares issued and sold to Participants pursuant to the exercise of Options may be subject to limitations on sale or resale under applicable securities laws.
- (d) If Common Shares cannot be issued to a Participant upon the exercise of an Option due to legal or regulatory restrictions, the obligation of the Corporation to issue such Common Shares shall terminate and any funds paid to the Corporation in connection with the exercise of such Option will be returned to the applicable Participant as soon as practicable.

# **1.8 Effective Date**

The Plan shall be effective upon the approval of the Plan by:

- (i) The Stock Exchange and any other exchange upon which the Common Shares of the Corporation may be posted or listed for trading, and shall comply with the requirements from time to time of the Stock Exchange; and
- (ii) the Shareholders, by written resolution signed by all Shareholders or given by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes attached to the Common Shares entitled to vote and be represented and voted at an annual or special meeting of Shareholders held, among other things, to consider and approve the Plan.

# **1.9 Proceeds from Exercise of Options**

The proceeds from any sale of Shares issued upon the exercise of Options shall be added to the general funds of the Corporation and shall thereafter be used from time to time for such corporate purposes as the Board may determine.

# 1.10 Tax Withholdings

Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, in connection with the exercise of an Option by a Participant from time to time, as a condition to such exercise (i) the Corporation shall require such Participant to pay to the Corporation or the relevant Subsidiary Company an amount as necessary so as to ensure that the Corporation or such Subsidiary Company, as applicable, is in compliance with the applicable provisions of any federal, provincial or local law relating to the withholding of tax or other required deductions (the "Applicable Withholdings and Deductions") relating to the exercise of such Options; or (ii) in the event a Participant does not pay the amount specified in (i), the Corporation shall be permitted to engage a broker or other agent, at the risk and expense of the Participant, to sell an amount of underlying Common Shares issuable on the exercise of such Option through the facilities of the Stock Exchange, and to apply the cash received on the sale of such underlying Common Shares as necessary so as to ensure that the Corporation or the relevant Subsidiary Company, as applicable, is in compliance with the Applicable Withholdings and Deductions relating to the exercise of such Options. In addition, the Corporation or the relevant Subsidiary Company, as applicable, shall be entitled to withhold from any amount payable to a Participant, either under this Plan or otherwise, such amount as may be necessary so as to ensure that the Corporation or the relevant Subsidiary Company is in compliance with Applicable Withholdings and Deductions relating to the exercise of such Options.

# 1.11 Miscellaneous

(a) Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Board from adopting other or additional Share Compensation Arrangements or compensation arrangements, subject to any required approval.

- (b) The Corporation may only grant options pursuant to resolutions of the Board.
- (c) In determining options to be granted to Participants, the Board shall give due consideration to the value of each such Participant's present and potential contribution to the success of the Corporation.
- (d) Nothing contained in the Plan nor in any Option granted thereunder shall be deemed to give any Participant any interest or title in or to any Common Shares or any rights as a Shareholder or any other legal or equitable right against the Corporation or any of its Subsidiary Companies whatsoever other than as set forth in the Plan and pursuant to the exercise of any Option.
- (e) The Plan does not give any Participant or any employee of the Corporation or any of its Associated Companies, Affiliated Companies, Subsidiary Companies or Controlled Companies the right or obligation to or to continue to serve as a Consultant, director, officer or employee, as the case may be, to or of the Corporation or any of its Associated Companies, Affiliated Companies, Subsidiary Companies or Controlled Companies. The awarding of Options to any Eligible Person is a matter to be determined solely in the discretion of the Board. The Plan shall not in any way fetter, limit, obligate, restrict or constrain the Board with regard to the allotment or issue of any Common Shares or any other securities in the capital of the Corporation other than as specifically provided for in the Plan. The grant of an Option to, or the exercise of an Option by, a Participant under the Plan does not create the right for such Participant to receive additional grants of Options hereunder.
- (f) No fractional Common Shares shall be issued upon the exercise of options granted under the Plan and, accordingly, if a Participant would become entitled to a fractional Common Share upon the exercise of an Option, or from an adjustment pursuant to Section 1.4(d) such Participant shall only have the right to purchase the next lowest whole number of Common Shares, and no payment or other adjustment will be made with respect to the fractional interest so disregarded.
- (g) The Corporation makes no representation or warranty as to the future market value of the Common Shares or with respect to any income tax matters affecting the Participant resulting from the grant or exercise of an Option and/or transactions in the Common Shares. Neither the Corporation, nor any of its directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents shall be liable for anything done or omitted to be done by such person or any other person with respect to the price, time, quantity or other conditions and circumstances of the issuance of Common Shares hereunder, with respect to any fluctuations in the market price of Common Shares or in any other manner related to the Plan.
- (h) This Plan shall be construed in accordance with and be governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.
- (i) If any provision of this Plan shall be determined by any court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, that provision shall be severed from this Plan and the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.
- (j) This Plan constitutes the entire stock option plan for the Corporation and its Participants and supersedes any prior stock option plans for such persons.

# Section 2 Options

# 2.1 Grants

- (a) Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Board shall have the authority to determine the limitations, restrictions and conditions, if any, in addition to those set forth in Section 1.3(b) and Section 2.3 hereof, applicable to the exercise of an Option. An Eligible Person may receive Options on more than one occasion under the Plan and may receive separate Options on any one occasion.
- (b) The Board may, in its discretion, select any directors, officers, employees or Consultants of or to the Corporation or Subsidiary Companies of the Corporation to participate in this Plan.
- (c) For Options granted to employees of the Corporation, Consultants or individuals employed by a company or individual providing management services to the Corporation, the Corporation and the Participant are responsible for ensuring and confirming that the Participant is a bona fide employee of the Corporation, Consultant or individual employed by a company or individual providing management services to the Corporation, as the case may be.
- (d) The Board may from time to time, in its discretion, grant Options to any Participant upon the terms, conditions and limitations set forth herein and such other terms, conditions and limitations permitted by and not inconsistent with this Plan as the Board may determine, provided that Options granted to any Participant shall be approved by the Shareholders if the rules of the Stock Exchange require such approval.

# 2.2 Exercise Price

- (a) An Option may be exercised at a price (the "**Exercise Price**") that shall be fixed by the Board at the time that the Option is granted, but in no event shall it be less than the Market Price. The Exercise Price shall be subject to adjustment in accordance with the provisions of Section 1.4(d) hereof.
- (b) if Options are granted within ninety (90) days of a distribution (the "Distribution Period") by the Corporation by prospectus, the minimum exercise price per Common Share of those options will be the greater of the Market Price and the price per Common Share paid by the public investors for Common Shares acquired pursuant to such distribution. The Distribution Period shall begin:
  - (i) on the date the final receipt is issued for the final prospectus in respect of such distribution; and
  - (ii) in the case of a prospectus that qualifies special warrants, on the closing date of the private placement in respect of such special warrants.

# 2.3 Exercise of Options

- (a) The period during which an Option may be exercised (the "**Option Period**") shall be determined by the Board at the time the Option is granted, subject to any vesting limitations that may be imposed by the Board in its sole and unfettered discretion at the time such Option is granted, provided that:
  - (i) no Option shall be exercisable for a period exceeding ten (10) years from the date the Option is granted;

- (ii) the Option Period shall be automatically reduced in accordance with Section 2.3(g) below upon the occurrence of any of the events referred to therein; and
- (iii) no Option in respect of which Shareholder approval is required under the rules of the Stock Exchange shall be exercisable until such time as such Option has been approved by the Shareholders.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, if the date that any vested Option ceases to be exercisable (the "**Expiry Date**") falls on a date upon which such Participant is prohibited from exercising such Option due to a black-out period or other trading restriction imposed by the Corporation, then the Expiry Date of such Option shall be automatically extended to the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Business Day following the date the relevant black-out period or other trading restriction imposed by the Corporation is lifted, terminated or removed. The automatic extension of any Option under this Plan will not be permitted where the Participant or the Corporation is subject to a cease trade order (or similar order under securities laws) in respect of the Corporation's securities.
- Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, in the event of an actual or potential (c) Change of Control Event, the Board may, in its discretion, without the necessity or requirement for the agreement of any Participant: (i) accelerate, conditionally or otherwise, on such terms as it sees fit, the vesting date of any Option; (ii) permit the conditional exercise of any Option, on such terms as it sees fit; (iii) otherwise amend or modify the terms of the Option, including for greater certainty permitting Participants to exercise any Option, to assist the Participants to tender the underlying Common Shares to, or participate in, the actual or potential Change of Control Event or to obtain the advantage of holding the underlying Common Shares during such Change of Control Event; (iv) permit the exchange for or into any other security or any other property or cash, any Option that has not been exercised without regard to any vesting conditions attached thereto; and (iv) terminate, following the successful completion of such Change of Control Event, on such terms as it sees fit, the Options not exercised prior to the successful completion of such Change of Control Event. In addition, in the event of an actual or potential Change of Control Event, the Board, or any company which is or would be the successor to the Corporation or which may issue securities in exchange for Common Shares upon such Change of Control Event becoming effective, may in its discretion, without the necessity or requirement for the agreement of any Participant, issue a new or replacement options over any securities into which the Options are exercisable, on a basis proportionate to the number of Common Shares underlying such Option and at a proportionate Exercise Price (and otherwise substantially upon the terms of the Option being replaced, or upon terms no less favourable to the Participant) including, without limitation, the periods during which the Option may be exercised and expiry dates; and in such event, the Participant shall be deemed to have released his or her Option over the Common Shares and such Option shall be deemed to have lapsed and be cancelled. Any acceleration of Options granted to Participants conducting Investor Relations Activities shall be subject to the approval of the TSXV.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, in the event that:
  - (i) an actual or potential Change of Control Event is not completed within the time specified therein; or
  - (ii) all of the Common Shares subject to an Option that were tendered by a Participant in connection with an actual or potential Change of Control Event are not taken up or paid for by the offeror in respect thereof,

then the Board may, in its discretion, without the necessity or requirement for the agreement of any Participant, permit the Common Shares received upon such exercise, or in the case of Subsection (ii) above the Common Shares that are not taken up and paid for, to be returned by the Participant to the Corporation and reinstated as authorized but unissued Common Shares and, with respect to such returned Common Shares, the related Options may be reinstated as if they had not been exercised and the terms for such Options becoming vested will be reinstated pursuant to this Section 2.3. If any Common Shares are returned to the Corporation under this Section 2.3, the Corporation will immediately refund the Exercise Price to the Participants for such Common Shares.

- (e) Options shall not be transferable or assignable by the Participant otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and shall be exercisable during the lifetime of a Participant only by the Participant and after death only by the Participant's legal representative.
- (f) Provided that the Common Shares are listed on the TSXV, if the Participant is a company, including a Consultant Company, the company shall not be permitted to effect or permit any transfer of ownership or option of shares of the company nor to issue further shares of any class of the company to any individual or entity as long as the options remain outstanding, except where the written consent of the TSXV has been obtained.
- (g) Subject to Section 2.3(a) and except as otherwise determined by the Board:
  - (i) if a Participant who is a non-executive director of the Corporation ceases to be an Eligible Person as a result of his or her retirement from the Board, each unvested Option held by such Participant shall automatically vest on the date of his or her retirement from the Board, and thereafter each vested Option held by such Participant will cease to be exercisable on the earlier of the original Expiry Date of the Option and one (1) year after the date of his or her retirement from the Board;
  - (ii) if the Board service, consulting relationship, or employment of a Participant with the Corporation or a Subsidiary Company is terminated for Cause, each vested and unvested Option held by the Participant will automatically terminate and become void on the Termination Date;
  - (iii) if a Participant dies, the legal representative of the Participant may exercise the Participant's vested Options for a period until the earlier of the original Expiry Date of the Option and twelve (12) months after the date of the Participant's death, but only to the extent the Options were by their terms exercisable on the date of death. For greater certainty, all unvested Options held by a Participant who dies shall terminate and become void on the date of death of such Participant;
  - (iv) if a Participant ceases to be an Eligible Person for any reason whatsoever other than in (i) to (iv) above, each vested Option held by the Participant will cease to be exercisable on the earlier of the original Expiry Date of the Option and six (6) months after the Termination Date; provided that all unvested Options held by such Participant shall automatically terminate and become void on the Termination Date of such Participant. Without limitation, and for greater certainty only, this provision will apply regardless of whether the Participant received compensation in respect of dismissal or was entitled to a period of

notice of termination which would otherwise have permitted a greater portion of the Option to vest with the Participant; and

- (v) notwithstanding any provision in this Section 2.3(g) to the contrary, if a Participant who is an officer of the Corporation ceases to be an Eligible Person as a result of such officer's termination without Cause or resignation for Good Reason, any unvested Options as of the date of termination will be accelerated and become immediately fully vested as of such date. Such options will be exercisable by the officer for a period of up to one (1) year following the date of termination.
- (h) The Exercise Price of each Common Share purchased under an Option shall be paid in full in cash, bank draft, wire or certified cheque at the time of such exercise, and upon receipt of payment in full, the number of Common Shares in respect of which the Option is exercised shall be duly issued as fully paid and non-assessable.
- (i) Upon the exercise of Options pursuant to this section, the Corporation shall forthwith deliver, or cause the registrar and transfer agent of the Common Shares to deliver, to the relevant Participant (or his or her legal or personal representative) or to the order thereof, a certificate representing the number of Common Shares with respect to which Options have been exercised.
- (j) Subject to the other provisions of this Plan and any vesting limitations imposed by the Board at the time of grant, Options may be exercised, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time, by a Participant by written notice given to the Corporation as required by the Board from time to time.

# 2.4 Notice

Any notice required to be given by this Plan shall be in writing and shall be given by registered mail, postage prepaid, or delivered by courier or by facsimile transmission addressed, if to the Corporation, to the office of the Corporation in Toronto, Ontario, President & Chief Executive Officer; or if to a Participant, to such Participant at his address as it appears on the books of the Corporation or in the event of the address of any such Participant not so appearing, then to the last known address of such Participant; or if to any other person, to the last known address of such person.

# 2.5 **Rights of Participants**

No person entitled to exercise any Option granted under this Plan shall have any of the rights or privileges of a Shareholder in respect of any underlying Common Shares issuable upon exercise of such Option, including without limitation, the right to participate in any new issue of Common Shares to existing holders of Common Shares, until such Option has been exercised and such underlying Common Shares have been paid for in full and issued to such person.

# 2.6 **Right to Issue Other Shares**

The Corporation shall not by virtue of this Plan be in any way restricted from declaring and paying stock dividends, issuing further Common Shares, varying or amending its share capital or corporate structure.

# 2.7 Quotation of Common Shares

So long as the Common Shares are listed on the TSXV, the Corporation must apply to the TSXV for the listing or quotation of the Common Shares issued upon the exercise of all Options granted under

the Plan, however, the Corporation cannot guarantee that such Common Shares will be listed or quoted on the TSXV.

# 2.8 Effective Date

This Plan shall be effective on July 15, 2022 subject to shareholder approval and ratification by ordinary resolution at the Corporation's next annual meeting of shareholders.

# Section 3 Special Rules for U.S. Eligible Persons

# **3.1** Section 409A Compliance

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, the following special rules will apply to all Eligible Persons ("Eligible U.S. Participants") who are subject to U.S. income tax with respect to Options issued under the Plan to them:

- (a) All Options granted under this Plan to Eligible U.S. Participants are intended to be exempt from Section 409A of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**") and will be construed accordingly. However, the Corporation will not be liable to any Eligible U.S. Participant or beneficiary with respect to any adverse tax consequences arising under Section 409A or other provision of the Code; and
- (b) The Exercise Price for all Options granted to Eligible U.S. Participants shall in no event be less than the greater of (i) the Market Price; and (ii) the closing price of the Common Shares as reported on the TSX on the business day immediately preceding the day on which the Option is granted.

# **STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT**

This Stock Option Agreement is dated this  $\bullet$  day of  $\bullet$ , 20 $\bullet$  between Angus Gold Inc. (the "Corporation") and [Name] (the "Optionee").

**WHEREAS** the Optionee has been granted certain options ("**Options**") to acquire common shares in the capital of the Corporation ("**Common Shares**") under the Angus Gold Inc. Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "**Option Plan**"), a copy of which has been provided to the Eligible Optionee;

**AND WHEREAS** capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings given to them in the Option Plan;

**NOW THEREFORE** for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Corporation confirms that the Optionee has been granted Options under the Option Plan on the following basis, subject to, the terms and conditions of the Option Plan:

| DATE OF | NUMBER OF | EXERCISE      | VESTING  | EXPIRY DATE |
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| GRANT   | OPTIONS   | PRICE (CDN\$) | SCHEDULE |             |
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- 2. Attached to this Agreement as Schedule "A" is a form of notice that the Optionee may use to exercise any of his or her Options in accordance with Section 2.3 of the Option Plan at any time and from time to time prior the Expiry Date of such Options.
- 3. By signing this Stock Option Agreement, the Optionee acknowledges that he or she has read and understands the Option Plan and agrees to the terms and conditions thereof and of this Stock Option Agreement.
- 4. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein. Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement. This Agreement shall enure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the parties and their heirs, attorneys, guardians, estate trustees, executors, trustees and administrators and the successors of the Corporation.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties hereto have executed this Agreement.

# ANGUS GOLD INC.

Name of Optionee:

Authorized Signing Officer

# Schedule "A" ELECTION TO EXERCISE STOCK OPTIONS

# TO: ANGUS GOLD INC. (THE "CORPORATION")

The undersigned option holder hereby irrevocably elects to exercise options ("**Options**") granted by the Corporation to the undersigned pursuant to a Stock Option Agreement dated  $\bullet$ , 20 $\bullet$  for the number of common shares in the capital of the Corporation ("**Common Shares**") as set forth below:

Number of Common Shares to be Acquired:

Option Exercise Price (per Common Share):

Aggregate Purchase Price:

Amount enclosed that is payable on account of withholding of tax or other required deductions relating to the exercise of the Options (contact the Corporation for details of such amount)(the "Applicable Withholdings and Deductions"):

□ Or check here if alternative arrangements have been made with the Corporation with respect to the payment of Applicable Withholdings and Deductions;

and hereby tenders a certified cheque or bank draft for such Aggregate Purchase Price, and, if applicable, Applicable Withholdings and Deductions, and directs such Common Shares to be registered and a certificate therefore to be issued in the name of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**DATED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_.

Signature

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