

## **OSISKO METALS INCORPORATED**

1100 Ave. des Canadiens de Montréal, Suite 300 Montréal, Québec, H3B 2S2

2022 Notice of Annual and Special Meeting of Shareholders

ANNUAL Management Information Circular

**MEETING** 

Place: Offices of Lavery de Billy, L.L.P

Suite 4000, 1 Place Ville Marie

Montréal QC H3B 4M4

Canada

Time: 12:00 p.m. (Montréal time)

Date: Thursday, June 23, 2022

## **OSISKO METALS INCORPORATED**

## CORPORATE DATA

## **Head Office**

1100 Ave. des Canadiens de Montréal, Suite 300 Montréal, Québec, H3B 2S2

## **Current Directors and Officers**

Robert Wares - Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director - President, Chief Operating Officer and Director

Jeff Hussey
Luc Lessard
Amy Satov
Cathy Singer
Donald Siemens
- Presiden
- Director
- Director
- Director
- Director

Anthony Glavac - Chief Financial Officer Robin Adair - Vice President, Exploration

Killian Charles - Vice President, Corporate Development Lili Mance - Corporate Secretary

## **Registrar and Transfer Agent**

TSX Trust Company 1 Toronto Street, Suite 1200 Toronto, Ontario M5C 2V6

## **Auditor**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP 1250 Rene Levesque Blvd. West, Suite 2500 Montreal, Québec H1M 3S3

## **Stock Exchange Listing**

TSX Venture Exchange Symbol "OM"

## **OSISKO METALS INCORPORATED**

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual and special meeting ("Meeting") of the shareholders ("Shareholders") of Osisko Metals Incorporated (the "Corporation") will be held on Thursday June 23, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. (Montréal time) at the offices of Lavery de Billy, L.L.P., Suite 4000, 1 Place Ville Marie, Montréal, Québec, Canada. Attendance will be in compliance with the recommendations of the Public Health Officials. As always, we encourage shareholders to vote their shares prior to the meeting.

The Meeting is held for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive the audited financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, together with the auditors' report thereon;
- 2. To fix the number of directors at six (6);
- 3. To elect directors for the ensuing year;
- 4. To appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as auditors for the ensuing year and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration;
- 5. To consider and, if thought advisable, to pass, with or without variation, an ordinary resolution to approve the Corporation's 10% rolling stock option plan with amendments thereto, as more particularly described in the accompanying Management Information Circular ("Circular");
- 6. To consider and, if thought advisable, to pass, with or without variation, a resolution of the majority of disinterested Shareholders approving Glencore Canada Corporation becoming a new Control Person (as defined under the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange), upon the issuance and subsequent exercise of the Convertible Note (as defined herein); and
- 7. To transact such further or other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Accompanying this Notice is the Circular which provides information relating to the matters to be addressed at the Meeting and is incorporated into this Notice.

## **Registered Shareholders**

Every registered holder ("Registered Shareholder") of common shares of the Corporation ("Common Shares") at the close of business on May 9, 2022 (the "Record Date") is entitled to receive notice, and to vote such Common Shares at the Meeting, except to the extent that such registered holder has transferred the ownership of any of his, her or its Common Shares after the Record Date and the transferee of such Common Shares produces properly endorsed share certificates or otherwise establishes that he, she or it owns the Common Shares and demands, not later than ten (10) days before the Meeting, that he, she or it be entitled to vote such Common Shares at the Meeting.

Registered Shareholders who are unable to attend the Meeting in person and who wish to ensure that their Common Shares will be voted at the Meeting are requested to complete, sign and deliver the enclosed form of proxy to the Corporation, c/o TSX Trust Company at P.O. Box 721, Agincourt, Ontario, M1S 0A1, or alternatively, to vote using the internet or in person at their discretion, in accordance with the enclosed instructions. In order to be valid and acted upon at the Meeting, forms of proxy must be returned to the aforesaid address not less than 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the time set for the holding of the Meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof. Further instructions with respect to the voting

by proxy are provided in the form of proxy and in the Circular accompanying this Notice.

## **Non-Registered Shareholders**

Shareholders may beneficially own Common Shares that are registered in the name of a broker, another intermediary or an agent of that broker or intermediary ("Non-Registered Shareholders"). Without specific instructions, intermediaries are prohibited from voting Common Shares for their clients. If you are a Non-Registered Shareholder, it is vital that the voting instruction form provided to you by your broker, intermediary or its agent is returned according to their instructions, sufficiently in advance of the deadline specified by the broker, intermediary or its agent, to ensure that they are able to provide voting instructions on your behalf.

DATED at Montréal, Québec, this 11th day of May, 2022.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

(signed) "Robert Wares"
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

## OSISKO METALS INCORPORATED (the "Corporation")

#### MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

(Containing information as at May 9, 2022 unless indicated otherwise)

#### NOTICE AND ACCESS

The Corporation has opted to use the Notice and Access rules adopted by Canadian Securities regulators to reduce the volume of paper in the meeting materials distributed for the annual and special meeting of shareholders to be held on Thursday June 23, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. (the "Meeting"). Instead of receiving this Management Information Circular (the "Circular") with the form of proxy or voting instruction form, shareholders will receive a Notice of Meeting with instructions for accessing the remaining Meeting materials electronically. Notice and Access benefits shareholders of the Corporation (the "Shareholders") by expediting Shareholders' receipt of meeting materials, lowering printing and distribution costs, and reducing the environmental impact of the Meeting.

The Corporation sent the Notice of Meeting and proxy form directly to registered Shareholders. The Corporation intends to pay for intermediaries to deliver the Notice of Meeting request for voting instructions and other meeting materials to non-registered shareholders.

This Circular and other relevant materials are available via the internet at <a href="www.osiskometals.com">www.osiskometals.com</a>, on the System of Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval ("SEDAR") site at <a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> under the Corporation's profile, or at <a href="https://www.meetingdocuments.com/TSXT/OM">https://www.meetingdocuments.com/TSXT/OM</a>.

The Corporation will not be using stratification as it relates to Notice and Access.

If you would like to receive a paper copy of the current Meeting materials by mail prior to the Meeting, you must request them from TSX Trust Company at <a href="mailto:tsxt-fulfilment@tmx.com">tsxt-fulfilment@tmx.com</a> or by calling TSX Trust Company toll free at 1-888-433-6443 on or before June 8, 2022. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy.

To obtain paper copies of the Meeting materials after the Meeting date, please contact the Corporation as follows: by mail, Osisko Metals Incorporated, 1100 Avenue des Canadiens de Montreal, Suite 300, Montreal, Québec H3B 2S2, by telephone at (514) 861-4441, or by email at info@osiskometals.com.

#### **SOLICITATION OF PROXIES**

This Circular is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the management of the Corporation for use at the Meeting (and any adjournment thereof) to be held on Thursday, June 23, 2022 at the time and place and for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of Meeting. While it is expected that the solicitation will be primarily by mail, proxies may be solicited personally or by telephone by the directors, officers and regular employees of the Corporation at nominal cost. All costs of solicitation by management will be borne by the Corporation ("Management").

The contents of this Circular have been approved by the directors of the Corporation.

## APPOINTMENT OF PROXYHOLDER

The individuals named in the accompanying form of Proxy are directors and/or officers ("Management's Nominees") of the Corporation. A SHAREHOLDER WISHING TO APPOINT SOME OTHER PERSON (WHO NEED NOT BE A SHAREHOLDER) TO REPRESENT THEM AT THE MEETING HAS THE RIGHT TO DO SO, BY INSERTING THE DESIRED PERSON'S NAME IN THE BLANK SPACE PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF PROXY OR BY COMPLETING ANOTHER FORM OF PROXY.

A Proxy will not be valid unless the completed form of Proxy is received by TSX Trust Company at P.O. Box 721, Agincourt, Ontario, M1S 0A1, not less than 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the time for holding the Meeting or any adjournment thereof. Proxies delivered after that time will not be accepted.

## **REVOCATION OF PROXIES**

A Shareholder who has given a proxy (a "**Proxy**") may revoke it by an instrument in writing executed by the Shareholder or by his, her or its attorney authorized in writing or, where the Shareholder is a corporation, by a duly authorized officer or attorney of the corporation, and delivered to the registered office of the Corporation, at Suite 2300, 550 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 2B5 at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the Meeting, or if adjourned, any reconvening thereof, or to the Chairman of the Meeting on the day of the Meeting or, if adjourned, any reconvening thereof or in any other manner provided by law. A revocation of a Proxy does not affect any matter on which a vote has been taken prior to the revocation.

#### INFORMATION FOR NON-REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS

Only Registered Shareholders or duly appointed proxyholders are permitted to vote at the Meeting. Most Shareholders are "non-registered" Shareholders because the shares they own are not registered in their names but are instead registered in the names 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 may vote at the Meeting. If common shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by a broker, then in almost all cases those common shares will not be registered in such Shareholder's name on the records of the Corporation. Such common 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 The Canadian Depository for Securities, which company acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms). Common 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.

Existing 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 Common 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 Corporation 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 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 to Broadridge (by way of the internet or telephone, for example). Broadridge then tabulates the results of all instructions received and provides appropriate instructions respecting the voting of Common Shares to be represented at the Meeting. A Beneficial Shareholder who receives a Broadridge voting instruction form cannot use that form to vote Common Shares directly at the Meeting. The voting instruction form must be returned to Broadridge (or instructions respecting the voting of Common Shares must be communicated to Broadridge) well in advance of the Meeting in order to have the Common Shares voted.

This Circular and accompanying materials are 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 ("OBOs") and those who do not object to their identity being made known to the issuers of the securities they own ("NOBOs"). Subject to the provisions of *National Instrument 54-101 Communications with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer* ("NI 54-101"), issuers may request and obtain a list of their NOBOs from intermediaries via their transfer agents. Pursuant to NI 54-101, issuers may obtain and use the NOBO list for distribution of proxy-related materials directly (not via Broadridge) to such NOBOs. If you are a Beneficial Shareholder, and the Corporation or its agent has sent these materials directly to you, your name, address and information about your holdings of Common Shares have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the intermediary holding the Common Shares on your behalf.

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

Although a Beneficial Shareholder may not be recognized directly at the Meeting for the purposes of voting Common Shares registered in the name of his, her or its broker, a Beneficial Shareholder may attend the Meeting as proxyholder for the Registered Shareholder and vote the Common Shares in that capacity. Beneficial Shareholders who wish to attend the Meeting and indirectly vote their Common Shares as proxyholder for the Registered Shareholder should enter their own names in the blank space on the proxy 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 Shareholders of record unless specifically stated otherwise.

#### **VOTING OF PROXIES**

The Common Shares represented by a properly executed proxy in favour of persons proposed by Management as proxyholders in the accompanying form of proxy will:

- (a) be voted or withheld from voting in accordance with the instructions of the person appointing the proxyholder on any ballot that may be taken; and
- (b) where a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon has been specified in the form of proxy, be voted in accordance with the specification made in such proxy.

ON A POLL SUCH COMMON SHARES WILL BE VOTED **IN FAVOUR** OF EACH MATTER FOR WHICH NO CHOICE HAS BEEN SPECIFIED BY THE SHAREHOLDER.

There are three ways that Registered Shareholders can vote their Common Shares. A Shareholder is a Registered Shareholder if their name appears on their share certificate. A Registered Shareholder may (i) vote in person at the Meeting, (ii) complete and sign the enclosed form of Proxy and appoint one of the named persons or another person the Shareholder chooses to represent them and to vote their Common Shares at the Meeting and mail it, (iii) or vote electronically on the internet. The Shareholder should make sure that the person they appoint is aware that he or she is appointed and attends the Meeting. Completing, signing and returning the form of Proxy does not preclude the Shareholder from attending the Meeting in person. If the Shareholder does not wish to attend the Meeting or does not wish to vote in person, the Shareholder's Proxy will be voted or be withheld from voting, in accordance with their instructions specified on their Proxy, on any ballot that may be called at the Meeting. If the Shareholder is a corporation or other legal entity, the form of Proxy must be signed by an officer or attorney authorized by such corporation or other legal entity.

To vote electronically, a Registered Shareholder must go to the following internet site: <a href="https://www.tsxtrust.com/vote-proxy">www.tsxtrust.com/vote-proxy</a> and enter their personalized 13-digit e-voting control number printed on their form of Proxy and follow the instructions on the screen.

If a Registered Shareholder wishes to attend the Meeting and vote their Common Shares in person at the Meeting, it is not necessary for the Registered Shareholder to complete or return the form of Proxy. A Registered Shareholder vote will be taken and counted at the Meeting. A Registered Shareholder should register with the transfer agent, TSX Trust Company, upon arrival at the Meeting.

The form of Proxy when properly completed and delivered and not revoked confers discretionary authority upon the person appointed Proxy thereunder to vote with respect to amendments or variations of matters identified in the Notice of Meeting, and with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting. In the event that amendments or variations to matters identified in the Notice of Meeting are properly brought before the Meeting or any further or other business is properly brought before the Meeting, it is the intention of the persons designated in the enclosed form of Proxy to vote in accordance with their best judgment on such matters or business. At the time of the printing of this Circular, Management knows of no such amendment, variation or other matter which may be presented to the Meeting.

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

Other than as set forth in this Circular, no person who has been a director or executive officer of the Corporation at any time since the beginning of the Corporation's last financial year, nor any proposed nominee for election as a director of the Corporation, nor any associate or affiliate of any of the foregoing, has any material interest, directly or indirectly, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon other than the election of directors or the appointment of auditors. Directors and executive officers may also be interested in the approval of the Corporation's option plan (as proposed to be amended) as detailed below. See "Particulars of Matters to be Acted Upon – Approval of the Amended Option Plan".

## **VOTING SHARES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF**

Authorized Capital: an unlimited number of common shares without par value 201,905,104<sup>(1)</sup> common shares without par value

#### Notes:

(1) As at May 9, 2022.

The Common Shares are the only voting securities of the Corporation. Only Shareholders of record at the close of business on May 9, 2022 (the "**Record Date**") who either personally attend the Meeting or who have completed and delivered a form of Proxy in the manner and subject to the provisions described above shall be entitled to vote or to have their Common Shares voted at the Meeting.

On a show of hands, every individual who is present and is entitled to vote as a Shareholder or as a representative of one or more corporate Shareholders, or who is holding a Proxy on behalf of a Shareholder who is not present at the Meeting, will have one vote, and on a poll every Shareholder present in person or represented by a Proxy and every person who is a representative of one or more corporate Shareholders, will have one vote for each Common Share registered in his, her or its name on the list of Shareholders, which is available for inspection during normal business hours at TSX Trust Company and will be available at the Meeting.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Corporation, the following persons or companies beneficially own, or control or direct, directly or indirectly, voting securities carrying 10% or more of the voting rights attached to any class of voting securities, as of the Record Date:

Name Name	No, of Common Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	% of Issued & Outstanding Common <sup>(1)</sup>		
Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd	31,127,397	15.42%		
Robert Wares	37,187,118	18.42%		

#### Notes:

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

#### PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

#### **Financial Statements**

The shareholders will receive and consider the audited financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, together with the auditor's report thereon.

#### **Setting Number of Directors**

The Board proposes that the number of directors of the Corporation be fixed at six (6). Shareholders will therefore be asked to approve an ordinary resolution that determines the number of directors to be elected at six (6).

## **Election of Directors**

The term of office of each of the present directors expires at the Meeting. Unless the director's office is earlier vacated in accordance with the provisions of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), each director elected will hold office until the next annual meeting of the Corporation or until his or her successor is elected or appointed.

The constating documents of the Corporation include an advance notice provision. The purpose of the advance notice provision is to provide shareholders, directors and management of the Corporation with direction on the procedure for shareholder nomination of directors. The advance notice provision is the framework by which the Corporation seeks to fix a deadline by which holders of record of Common Shares of the Corporation must submit director nominations to the Corporation prior to any annual or special meeting of shareholders and sets forth the information that a shareholder must include in the notice to the Corporation for the notice to be in proper written form. The Corporation did not receive notice of any director nominations in connection with the Meeting within the time periods prescribed by the Articles. Accordingly, at the Meeting, the only persons eligible to be nominated for election to the Board are the nominees set forth below.

Unless the Shareholder has specifically instructed in the form of proxy that the Common Shares represented by such proxy are to be withheld or voted otherwise, the persons named in the proxy will vote FOR the election of each of the proposed nominees set forth below as directors of the Corporation.

The following table and notes thereto states the name of each person proposed to be nominated by management for election as a director (a "**proposed director**"), the province and country in which he or she is ordinarily resident, all offices of the Corporation now held by him or her, his or her principal occupation, business or employment for the five preceding years for new director nominees, the period of time for which he or she has been a director of the Corporation, and the number of Common Shares of the Corporation beneficially owned by him, or controlled or directed, directly or indirectly, or over which he or she exercises control or direction, as of May 9, 2022.

Name, Position and Province and Country of Residence <sup>(1)</sup>	Present Principal Occupation <sup>(1)</sup>	Previous Service as a Director	Number of Common Shares beneficially owned, or controlled or directed directly or indirectly (2)
Jeff Hussey <sup>(4)</sup> Director, President and COO Québec, Canada	Professional geologist; President of the Corporation since June 21, 2017 and Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation since January 20, 2020; formerly, Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation from June 21, 2017 to January 20, 2020; formerly, Vice-President, Project Development of Focus Graphite Inc. from May 2013 to June 2017.	Since 21- June-2017	1,610,381 (0.80%)
Robert Wares Director, Chairman and CEO Québec, Canada	Chairman since May 2017 and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation since January 2020; director of the Corporation since 2007; formerly, Executive VP Exploration and Resource Development for Osisko Mining Inc. from October 2016 until November 2019; formerly, Chief Geologist for Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd.; formerly, President and CEO of NioGold Mining Corporation.	Since 9- Dec-2008	37,187,118 (18.42%)
Luc Lessard Director Québec, Canada	Mining engineer. President and Chief Executive Officer of Falco Resources Ltd. since February 2015, and COO of Osisko Development since November 2020; formerly, Senior Vice President, Technical Services of Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd.	Since 9- Feb-2016	34,000 (0.02%)
Amy Satov (3)(4)(5) Director Québec, Canada	General Counsel, Balcan Innovations Inc. since March 2021, formerly Senior Legal Counsel, Nuvei Technologies Corp. from April 2020 to March 2021, formerly CEO, BL Solutions Inc. from November 2019 to March 2020, formerly CEO of Litron Distributors Ltd. from 2012 to November 2019.	Since 28- Aug-2017	125,100 (0.06%)
Cathy Singer (3)(4)(5) Director Ontario, Canada	Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP since November 2001.	Since 10- Sept-2018	14,286 (0.01%)
<b>Donald Siemens</b> <sup>(3)(5)</sup> Director British Columbia, Canada	Chartered Professional Accountant. Corporate Finance Consultant. Public company director.	Since 6- June-2019	319,000 (0.16%)

## Notes:

- The information as to province and country of residence and principal occupation, not being within the knowledge of the Corporation, has been furnished by the respective directors individually.

  The information as to Common Shares beneficially owned or over which a director exercises control or direction, not being within
- the knowledge of the Corporation, has been furnished by the respective directors individually. Denotes member of the Audit Committee. Mr. Siemens is Chair.
- (4) Denotes member of the Corporate Governance Committee. Ms. Singer is Chair.
- (5) Denotes member of the Compensation Committee. Ms. Satov is Chair.

## **Appointment of Auditors**

The board of directors of the Corporation (the "**Board**") nominate PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("**PwC**"), Chartered Professional Accountants, of 1250 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, Suite 2500, Montréal, Québec, H3B 4Y1, the current auditors of the Corporation, to hold office until the close of the next annual meeting of Shareholders. PwC was first appointed as auditors of the Corporation on September 10, 2018.

Unless the Shareholder has specifically instructed in the 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 PwC as auditor of the Corporation to hold office until the next annual meeting of Shareholders or until a successor is appointed and to authorize the Board to fix the remuneration of the auditor.

## Approval of the Amended Option Plan

The Corporation's current Option Plan was initially adopted on September 10, 2018 and most recently approved by Shareholders on September 1, 2021 (the "**Option Plan**"). As a "rolling" stock option plan, the Option Plan is required, pursuant to the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange (the "**TSXV**"), to be reapproved by the Shareholders each year at the Corporation's annual meeting. As of the Record Date, there are 12,437,800 outstanding under the Option Plan, and 7,752,710 additional Options may be granted (based on the current issued capital of 201,905,104 Common Shares). Notice of Options granted under the Option Plan must be given to the TSXV on a monthly basis. Any amendments to the Option Plan must also be approved by the TSXV and, if necessary, by the Shareholders of the Corporation prior to becoming effective.

On November 24, 2021, the TSXV implemented certain changes to its policies regarding security based compensation, pursuant to which, among other things, TSXV Policy 4.4 – *Incentive Stock Options* (the "Former Policy") was renamed Policy 4.4 – *Security Based Compensation* (the "New Policy") and was expanded to contemplate various types of security based compensation in addition to stock options and to permit more flexibility in the design of security based compensation plans. As a result of the changes introduced pursuant to the New Policy, the Corporation wishes to amend and restate the Option Plan, which was originally prepared in compliance with the Former Policy, to ensure that it complies with the current requirements of the TSXV set forth in the New Policy (the Option Plan, as amended, being referred to herein as the "Amended Option Plan"). The Amended Option Plan is subject to the receipt of shareholder and regulatory approvals, including acceptance by the TSXV.

The principal amendments to the Option Plan will include:

- revisions to Section 3 (Administration) providing for a restriction on reducing the exercise price or extending the expiry date of any Options granted to insiders of the Corporation without obtaining disinterested shareholder approval;
- revisions to Section 5 (*Number of Shares Reserved under the Plan*) to clarify the participation limits under the Amended Option Plan;
- revisions to Section 9 (Option Period and Exercise of Options) to: (i) clarify the blackout period and
  extension period for the exercise of Options; (ii) include vesting restrictions applicable to investor
  relations service providers; (iii) include restrictions on term of Options applicable to Eligible
  Charitable Organizations (as defined under the policies of the TSXV); and (iv) include cashless
  exercise and net exercise provisions; and
- revisions to Section 12 (Adjustments in Shares Subject to the Plan) to require prior TSXV approval
  of any anti-dilution adjustments to Options, other than adjustments in connection with a stock split
  or consolidation.

#### **Summary of the Amended Option Plan**

The following is a summary of the key provisions of the Amended Option Plan. This summary is qualified in all respects by the full text of the Amended Option Plan, a copy of which is appended hereto as Schedule "D". All terms used but not defined in this section have the meaning as ascribed thereto in the Amended Option Plan.

## Purpose of the Amended Option Plan

The purpose of the Amended Option Plan is to allow the Corporation to grant options to directors, officers, employees and consultants, as an incentive to dedicate their efforts to advance the success of the Corporation. The granting of options is intended to align the interests of such persons with that of the Shareholders.

## **Eligibility for Options**

Pursuant to the Option Plan, the Board may, from time to time, authorize the issue of options to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Corporation and its subsidiaries or employees of companies providing management or consulting services to the Corporation or its subsidiaries.

#### Administration

The Option Plan is to be administered by the Board or by a committee of two or more directors of the Corporation (the "Committee") who may be designated from time to time to serve as the Committee for the Option Plan. Subject to the limitations of the Option Plan, the Board has full power to grant options, to determine the terms, limitations, restrictions and conditions respecting such options and to settle, execute and deliver option agreements and bind the Corporation accordingly, to interpret the Option Plan and to adopt such rules, regulations and guidelines for carrying out the Option Plan as it may deem necessary or proper, all of which powers shall be exercised in the best interests of the Corporation and in keeping with the objectives of the Option Plan. However, disinterested shareholder approval, as required under the policies of the TSXV, shall be required for any reduction in the Option Price or extension of term of an Option granted under the Amended Option Plan if the Optionee is an insider of the Corporation at the time of such amendment.

## Total Number of Securities Issuable and Securities Issued under the Option Plan

The maximum aggregate number of Common Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to the exercise of options granted under the Option Plan is 10% of the outstanding Common Shares as at the date of a stock option grant. If any option subject to the Option Plan is forfeited, expires, is terminated or is cancelled for any reason (other than by reason of exercise), then the maximum number of Common Shares for which options may be granted must be increased by the number of Common Shares which were the subject of such forfeited, expired, terminated or cancelled options. The maximum number of Common Shares must be appropriately adjusted in the event of a subdivision or consolidation of the Common Shares.

## Option Price

The Option Price shall be determined by the Board or Committee, in its discretion, at the time such Option is granted, but such price shall not be less than the Discounted Market Price (as such term is defined under TSXV Policies). Subject to TSXV approval, the exercise price per optioned share under an option may be reduced at the discretion of the Board or Committee if (i) prior TSXV approval is obtained and at least six months has elapsed since the later of the date such option was granted and the date the exercise price for such option was last amended; and (ii) disinterested shareholder approval is obtained in accordance with TSXV Policies for any reduction in the exercise price under an option held by an insider of the Corporation at the time of the proposed reduction; provided that if the exercise price is reduced to less than the Market Price (as such term is defined under TSXV Policies), the TSXV's four month hold period will apply from the

date of the amendment and further provided that no such conditions will apply in the case of an adjustment made in the event of any subdivision or consolidation of the Common Shares.

## Tax Withholding

The Option Plan establishes that the Corporation shall have the right to withhold from any amount payable to an optionee such amount as may be necessary to enable the Corporation to comply with the applicable requirements of any federal, provincial, state or local law, or any administrative policy of any applicable tax authority, relating to the withholding of tax or any other required deductions with respect to awards under the Option Plan. The Corporation shall also have the right in its discretion to satisfy any liability for any withholding obligations by selling, or causing a broker to sell, on behalf of any participant such number of Common Shares issued to the participant pursuant to an exercise of options under the Option Plan as is sufficient to fund the withholding obligations (after deducting commissions payable to the broker), or retaining any amount or consideration which would otherwise be paid, delivered or provided to the participant under the Option Plan. The Corporation may require an optionee, as a condition to exercise of an option, to make such arrangements as the Corporation may require so that the Corporation can satisfy applicable withholding obligations, including, without limitation: (i) requiring the participant to remit the amount of any such withholding obligations to the Corporation in advance; (ii) requiring the participant to reimburse the Corporation for any such withholding obligations; or (iii) causing a broker who sells such shares on behalf of the participant to withhold from the proceeds realized from such sale the amount required to satisfy any such withholding obligations, and remitting such amount directly to the Corporation.

## Eligible Participants under the Option Plan

Options may be granted to Directors, Officers, Employees, Investor Relations Service Providers and Consultants of the Corporation, who are, in the opinion of the Board or Committee, in a position to contribute to the success of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries or who, by virtue of their service to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, are in the opinion of the Board or Committee, worthy of special recognition.

## **Participation Limits**

- Unless the Corporation obtains "disinterested shareholder" approval in accordance with the policies of the TSXV, the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved under the Option Plan for issuance to any one person (and, where permitted under the policies of the TSXV, any companies that are wholly-owned by that person), in any 12-month period must not exceed 5% of the outstanding Common Shares at the time of grant.
- **Insiders:** Unless the Corporation obtains "disinterested shareholder" approval in accordance with the policies of the TSXV:
  - (a) the maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved for issuance to Insiders of the Corporation (as a group) under the Option Plan; and
  - (b) the maximum aggregate number of Options granted to Insiders of the Corporation (as a group) under the Option Plan within a 12-month period,

may not exceed 10% of outstanding Common Shares at the time of grant.

• Consultants: The maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved under the Option Plan for issuance to any one Consultant during any 12-month period must not exceed 2% of the outstanding Common Shares at the time of grant.

- Investor Relations Service Providers: The maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved during any 12-month period under the Option Plan for issuance to all Investor Relations Service Providers must not exceed 2% of the outstanding Common Shares at the time of grant.
- Eligible Charitable Organizations: The maximum aggregate number of Common Shares that may be reserved under the Plan for issuance to all Eligible Charitable Organizations may not exceed 1% of the outstanding Common Shares at the time of grant.

## **Vesting of Options**

Subject to the policies of the TSXV, an Option shall vest and may be exercised (in each case to the nearest full Common Share) during the option period in accordance with any vesting schedule as the Board or Committee may determine from time to time in its sole discretion. The vested portions of Options will be exercisable, in whole or in part, at any time after vesting.

Options issued to Investor Relations Service Providers will be subject to a vesting schedule of at least 12 months such that: (a) no more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Options vest no sonner than 3 months after the date of grant; (b) no more than another  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Options vest no sonner than 6 months after the date of grant; (c) no more than another  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the Options vest no sonner than 9 months after the date of grant; and (d) remainder of the Options vest no sonner than 12 months after the date of grant.

#### Term of Options

The Option period for an option shall be determined by the Board or Committee at the time the options are granted and may be up to 10 years from the date the options are granted (subject to extensions where the expiry date falls within a Blackout Period). At the time options are granted, the Board or Committee may determine that, with respect to those options, upon the occurrence of an optionee ceasing to be a Director, Officer, Employee, Management Company Employee, or Consultant of the Corporation for any reason excluding termination for cause or death or on account of disability, there shall come into force a time limit for exercise of such options which is different than the option period, and in the event of such a determination, the option agreement for such option shall contain provisions which specify the events and time limits related to that determination. Subject to the applicable maximum option period provided for under the Option Plan and subject to applicable regulatory requirements and approvals, the Board or Committee may extend the option period of outstanding options beyond its original expiration date (whether or not such options are held by an Insider), provided such options have been outstanding for at least one year prior to such extension.

The Corporation may from time to time impose a Blackout Period, during which period a holder of the Options may not, subject to the terms of such Blackout Period (and the Corporation's blackout policy), exercise Options until the expiry of the Blackout Period. As such, the term of any Option that would otherwise expire during a Blackout Period will be extended by 10 trading days following the expiry of the Blackout Period, provided that: (a) the Blackout Period must be formally imposed pursuant to the Corporation's internal trading policies; (b) the Blackout period must expire upon the general disclosure of the undisclosed material information; (c) the automatic extension of the Options will not be permitted where the Optionee or the Corporation is subject to a cease trading order, or similar order under securities laws, in respect of the Corporation's securities.

Options issued to any Eligble Charitable Organization shall expire on or before the earlier of: (a) the date that is 10 years from the date of grant; and (b) the 90<sup>th</sup> day following the date the holder of the Options cease to be an Eligible Charitable Organization.

## Causes of Cessation of Entitlement

Outstanding Options shall remain in full force and effect and exercisable according to its terms for the option period until the Optionee ceases to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant of the Corporation for

any reason, excluding death, disability or termination for cause, after which time the options which have vested will expire within ninety (90) days or, for those Optionees who are Investor Relations Service Provider, the Options which have vested will expire within thirty (30) days, of the cessation date.

In the event that the optionee shall cease to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant of the Corporation by reasons of such Optionee's termination for cause, the Option shall terminate and shall cease to be exercisable upon such termination for cause. In the event that the Optionee shall cease to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant of the Corporation by reason of such Optionee's disability, any Options held by such Optionee that could have been exercised immediately prior to such cessation shall be exercisable by such Optionee, or by his or her guardian, for a period of 30 days following the date of such cessation (if such Optionee dies within that 30 day period, any option held by such optionee that could have been exercised immediately prior to his or her death shall pass to the qualified successor of such optionee, and shall be exercisable by the qualified successor until the earlier of 30 days following the death of such Optionee and the expiry of the option period). In the event that the optionee shall cease to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant of the Corporation by reason of such optionee's death, any options held by such optionee shall pass to the qualified successor of the Optionee and shall be exercisable by such qualified successor until the earlier of one year following the date of such death and the original expiry date of such Option.

Options which have not vested as of the cessation date shall terminate and cease to be exercisable on such date. Options which have not vested as of the date of an Optionee's death shall terminate and cease to be exercisable on such date.

## Assignability and Non-Transferability of Options

Neither the Options nor the benefits and rights of any optionee under any option or under the Amended Option Plan shall be assignable or otherwise transferable, except as specifically provided under the Amended Option Plan in the event of the death or disability of an optionee. During the lifetime of the Optionee, all Options may only be exercised by the Optionee.

## Amendment or Termination of the Option Plan

The Board reserves the right to amend or terminate the Option Plan at any time if and when it is deemed advisable in the absolute discretion of the Board; provided, however, that no such amendment or termination shall adversely affect any outstanding options granted under the Option Plan without the consent of the Optionee. Any amendment to the Option Plan shall also be subject to acceptance of such amendment or amended plan for filing by the TSXV and, where required by the TSXV, the approval of the Shareholders.

#### **Shareholder Approval of the Amended Option Plan**

Pursuant to the policies of the TSXV, the Corporation is required to obtain shareholder approval of the Amended Option Plan in connection with the implementation thereof. If shareholder approval is obtained at the Meeting, the Amended Option Plan will supersede and replace the Option Plan. Existing Options which are outstanding under the Option Plan will be incorporated into the Amended Option Plan and governed by the Amended Option Plan, if the Amended Option Plan receives approval of Shareholders at the Meeting.

Accordingly, Shareholders will be asked to pass an ordinary resolution, in substantially the following form, to approve the Amended Option Plan (the "Option Plan Resolution"):

"BE IT RESOLVED, as an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of Osisko Metals Incorporated (the "Corporation") that:

- 1. the amended and restated stock option plan of the Corporation appended as Schedule "D" to the management information circular of the Corporation dated May 11, 2022, be and is hereby ratified and approved;
- 2. all Options issued and to be issued under the Amended Option Plan, be and are hereby approved; and
- 3. the board of directors of the Corporation (the "**Board**") be authorized to make any further amendments to the Amended Option Plan from time to time, as may be required by the applicable regulatory authorities, or as may be considered appropriate by the Board, in its sole discretion, provided always that such amendments be subject to the approval of the regulatory authorities, if applicable, and in certain cases, in accordance with the terms of the Amended Option Plan, the approval of the shareholders of the Corporation."

An ordinary resolution is a resolution passed by the shareholders of the Corporation at a general meeting by a simple majority of the votes cast in person or by proxy.

The Board recommends that Shareholders vote <u>FOR</u> the Option Plan Resolution. To be effective, the Option Plan Resolution must be approved 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 Management's Nominees will vote the shares represented thereby <u>FOR</u> such resolution, unless the Shareholder has given contrary instructions in such form of proxy.

### **Approval of Glencore as Control Person**

At the Meeting, the disinterested Shareholders will be asked to consider, and if deemed appropriate, pass the Control Person Resolution (as defined herein).

#### Background

On March 25, 2022, the Corporation entered into a binding term sheet with Glencore Canada Corporation ("Glencore") with respect to a purchase agreement, which, if and when entered into, would provide the Corporation with an option (the "Option") to acquire 100% of the assets and liabilities of the former Gaspé Copper Mine and related properties (collectively, the "Gaspé Mine") located near Murdochville, Québec. As consideration for the Option, the Corporation must incur drilling costs of C\$5 million before June 30, 2022 to test the oxidation levels within the mineralization that surrounds the Mount Copper open pit deposit (the "Drilling"), and the parties must complete their due diligence and negotiate any outstanding matters.

The Option transaction and effectiveness of any definitive agreements between the parties are contingent on the election by the Corporation to exercise the Option on or before June 30, 2022, with the parties then having 3 months to close the Option transaction.

Assuming the exercise of the Option, the Corporation will pay, as consideration for the Gaspé Mine, (i) an upfront payment of US\$25 million by way of a convertible note issued to Glencore (the "Convertible Note") at the closing of the Option transaction, and (ii) a cash payment of US\$20 million, payable upon the start of commercial production.

The issuance of the Convertible Note is contingent upon the Corporation's exercise of the Option and satisfaction or waiver of any condition precedent to the closing of the Option transaction. If issued, the Convertible Note will be convertible, in whole or in part, at the sole election of Glencore, into Units of the Corporation at a price of C\$0.40 per Unit. Each "Unit" shall comprise one Common Share and one-half Common Share purchase warrant of the Corporation (each whole warrant, a "Warrant"). Each Warrant will be exercisable by Glencore at an exercise price equal to C\$0.46 per Common Share for a period of 3 years following closing of the Option transaction.

The Convertible Note will bear interest at a rate equal to the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) + 4% (the "Interest Rate"), payable annually, subject to a right by the Corporation to defer the payment of interest until the maturity date, and unless converted before then and subject to events of default and certain acceleration rights, the principal shall be repaid in totality at a date that is 36 months from the closing of the Option transaction.

The Corporation will also agree to provide: (i) a commercially reasonable offtake right for 100% of all ores, concentrates and other mineral products produced during the renewed life of mine at the Gaspé Mine; (ii) a 1% net smelter return royalty on all ores, concentrates and other mineral products from the Copper Mountain sulphide deposit and a 3% net smelter return royalty on all ores, concentrates and other mineral products from the other areas of the Gaspé Mine; and (iii) a covenant to incur a total of C\$55 million in exploration and development expenditures at the Gaspé Mine over a period of four years from March 25, 2022, with a minimum of C\$20 million to be incurred within the first two years from March 25, 2022 (the "Work Expenditures"). Should the Corporation not incur the Work Expenditures within the above timelines, the Corporation must pay annually to Glencore an amount equal to the expenditure deficit at the end of each given year multiplied by the Interest Rate until such thresholds have been satisfied.

If the Corporation exercises the Option, completes the Option transaction and issues the Convertible Note to Glencore, Glencore is expected to hold, on a post-conversion basis, such number of Common Shares and Warrants that is expected to exceed 20% of the *pro forma* issued and outstanding Common Shares, both on a non-diluted and partially-diluted, post-conversion basis.

For illustrative purposes, assuming a Bank of Canada exchange rate of US\$1.00 = C\$1.2964 (being the Bank of Canada exchange rate as at the close of business on the Record Date), the Option transaction completed and Convertible Note issued, Glencore is expected to hold, on a post-conversion basis, 81,025,000 Common Shares and 40,512,500 Warrants. Based on the issued and outstanding Common Shares as of the Record Date, Glencore's expected post-conversion holdings, based on the assumptions above, represent (i) approximately 28.6% of the *pro forma* issued and outstanding Common Shares on a non-diluted post-conversion basis and (ii) approximately 37.6% of the *pro forma* issued and outstanding Common Shares on a partially-diluted post-conversion basis.

#### **Creation of New Control Person**

A "Control Person" is defined in Policy 1.1. of the TSXV as any person that holds or is one of a combination of persons that holds a sufficient number of any of the securities of an issuer so as to affect materially the control of that issuer, or that holds more than 20% of the outstanding voting shares of an issuer except where there is evidence showing that the holder of those securities does not materially affect the control of the issuer.

It is expected that if the Option transaction is completed, Glencore may, upon conversion of the Convertible Note, become a Control Person of the Corporation. As such, the Corporation is required to seek disinterested shareholder approval to authorize the creation of a new Control Person, in accordance with the policies of the TSXV. As a result, the disinterested shareholders of the Corporation will be asked to consider and, if deemed advisable, to approve, at the Meeting, an ordinary resolution approving Glencore as a Control Person of the Corporation, with "disinterested shareholder approval" meaning that the votes attached to the Common Shares held by the new "Control Person", being Glencore, together with its affiliates and associates, are excluded from the calculation of such approval.

#### **Disinterested Shareholder Approval**

Disinterested shareholders will be asked at the Meeting to consider and, if thought fit, to approve the following resolutions which must be approved by at least a simple majority of the votes cast by shareholders represented in person or by proxy at the Meeting provided that, in connection with the approval of the creation of the new Control Person, the respective votes attached to the Common Shares held by Glencore, and any of its associates or affiliates, are excluded from the calculation of such approval.

Pursuant to the policies of the TSXV, disinterested shareholders will be asked at the Meeting to approve the following resolution (the "Control Person Resolution"):

"BE IT RESOLVED, as an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of Osisko Metals Incorporated (the "Corporation") that:

- the creation of a new Control Person (as such term is defined in the policies of the TSXV) of the Corporation, Glencore Canada Corporation ("Glencore"), resulting from, among other things, the issuance of a convertible note with a principal amount of US\$25 million which is convertible into units of the Corporation ("Units") at a conversion price of C\$0.40 per Unit, with each Unit comprising one common share and one-half common share purchase warrant of the Corporation, as more particularly described in the Corporation's management information circular dated May 11, 2022 (the "Circular"), is hereby authorized and approved;
- any one director or officer of the Corporation, for and on behalf of the Corporation is hereby authorized to execute, deliver and file, or cause to be filed, all documents, instruments and certificates and take all such other actions as any such director or officer, in his or her discretion, may deem necessary, advisable or appropriate to implement this resolution and the matters authorized hereby, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of any such documents and instruments and the taking of any such actions; and
- 3. notwithstanding the foregoing approvals, the board of directors of the Corporation be and are hereby authorized, by resolution at any time in its absolute discretion, to determine whether or not to proceed with the transactions contemplated by these resolutions at anytime prior to giving effect thereto without further approval, ratification or confirmation by the shareholders of the Corporation."

In accordance with the requirement to obtain disinterested shareholder approval, the Common Shares beneficially owned by Glencore, or by its associates or affiliates (as such terms are defined in TSXV policies) will not be eligible to vote on this resolution. As at the date hereof, Glencore, and its associates or affiliates do not own or control, directly or indirectly, any securities of the Corporation.

If the Control Person Resolution fail to obtain disinterested shareholder approval at the Meeting (the "Control Person Approval"), Glencore will not be authorized to be a Control Person (as defined under the policies of the TSXV) of the Corporation. As such, the Corporation will not be able to issue Common Shares to Glencore that results in Glencore holding more than 20% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares at the time of issuance. The failure to obtain the Control Person Approval will result in the Option transaction not being able to be completed the current terms as announced, or at all.

## **Recommendation of the Board of Directors**

The Board recommends that shareholders vote **FOR** the approval of the Control Person Resolution. In the absence of contrary instructions, the Management's Nominees intend to vote **FOR** the approval of the Control Person Resolution, unless the Shareholder has given contrary instructions in such form of proxy.

#### **ANY OTHER MATTERS**

Management of the Corporation knows of no matters to come before the meeting other than those referred to in the Notice of Meeting accompanying this Circular. However, if any other matters properly come before the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the form of proxy accompanying this Circular to vote the same in accordance with their best judgment of such matters.

## NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Please refer to Schedule "C" for information relating to the Statement of Executive Compensation prepared in accordance with Form 51-102F6V – *Statement of Executive Compensation – Venture Issuers*.

## SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

## **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The following table provides information regarding compensation plans under which securities of the Corporation are authorized for issuance in effect as of December 31, 2021:

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (a)	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (b)	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a)) (c)
Equity Compensation Plans Approved By Shareholders	11,902,800	\$0.81	8,280,544
Equity Compensation Plans Not Approved By Shareholders	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total:	11,902,800	\$0.81	8,280,544

For more details about the Option Plan, and the proposed amendments thereto, see "Particulars of Matters to be Acted Upon – Approval of the Amended Option Plan".

## INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

At any time during the Corporation's last completed financial year or as of the date hereof, no director, executive officer, employee, proposed management nominee for election as a director of the Corporation nor any associate of any such director, executive officer, or proposed management nominee of the Corporation or any former director, executive officer or employee of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries is or has been indebted to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries or is or has been indebted to another entity where such indebtedness is or has been the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, other than routine indebtedness.

## INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Other than as set forth elsewhere in this Circular, no informed person (as such term is defined in National Instrument 51-102 – *Continuous Disclosure Obligations*) or proposed director of the Corporation and no associate or affiliate of the foregoing persons has or has had any material interest, direct or indirect, in any transaction since the commencement of the Corporation's most recently completed financial year or in any proposed transaction which in either such case has materially affected or would materially affect the Corporation.

#### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

The management functions of the Corporation are substantially performed by the directors and officers of the Corporation, and not to any substantial degree by any other person with whom the Corporation has contracted.

## CORPORATE CEASE TRADE ORDERS OR BANKRUPTCIES

Except as noted below, none of the proposed directors (or any of their personal holding companies) of the Corporation:

- is, or during the ten years preceding the date of this Circular has been, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company, including the Corporation, that:
  - (i) was subject to an order that was issued while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or
  - (ii) was subject to an order that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer;
- (b) is, or during the ten years preceding the date of this Circular has been, a director or executive officer of any company, including the 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, receiver manager, or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or
- (c) has, within the ten years preceding 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 of that individual.

For the purposes of paragraphs (a)(i) and (a)(ii) above, an "order" means: (i) a cease trade order; (ii) an order similar to a cease trade order; or (iii) an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days.

Ms. Amy Satov, a director of the Corporation, was previously a director and CEO of Litron Distributors Ltd., a privately held company, which was deemed bankrupt on March 15, 2019.

Mr. Siemens was a director of Great Western Minerals Group Ltd. ("**GWMG**") from January 2014 until his resignation in July 2015. On May 11, 2015, an order was issued by the Financial and Consumers Affairs Authority of the Province of Saskatchewan that all trading in the securities of GWMG be ceased due to its failure to file financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014. On April 30, 2015, GWMG was granted protection from its creditors under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* upon receiving an initial order from the Ontario Superior Court of Justice Commercial List, which included, among other things, a stay of proceedings against GWMG, and the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. as monitor of GWMG.

None of the proposed directors (or any of their personal holding companies) has been subject to:

- (a) 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
- (b) any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body which would likely be considered important to a reasonable security holder of the Corporation in deciding whether to vote for a proposed director.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCLOSURE**

Under National Instrument 52-110 – *Audit Committees* ("**NI 52-110**"), companies are required to provide disclosure with respect to their audit committee including the text of the audit committee's charter, composition of the audit committee and the fees paid to the external auditor. This information is set out in the attached Schedule "A".

## DISCLOSURE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

Effective June 30, 2005, National Instrument 58-101 – Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices ("**NI 58-101**") was adopted in each of the provinces and territories of Canada. NI 58-101 requires issuers to disclose the corporate governance practices that they have adopted. The Corporation's approach to corporate governance is provided in the attached Schedule "B".

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information regarding the Corporation and its business activities is available on the SEDAR (<a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>) under the Corporation's issuer profile. The Corporation's financial information is provided in the Corporation's audited consolidated financial statements and related management discussion and analysis for its most recently completed financial year end may be viewed on the SEDAR (<a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>) under the Corporation's profile. Shareholders of the Corporation may request copies of the Corporation's financial statements and related management discussion and analysis by contacting Anthony Glavac at Osisko Metals Incorporated, 1100 Ave. des Canadiens de Montréal, suite 300, Montréal, Québec, H3B 2S2, phone: (514) 861-4441 and Fax: (514) 861-1333 or by visiting the Corporation's website at <a href="www.osiskometals.com">www.osiskometals.com</a>.

# SCHEDULE "A" AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

#### Mandate

The primary function of the audit committee (the "Audit Committee") is to assist the Board in fulfilling its financial oversight responsibilities by reviewing the financial reports and other financial information provided by the Corporation to regulatory authorities and shareholders, the Corporation's systems of internal controls regarding finance and accounting and the Corporation's auditing, accounting and financial reporting processes. Consistent with this function, the Audit Committee will encourage continuous improvement of, and should foster adherence to, the Corporation's policies, procedures and practices at all levels. The Audit Committee's primary duties and responsibilities are to:

- (a) conduct such reviews and discussions with management and the external auditors relating to the audit and financial reporting as are deemed appropriate by the Committee;
- (b) assess the integrity of internal controls and financial reporting procedures of the Corporation and ensure implementation of such controls and procedures;
- (c) review the quarterly and annual financial statements and management's discussion and analysis of the Corporation's financial position and operating results and in the case of the annual financial statements and related management's discussion and analysis, report thereon to the Board for approval of same;
- (d) select and monitor the independence and performance of the Corporation's external auditors, including attending at private meetings with the external auditors and reviewing and approving all renewals or dismissals of the external auditors and their remuneration; and
- (e) provide oversight of all disclosure relating to, and information derived from, financial statements, management's discussion and analysis and information.

#### Composition

The Audit Committee is comprised of a minimum of three directors, all of whom shall be *independent* and *financially literate* within the meaning of National Instrument 52-110 – *Audit Committees*.

The members of the Audit Committee shall be elected by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the annual shareholders' meeting. Unless a Chair is elected by the full Board of Directors, the members of the Audit Committee may designate a Chair by a majority vote of the full Audit Committee membership.

## **Meetings**

The Audit Committee shall meet at least four times per annum, or more frequently as circumstances dictate.

#### **Responsibilities and Duties**

To fulfill its responsibilities and duties, the Audit Committee shall:

## Documents/Reports Review

(a) Review and update this Charter annually.

(b) Review the Corporation's financial statements, MD&A and any annual and interim earnings, press releases before the Corporation publicly discloses this information and any reports or other financial information (including quarterly financial statements), which are submitted to any governmental body, or to the public including any certificate, report, opinion, or review rendered by the external auditors.

## **External Auditor**

- (a) Review annually, the performance of the external auditors who shall be ultimately accountable to the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee as representatives of the shareholders of the Corporation.
- (b) Obtain annually, a formal written statement of external auditors setting forth all relationships between the external auditors and the Corporation, consistent with Independence Standards Board Standard 1.
- (c) Review and discuss with the external auditors any disclosed relationships or services that may impact the objectivity and independence of the external auditors.
- (d) Take, or recommend that the full Board of Directors take, appropriate action to oversee the independence of the external auditors.
- (e) Recommend to the Board of Directors the selection and, where applicable, the replacement of the external auditors nominated annually for shareholder approval.
- (f) At each meeting, consult with the external auditors, without the presence of management, about the quality of the Corporation's accounting principles, internal controls and the completeness and accuracy of the Corporation's financial statements.
- (g) Review and approve the Corporation's hiring policies regarding partners, employees and former partners and employees of the present and former external auditors of the Corporation.
- (h) Review with management and the external auditors the audit plan for the year-end financial statements and intended template for such statements.
- (i) Review and pre-approve all audit and audit-related services and the fees and other compensation related thereto, and any non-audit services, provided by the Corporation's external auditors. The pre-approval requirement is waived with respect to the provisions of non-audit services if:
  - (i) The aggregate amount of all such non-audit services provided to the Corporation constitutes not more than five percent of the total amount of revenues paid by the Corporation to its external auditors during the fiscal year in which the non-audit services are provided;
  - (ii) Such services were not recognized by the Corporation at the time of the engagement to be non-audit services; and
  - (iii) Such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Audit Committee by the Corporation and approved prior to the completion of the audit by the Audit Committee or by one or more members of the Committee who are members of the Board to whom authority to grant such approvals has been deleted by the Audit Committee.

Provided the pre-approval of the non-audit services is presented to the Audit Committee's first scheduled

meeting following such approval such authority may be delegated by the Audit Committee to one or more independent members of the Committee.

## **Financial Reporting Processes**

- (a) In consultation with the external auditors, review with management the integrity of the Corporation's financial reporting process, both internal and external.
- (b) Consider the external auditors' judgments about the quality and appropriateness of the Corporation's accounting principles as applied in its financial reporting.
- (c) Consider and approve, if appropriate, changes to the Corporation's auditing and accounting principles and practices as suggested by the external auditor and management.
- (d) Review significant judgments made by management in the preparation of the financial statements and the view of the external auditors as to appropriateness of such judgments.
- (e) Following completion of the annual audit, review separately with management and the external auditors any significant difficulties encountered during the course of the audit, including any restrictions on the scope of work or access to required information.
- (f) Review any significant disagreement among management and the external auditors in connection with the preparation of the financial statements.
- (g) Review with the external auditors and management the extent to which changes and improvements in financial or accounting practices have been implemented.
- (h) Review any complaints or concerns about any questionable accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters.
- (i) Review certification process.
- (j) Establish a procedure for the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Corporation of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.

#### Other

Review any related-party transactions.

#### **SCHEDULE "B"**

## STATEMENT OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Corporation and its Board consider good corporate governance to be central to the effective and efficient operation of the Corporation in order that the Corporation may achieve its goals of enhancing shareholder value over the long term by conducting its business activities in an effective, ethical and transparent manner. The Board is committed to sound corporate governance practices which are both in the interest of its Shareholders and promote effective and efficient decision making at the Board level. The Board has adopted a Code of Ethics to encourage and promote a culture of ethical business conduct amongst the directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Corporation. The Board encourages and promotes an overall culture of ethical business conduct by promoting compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations, and advocating awareness of the guidelines and policies detailed in the Code of Ethics.

National Policy 58-201 *Corporate Governance Guidelines* ("**NP 58-201**") establishes corporate governance guidelines which apply to all public companies. The Corporation has reviewed its own corporate governance practices in light of these guidelines. National Instrument 58-101 *Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices* mandates disclosure of corporate governance practices for Venture Issuers in Form 58-101F2, which disclosure is set out below.

#### **Board of Directors**

The Board is currently composed of six (6) directors, three of whom are independent.

NP 58-201 suggests that the Board of Directors of every listed corporation should be constituted with a majority of individuals who qualify as "independent" directors under National Instrument 52-110 ("NI 52-110"), which provides that a director is independent if he or she has no direct or indirect "material relationship" with the corporation. "Material relationship" is defined as a relationship that could, in the view of the Corporation's board of directors, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgment. Of the proposed nominees, Robert Wares, the Chairman and CEO, and 10% security holder of issuer and Jeff Hussey, the President and COO, are "insiders" or management directors and accordingly are considered not "independent". In addition, Luc Lessard is a director of the issuer and the President and CEO of Falco Resources Ltd., and within the last three years he was a senior officer of Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd, an insider of the Corporation, which also indirectly controls more than 10% of the issued and outstanding common shares of Falco Resources Ltd. As a result, the Board of Directors has deemed Mr. Lessard not to be "independent". Mr. Siemens, Ms. Satov and Ms. Singer are considered by the Board to be "independent", within the meaning of NI 52-110.

In assessing Form 58-101F2 and making the foregoing determinations, the circumstances of each director have been examined in relation to a number of factors. The independent directors exercise their responsibilities for independent oversight of management, and are provided with leadership through their position on the Board and ability to meet independently of management whenever deemed necessary.

#### **Expectations of Management and Ethical Business Conduct**

The Board expects management to operate the business of the Corporation in a manner that enhances Shareholder value and is consistent with the highest level of integrity. Management is expected to execute the Corporation's business plan and to meet performance goals and objectives.

#### **Directorships**

The following directors of the Corporation are directors of other reporting issuers:

Name of Director	Name of Reporting Issuers	Markets		
	Brunswick Exploration Inc.	TSXV		
Robert Wares	Osisko Mining Inc. <sup>(1)</sup>	TSX		
	Osisko Green Acquisition Limited <sup>(2)</sup>	TSX		
Luc Lessard	Falco Resources Ltd.	TSXV		
	Osisko Mining Inc.	TSX		
uc Lessard my Satov	O3 Mining Inc.	TSXV		
	Brunswick Exploration Inc.	TSXV		
Donald Siemens	Hansa Resources Limited	TSXV		
Jeff Hussey	Brunswick Exploration Inc.	TSXV		
Cathy Singer	Osisko Mining Inc.	TSX		

#### Notes:

- (1) Mr. Wares is not standing for re-election at the Osisko Mining Inc. annual meeting of shareholders to be held on May 30, 2022.
- (2) Osisko Green Acquisition Limited was incorporated on July 8, 2021. It is a "special purpose acquisition corporation" ("SPAC") with the aim to identify and complete a qualifying transaction within 18 months from closing of its initial public offering (subject to extensions in accordance with the terms of the SPAC)(the "Permitted Timeline"). Due to the nature of the SPAC, it is anticipated that Mr. Wares will cease to be a director of Osisko Green Acquisition Limited by the earlier of the end of the Permitted Timeline or the completion of a qualifying acquisition.

## **Orientation and Continuing Education**

New directors are briefed on strategic plans, short, medium and long term corporate objectives, business risks and mitigation strategies, corporate governance guidelines and existing corporation policies. However, there is no formal orientation for new members of the Board, and this is considered to be appropriate, given the Corporation's size and current limited operations.

The skills and knowledge of the Board as a whole is such that no formal continuing education process is currently deemed required. The Board is comprised of individuals with varying backgrounds, who have, both collectively and individually, extensive experience in running and managing public companies in the natural resource sector. Board members are encouraged to communicate with management, auditors and technical consultants to keep themselves current with industry trends and developments and changes in legislation, with management's assistance. Board members have full access to the Corporation's records. Reference is made to the table under the heading "*Election of Directors*" in the Circular for a description of the current principal occupations of the Corporation's Board members.

#### Mandate of the Board

The mandate of the Board is to manage or supervise the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation and to act with a view to the best interests of the Corporation. In doing so, the Board oversees the management of the Corporation's affairs directly and through the Board's audit committee, corporate governance committee and compensation committee. In fulfilling its mandate, the Board, among other matters, is responsible for reviewing and approving the Corporation's overall business strategies and its annual business plan, reviewing and approving the annual corporate budget and forecast, reviewing and

approving significant capital investments outside the approved budget, reviewing major strategic initiatives to ensure that the Corporation's proposed actions accord with Shareholder objectives, reviewing succession planning; assessing management's performance against approved business plans and industry standards, reviewing and approving the reports and other disclosure issued to Shareholders; ensuring the effective operation of the Board, and safeguarding Shareholders' equity interests through the optimum utilization of the Corporation's capital resources. The Board also takes responsibility for identifying the principal risks of the Corporation's business and for ensuring these risks are effectively monitored and mitigated to the extent reasonably practicable. At this stage of the Corporation's development, the Board does not believe it is necessary to adopt a written mandate, as sufficient guidance is found in the applicable corporate legislation and regulatory policies. However, as the Corporation grows, the Board may move to develop a formal written mandate.

In keeping with its overall responsibility for the stewardship of the Corporation, the Board is responsible for the integrity of the Corporation's internal control and management information systems and for the Corporation's policies respecting corporate disclosure and communications.

Each member of the Board understands that he or she is entitled to seek the advice of an independent expert if he or she reasonably considers it warranted under the circumstances.

The Board believes that its current composition, in which only three of six are considered not "independent", is sufficient to ensure that the Board can function independently of management.

### **Committee Responsibilities and Activities**

Committees of the Board are an integral part of the Corporation's governance structure. At the present time, the Corporation has an Audit Committee, a Corporate Governance Committee and a Compensation Committee.

#### **Audit Committee**

## The Audit Committee Charter

The Board has adopted an Audit Committee Charter, which sets out the Audit Committee's mandate, organization, powers and responsibilities. The full text of the Audit Committee Charter is appended hereto as Schedule "A" to the Circular.

#### Composition of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is comprised of the following members:

Member	Independent <sup>(1)</sup>	Financially literate <sup>(2)</sup>		
Donald Siemens (Chair)	Yes	Yes		
Amy Satov	Yes	Yes		
Cathy Singer	Yes	Yes		

## Notes:

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

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

The following is a summary of the Audit Committee members' education and experience which is relevant to the performance of their responsibilities as an Audit Committee member:

#### Donald R. Siemens

Mr. Siemens brings over 40 years of financial experience to the Board as a Chartered Professional Accountant, including eight years in public practice as a partner with major accounting firms, eight years in senior executive positions in the industry and 25 years as a self-employed financial services executive. Mr. Siemens has been an independent financial advisor, specializing in corporate finance, cross-border transactions and mergers and acquisitions since 1989. He has served as a Director and Audit Committee Chair of several publicly listed companies. Previously, Mr. Siemens was Partner-in-Charge of Thorne Ernst & Whinney's (now KPMG) Financial Advisory Services group. Mr. Siemens obtained a B.A. from the University of British Columbia followed by a Chartered Professional Accountant (Chartered Accountant) designation.

## Amy Satov

Ms. Satov, B.A., LL.B., M.B.A., is General Counsel, Balcan Innovations Inc. since March 2021, formerly Senior Legal Counsel of Nuvei Technologies Corp. from April 2020 to March 2021. Ms. Satov currently serves as a director and chair of the corporate governance committee of Osisko Mining Inc., as a director and chair of the compensation committee of O3 Mining Inc., and as director and chair of the corporate governance and compensation committee of Brunswick Exploration Inc. Formerly, Ms. Satov served as Chief Executive Officer of BL Solutions Inc., a national lighting distributor, from November 2019 to March 2020, a director and chair of the audit committee of Cannara Biotech Inc. up to January 2020, and Chief Executive Officer of Litron Distributors Ltd. up to March 2019. Prior to 2012, Ms. Satov was the Executive Vice President of Legal, Compliance and Distribution and Corporate Secretary of DundeeWealth Inc., a wealth management company with \$80 billion of assets under management that was acquired by The Bank of Nova Scotia in 2011.

#### Cathy Singer

Ms. Singer has over 30 years of business and securities law experience. She is currently a partner at Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, where she has practiced for the past 21 years and where she has held various roles in management from time to time. Prior to Norton Rose, Ms. Singer was a partner at Fasken's and, during that period, spent two years at the Ontario Securities Commission on secondment as its General Counsel. Ms. Singer's practice and experience is broad-based, including mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, related party transactions and corporate governance matters as a trusted advisor to her clients in the mining, industrial and investment fund sectors. Ms. Singer was a part-time Commissioner of the Ontario Securities Commission from June 2020 to the end of April 2022 when she was appointed an adjudicator of the Capital Markets Tribunal, an independent adjudicative division of the Ontario Securities Commission formed on April 29, 2022.

In these positions, each member has been responsible for receiving information relating to companies and obtaining an understanding of the balance sheet, income statements, statements of cash flows and assessing the financial condition of the Corporation and its operating results. Each member has an understanding of the mineral exploration and mining business in which the Corporation is engaged and has an appreciation of the financial issues and accounting principles that are relevant in assessing the Corporation's financial disclosures and internal controls.

#### **Audit Committee Oversight**

At no time since the commencement of the Corporation's most recently completed financial year was a recommendation of the Audit Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor not adopted by

the Board.

## **Reliance on Certain Exemptions**

At no time since the commencement of the Corporation's most recently completed financial year has the Corporation relied on the exemption in Section 2.4 of NI 52-110 (*De Minimis Non-audit Services*), or an exemption from NI 52-110, in whole or in part, granted under Part 8 of NI 52-110.

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

The Audit Committee has adopted specific policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services as described above under the heading "External Auditor".

## **External Auditor Service Fees (By Category)**

The aggregate fees billed by the Corporation's external auditors in each of the last two fiscal years for audit fees are as follows:

Financial Year Ending	Audit Fees (1)	Audit Related Fees <sup>(2)</sup>	Tax Fees (3)	All Other Fees (4)
2021	\$66,170	\$0	\$0	\$0
2020	\$73,556	\$0	\$5,564	\$0

#### Notes:

- (1) The aggregate audit fees billed.
- (2) The aggregate fees billed for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Corporation's financial statements that are not included under the heading "Audit Fees".
- (3) The aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning.
- (4) The aggregate fees billed for products and services other than as set out under the headings "Audit Fees", "Audit Related Fees" and "Tax Fees".

#### **Exemption**

The Corporation is relying upon the exemption in section 6.1 of the NI 52-110, which exempts venture issuers (as defined therein) from the requirements of Part 5 (*Reporting Obligations*) of NI 52-110.

#### **Corporate Governance Committee**

#### Composition of the Corporate Governance Committee

The Corporate Governance Committee is comprised of Cathy Singer (Chair), Amy Satov and Jeff Hussey. Ms. Singer, the Chair of the Corporate Governance Committee and Ms. Satov are considered independent.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of the Corporate Governance Committee is to oversee and assess the functioning and effectiveness of the Board and to develop and recommend to the Board the implementation of effective corporate governance principles and practices.

The Corporate Governance Committee also assists the Board to identify candidates for the Board and to recommend that the Board select qualified director candidates, giving consideration to diversity as well as the skills and competencies required to comprise an effective Board, for election at the next annual meeting of shareholders.

The Committee meets at least four times a year, and convenes additional meetings, as circumstances require.

#### Mandate

A formal written mandate adopted by the Corporate Governance Committee has established the following responsibilities for the Corporate Governance Committee:

- 1. Oversee and make recommendations to the Board on developing the Corporation's approach to corporate governance practices;
- 2. Review the corporate governance disclosure contained in the management information circular distributed to the Corporation's shareholders, including the statement of corporate governance practices;
- 3. Oversee policies and practices relating to shareholder engagement with the Board;
- 4. Oversee the introduction, implementation and administration of Corporation policies requiring Board approval;
- 5. Serve as a forum for individual directors of the Corporation with respect of matters that are not easily discussed in a meeting of the Board;
- 6. Review, advise and make recommendations to the Board with respect to: (i) the size and composition of the Board, ensuring that it comprises an appropriate number of independent directors; (ii) the organization and responsibilities of the appropriate committees of the Board; and (iii) the evaluation process for the Board, and committees of the Board including the Chair of the Board and Chairs of such committees;
- 7. Evaluate the effectiveness of the Chair in his role as Chair of the Board, as well as the individual directors of the Board;
- 8. Recommend to the Board the nominees to fill vacancies on the Board or to be proposed by the Board as candidates for election as directors at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Corporation;
- 9. Discuss qualifications, skills and competencies necessary for members of the Board (as well as skills and competencies the Board needs as a whole) and recommend a desirable balance of expertise among Board members, seeking out possible candidates to fill Board positions, and aid in attracting qualified candidates to the Board;
- 10. Establish an appropriate orientation and education program for new members of the Board and provide opportunities for continuing education to all directors to ensure their knowledge and understanding of the Corporation's business remains current;
- 11. Unless otherwise delegated by the Board, monitor Related Party Transactions (as defined in Multilateral Instrument 61-101) and report to the Board regarding the nature and extent of the Related Party Transactions, and establish guidelines and parameters within which the Corporation shall be entitled to engage in Related Party Transactions without specific prior approval of the Committee;
- 12. Such other matters as may be referred to the Committee by the Board; and
- 13. To develop an annual work plan and ensure the Committee carries out its responsibilities.

## **Workplace Harassment and Workplace Violence Policy**

During 2020, following recommendation from the Corporate Governance Committee, the Board approved

the Workplace Harassment and Workplace Violence Policy which includes measures to protect workers from workplace violence and/or workplace harassment, a means of summoning immediate assistance and a process for workers to report incidents, or raise concerns.

#### Code of Ethics

Following the recommendation from the Corporate Governance Committee in 2017, the Board adopted a Code of Ethics (the "Code") for the Corporation. In 2018 and 2020, following further review and recommendation by the Corporate Governance Committee, the Board approved the Code, as amended.

The Code provides basic guidelines setting forth the ethical behavior expected from every Director and employee of the Corporation with respect to the use of Corporation time and assets, protection of confidential information, conflicts of interest, trading in the Corporation's securities and other matters.

A summary of the Code's guidelines state that all Directors and employees must:

- Follow applicable laws and regulations wherever the Corporation does business;
- Work safely, in accordance with regulatory and other industry standards;
- Treat everyone fairly and equitably: customers, suppliers, other employees, Corporation stakeholders and third parties dealing with the Corporation;
- Refrain from speaking publicly on Corporation matters, unless authorized;
- Refrain from trading on, and "tipping" others on, confidential information;
- Respect the confidential nature of the information to which they may have access and refrain from sharing same, except on a need-to-know basis;
- Always perform their duties in the best interests of the Corporation;
- Avoid conflicts of interest, both real and perceived;
- Be honest and act with integrity strictly refraining from bribery or corruption activities;
- Handle Corporation assets with care and refrain from using same and Corporation time for personal purposes;
- Respect the right of all employees to fair treatment and equal opportunity;
- Respect the right of all employees to a working environment free from discrimination or harassment of any sort;
- Act in a respectful and professional manner with other employees;
- Refrain from inappropriately influencing the political process;
- Work in an environmentally responsible manner;
- Respect the cultures and rights of communities where the Corporation operates its business;
- Ensure that all transactions are handled honestly and recorded accurately; and
- Report any violation to this Code.

A copy of the Code is available on the Corporation's website at www.osiskometals.com.

#### **Nomination and Assessments**

The Board, the Corporate Governance Committee and the individual directors hold the responsibility for the nomination and assessment of new directors. The nominees are generally the result of recruitment efforts by the Board members, including both formal and informal discussions among Board members, the

President, and Chief Executive Officer. Beginning in the financial year ended 2020, with the assistance of the Corporate Governance Committee, the Board implemented a formal assessment process whereby the Corporate Governance Committee conducted a detailed board and self-assessment survey. The survey is conducted through the distribution of questionnaires which are completed by each individual director. The Chair of the Corporate Governance Committee then reviews and summarizes the results and reports to all Board members during each respective year-end meeting.

## **Diversity Policy**

During 2019, the Board approved the Diversity Policy, recognizing that gender diversity is a significant aspect of diversity and the important role women with appropriate and relevant skills and experience can play in contributing to the diversity of perspective on the Board. The Corporation has set, and has met, the objective of reaching 30% representation of women on the Board of Directors. Currently the Board consists of six (6) persons, two of whom (33%) are female.

In order to maintain this goal, the Corporate Governance Committee shall:

- maintain an evergreen list of potential candidates for election to the Board of Directors which list includes parity between men and women candidates; this list shall take into account that qualified candidates may be found in a broad array of organizations.
- periodically assess the effectiveness of the nomination process at achieving the Corporation's diversity objectives outlined in this Policy; and
- in order to support the specific objective of gender diversity, considers the level of representation of women on the Board and ensures that women are included in the short list of candidates being considered for a Board position; and
- when identifying potential candidates for the Board of Directors, the Corporate Governance considers the selection criteria approved by the Board, as well as its analysis of the Board's needs based on the above criteria. These selection criteria are reviewed periodically.

## Compensation

#### **Compensation Committee**

## Composition of the Compensation Committee

Members of the Compensation Committee consist of Amy Satov (Chair), Cathy Singer and Donald Siemens, all of whom are independent within the meaning of NI 52-110.

## **Purpose**

The Compensation Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities in regard to fairly rewarding the Corporation's directors and key senior executive employees through compensation and appropriate performance incentives and also to assist the Board and the Chief Executive Officer in attracting, evaluating and retaining key senior executives.

#### Responsibilities

The Compensation Committee's responsibilities include:

- (a) develop an overall executive compensation strategy for the Corporation;
- (b) review management's assessment of potential material adverse risks facing the Corporation, arising from the its compensation policies and practices, and the recommended measures to mitigate those risks;

- (c) review succession plans for the Chief Executive Officer and each of the Corporation's executive officers:
- (d) review and recommend to the Board the compensation of the Corporation's directors, including annual retainer, meeting fees, stock-based grants and other benefits conferred upon the directors, as well as considering industry norms where appropriate and contextually relevant;
- (e) articulate a job description, as well as performance goals and criteria for the Chief Executive Officer, and review actual performance relative to such description, performance goals and criteria;
- (f) based on such reviews, recommend to the Board the Chief Executive Officer's compensation;
- (g) review the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation of the senior executive employees of the Corporation;
- (h) based on the Chief Executive Officer's reviews, recommend to the Board of directors the compensation of the Corporation's senior executive employees;
- (i) oversee the Corporation's stock option plan, and any such other compensation plans, as may be delegated to the Committee by the Board; and
- (j) review the disclosure prepared annually for inclusion in the Corporation's published documentation in accordance with applicable rules and regulations, with respect to the compensation of the Corporation's directors, the Chief Executive Officer and its senior executive employees.

# SCHEDULE "C" NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

## FORM 51-102F6V STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION – VENTURE ISSUERS (the "Statement")

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### General

The following information of the Corporation is provided in accordance with Form 51-102F6V – *Statement of Executive Compensation* – *Venture Issuers*:

"Board" means the board of the directors of Osisko Metals Incorporated;

"Corporation" means Osisko Metals Incorporated;

"Compensation Securities" includes stock options, convertible securities, exchangeable securities and similar instruments including stock appreciation rights, deferred share units and restricted stock units granted or issued by the Corporation or one of its subsidiaries for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the Company or any of its subsidiaries;

"TSXV" means the TSX Venture Exchange Inc.;

"Named Executive Officer" or "NEO" means each of the following individuals:

- each individual who, during any part of the Corporation's financial year ended December 31, 2021, served as the chief executive officer ("CEO") of the Corporation, including an individual performing functions similar to a CEO;
- (b) each individual who, during any part of the Corporation's financial year ended December 31, 2021, served as chief financial officer ("**CFO**") of the Corporation, including an individual performing functions similar to a CFO;
- (c) in respect of the Corporation 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 ended December 31, 2021 whose total compensation was more than \$150,000, as determined in accordance with subsection 1.3(5) of Form 51-102F6V, for the financial year ended December 31, 2021; and
- (d) each individual who would be a NEO under paragraph (c) above but for the fact that the individual was not an executive officer of the Corporation, and was not acting in a similar capacity, as at December 31, 2021.

Based on the foregoing definition, the Corporation has four Named Executive Officers: Robert Wares, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Jeff Hussey, the President and Chief Operating Officer; Anthony Glavac, Chief Financial Officer, and Robin Adair, Vice President, Exploration.

## **COMPENSATION DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS**

#### **DIRECTOR AND NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION**

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

The following table sets forth all compensation paid, payable, awarded, granted, given, or otherwise provided, directly or indirectly to the Corporation's Named Executive Officers and directors for each of the Corporation's two (2) most recent completed financial years:

**Table of Compensation Excluding Compensation Securities** 

Name and position	Year Ended December 31	Salary, consulting fee, retainer or commission (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Board, Committee or meeting fees(7) (\$)	Value of perquisites (\$)	Value of all other compensation (\$)	Total compensation (\$)
<b>Jeff Hussey</b> <sup>(1)</sup> Director,	2021	185,000	74,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	259,000
President and Chief Operating Officer	2020	180,000	65,250	N/A	N/A	N/A	245,250
Robert Wares <sup>(2)</sup> Director, Chairman of the	2021	54,000	21,600	N/A	N/A	N/A	75,600
Board and Chief Executive Officer	2020	90,000	32,625	N/A	N/A	N/A	122,625
Anthony Glavac <sup>(7)</sup>	2021	85,000	34,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	119,000
Chief Financial Officer	2020	85,000	33,150	N/A	N/A	N/A	118,150
Robin Adair <sup>(3)</sup>	2021	165,000	66,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	231,000
Vice President, Exploration	2020	165,000	62,288	N/A	N/A	N/A	227,288
Luc Lessard <sup>(8)</sup>	2021	N/A	N/A	20,000	N/A	N/A	20,000
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	20,000	N/A	N/A	20,000
Amy Satov <sup>(4)</sup>	2021	N/A	N/A	44,835	N/A	N/A	44,835
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	25,000	N/A	N/A	25,000
Cathy Singer <sup>(6)</sup>	2021	N/A	N/A	36,438	N/A	N/A	36,438
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	25,000	N/A	N/A	25,000
Donald R. Siemens <sup>(9)</sup>	2021	N/A	N/A	55,780	N/A	N/A	55,780
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	30,000	N/A	N/A	30,000

#### Notes:

- (1) Mr. Hussey became Director, President and Chief Executive Officer on June 21, 2017. On January 20, 2020, Mr. Hussey resigned as CEO and was appointed Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation.
- (2) Mr. Wares became a director of the Corporation on December 9, 2007, became Chairman of the Board August 17, 2018 and CEO on January 20, 2020.
- (3) Mr. Adair became Vice President, Exploration on August 28, 2017.
- (4) Ms. Satov became a director of the Corporation on August 28, 2017.
- (5) Mr. Glavac became Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation on August 17, 2018. The Corporation entered into a Management and Technical Services Agreement effective as of May 1, 2018 with Falco Resources Ltd. ("Falco"), Mr. Glavac's employer, whereby the Corporation shall pay Falco a monthly fee of \$9,000 in respect of Mr. Glavac's services as Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation. See "Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements".
- (6) Ms. Singer became a director of the Corporation on September 10, 2018.

- (7) The Board approved director fees to be paid to each non-executive director in the amount of \$20,000 per annum and an additional \$5,000 per annum for each committee chair, to be paid in cash on a quarterly basis, and an additional \$5,000 per annum retainer to the Lead Director, Mr. Siemens. All fees are pro-rated accordingly.
- (8) Mr. Lessard became a director of the Corporation on February 9, 2016.
- (9) Mr. Siemens became a director of the Corporation on June 6, 2019, was appointed Lead Director on November 14, 2019.

### **External Management Companies**

Except as disclosed below under "Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements", the Corporation does not have any employment, consulting or management agreements or arrangements with any of the Corporation's current NEOs or directors.

## **Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities**

The following table sets out all Compensation Securities granted or issued to all NEOs and directors by the Corporation during the most recently completed financial year ended December 31, 2021 for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the Corporation.

Compensation Securities							
Name and position	Type of compensation security	Number of compensatio n securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class	Date of issue or grant	Issue, conversion or exercise price (\$)	Closing price of security on date of grant (\$)	Closing Price of Security on date at year end (\$)	Expiry Date
<b>Jeff Hussey</b> <sup>(1)</sup> Director, President and Chief Operating Officer	Option	250,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Robert Wares <sup>(2)</sup> Director, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	Option	250,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Anthony Glavac <sup>(3)</sup> Chief Financial Officer	Option	150,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Robin Adair <sup>(4)</sup> Vice President, Exploration	Option	150,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Luc Lessard <sup>(5)</sup> Director	Option	200,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Amy Satov <sup>(6)</sup> Director	Option	200,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Cathy Singer <sup>(7)</sup> Director	Option	200,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026
Donald R. Siemens <sup>(8)</sup> Director	Option	200,000	January 18, 2021	0.44	0.44	0.39	January 18, 2026

#### Notes:

- (1) As of December 31, 2021, Mr. Hussey held 1,568,500 Options, exercisable for 1,568,500 Common Shares.
- (2) As of December 31, 2021, Mr. Wares held 1,294,200 Options, exercisable for 1,294,200 Common Shares.

- (3) As of December 31, 2021, Mr. Glavac held 555,000 Options, exercisable for 555,000 Common Shares.
- (4) As of December 31, 2021, Mr. Adair held 1,023,100 Options, exercisable for 1,023,100 Common Shares.
- (5) As of December 31, 2021, Mr. Lessard held 1,050,000 Options, exercisable for 1,050,000 Common Shares.
- (6) As of December 31, 2021, Ms. Satov held 1,050,000 Options, exercisable for 1,050,000 Common Shares.
- (7) As of December 31, 2021, Ms. Singer held 750,000 Options, exercisable for 750,000 Common Shares.
- (8) As of December 31, 2021, Mr. Siemens held 550,000 Options, exercisable for 550,000 Common Shares.

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

There were no exercises of Compensation Securities by directors or NEOs during the most recently completed financial year ended December 31, 2021.

# **Stock Option Plans and Other Incentive Plans**

The Corporation's current Option Plan is a "rolling" stock option plan, pursuant to which a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares at the time an option is granted may be reserved for issuance pursuant to the exercise of incentive stock options. The Option Plan was ratified and approved most recently, pursuant to TSXV policy, by shareholders at the Corporation's annual general meeting held on September 1, 2021.

Under TSXV policy, all such rolling stock option plans must be approved and ratified by shareholders on an annual basis. Any amendments to the Option Plan must also be approved by the TSXV and, if necessary, approval by the disinterested shareholders of the Corporation obtained prior to becoming effective. Approval by the disinterested Shareholders means approval by a majority of votes cast by all shareholders at a meeting, excluding votes attached to Common Shares beneficially owned by insiders of the Corporation to whom options may be granted pursuant to the Option Plan and their associates in accordance with the policies of the TSXV.

In connection with certain changes and amendments to security based compensation arrangements introduced by the TSXV, the Corporation intends to amend the Option Plan to conform to the requirements set forth in the New Policy. A description of the Option Plan, and the proposed amendments to each, and key terms of the Amended Option Plan, can be found under the heading "Particulars of Matters to be Acted Upon – Approval of the Amended Option Plan" in the Circular. A copy of the Amended Option Plan is appended as Schedule "D" to the Circular.

#### **Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements**

Anthony Glavac, Chief Financial Officer

The Corporation entered into a Management and Technical Services agreement effective May 1, 2018 with Falco (the "Falco Agreement"), Mr. Glavac's employer, whereby Mr. Glavac provided financial and consulting services to the Corporation as its Chief Financial Officer, including supervision of accounting, as well as preparation, review and filing of financial information of the Corporation. Pursuant to the Falco Agreement, for the financial year ended December 31, 2021, the Corporation paid Falco a fee in the amount of \$9,000 per month.

The base compensation of such individuals reflects the base compensation that the Corporation negotiated with them. The benchmark used by the Corporation to establish a fair compensation for its executives was composed of compensation surveys of ten Québec-based corporations active in the mining industry. This benchmark is deemed relevant since this method reflects the base compensation awarded to executives in the mining exploration sector who work in the same area as the Corporation. Such base compensation was also based on the experience and skills of, and expected contribution from, each Named Executive Officer, their roles and responsibilities and other factors.

#### Oversight and Description of Director and Named Executive Officer Compensation

The Compensation Committee is comprised of Amy Satov (Chair), Cathy Singer and Donald R. Siemens.

The Compensation Committee members are required to consult with and make recommendations to the Board on the compensation and compensation plan matters of the Chairman, the President, the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operating Officer as well as the Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation. The members of the Compensation Committee review and approve the compensation of the Corporation's executive officers.

The compensation of the Corporation's Named Executive Officers has been established with a view to attracting and retaining executives critical to the Corporation's short and long-term success and to continuing to provide executives with compensation that is in accordance with existing market standards generally.

Compensation of the Corporation's Named Executive Officers is comprised of a base compensation and stock options under the Option Plan and fringe benefits or any combination of these elements.

Through its compensation practices, the Corporation seeks to provide value to its shareholders through a strong executive leadership. Specifically, the Corporation's Named Executive Officers compensation structure seeks to: (i) attract and retain talented and experienced executives necessary to achieve the Corporation's strategic objectives; motivate and reward executives whose knowledge, skills and performance are critical to the Corporation's success; (ii) align the interests of the Corporation's executives and shareholders by motivating executives to increase shareholder value, and (iii) provide a competitive compensation structure in which a significant portion of total compensation is determined by corporate and individual results and the creation of shareholder value and foster a shared commitment among executives by coordinating their corporate and individual goals.

Within the context of the overall objectives of the Corporation's compensation practices, the Corporation determined the specific amounts of compensation to be paid to each Named Executive Officer for the most recently completed financial year ended December 31, 2021 based on a number of factors, including: (i) the Corporation's understanding of the amount of compensation generally paid by similarly situated businesses to their executives with similar roles and responsibilities; (ii) the Corporation's executives' performance during the fiscal year in general and as measured against predetermined corporate and individual performance goals; (iii) the roles and responsibilities of the Corporation's executives; (iv) the individual experience and skills of, and expected contributions from the Corporation's executives; (v) the amounts of compensation being paid to the Corporation's other executives; and (vi) any other contractual commitments that the Corporation has made to its executives regarding compensation.

#### **Base Compensation**

The Corporation's approach is to pay its Named Executive Officers a base compensation that is competitive with those of other executives in similar businesses. The Corporation believes that a competitive base compensation is a necessary element of any compensation program that is designed to attract and retain talented and experienced executives. The Corporation also believes that attractive base compensations can motivate and reward executives for their overall performance. The base compensation of each Named Executive Officer is reviewed annually, and may be adjusted in accordance with the terms of such Named Executive Officers' employment/consulting agreement. Evaluations and annual adjustments, if any, to the base compensation of the Named Executive Officers are analyzed within the context of the terms and conditions of such agreements.

# **Stock Options**

The Corporation's Option Plan is administered by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The Board may delegate authority to administer the Option Plan to a committee of the Board. The Corporation's award of stock options to its Named Executive Officers under the Option Plan is a method of compensation which is used to attract and retain personnel and to provide an incentive to participate in the long-term development of the Corporation and to increase shareholder value. The relative emphasis of stock options for compensating Named Executive Officers will generally vary depending on the number of stock options that are outstanding from time to time. As of the date of the Statement, 800,000 stock options have been

awarded to the Named Executive Officers in respect of the financial year ended December 31, 2021. The Corporation generally expects future awards should be based on the following factors: (i) the terms and conditions of the Named Executive Officers' employment agreements; (ii) the executive's past performance; (iii) the executive's anticipated future contribution; (iv) the prior stock options awards to such executive; (v) the percentage of outstanding equity owned by the executive; (vi) the level of vested and unvested stock options and (vii) the market practices and the executive's responsibilities and performance.

The Corporation has not set specific target levels for the award of stock options to Named Executive Officers but seeks to be competitive with similar businesses. For further information regarding the Option Plan, see section entitled "Equity Compensation Plan Information" and "Particulars of Matters to be Acted Upon – Approval of Amended Option Plan" of the Circular. A copy of the Amended Option Plan is appended as Schedule "D" to the Circular.

#### **Directors**

Effective August 28, 2017, the Board approved director fees to be paid to each non-executive director of the Corporation in the amount of \$20,000 per annum and an additional \$5,000 per annum for each committee chair, to be paid in cash on a quarterly basis. In addition, the Lead Director is paid an additional \$5,000 per annum, paid in cash on a quarterly basis. All directors are entitled to be reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses incurred with respect to their attendance at meetings of the Board or any Board committee. In addition, each director is eligible to receive stock option awards pursuant to the Option Plan.

#### **Pension Disclosure**

The Corporation did not have any pension plans in place that provided for payments or benefits made to the NEOs or directors at, following, or in connection with retirement during the during the most recently completed financial fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

# SCHEDULE "D" AMENDED OPTION PLAN

# OSISKO METALS INCORPORATED (THE "COMPANY")

#### 2022 STOCK OPTION PLAN

# 1. Objectives

- 1.1 The stock option plan constituted hereby for Directors, Officers, Employees and Consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries shall be known as the 2022 Stock Option Plan (the "Plan"), and amends the previous 2018 stock option plan of the Company.
- 1.2 The principal purposes of the Plan are to provide the Company with the advantages of the incentive inherent in share ownership on the part of Directors, Officers, Employees and Consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries responsible for the continued success of the Company and its subsidiaries; to create in such Persons a proprietary interest in, and a greater concern for, the welfare and success of the Company and its subsidiaries; to encourage such Persons to remain with the Company or its subsidiaries; and to attract new Directors, Officers, Employees and Consultants to the Company and its subsidiaries.
- 1.3 The Plan is expected to benefit shareholders by enabling the Company and its subsidiaries to attract and retain skilled and motivated Directors, Officers, Employees and Consultants by offering such Directors, Officers, Employees and Consultants an opportunity to share in any increase in value of the shares resulting from their efforts.

#### 2. Definitions

As used in the Plan, the terms set forth below shall have the following respective meanings:

"Affiliate" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV;

"Blackout Period" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 9.2 herein;

"Board" means the board of directors of the Company:

"Committee" means a committee of the Board that the Board may, in accordance with subsection 3.1, designate to administer the Plan;

"company" means a corporation, incorporated association or organization, body corporate, partnership, trust, association or other entity other than an individual;

"Consultant" means an individual (other than a Director or Employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries), or a company that:

- (a) is engaged to provide on an ongoing bona fide basis, consulting technical, management or other services to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, other than services provided in relation to a distribution.
- (b) provides the services under a written contract between the Company or any of its subsidiaries, as the case may be; and

(c) in the reasonable opinion of the Company, spends or will spend a significant amount of time and attention on the affairs and business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;

"Company" means Osisko Metals Incorporated, a company existing under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia);

"Director" means a director, as defined under the Securities Laws, of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries:

"Disability" means a physical or mental incapacity or disability that prevents the Optionee from performing the essential duties of the Optionee's employment or service with the Company or any subsidiary, and which cannot be accommodated under applicable human rights laws without imposing undue hardship on the Company or the subsidiary employing or engaging the Optionee, as determined by the Board or Committee for the purposes of this Plan;

"Discounted Market Price" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV;

"Eligible Charitable Organization" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV;

"Employee" means: (a) an individual who is considered an employee of the Company or of its subsidiary under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and for whom income tax, employment insurance and Canadian Pension Plan deductions must be made at source; (b) an individual who works full-time for the Company or its subsidiary providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Company over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Company or of the subsidiary, as the case may be, but for whom income tax deductions are not made at source; or (c) an individual who works for the Company or its subsidiary on a continuing and regular basis for at least 10 hours per week providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Company or its subsidiary over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Company or of the subsidiary, as the case may be, but for whom income tax deductions are not made at source;

"Exchange Hold Period" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV:

"Extension Period" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 9.2 herein;

"Guardian" means the guardian, if any, appointed for an Optionee;

"Insider" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV;

"Investor Relations Service Providers" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV;

"Management Company Employee" means an individual employed by a company providing management services to the Company, which are required for the ongoing successful operation of the business enterprise of the Company;

"Market Price" has the meaning specified in the policies of the TSXV;

"Officer" means an officer, as defined under Securities Laws, of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries;

"Options" means options to purchase Shares granted under or subject to the terms of the Plan;

"Option Agreement" means a written agreement between the Company and an Optionee that sets forth the terms, conditions and limitations applicable to Options granted to the Optionee;

"Option Period" means the period for which Options are outstanding;

- "Option Shares" means the Shares which may be acquired on exercise of Options;
- "**Optionee**" means a Person to whom Options have been granted under the terms of the Plan or who holds Options that are otherwise subject to the terms of the Plan;
- "Option Price" means the exercise price per Optioned Share as specified in an Option Agreement, adjusted from time to time in accordance with the provisions of section 12 hereof;
- "Outstanding Issue", for the purposes of the Plan, is determined on the basis of the number of Shares that are outstanding immediately prior to the Option grant in question;
- "Person" means a company or individual;
- "Plan" means this 2022 Stock Option Plan of the Company;
- "Qualified Successor" means a Person who is entitled to ownership of Options upon the death of an Optionee, pursuant to a will or the applicable laws of descent and distribution upon death;
- "Securities Laws" means securities legislation, securities regulation and securities rules, as amended, and the policies, notices, instruments and blanket orders in force from time to time that are applicable to the Company.
- "Shares" means common shares without par value in the authorized share structure of the Company as the same are presently constituted; and
- "TSXV" means the TSX Venture Exchange or any successor thereto; provided that if the Shares are or become listed on a senior stock exchange, then reference to "TSXV" means a reference to such senior stock exchange.
- "VWAP" means the volume weighted average trading price of the Shares on the TSXV calculated by dividing the total value by the total volume of such securities traded for the five trading days immediately preceding the exercise of the subject Option or if the Shares are not listed on any stock exchange, "VWAP" of Shares means the VWAP on the over-the-counter market determined by dividing the aggregate sale price of the Shares sold by the total number of such Shares so sold on the applicable market for the five days immediately preceding the exercise of the subject Option.

# 3. Administration of the Plan

- 3.1 The Plan will be administered by the Board or by a Committee of two or more directors of the Company who may be designated from time to time to serve as the Committee for the Plan. Notwithstanding the existence of any such Committee, the Board itself will retain independent and concurrent power to undertake any action hereunder delegated to the Committee, whether with respect to the Plan as a whole or with respect to individual Options granted or to be granted under the Plan.
- 3.2 Subject to the limitations of the Plan, the Board shall have full power to grant Options, to determine the terms, limitations, restrictions and conditions respecting such Options and to settle, execute and deliver Option Agreements and bind the Company accordingly, to interpret the Plan and to adopt such rules, regulations and guidelines for carrying out the Plan as it may deem necessary or proper, all of which powers shall be exercised in the best interests of the Company and in keeping with the objectives of the Plan.
- 3.3 Notwithstanding any provision of this Plan, the Board may, in its discretion grant Options as it sees fit, or otherwise accelerate the vesting or exercisability of any Option, eliminate or make less restrictive any restrictions contained in an Option, provide for the extension of the Option Period of

an outstanding Option, waive any restriction or other provision of the Plan or an Option or otherwise amend or modify an Option in any manner that either:

- (a) does not materially impairs any Option or is materially adverse to a Optionee; or
- (b) is consented to in writing by such Optionee;

subject to any required approvals of any stock exchange or regulatory body having jurisdiction over the securities of the Company.

- 3.4 Disinterested shareholder approval, as required under the policies of the TSXV, shall be obtained for any reduction in the exercise price or extension of the term of an Option granted under the Plan if the Optionee is an Insider of the Company at the time of the proposed amendment.
- 3.5 The Board or Committee may correct any defect or supply any omission or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan or in any Option in the manner and to the extent deemed necessary or desirable to carry it into effect. Any decision of the Board or Committee in the interpretation and administration of the Plan shall lie within its absolute discretion and shall be final, conclusive and binding on all parties concerned. No member of the Board or Committee shall be liable for anything done or omitted to be done by such member, by any other member of the Board or Committee or by any officer of the Company, in connection with the performance of any duties under the Plan, except those which arise from such member's own wilful misconduct or as expressly provided by statute.
- 3.6 All costs associated with the administration of the Plan shall be paid by the Company, other than broker's fees or commissions payable pursuant to section 16.

# 4. Eligibility for Options

- 4.1 Options may be granted to any Director, Employee or Consultant of the Company or its subsidiaries. Except in relation to Consultants, Options may be granted only to an individual or to a Company that is wholly owned by individuals eligible for an Option grant. Options may be granted to Optionees who are, in the opinion of the Board or Committee, in a position to contribute to the success of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or who, by virtue of their service to the Company or to any of its subsidiaries, are in the opinion of the Board or Committee, worthy of special recognition. Except as may be otherwise set out in this Plan, the granting of Options is entirely discretionary. Nothing in this Plan shall be deemed to give any Person any right to participate in this Plan or to be granted Options and the designation of any Optionee in any year or at any time shall not require the designation of such Person to receive Options in any other year or at any other time. The Board or Committee shall consider such factors as it deems pertinent in selecting participants and in determining the amounts and terms of their respective Options.
- 4.2 If an Optionee who is granted an Option is an Employee, Consultant or Management Company Employee, the Company and the Optionee are responsible for ensuring and confirming that the Optionee is a bona fide Employee, Consultant or Management Company Employee, as the case may be.
- 4.3 If the Optionee is a company, other than a Consultant or Eligible Charitable Organization, the Optionee's Option Agreement shall require it to provide the TSXV with a completed *Certification* and *Undertaking Required from a Company Granted Security Based Compensation* in the form of Schedule "A" to Form 4G Summary Form Security Based Compensation.
- 4.4 Subject to any applicable regulatory approvals and the policies of the TSXV, Options may also be granted under the Plan in exchange for outstanding options granted by the Company or any predecessor Company thereof or any Affiliate thereof, whether such outstanding options were

granted under the Plan, under any other stock option plan of the Company or any predecessor Company or any Affiliate thereof, or under any stock option agreement with the Company or any predecessor Company or Affiliate thereof.

4.5 Subject to any applicable regulatory approvals and the policies of the TSXV, Options may also be granted under the Plan in substitution for outstanding options of one or more other companies in connection with a plan of arrangement or exchange, amalgamation, merger, consolidation, acquisition of property or shares, or other reorganization between or involving such other companies the Company or any of its Affiliates.

#### 5. Number of Shares Reserved under the Plan

- 5.1 The number of Shares that may be reserved for issuance pursuant to the exercise of Options under the Plan, is limited as follows:
  - (a) the maximum aggregate number of Shares issuable pursuant to the exercise of Options granted under the Plan shall be a maximum of ten percent (10%) of the Outstanding Issue as at the date of any Option grant, provided that:
    - (i) if any Option is exercised, in whole or in part, then the maximum number of Shares for which Options may be granted hereunder shall be proportionately increased by the number of Shares issued on such exercise:
    - (ii) if any Options are forfeited, expires, is terminated or is cancelled for any reason whatsoever (other than by reason of exercise), then the maximum number of Shares for which Options may be granted hereunder shall be increased by the number of Shares which were the subject of such forfeited, expired, terminated or cancelled Options; and
  - (b) if and for so long as the Shares are listed on the TSXV:
    - (i) the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be reserved under the Plan for issuance to any one Person (and, where permitted under the policies of the TSXV, any companies that are wholly-owned by that Person) in any 12 month period shall not exceed five percent (5%) of the Outstanding Issue calculated at the date Options are granted or issued to such Person, unless the Company has obtained "disinterested shareholder approval" in accordance with the policies of the TSXV;
    - (ii) the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be reserved under the Plan for issuance to any one Consultant during any 12 month period shall not exceed two percent (2%) of the Outstanding Issue calculated at the date Options are granted or issued to such Consultant;
    - (iii) the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be reserved under the Plan for issuance to all Investor Relations Service Providers shall not exceed two percent (2%) of the Outstanding Issue in any 12 month period, calculated at the date Options are granted or issued to any such Person;
    - (iv) the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be reserved for issuance to Insiders (as a group) pursuant to the Plan, may not exceed ten percent (10%) of the Outstanding Issue at any time, unless the Company has obtained "disinterested shareholder approval" in accordance with the policies of the TSXV;

- (v) the maximum aggregate number of Options issued to Insiders (as a group) pursuant to the Plan within any 12 month period may not exceed ten percent (10%) of the Outstanding Issue calculated at the date Options are granted or issued to any Insider, unless the Company has obtained "disinterested shareholder approval" in accordance with the policies of the TSXV; and
- (vi) the maximum aggregate number of Shares that may be reserved under the Plan for issuance to all Eligible Charitable Organizations may not exceed one percent (1%) of the Outstanding Issue calculated at the date Options are granted or issued to Eligible Charitable Organizations.

# 6. Number of Options

6.1 The number of Options to be granted to any Optionee shall be determined by the Board or Committee, in its discretion, at the time such Options are granted, taking into consideration the Optionee's present and potential contribution to the success of the Company or its subsidiaries and taking into account all other Options then held by such Optionee, but subject always to the limitations set forth in subsection 5.1.

# 7. Hold Period

7.1 Shares issued pursuant to the exercise of Options may be subject to limitations on sale or resale under applicable Securities Laws and the policies of the TSXV. If an Exchange Hold Period is applicable, all such Options and any Shares issued thereunder exercised prior to the expiry of the Exchange Hold Period must be legended with the Exchange Hold Period commencing on the date the Options were granted.

# 8. Price

- 8.1 The Option Price per Optioned Share under an Option shall be determined by the Board or Committee, in its discretion, at the time such Option is granted, but such Option Price shall not be less than the Discounted Market Price.
- 8.2 Subject to TSXV approval, the Option Price per Optioned Share under an Option may be reduced at the discretion of the Board or Committee if:
  - (a) prior TSXV approval is obtained and at least six months has elapsed since the later of the date such Option was granted and the date the Option Price for such Option was last amended; and
  - (b) "disinterested shareholder approval" is obtained in accordance with the policies of the TSXV for any reduction in the Option Price under an Option held by an Insider of the Company;

provided that if the Option Price is reduced to less than the Market Price, the Exchange Hold Period will apply from the date of the amendment and further provided that no such conditions will apply in the case of an adjustment made under section 12.

# 9. Option Period and Exercise of Options

9.1 The Option Period for Options shall be determined by the Board or Committee at the time the Options are granted and may be up to ten (10) years from the date the Options are granted (subject to extensions where the expiry date falls within a blackout period as provided herein). At the time Options are granted, the Board or Committee may determine that, with respect to those Options, upon the occurrence of one of the events described in section 11 there shall come into force a time

limit for exercise of such Options which is different than the Option Period, and in the event of such a determination, the Option Agreement for such Options shall contain provisions which specify the events and time limits related to that determination. Subject to the applicable maximum Option Period provided for in subsection 9.1 and subject to applicable regulatory requirements and approvals, the Board or Committee may extend the Option Period of outstanding Options beyond their original expiration date, (whether or not such Options are held by an Insider), provided such Options have been outstanding for at least one (1) year prior to such extension.

- 9.2 The Company may from time to time impose blackouts during which Directors, Officers, Employees or Consultants may not trade in the securities of the Company (a "Blackout Period"). If a Blackout Period is imposed, subject to the terms of the blackout and the Company's blackout policy, a holder of an Option may not exercise Options until expiry of the Blackout Period. As a result of the foregoing limitation, and notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the term of any Option that would otherwise expire during a Blackout Period will be extended by ten (10) trading days following the expiry of such Blackout Period (the "Extension Period"), provided that the following requirements are satisfied:
  - (a) the Blackout Period must be formally imposed by the Company pursuant to its internal trading policies. For greater certainty, in the absence of the Company formally imposing a Blackout Period, the expiry date of any Options will not be automatically extended in any circumstances:
  - (b) the Blackout Period must expire upon the general disclosure of the undisclosed material information; provided that if an additional Blackout Period is subsequently imposed by the Company during the Extension Period, then such Extension Period shall be deemed to commence following the end of such additional Extension Period to enable the exercise of such Option within 10 trading days following the end of the last imposed Blackout Period; and
  - (c) the automatic extension of a holder's Options will not be permitted where the Optionee or the Company is subject to a cease trade order (or similar order under securities laws) in respect of the Company's securities.
- 9.3 Options granted to any Investor Relations Service Providers will be subject to a vesting schedule of at least 12 months such that:
  - no more than ¼ of the Options vest no sooner than three months after the Options were granted;
  - (b) no more than another ¼ of the Options vest no sooner than six months after the Options were granted;
  - (c) no more than another ¼ of the Options vest no sooner than nine months after the Options are granted; and
  - (d) the remainder of the Options vest no sooner than 12 months after the Options are granted.

Options issued to Optionees other than Investor Relations Service Providers may, at the discretion of the Board or Committee, be subject to vesting conditions, such vesting conditions to be provided for in the Option Agreement to be entered into between the Company and the Optionee.

- 9.4 Options granted to any Eligible Charitable Organization shall expire on or before the earlier of:
  - (a) the date that is ten years from the date the Options were granted; and

- (b) the 90<sup>th</sup> day following the date the holder of the Options ceases to be an Eligible Charitable Organization.
- 9.5 If there is a takeover bid made for all or any of the issued and outstanding Shares, then all outstanding Options, whether fully vested and exercisable or remaining subject to vesting provisions or other limitations on exercise, shall be exercisable in full to enable the Option Shares subject to such Options to be issued and tendered to such bid, subject to prior written approval of the TSXV.
- 9.6 The vested portions of Options will be exercisable, in whole or in part, at any time after vesting.
- 9.7 The Board, in its sole discretion, may permit the exercise of an Option through any of the following methods:
  - (a) Cash Payment. Options may be exercisable by delivering to the Company a notice specifying the number of Option Shares in respect of which the Option is exercised together with cash payment in full for the Option Price of the Shares being purchased by way of certified cheque, wire transfer or bank draft and the subtraction of Withholding Obligations in accordance with section 16 in a manner acceptable to the Company.
  - (b) Cashless Exercise. A cashless exercise mechanism whereby the Company has an arrangement with a brokerage firm pursuant to which:
    - (i) the brokerage firm agrees to loan money to an Optionee to purchase Option Shares underlying the Options to be exercised by the Optionee;
    - (ii) the brokerage firm receives such number of Option Shares to sell, at the direction of and on behalf of the Optionee, the aggregate proceeds of which are sufficient to cover the Option Price in order to permit the Optionee to repay the loan made to the Optionee; and
    - (iii) the Optionee receives the balance of the Option Shares pursuant to such exercise, or cash proceeds from the sale of the balance of the Option Shares.
  - (c) Net Exercise. A net exercise mechanism, whereby Options, except Options granted to Investor Relations Service Provider, are exercised without the Optionee making any cash payment so the Company does not receive any cash from the exercise of Options and the Optionee receives only the number of Option Shares that is equal to the quotient obtained by dividing: (A) the product of the number of Options being exercised and the difference between the VWAP of the underlying Shares and the Option Price of the subject Options; by (B) the VWAP of the underlying Shares.

Neither an Optionee nor the legal representatives, legatees or distributees of such Optionee will be, or will be deemed to be, a holder of any Shares subject to Options under the Plan unless and until certificates for such Shares are issuable to the Optionee or such other Persons pursuant to the Options or the Plan.

# 10. Stock Option Agreement

10.1 Upon the grant of Options to an Optionee, the Company and the Optionee shall enter into an Option Agreement setting out the number of Options granted to the Optionee, the exercise price per Optioned Share, the Option Period and the vesting schedule, if any, for the Options, and any other requirements of regulatory authorities and stock exchanges having jurisdiction over the securities of the Company, together with such other terms and conditions as the Board or Committee may determine in accordance with the Plan.

# 11. Effect of Termination of Options

- 11.1 Outstanding Options shall remain in full force and effect and exercisable according to its terms for the Option Period until the Optionee ceases to be a Director, Employee or Consultant of the Company for any reason, excluding death, Disability or termination for cause, after which time the Options which have vested will expire within ninety (90) days or, for those Optionees who are Investor Relations Service Providers, the Options which have vested will expire within thirty (30) days, of the cessation date. Options which have not vested as of the cessation date shall terminate and cease to be exercisable on such date.
- 11.2 Subject to section 11.3, in the event that the Optionee shall cease to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant by reason such Optionee's death, any Options held by such Optionee and which have vested shall pass to the Qualified Successor of the Optionee and shall be exercisable by such Qualified Successor until the earlier of one (1) year following the date of such death and the expiry of the Option Period. Options which have not vested as of the date of an Optionee's death shall terminate and cease to be exercisable on such date.
- 11.3 In the event that the Optionee shall cease to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant by reason of such Optionee's Disability, any Options held by such Optionee that have vested and that could have been exercised immediately prior to such cessation shall be exercisable by such Optionee, or by his Guardian, for a period of thirty (30) days following the date of such cessation. If such Optionee dies within that 30 day period, any Options held by such Optionee that have vested and that could have been exercised immediately prior to his or her death shall pass to the Qualified Successor of such Optionee, and shall be exercisable by the Qualified Successor until the earlier of thirty (30) days following the death of such Optionee and the expiry of the Option Period. Options which have not vested as of the cessation date shall terminate and shall cease to be exercisable on such date.
- 11.4 Employment shall be deemed to continue intact during any military or sick leave or other bona fide leave of absence if the period of such leave does not exceed one hundred eighty (180) days or, if longer, for so long as the Optionee's right to re-employment with the Company or its subsidiary is guaranteed either by statute or by contract. If the period of such leave exceeds one hundred eighty (180) days and the Optionee's re-employment is not so guaranteed, then the Optionee's employment shall be deemed to have terminated on the 181st day of such leave.
- 11.5 In the event that the Optionee shall cease to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant by reason of such Optionee's termination for cause, the Options shall terminate and shall cease to be exercisable upon such termination for cause.
- 11.6 Unless otherwise determined by the Board, Options will not be affected by any change of employment or provision of services within or among the Company or any of its subsidiaries, so long as the Optionee continues to be a Director, Officer, Employee or Consultant.
- 11.7 Options granted under this Plan are not part of an Optionee's regular employment or consulting compensation, and no value will be attributed to any Options as part of calculating any Optionee's damages for wrongful dismissal, or any amount due to an Optionee with respect to reasonable notice, notice of termination, severance or termination pay, or compensation in lieu of notice.

#### 12. Adjustment in Shares Subject to the Plan

12.1 Following the date Options are granted, the exercise price for and the number of Options will be adjusted, with respect to the then unexercised portion thereof, in the events and in accordance with the provisions and rules set out in this section 12, with the intent that the rights of Optionees under their Options are, to the extent possible, preserved and maintained notwithstanding the occurrence of such events. Any dispute that arises at any time with respect to any adjustment pursuant to such

- provisions and rules will be conclusively determined by the Board or Committee, and any such determination will be binding on the Company, the Optionee and all other affected parties.
- 12.2 Any adjustments contemplated in this section 12, other than in connection with a share consolidation or share split (which for avoidance of doubt, shall not require TSXV approval), to Options granted or issued under this Plan shall be subject to requisite TSXV approval (including such adjustments related to an amalgamation, merger, arrangement, reorganization, spin-off, dividend or recapitalization).
- 12.3 Subject to section 12.2, if the outstanding Shares are changed into or exchanged for a different number of shares or into or for other securities of the Company or securities of another Company or entity, whether through an arrangement, amalgamation or other similar procedure or otherwise, or a share recapitalization, subdivision or consolidation, then on each exercise of Options which occurs following such events, for each Optioned Share for which an Option is exercised, the Optionee shall instead receive the number and kind of shares or other securities of the Company or other company into which such Option Share would have been changed or for which such Option Share would have been exchanged if it had been outstanding on the date of such event and the exercise price will be similarly adjusted so that the aggregate price to exercise the Option is preserved.
- 12.4 If the outstanding Shares are changed into or exchanged for a different number of shares or into or for other securities of the Company or securities of another company or entity, in a manner other than as specified in subsection 12.3, then the Board or Committee, in its sole discretion, may make such adjustment to the securities to be issued pursuant to any exercise of the Options and the exercise price to be paid for each such security following such event as the Board or Committee in its sole and absolute discretion determines to be equitable to give effect to the principle described in subsection 12.1, and such adjustments shall be effective and binding upon the Company and the Optionee for all purposes.
- 12.5 No adjustment or substitution provided for in this section 12 shall require the Company or any other Person to issue a fractional share upon exercise of any Option. If, as a result of any adjustment as provided in this section 12, an Optionee would be entitled to a fractional share, the Optionee will have the right to purchase only the number of full shares that is calculated under that adjustment, and no payment or other adjustment will be made with respect to that fractional share.
- 12.6 Subject to section 12.2, the grant or existence of an Option shall not in any way limit or restrict the right or power of the Company to effect adjustments, reclassifications, reorganizations, arrangements or changes of its capital or business structure, or to amalgamate, merge, consolidate, dissolve or liquidate, or to sell or transfer all or any part of its business or assets.

# 13. Non-Assignability and Non-Transferable

13.1 Neither the Options nor the benefits and rights of any Optionee under any Option or under the Plan shall be assignable or otherwise transferable, except as specifically provided in section 11 in the event of the death or Disability of the Optionee.

# 14. No Employment or Shareholder Rights

14.1 Nothing contained in the Plan shall confer upon any Optionee any right with respect to employment or continuance of employment with, or the provision of services to, the Company or any of its Affiliates, or interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any of its Affiliates to terminate the Optionee's employment or services at any time. Participation in the Plan by an Optionee is voluntary.

14.2 The holder of Options will not have any rights as a shareholder of the Company with respect to any of the Shares issuable on exercise of those Options until that holder has exercised those Options in accordance with the terms of this Plan and has been issued the Shares.

# 15. Regulatory Acceptance

- The Plan is subject to the acceptance of the Plan for filing by the TSXV. Any Options granted under this Plan prior to such TSXV acceptance will be conditional upon receipt of such TSXV acceptance and no Options may be exercised until receipt of such TSXV acceptance.
- 15.2 Subject to the acceptance of this Plan for filing by the TSXV, any options over securities of the Company previously granted by the Company which remain outstanding as at the date of such acceptance will be deemed to have been issued under and will be governed by the terms of the Plan provided that, in the event of inconsistency between the terms of the agreements governing such options previously granted and the terms of the Plan, the terms of such agreements will govern. Any Shares issuable upon exercise of such options granted previously will be included for the purpose of calculating the amounts set out in subsection 5.1.

# 16. Securities Regulation and Tax Withholding

- 16.1 Where necessary to enable the Company to use an exemption from requirements to register Option Shares or file a prospectus or use a registered dealer to distribute Option Shares under Securities Laws, an Optionee, as a condition to the exercise of any Option, shall provide to the Board or Committee such evidence, or shall execute and deliver such documents, that the Board or Committee deems necessary or desirable. The Board or Committee may cause a legend or legends to be placed upon any certificates for the Option Shares to make appropriate reference to applicable resale restrictions, and the Optionee or recipient shall be bound by such restrictions. The Board or Committee also may take such other action or require such other action or agreement by such Optionee or proposed recipient as may from time to time be necessary to comply with Securities Laws.
- No Option will be granted and no Shares issued under this Plan if that grant or issue would require registration of this Plan or of Shares under the securities laws of any foreign jurisdiction. Any purported grant of any Option or issue of Shares under this Plan in violation of this subsection 16.2 will be void.
- 16.3 For all purposes of the Plan, the Company may take all such measures as it deems appropriate or necessary to comply with applicable laws, including income tax laws and regulations and Securities Laws.
- 16.4 The Company may withhold from any amount payable to an Optionee such amount as may be necessary to enable the Company to comply with the applicable requirements of any federal, provincial, state or local law, or any administrative policy of any applicable tax authority, relating to the withholding of tax or any other required deductions with respect to awards hereunder ("Withholding Obligations"). The Company shall also have the right in its discretion to satisfy any liability for any Withholding Obligations by selling, or causing a broker to sell, on behalf of any Optionee such number of Shares issued to the Optionee pursuant to an exercise of Options hereunder as is sufficient to fund the Withholding Obligations (after deducting commissions payable to the broker), or retaining any amount payable which would otherwise be delivered, provided or paid to the Optionee hereunder. The Company may require a Optionee, as a condition to the exercise of an Option to make such arrangements as the Company may require so that the Company can satisfy applicable Withholding Obligations, including, without limitation, requiring the Optionee to (i) remit the amount of any such Withholding Obligations to the Company in advance; (ii) reimburse the Company for any such Withholding Obligations; or (iii) cause a broker who sells Shares acquired by the Optionee on behalf of the Optionee to withhold from the proceeds realized

from such sale the amount required to satisfy any such Withholding Obligations and to remit such amount directly to the Company.

- Any Shares of a Optionee that are sold by the Company, or by a broker engaged by the Company (the "Broker"), to fund Withholding Obligations will be sold as soon as practicable in transactions effected on the exchange on which the Shares are then listed for trading. In effecting the sale of any such Shares, the Company or the Broker will exercise its sole judgment as to the timing and manner of sale and will not be obligated to seek or obtain a minimum price. Neither the Company nor the Broker will be liable for any loss arising out of any sale of such Shares including any loss relating to the manner or timing of such sales, the prices at which the Shares are sold or otherwise. In addition, neither the Company nor the Broker will be liable for any loss arising from a delay in transferring any Shares to an Optionee. The sale price of Shares sold on behalf of Optionees will fluctuate with the market price of the Shares and no assurance can be given that any particular price will be received upon any such sale.
- 16.6 Issuance, transfer or delivery of certificates for Shares acquired pursuant to the Plan may be delayed, at the discretion of the Board or Committee, until it is satisfied that the requirements of applicable laws and regulations, and applicable rules of regulatory authorities, have been met.

# 17. Amendment and Termination of Plan

17.1 The Board reserves the right to amend or terminate the Plan at any time if and when it is deemed advisable in the absolute discretion of the Board; provided, however, that no such amendment or termination shall adversely affect any outstanding Options granted under the Plan without the written consent of the Optionee. Any amendment to the Plan shall also be subject to acceptance of such amendment or amended Plan for filing by the TSXV and, where required by the TSXV, the approval of the shareholders of the Company.

#### 18. No Representation or Warranty

18.1 The Company makes no representation or warranty as to the future market value of any Shares or Option Shares.

#### 19. General Provisions

- 19.1 Nothing contained in the Plan shall prevent the Company or any of its Affiliates from adopting or continuing in effect other compensation arrangements (subject to TSXV requirements).
- 19.2 The validity, construction and effect of the Plan, the grant of Options, the issue of Option Shares, any rules and regulations relating to the Plan, any Option Agreement, and all determinations made and actions taken pursuant to the Plan, shall be governed by and determined in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia. The Company and each Optionee irrevocably and unconditionally submits and attorns to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the Province of British Columbia to determine all issues, whether at law or in equity, arising from this Plan and each Option Agreement.
- 19.3 If any provision of the Plan or any Option Agreement is or becomes or is deemed to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction or as to any Person or Option, or would disqualify the Plan or any Option under any law deemed applicable by the Board or Committee, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to conform to the applicable laws, or if it cannot be construed or deemed amended without, in the determination of the Board or Committee, materially altering the intent of the Plan or the Option, such provision shall be stricken as to such jurisdiction, Person, or Option and the remainder of the Plan and any such Option Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

- 19.4 Neither the Plan nor any Option shall create or be construed to create a trust or separate fund of any kind or a fiduciary relationship between the Company or any of its Affiliates and an Optionee or any other Person.
- 19.5 Headings are given to the sections of the Plan solely as a convenience to facilitate reference. Such headings shall not be deemed in any way material or relevant to the construction or interpretation of the Plan or any provision thereof.

#### 20. Term of the Plan

- 20.1 The Plan shall be effective as of June 23, 2022, subject to its approval by the shareholders of the Company at the time of implementation and on a yearly basis thereafter at the Company's annual general meeting of its shareholders and acceptance for filing by the TSXV pursuant to section 15.
- 20.2 The Plan shall be effective until the Plan is terminated by the Board pursuant to section 17, and no Option shall be granted under the Plan after termination of the Plan. Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan or in an applicable Option Agreement, the Option Period for any Option granted hereunder will, and any authority of the Board or Committee to amend, alter, adjust, suspend, discontinue or terminate any such Option or to waive any conditions or rights under any such Option shall, continue after termination of the Plan notwithstanding such termination.

Adopted by the Board: , 2022.