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Chairman's Address to 2024 Annual General Meeting

PERTH, AUSTRALIA: Good morning shareholders and guests and welcome to the 2024 Annual General Meeting for Orbital Corporation Ltd (ASX:OEC) ('Orbital UAV' or 'the Company'). I am pleased to be hosting today's meeting at our headquarters here in Balcatta, Western Australia where our Company has been developing innovative engine solutions for more than 40 years. The Company acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today and we pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Orbital UAV is a world leader in the design and manufacture of integrated engine systems for military drones. During the 2024 financial year, the Company continued to deliver on our business strategy by completing new engine model developments and attracting new customer contracts. Orbital UAV currently has now transitioned from previously producing two engine lines for Boeing Insitu, to four engine models across Textron Systems (US), DSO National Laboratories (Singapore), Dynamic Technologies (India) and a key player in the Vietnamese security space.

Our heavy fuel capabilities continue to be market leading as we deliver best in class reliability and performance for a global client base. This has been validated through partnering selection by Textron Systems (US) for their bid into the FTUAS program and DSO National Laboratories upsized initial orders for Orbital UAV engines for their fleet of UAS. We recognise the highest specification demands of our customer base, and Orbital UAV is now delivering more power in larger capacity engines. Orbital UAV patented technology in the expanding aerospace and defence industries retains our position as a global leader in UAS propulsion design and manufacturing.

In the current financial year, the Company's management team have focussed on the final validation of engines production lines and are gearing up for higher rate production in the coming months. With 4 engine lines in a production environment, management is carefully planning resource allocation to achieve customer schedules and securing additional orders from our key clients.

We remain incredibly excited about the award of the United States Army's FTUAS program to our Tier 1 partner, Textron Systems. This is likely to occur in the second half of this financial year and should have a material impact on the levels of production demand, in-service support and parts at that time.

Today we announced an underwritten entitlement offer, raising up to \$2m to facilitate production expansion to secure long term production contracts, further support development activities and bringing an even larger, more powerful engine model to market. We have seen a great deal of interest from existing and prospective clients for a heavy fuel engine with greater take-off-weight than those that are available in the market today. Orbital's early designs for this class of engine have already secured prototype orders, and we look forward to updating the market with

Our relationship with the Western Australian Government has remained strong, and their continued support through grant awards has helped facilitate the export of our technology into the United States, South Asia and South-East Asia. Having met all of our milestones under the loan agreement, Orbital anticipates an approximately \$2.4m grant in December to fully repay all remaining amounts due under this facility. Upon successful grant acknowledgment, Orbital will be debt free from 1 January 2025.

Our goal remains to be the propulsion system and service provider of choice for global tactical UAV manufacturers. Our customer's needs are evolving to safely transport larger payloads, enhance durability



on range of engines through hybrid fuel selection, and improved remote sensing platforms. The Orbital technology roadmap, designed and developed by our talented engineers, will maintain the demand for Orbital's market leading technology for the immediate and medium term future.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish to express sincere thanks to the entire Orbital team for their ongoing dedication to our pursuit of excellence, to the WA government for their continued support of Orbital's export capabilities, our suppliers who maintain our precise quality standards, and to our valued shareholders whose continuous support is pivotal to our current and future successes.

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[About Orbital UAV](#)

Orbital UAV provides integrated propulsion systems and flight critical components for tactical unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). Our design thinking and patented technology enable us to meet the long endurance and high reliability requirements of the UAV market. We have offices in Australia and the United States to serve our prestigious client base.

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