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1 May 2023

#### **ASX Announcement**

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Dear Sir or Madam

## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

Po Valley Energy Limited (ASX: PVE) (Po Valley or the Company) advises that the Company's Annual General Meeting will be held at 11am (AEST) on Wednesday, 31 May 2023.

Attached is a Notice of Meeting and a letter to shareholders advising further details of the meeting and access to meeting documents.

Approved and authorised for release by the Board of Directors of Po Valley Energy Limited.

Kevin Hart Company Secretary

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# PO VALLEY ENERGY LIMITED ACN 087 741 571 NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Meeting will be held at:

TIME:11am (AEST)

DATE: 31 May 2023

PLACE: Level 17 31 Queen Street, Melbourne, 3000

The business of the Meeting affects your shareholding and your vote is important.

This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 5pm AEST on 29 May 2023.

### BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

#### AGENDA

#### 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

To receive and consider the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Director's report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

#### 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as a **non-binding resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the Remuneration Report as contained in the Company's annual financial report for the financial year ended 31 December 2022."

Note: the vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

A voting prohibition statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

## 3. RESOLUTION 2 – ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – KATRINA O'LEARY

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

"That, for the purpose of clause 14.4 of the Constitution, Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, Katrina O'Leary, a Director who was appointed casually on 2 May 2022, retires, and being eligible, is elected as a Director."

#### 4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – SARA EDMONSON

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

"That, for the purpose of clause 14.2 of the Constitution, and for all other purposes, Sara Edmonson, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

#### 5. RESOLUTION 4 – RATIFICATION OF PRIOR ISSUE OF PLACEMENT SHARES

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.4 and for all other purposes, Shareholders ratify the issue of 3,636,364 Shares on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement."

A voting exclusion statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

## 6. RESOLUTION 5 – APPROVAL OF 7.1A MANDATE

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a **special resolution**:

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, approval is given for the Company to issue up to that number of Equity Securities equal to 10% of the issued capital of the Company at the time of issue, calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and otherwise on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement."

## 7. RESOLUTION 6 – INCREASE OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FEE POOL

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That, for the purposes of Listing Rule 10.17, clause 15.7 of the Company's Constitution and for all other purposes, with effect from the closing of this meeting, the maximum aggregate amount of Directors' fees payable to the Company's non-executive Directors per annum be increased by  $\leq 100,000$  from  $\leq 250,000$  to  $\leq 350,000$  per annum (equivalent of  $\leq 570,290$  as at the date of this Notice based on EURO/AUD exchange rate of 1.6294), such fees to be allocated to the Directors as the Board of Directors may determine.

A voting exclusion statement and voting prohibition statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

DATED: 1 MAY 2023

By order of the Board

Kevin Hart Company Secretary Po Valley Energy Limited

## Voting Prohibition Statements

Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report	A vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of either of the following persons:		
	(a) a member of the Key Management Personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or		
	(b) a Closely Related Party of such a member.		
	However, a person (the <b>voter</b> ) described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:		
	(a) the voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; or		
	(b) the voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy:		
	(i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; and		
	<ul> <li>(ii) expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.</li> </ul>		
Resolution 6 – Increase of Non-Executive Director			
Fee Pool	(a) the proxy is either:		
	(i) a member of the Key Management Personnel; or		
	(ii) a Closely Related Party of such a member; and		
	(b) the appointment does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution.		
	However, the above prohibition does not apply if:		
	(a) the proxy is the Chair; and		
	(b) the appointment expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.		

## Voting Exclusion Statements

In accordance with Listing Rule 14.11, the Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of the Resolution set out below by or on behalf of the following persons:

Resolution 4 – Ratification of prior issue of Placement Shares	The Placement participants, or their nominees, or any other person who participated in the issue or is a counterparty to the agreement being approved or an associate of that person or those persons.
Resolution 6 – Increase of Non-Executive Director fee pool	Any director or their associate

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of the Resolution by:

- (a) a person as a proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with the directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (b) the Chair as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with a direction given to the Chair to vote on the Resolution as the Chair decides; or
- (C) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee, custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:

- (i) the beneficiary provides written confirmation to the holder that the beneficiary is not excluded from voting, and is not an associate of a person excluded from voting, on the Resolution; and
- (ii) the holder votes on the Resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

## Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by the time and in accordance with the instructions set out on the Proxy Form.

In accordance with section 249L of the Corporations Act, Shareholders are advised that:

- each Shareholder has a right to appoint a proxy;
- the proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company; and
- a Shareholder who is entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the member appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes.

Shareholders and their proxies should be aware that:

- if proxy holders vote, they must cast all directed proxies as directed; and
- any directed proxies which are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed.

#### Voting in person

To vote in person, attend the Meeting at the time, date and place set out above.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 9316 9100.

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions.

## 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Corporations Act, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

The Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless specifically requested to do so. The Company's annual financial report is available on its website at www.povalley.com.

## 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

#### 2.1 General

The Corporations Act requires that at a listed company's annual general meeting, a resolution that the remuneration report be adopted must be put to the shareholders. However, such a resolution is advisory only and does not bind the company or the directors of the company.

The remuneration report sets out the company's remuneration arrangements for the directors and senior management of the company. The remuneration report is part of the directors' report contained in the annual financial report of the company for a financial year.

The chair of the meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for its shareholders to ask questions about or make comments on the remuneration report at the annual general meeting.

#### 2.2 Voting consequences

A company is required to put to its shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of another meeting of shareholders to consider the appointment of directors of the company (**Spill Resolution**) if, at consecutive annual general meetings, at least 25% of the votes cast on a remuneration report resolution are voted against adoption of the remuneration report and at the first of those annual general meetings a Spill Resolution was not put to vote. If required, the Spill Resolution must be put to vote at the second of those annual general meetings.

If more than 50% of votes cast are in favour of the Spill Resolution, the company must convene a shareholder meeting (**Spill Meeting**) within 90 days of the second annual general meeting.

All of the directors of the company who were in office when the directors' report (as included in the company's annual financial report for the most recent financial year) was approved, other than the managing director of the company, will cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting but may stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

Following the Spill Meeting those persons whose election or re-election as directors of the company is approved will be the directors of the company.

#### 2.3 Previous voting results

At the Company's previous annual general meeting the votes cast against the remuneration report considered at that annual general meeting were less than 25%. Accordingly, the Spill Resolution is not relevant for this Annual General Meeting.

## 3. RESOLUTION 2 – ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – KATRINA O'LEARY

## 3.1 General

The Constitution allows the Directors to appoint at any time a person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Directors, but only where the total number of Directors does not at any time exceed the maximum number specified by the Constitution.

Pursuant to the Constitution and Listing Rule 14.4, any Director so appointed holds office only until the next annual general meeting and is then eligible for election by Shareholders but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation (if any) at that meeting.

Katrina O'Leary, having been appointed by other Directors on 2 May 2022 in accordance with the Constitution, will retire in accordance with the Constitution and Listing Rule 14.4 and being eligible, seeks election from Shareholders.

## 3.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

Katrina O'Leary is an Intellectual Property and Information Technology lawyer with experience in both commercial and litigious matters. Katrina is a strategic adviser with international experience, and has significant experience in governance roles including for CSIRO's Science and Industry Endowment Fund and serving as non-executive board director on several boards.

Katrina holds a Bachelor of Law from Monash University and a Master of Law (Intellectual Property) from Melbourne University. Katrina brings to the board her strength in compliance, governance, and risk management.

## 3.3 Independence

Katrina O'Leary has no interests, position or relationship that might influence, or reasonably be perceived to influence, in a material respect his/her capacity to bring an independent judgement to bear on issues before the Board and to act in the best interest of the Company as a whole rather than in the interests of an individual security holder or other party.

If elected the Board considers Katrina O'Leary will be an independent Director.

## 3.4 Other material information

The Company conducts appropriate checks on the background and experience of candidates before their appointment to the Board. These include checks as to a person's experience, educational qualifications, character, criminal record and bankruptcy history. The Company undertook such checks prior to the appointment of Katrina O'Leary.

Katrina O'Leary has confirmed that she considers she will have sufficient time to fulfil her responsibilities as a Non-Executive Director of the Company and does not consider that any other commitment will interfere with her availability to perform her duties as a Non-Executive Director of the Company.

## 3.5 Board recommendation

The Board has reviewed Katrina O'Leary's performance since her appointment to the Board and considers that her skills and experience will continue to enhance the Board's ability to perform its role. Accordingly, the Board supports the election of Katrina O'Leary and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 2.

## 4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – SARA EDMONSON

## 4.1 General

The Constitution sets out the requirements for determining which Directors are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting.

Sara Edmonson, who has served as a Director since 23 December 2019 and was last re elected on 31 May 2021, retires by rotation and seeks re-election.

## 4.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

Sara Edmonson has extensive experience in natural gas, the critical transition fuel for a low carbon future. Sara was a Po Valley Executive from July 2010 to 2017. Sara served on the board of Coro Energy plc from November 2017 to October 2018 and as executive until March 2019 and as President at Associazione Energia Nazionale, an Italian association created to promote sustainable production, transportation and use of domestic energy until July 2020. Sara is fluent in Italian, having previously worked both in Italy and internationally for Ernst & Young Transaction Advisory Services. During her tenure at EY, Sara advised numerous blue-chip corporate clients on transactions in Russia, Romania, Turkey and the US including the US\$5 billion acquisition of DRS Technologies by Finmeccanica in 2008.

Sara holds an MBA from St John's University in New York City and a Masters in Sustainability Sciences from Harvard Extension School and is currently Regional Head of Markets and Strategic Partnerships for Fortescue Future Industries in Europe.

## 4.3 Independence

If re-elected the Board does not consider Sara Edmsonson will be an independent Director due to the executive position held in the Company within three years prior to appointment as director in 2019, however the Board considers that each director's commitment to the aims and ambition of all shareholders of the Company outweighs any non-independence and each director brings an independent judgement to bear on all Board decisions.

## 4.4 Board recommendation

The Board has reviewed Sara Edmonson's performance since her appointment to the Board and considers that her skills and experience will continue to enhance the Board's ability to perform its role. Accordingly, the Board supports the re-election of Sara Edmonson and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 3.

## 5. RESOLUTION 4 – RATIFICATION OF PRIOR ISSUE OF PLACEMENT SHARES

## 5.1 Background to Placement

As announced on 10 August 2022, the Company conducted a placement to sophisticated and professional investors for up to 81,818,182 fully paid ordinary shares at an issue price of \$0.055 per share (**Placement Share**s) to raise \$4,500,000 (**Placement**).

The placement was conducted as follows:

(a) 70,909,090 Placement Shares with a value of \$3,900,000 were issued on 15 August 2022 to unrelated sophisticated and professional investors. The issue of the 70,909,090 Shares issued on 15 August 2022 were issued under the Company's Listing Rule 7.1 capacity and were ratified at the General Meeting held on 5 October 2022;

- (b) 7,272,728 Placement Shares with a value of \$400,000 to Mr Kevin Bailey (or his nominee) as approved at the General Meeting held on 5 October 2022 were issued on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022; and
- (c) 3,636,364 Placement Shares with a value of \$200,000 issued on 8 December 2022 pursuant to the Company's existing placement capacity under listing Rule 7.1 (being the Shares for which ratification is being sought pursuant to Resolution 4).

Peloton Capital Pty Ltd (**Peloton**) acted as lead manager to the Placement and received the following fees in consideration for its services:

- (a) 6% on the total amount raised under the Placement; and
- (b) 7,500,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.10 each on or before 30 June 2024.

The funds raised from the Placement, together with the Company's existing cash reserves are applied towards the following purposes as detailed in the announcement of 10 August 2022:

- (a) completing construction of the gas plant and pipeline at the Podere Maiar-1 facility;
- (b) progressing geology and geoscience work programmes on Selva North, South and East;
- (c) exploring mechanisms to realise value at Teodorico via joint-venture or asset sales;
- (d) progressing planning for a 3D seismic programme on the greater Selva Malvezzi concession; and
- (e) general working capital.

#### 5.2 Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A

Broadly speaking, and subject to a number of exceptions, Listing Rule 7.1 limits the amount of equity securities that a listed company can issue without the approval of its shareholders over any 12 month period to 15% of the fully paid ordinary shares it had on issue at the start of that period.

Under Listing Rule 7.1A, an eligible entity can seek approval from its members, by way of a special resolution passed at its annual general meeting, to increase this 15% limit by an extra 10% to 25%.

The Company's ability to utilise the additional 10% capacity provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A for issues of equity securities following this Meeting remains conditional on 5 being passed at this Meeting.

The issue of the Placement Shares does not fit within any of the exceptions set out in Listing Rule 7.2 and, as it has not yet been approved by Shareholders, it effectively uses up part of the 15% limit in Listing Rule 7.1, reducing the Company's capacity to issue further equity securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1 for the 12 month period following the date of issue of the Placement Shares.

## 5.3 Listing Rule 7.4

Listing Rule 7.4 allows the shareholders of a listed company to approve an issue of equity securities after it has been made or agreed to be made. If they do, the issue is taken to have been approved under Listing Rule 7.1 and so does not reduce the company's capacity to issue further equity securities without shareholder approval under that rule.

The Company wishes to retain as much flexibility as possible to issue additional equity securities in the future without having to obtain Shareholder approval for such issues under Listing Rule 7.1. Accordingly, the Company is seeking Shareholder ratification pursuant to Listing Rule 7.4 for the issue of the Placement Shares.

Resolutions 4 seeks Shareholder ratification pursuant to Listing Rule 7.4 for the issue of the Placement Shares.

#### 5.4 Technical information required by Listing Rule 14.1A

If Resolution 4is passed, the Placement Shares will be excluded in calculating the Company's combined 25% limit in Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively increasing the number of equity securities the Company can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the date of issue of the Placement Shares.

If Resolution 4 is not passed, the Placement Shares will be included in calculating the Company's combined 25% limit in Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A, effectively decreasing the number of equity securities that the Company can issue without Shareholder approval over the 12 month period following the date of issue of the Placement Shares.

It is noted that the Company's ability to utilise the additional 10% capacity provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A for issues of equity securities following this Meeting remains conditional on Resolution 5 being passed at this Meeting.

#### 5.5 Technical information required for Resolution 4

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.5, the following information is provided in relation to Resolution 4:

- (a) the Placement Shares were issued to professional and sophisticated investors. The recipients were identified through a bookbuild process, which involved the Peloton seeking expressions of interest to participate in the capital raising from non-related parties of the Company;
- (b) in accordance with paragraph 7.4 of ASX Guidance Note 21, the Company confirms that none of the recipients were:
  - (i) related parties of the Company, members of the Company's Key Management Personnel, substantial holders of the Company, advisers of the Company or an associate of any of these parties; and
  - (ii) issued more than 1% of the issued capital of the Company;
- (c) 3,636,364 Placement Shares were issued and the Placement Shares issued were all fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of the Company issued on the same terms and conditions as the Company's existing Shares;
- (d) the Placement Shares were issued on 8 December 2022;
- (e) the issue price was \$0.055 per Placement Share. The Company has not and will not receive any other consideration for the issue of the Placement Shares;
- (f) the purpose of the issue of the Placement Shares was to raise \$200,000, which is applied towards the purposes of the Placement as set out in Section 5.1; and
- (g) the Placement Shares were not issued under an agreement.

## 6. RESOLUTION 5 – APPROVAL OF 7.1A MANDATE

## 6.1 General

Broadly speaking, and subject to a number of exceptions, Listing Rule 7.1 limits the amount of Equity Securities that a listed company can issue without the approval of its shareholders over any 12 month period to 15% of the fully paid ordinary securities it had on issue at the start of that period.

However, under Listing Rule 7.1A, an eligible entity may seek shareholder approval by way of a special resolution passed at its annual general meeting to increase this 15% limit by an extra 10% to 25% (**7.1A Mandate**).

An 'eligible entity' means an entity which is not included in the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a market capitalisation of \$300,000,000 or less. The Company is an eligible entity for these purposes.

As at the date of this Notice, the Company is an eligible entity as it is not included in the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a current market capitalisation of \$93,794,891 (based on the number of Shares on issue and the closing price of Shares on the ASX on 17 April 2023).

Resolution 5 seeks Shareholder approval by way of special resolution for the Company to have the additional 10% placement capacity provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A to issue Equity Securities without Shareholder approval.

If Resolution 5 is passed, the Company will be able to issue Equity Securities up to the combined 25% limit in Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A without any further Shareholder approval.

If Resolution 5 is not passed, the Company will not be able to access the additional 10% capacity to issue Equity Securities without Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1A, and will remain subject to the 15% limit on issuing Equity Securities without Shareholder approval set out in Listing Rule 7.1.

## 6.2 Technical information required by Listing Rule 7.1A

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.3A, the information below is provided in relation to Resolution 5:

## (a) Period for which the 7.1A Mandate is valid

The 7.1A Mandate will commence on the date of the Meeting and expire on the first to occur of the following:

- (i) the date that is 12 months after the date of this Meeting;
- (ii) the time and date of the Company's next annual general meeting; and
- (iii) the time and date of approval by Shareholders of any transaction under Listing Rule 11.1.2 (a significant change in the nature or scale of activities) or Listing Rule 11.2 (disposal of the main undertaking).

## (b) Minimum price

Any Equity Securities issued under the 7.1A Mandate must be in an existing quoted class of Equity Securities and be issued at a minimum price of 75% of the volume weighted average price of Equity Securities in that class, calculated over the 15 trading days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- (i) the date on which the price at which the Equity Securities are to be issued is agreed by the entity and the recipient of the Equity Securities; or
- (ii) if the Equity Securities are not issued within 10 trading days of the date in Section 7.2(b)(i), the date on which the Equity Securities are issued.

#### (c) Use of funds raised under the 7.1A Mandate

The Company intends to use funds raised from issues of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate for to raise cash to fund the Company's forward exploration and development work programs, for general working capital or acquiring new assets (including any expenses associated with such an acquisition).

#### (d) Risk of Economic and Voting Dilution

Any issue of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate will dilute the interests of Shareholders who do not receive any Shares under the issue.

If Resolution 5 is approved by Shareholders and the Company issues the maximum number of Equity Securities available under the 7.1A Mandate, the economic and voting dilution of existing Shares would be as shown in the table below.

The table below shows the dilution of existing Shareholders calculated in accordance with the formula outlined in Listing Rule 7.1A.2, on the basis of the closing market price of Shares and the number of Equity Securities on issue or proposed to be issued as at 20 April 2023.

The table also shows the voting dilution impact where the number of Shares on issue (Variable A in the formula) changes and the economic dilution where there are changes in the issue price of Shares issued under the 7.1A Mandate.

			Diluti	ion	
Number of Shares on Issue			Issue Price		
		Shares issued –	\$0.041	\$0.081	\$0.12
	n Listing Rule 7.1A.2)	10% voting dilution	50% decrease	Issue Price	50% increase
				Funds Raised	
Current	1,157,961,621 Shares	115,796,162 Shares	\$4,747,642	\$9,379,489	\$14,127,131
50% increase	1,736,942,432 Shares	173,694,243 Shares	\$7,121,463	\$14,069,233	\$21,190,697
100% increase	2,315,923,242 Shares	231,592,324 Shares	\$9,495,285	\$18,758,978	\$28,254,263

\*The number of Shares on issue (Variable A in the formula) could increase as a result of the issue of Shares that do not require Shareholder approval (such as under a pro- rata rights issue or scrip issued under a takeover offer) or that are issued with Shareholder approval under Listing Rule 7.1.

#### The table above uses the following assumptions:

- 1. There are currently 1,157,961,621 Shares on issue on 20 April 2023.
- 2. The issue price set out above is the closing market price of the Shares on the ASX on 20 April 2023 (being \$0.081).
- 3. The Company issues the maximum possible number of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate.

- 4. The Company has not issued any Equity Securities in the 12 months prior to the Meeting that were not issued under an exception in Listing Rule 7.2 or with approval under Listing Rule 7.1.
- 5. The issue of Equity Securities under the 7.1A Mandate consists only of Shares. It is assumed that no Options are exercised into Shares before the date of issue of the Equity Securities. If the issue of Equity Securities includes quoted Options, it is assumed that those quoted Options are exercised into Shares for the purpose of calculating the voting dilution effect on existing Shareholders.
- 6. The calculations above do not show the dilution that any one particular Shareholder will be subject to. All Shareholders should consider the dilution caused to their own shareholding depending on their specific circumstances.
- 7. This table does not set out any dilution pursuant to approvals under Listing Rule 7.1 unless otherwise disclosed.
- 8. The 10% voting dilution reflects the aggregate percentage dilution against the issued share capital at the time of issue. This is why the voting dilution is shown in each example as 10%.
- 9. The table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of placements under the 7.1A Mandate, based on that Shareholder's holding at the date of the Meeting.

Shareholders should note that there is a risk that:

- (i) the market price for the Company's Shares may be significantly lower on the issue date than on the date of the Meeting; and
- (ii) the Shares may be issued at a price that is at a discount to the market price for those Shares on the date of issue.

#### (e) Allocation policy under the 7.1A Mandate

The recipients of the Equity Securities to be issued under the 7.1A Mandate have not yet been determined. However, the recipients of Equity Securities could consist of current Shareholders or new investors (or both), none of whom will be related parties of the Company.

The Company will determine the recipients at the time of the issue under the 7.1A Mandate, having regard to the following factors:

- (i) the purpose of the issue;
- (ii) alternative methods for raising funds available to the Company at that time, including, but not limited to, an entitlement issue, share purchase plan, placement or other offer where existing Shareholders may participate;
- (iii) the effect of the issue of the Equity Securities on the control of the Company;
- (iv) the circumstances of the Company, including, but not limited to, the financial position and solvency of the Company;
- (v) prevailing market conditions; and
- (vi) advice from corporate, financial and broking advisers (if applicable).

#### (f) Previous approval under Listing Rule 7.1A

The Company previously obtained approval from its Shareholders pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1A at its annual general meeting held on 28 April 2022 (**Previous Approval**).

During the 12 month period preceding the date of the Meeting, being on and from 30 May 2022, the Company has not issued any Equity Securities pursuant to the Previous Approval under Listing Rule 7.1A.

## 6.3 Voting Exclusion Statement

As at the date of this Notice, the Company is not proposing to make an issue of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A. Accordingly, a voting exclusion statement is not included in this Notice.

## 7. RESOLUTION 6 – INCREASE OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FEE POOL

## 7.1 Background

Clause 15.7 of the Constitution requires that the amount to be paid to Directors, as remuneration for their services as Directors, shall not be increased, except pursuant to a resolution passed at a general meeting of the Company where notice of the suggested increase shall have been given to Shareholders in the notice convening the meeting.

ASX Listing Rule 10.17 and clause 15.7 of the Constitution provides that an entity must not increase the total aggregate amount of directors' fees payable to all of its non-executive directors without the approval of holders of its ordinary securities.

The total aggregate amount of directors' fees per annum to be paid to the non-executive Directors was previously set at €250,000 per annum at the Annual General Meeting held on 13 May 2011.

Resolution 6 seeks Shareholder approval to increase the total aggregate amount of non-executive directors' remuneration available to be paid to the non-executive Directors at €350,000 per annum.

The total amount of non-executive Directors' fees payable includes superannuation contributions made by the Company for the benefit of the Director and any fees which the Director agrees to sacrifice for other benefits. It does not include reimbursement of genuine out-of-pocket expenses, genuine "special exertion" fees paid in accordance with the Constitution or securities issued to a Director under ASX Listing Rule 10.11 or 10.14 with approval of Shareholders.

The proposed total aggregate amount of non-executive Directors' fees has been determined after reviewing similar companies listed on ASX and the Directors believe that this level of remuneration is in line with corporate remuneration of similar companies.

The maximum aggregate fees payable to non-executive Directors has not been increased for twelve (12) years. If Resolution 6 is approved, it does not mean that the Company must utilise the entire maximum sum of  $\leq$ 350,000 approved for fees in each year. However, the Board considers that it is reasonable and appropriate to seek approval for an increased amount for the following reasons:

- (a) the growth of the Company and increased responsibilities and potentially the total number of non-executive Directors;
- (b) to ensure that the Company maintains its capacity to remunerate both existing and new Directors joining the Board;
- (c) to remunerate Directors appropriately for the expectations placed upon them by both the Company and the regulatory environment in which it operates; and
- (d) to give the Company the flexibility to attract and retain new Directors whose skills and qualifications are appropriate for a company of the size and nature of the Company.

As at the date of this Notice, the EURO/AUD exchange rate is 1.6294 meaning remuneration of €350,000 for which approval is sought would equate to \$570,290. Exchange rates are variable and if Shareholders approve the maximum remuneration payable to non-executive directors at €350,000, the value of this amount in Australian dollars may vary from time to time. For example, based on prevailing exchange rates during 2022, an amount of €350,000 would have been worth

between \$509,300 (EUR/AUD 1.455) and \$ 552,400 (EUR/AUD 1.578) during the course of the year.

## Information for the purposes of ASX Listing Rule 10.17

If Shareholders approve Resolution 6, the maximum aggregate amount of fees which can be paid to non-executive Directors each year will increase by  $\leq 100,000$  to  $\leq 350,000$  per annum.

The following securities have been issued to non-executive Directors under Listing Rule 10.11 or 10.14 at any time within the last three years:

Date of Issue	Non-Executive Director	Securities Issued	Consideration paid by the Director for the issue
4 Nov 2022	Kevin Bailey	7,272,728 Ordinary Shares	\$400,000

## GLOSSARY

**\$** means Australian dollars.

7.1A Mandate has the meaning given in Section 7.1.

Annual General Meeting or Meeting means the meeting convened by the Notice.

ASIC means the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by ASX Limited, as the context requires.

Board means the current board of directors of the Company.

**Business Day** means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

Chair means the chair of the Meeting.

Closely Related Party of a member of the Key Management Personnel means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealing with the entity;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) for the purposes of the definition of 'closely related party' in the Corporations Act.

Company means Po Valley Energy Limited (ACN 087 741 571).

**Constitution** means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

Directors means the current directors of the Company.

**Equity Securities** includes a Share, a right to a Share or Option, an Option, a convertible security and any security that ASX decides to classify as an Equity Security.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice.

**Key Management Personnel** has the same meaning as in the accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated group.

Listing Rules means the Listing Rules of ASX.

**Notice** or **Notice of Meeting** means this notice of meeting including the Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form.

**Option** means an option to acquire a Share.

Peloton means Peloton Capital Pty Ltd.

Placement has the meaning given to it in Section 5.1.

Placement Shares has the meaning given to it in Section 5.1.

**Proxy Form** means the proxy form accompanying the Notice.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report set out in the Director's report section of the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**Resolutions** means the resolutions set out in the Notice, or any one of them, as the context requires.

Section means a section of the Explanatory Statement.

Share means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a registered holder of a Share.

Variable A means "A" as set out in the formula in Listing Rule 7.1A.2.

WST means Western Standard Time as observed in Perth, Western Australia



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## PROXY FORM

I/We being a member(s) of Po Valley Energy Limited and entitled to attend and vote hereby appoint:

## **APPOINT A PROXY**

STEP

STEP 9

STEP 3

the Chairman of the Meeting (mark box) **OR** if you are **NOT** appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of the person or body corporate you are appointing as your proxy

or failing the person or body corporate named, or if no person or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act on my/our behalf (including to vote in accordance with the following directions or, if no directions have been given and to the extent permitted by the law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held at **11:00am (AEST) on Wednesday, 31 May 2023 at The Boardroom at The Cluster Level 17, 31 Queen Street, Melbourne, 3000** (the **Meeting**) and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

**Important for Resolutions 1 & 6:** If the Chairman of the Meeting is your proxy, either by appointment or by default, and you have not indicated your voting intention below, you expressly authorise the Chairman of the Meeting to exercise the proxy in respect of Resolutions 1 & 6, even though the Resolutions are connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Company's Key Management Personnel (KMP).

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business.

## **VOTING DIRECTIONS**

Proxies will only be valid and accepted by the Company if they are signed and received no later than 48 hours before the Meeting. Please read the voting instructions overleaf before marking any boxes with an  $\boxtimes$ 

Resolutions	For Against Abstain*	For Against Abstain*	
1 Adoption of Remuneration Report	5 Approval of 7.1a Mandate		
2 Election of Director – Katrina O'Leary	6 Increase of Non-Executive Director Fee Pool		
3 Re-Election of Director – Sara Edmonson			
4 Ratification of Prior Issue of Placement Shares			
* If you mark the Abstain box for a particular Item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or on a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.			
SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDER	G – THIS MUST BE COMPLETED		
Shareholder 1 (Individual)	Joint Shareholder 2 (Individual) Joint Shareholder	er 3 (Individual)	
Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary	Director/Company Secretary (Delete one) Director		
This form should be signed by the shareholder. If a joint holding, either shareholder may sign. If signed by the shareholder's attorney, the power of attorney must have been previously noted by the registry or a certified copy attached to this form. If executed by a company, the form must be executed in accordance with the company's constitution and the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> (Cth).			

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#### YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

This is your name and address as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, please make the correction on the form. Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes. **Please note: you cannot change ownership of your shares using this form.** 

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PROXY**

If you wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, mark the box in Step 1. If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that individual or body corporate in Step 1. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.

#### **DEFAULT TO CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING**

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will default to the Chairman of the Meeting, who is required to vote those proxies as directed. Any undirected proxies that default to the Chairman of the Meeting will be voted according to the instructions set out in this Proxy Form, including where the Resolutions are connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of KMP.

#### **VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS – PROXY APPOINTMENT**

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark in one of the boxes opposite each item of business. All your shares will be voted in accordance with such a direction unless you indicate only a portion of voting rights are to be voted on any item by inserting the percentage or number of shares you wish to vote in the appropriate box or boxes. If you do not mark any of the boxes on the items of business, your proxy may vote as he or she chooses. If you mark more than one box on an item your vote on that item will be invalid.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF A SECOND PROXY**

You are entitled to appoint up to two persons as proxies to attend the Meeting and vote on a poll. If you wish to appoint a second proxy, an additional Proxy Form may be obtained by telephoning the Company's share registry or you may copy this form and return them both together.

To appoint a second proxy you must:

(a) on each of the first Proxy Form and the second Proxy Form state the percentage of your voting rights or number of shares applicable to that form. If the appointments do not specify the percentage or number of votes that each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise half your votes. Fractions of votes will be disregarded; and

(b) return both forms together.

#### SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

You must sign this form as follows in the spaces provided:

**Individual:** where the holding is in one name, the holder must sign.

**Joint Holding:** where the holding is in more than one name, either shareholder may sign.

**Power of Attorney:** to sign under Power of Attorney, you must lodge the Power of Attorney with the registry. If you have not previously lodged this document for notation, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.

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

#### **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES**

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" must be produced prior to admission in accordance with the Notice of Meeting. A form of the certificate may be obtained from the Company's share registry or online at www.linkmarketservices.com.au.

#### LODGEMENT OF A PROXY FORM

This Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed) must be received at an address given below by **11:00am (AEST) on Monday, 29 May 2023,** being not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Form received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

Proxy Forms may be lodged:



#### https://investorcentre.linkgroup.com

Login to the Link website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Select 'Voting' and follow the prompts to lodge your vote. To use the online lodgement facility, shareholders will need their "Holder Identifier" - Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN).

## BY MOBILE DEVICE

Our voting website is designed specifically for voting online. You can now lodge your proxy by scanning the QR code adjacent or enter the voting link **https://investorcentre.linkgroup.com** into your mobile device. Log in using the Holder Identifier and postcode for your shareholding.



To scan the code you will need a QR code reader application which can be downloaded for free on your mobile device.

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## BY HAND

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\* in business hours (Monday to Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm)





#### **COMMUNICATION PREFERENCE**

We encourage you to receive all your shareholder communication via email. This communication method allows us to keep you informed without delay, is environmentally friendly and reduces print and mail costs.

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#### www.linkmarketservices.com.au

Login to the Link website using the holding details as shown on the Proxy Form. Select 'Communications' and click the first button to receive all communications electronically and enter your email address. To use the online facility, securityholders will need their "Holder Identifier" (Securityholder Reference Number (SRN) or Holder Identification Number (HIN) as shown on the front of the Proxy Form).

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, PLEASE BRING THIS FORM WITH YOU. THIS WILL ASSIST IN REGISTERING YOUR ATTENDANCE.



1 May 2023

Dear Shareholders

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - NOTICE AND PROXY FORM

Po Valley Energy Limited's (**Po Valley** or **the Company**) 2023 Annual General Meeting is scheduled to be held at The Boardroom at The Cluster Level 17 31 Queen Street, Melbourne, 3000, on Wednesday 31 May 2023 at 11am AEDT (**Meeting**).

In accordance with new provisions under the Corporations Act, the Company will not be sending physical copies of the Notice of Meeting and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum (**Meeting Materials**) to shareholders unless they have made a valid election to receive documents in physical copy.

Instead, a copy of the Meeting Materials will be available electronically on the Company's website at https://www.povalley.com/investors/shareholder-meetings

Alternatively, a complete copy of the Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement has been posted on the Company's ASX market announcements page.

The Company **strongly encourage all Shareholders to lodge their directed proxy form prior to the Meeting** in accordance with instructions set out in the proxy form. All voting at the Meeting will be conducted by poll.

If Shareholders do not attend the Meeting in person, they will be able to participate by:

- a) voting prior to the Meeting by lodging their proxy form by no later than 11am AEST on 29 May 2023, as per the instructions on the proxy form; and
- b) Lodging questions in advance of the Meeting by email to the Chairman at <u>info@povalley.com</u> by no later than 29 May 2023.

If you have any difficulties obtaining a copy of the Meeting Materials, please contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 9316 9100.

Po Valley Shareholders who wish to updated their details to be able to receive communications and notices electronically can do so by vising the Company's share registry website at <u>https://investorcentre.linkmarketservices.com.au/Login/Login</u> and log in with their unique shareholder identification number and postcode (or country for overseas residents)

The Company will notify Shareholders via the Company's website at <u>https://www.povalley.com/</u> and the Company's ASX Announcement Platform at asx.com.au (ASX:PVE) if changing circumstances impact the planning or arrangements for the Meeting.

This announcement is authorised for market release the board of Po Valley Energy Limited.

Sincerely,

Kevin Hart Company Secretary

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