## **AEERIS LTD**

ABN: 18 166 705 595



# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

**DATE**: Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023

**TIME**: 12 noon (AEDT)

**PLACE**: Border Room, Level 3

Twin Towers Conference and Function Centre

2 Wharf Street

Tweed Heads NSW 2485

#### **2023 Annual Report**

A copy of Aeeris Ltd's 2023 Annual Report, including the financial report, directors' report and auditors report for the year ended 30 June 2023 is available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.aeeris.com/Annual%20Reports.html">https://www.aeeris.com/Annual%20Reports.html</a>

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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 12 noon

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (**AGM**) of Aeeris Ltd (**Company** or **Aeeris**) will be held on **Wednesday**, **25**<sup>th</sup> **October 2023** at 12 noon (AEDT) at Border Room, Level 3, Twin Towers Conference and Function Centre, 2 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads NSW 2485.

The Explanatory Statement that accompanies and forms part of this Notice of Meeting describes in more detail the matters to be considered at the AGM. Please ensure you read the Explanatory Statement in full.

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. ANNUAL REPORT

To receive and consider the Annual Financial Report of the Company and its controlled entities for the year ended 30 June 2023 which includes the Financial Report and the Directors' and Auditor's Reports.

#### 2. RESOLUTION 1 – REMUNERATION REPORT

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a non-binding **advisory resolution**:

"That, for the purpose of Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, the Remuneration Report as contained in the Company's Annual Financial Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 be adopted."

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

**Voting Exclusion Statement:** In accordance with Section 250R of the Corporations Act, the Company will disregard any votes cast (in any capacity) on Resolution 1 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;
- (b) A closely related party of such a member. A closely related party includes close family members and companies the Key Management Personnel controls.

However, the Company will not disregard a vote if:

- (a) it is cast by a person as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with the directions on the Proxy Form; or
- (b) it is cast by the person chairing the meeting as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, either in accordance with a direction on the Proxy Form to vote as the proxy decides or pursuant to the express authorisation detailed on the Proxy Voting Form.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF MR. NATHAN YOUNG

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

"That Mr. Nathan Young who retires by rotation, and being eligible, be re-elected as a director of the Company."

The Board, with Mr. Young abstaining, recommends the Shareholders vote **in favour** of this resolution.

#### 4. RESOLUTION 3 - APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL SHARE PLACEMENT CAPACITY

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

"That, for the purpose of ASX Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, Shareholders approve giving the Company an additional ten percent (10%) capacity to issue equity securities in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and on the terms and conditions set out in the Explanatory Statement accompanying this Notice of Meeting."

The Board recommends the Shareholders vote in favour of this resolution.

### **Further Information**

Your vote is important

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

#### **HOW TO VOTE**

Shareholders can vote on the resolutions by:

- Submitting their vote before the meeting either online or using the proxy form; or
- At the meeting.

Shareholders are encouraged to lodge their vote prior to the meeting by visiting <a href="https://www.votingonline.com.au/aeragm2023">www.votingonline.com.au/aeragm2023</a> and following the instructions no later than 48 hours before the commencement of the meeting which is at 12 noon (AEDT) on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023.

You may also lodge completed Proxy Forms:

By mail to: Boardroom Pty Limited

GPO Box 3993

Sydney NSW 2001 Australia

In Person\* at: Boardroom Pty Limited

Level 8, 210 George Street Sydney NSW 2000 Australia

\* during business hours Monday to Friday (9.00am – 5.00pm) and subject to public health

orders and restrictions.

All Resolutions will be by poll

Each resolution considered at the meeting will be conducted by a poll, rather than on a show of hands.

#### Joint holders

When joint holders are named in the register of members, only one joint holder may vote. If more than one of the joint holders is present at the meeting, only the person whose name appears first in the register of members will be entitled to vote. If more than one holder votes at the meeting, only the vote of the first named of the joint holders in the register of members will be counted.

#### **Proxies**

All Shareholders who are entitled to participate in and vote at the AGM have the right to appoint a proxy to participate in the AGM and vote in their place. A proxy need not be a Shareholder and can be an individual or a body corporate.

You can direct your proxy how to vote (i.e. to vote 'for' or 'against', or to 'abstain' from voting on, each resolution) by following the instructions either online or on the hard copy voting form. A proxy may decide whether to vote on an item of business, except where the proxy is required by law or the constitution to vote, or abstain from voting, in his or her capacity as proxy. If a proxy is directed how to vote on an item of business, the proxy may only vote on the item as directed. If a proxy is not directed how to vote on an item of business, the proxy may vote as he or she thinks fit.

For your proxy appointment to be effective, it must be received by Boardroom Pty Limited not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the AGM (that is by12 noon (AEDT) on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023).

If you appoint the Chairman as your proxy but do not direct the Chairman on how to vote, then by completing and submitting your voting instructions you are expressly authorising the Chairman to vote in favour of each item of business, even when an item of business is directly or indirectly connected to the remuneration of a member of the key management personnel of Aeeris Ltd. The Chair intends to vote all available (including undirected) proxies in favour of all resolutions, subject to the applicable voting exclusions.

If you are entitled to cast two or more votes, you may appoint two proxies and you may specify the proportion or number of votes that each proxy is appointed to exercise. If your appointment does not specify the proportion or number of your voting rights, each proxy may exercise half your votes (disregarding fractions).

The appointment of one or more duly appointed proxies will not preclude a Shareholder from attending the meeting and voting personally. If the Shareholder votes on a resolution, the proxy must not vote as the Shareholder's proxy on that resolution.

#### QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM SHAREHOLDERS

Aeeris welcomes questions from Shareholders and proxyholders in the lead up to and during the AGM. In the interests of all participants, please confine your questions to matters being considered at the AGM that are relevant to Shareholders as a whole. It may not be possible to respond to all questions during the AGM and a number of similar questions may be grouped together and answered by the Chairman or management.

#### Before the meeting

Shareholders may submit written questions to the Company or the auditor in advance of the AGM by email to the Company Secretary at <a href="mailto:elissa.hansen@cosecservices.com.au">elissa.hansen@cosecservices.com.au</a> or by post to the Company's share registry (see address details above).

#### **During the meeting**

All Shareholders will have a reasonable opportunity to ask questions during the AGM, including the opportunity to ask questions of the Company's auditor, MNSA Pty Ltd.

#### COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

By signing up to receive e-communications you will be helping to reduce print, paper and postage costs and the associated environmental impact. To sign up for e-communications visit <a href="https://www.investorserve.com.au/">https://www.investorserve.com.au/</a>. In line with our commitment to the environment and sustainability, unless you elect otherwise we will provide our Annual Reports to you by making them available on our website at <a href="https://www.aeeris.com/Annual%20Reports.html">https://www.aeeris.com/Annual%20Reports.html</a>

Dated: 22 September 2023

By order of the Board

Elissa Hansen Company Secretary

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Annual General Meeting (**AGM**) Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the AGM.

The purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the General Meeting resolutions.

#### 1. ANNUAL REPORT

#### 1.1 General

The first agenda item is to receive the Annual Report of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2023.

#### 1.2 Corporations Act

Section 317 of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)* requires the directors to lay before the Annual General Meeting the Financial Report, the Directors' Report (including the Remuneration Report) and the Auditor's Report for the last financial year that ended 30 June 2023.

The Annual Report is available on the Company's website and a printed copy has been sent to those shareholders who requested it.

In accordance with sections 250S and 250SA of the Corporations Act, Shareholders present at the Annual General Meeting will be provided with a reasonable opportunity to:

- (a) ask questions or make comment to the Directors present on the management of the Company and Remuneration Report; and
- (b) ask questions or make comment to the Auditor about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the Auditor's Report.

No formal resolution to adopt the Annual Report will be put to the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

Shareholders who are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting are able to submit written questions to the Chairman or the auditor about:

- (a) The preparation and the content of the 2023 Auditor's Report;
- (b) The conduct of the 2023 audit;
- (c) Accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the 2023 financial statements; and
- (d) The independence of the Auditor in relation to the conduct of the 2023 audit.

The questions will need to be submitted no later than five (5) business days before the Annual General Meeting to the Company Secretary at the Company's Registered Office or via email to <a href="mailto:elissa.hansen@cosecservices.com.au">elissa.hansen@cosecservices.com.au</a>.

#### 2. RESOLUTION 1 – REMUNERATION REPORT

#### 2.1 General

In accordance with Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, at a listed company's Annual General Meeting, a resolution that the Company's Remuneration Report be adopted must be put to the vote. Section 250R(3) of the Corporations Act provides that the vote on the resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

In accordance with Section 300A, the Remuneration Report sets out the Company's remuneration arrangements for Key Management Personnel. The Remuneration Report is part of the Directors' Report contained in the Annual Financial Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2023. A reasonable opportunity will be provided for discussion of the Remuneration Report at the Annual General Meeting.

#### 2.2 Voting Consequences

Under the Corporations Act, companies are required to put to shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of another meeting of shareholders to consider the appointment of directors of the company ("Spill Resolution") if, at two consecutive Annual General Meetings, at least 25% of the votes cast on the Remuneration Report are voted against the 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 are cast in favour of a Spill Resolution, the Company must convene a shareholder meeting ("Spill Meeting") within 90 days of the second Annual General Meeting. At that meeting, all directors who were in office at the time of the Directors' Report, other than the managing director, will cease to hold office immediately before the Spill Meeting. Those persons who are elected or re-elected at the Spill Meeting will be the directors of the company. Note those directors who ceased to hold office immediately prior to the Spill Meeting may stand for re-election.

At the 2022 Annual General Meeting, the adoption of the remuneration report was approved by 97.97% of votes by shareholders who voted on the resolution. Accordingly, a Spill Resolution is not required at this AGM.

Shareholders of the Company will be provided with the opportunity to ask questions about or make comments on the Remuneration Report.

#### 3. RESOLUTION 2 - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

#### 3.1 General

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 14.5, a public listed company must hold an election of directors at each annual general meeting. Further, in accordance with ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and the Company's Constitution, a director must not hold office (without re-election) past the third annual general meeting following the director's appointment and a director appointed to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the board must not hold office (without re-election) past the next annual general meeting.

#### 3.2 Nathan Young

Mr. Nathan Young was last re-elected as a director at the 2021 AGM, having initially been appointed as a director on 21 February 2018. Nathan will retire by rotation at the conclusion of this meeting and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Nathan began his career in financial markets over 20 years ago. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce from The University of Melbourne and a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment. He has previously been employed by a large Investment Bank and Hedge Fund focused on trading and investment strategies. In these organisations, one of his roles was to evaluate seed capital, pre-IPO and listed investment opportunities in the technology sector.

In 2014, Nathan redirected his focus on a personal basis to early-stage investments. He is a cofounder of a disability respite care business, a non-executive director of Bora Bora Resources Ltd, a resource explorer, and Appsolute Digital Ltd, an Indonesian based technology developer.

#### 4. RESOLUTION 4 - APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL SHARE PLACEMENT CAPACITY

#### 4.1 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.

Under Listing Rule 7.1A however, 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% (Additional Placement Capacity).

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

Resolution 4 seeks shareholder approval by way of special resolution for Aeeris to have the additional 10% capacity provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A to issue equity securities without shareholder approval, should the need arise.

As a **special resolution** at least 75% of votes cast by Shareholders eligible to vote at the meeting must be in favour of the resolution for it to be passed.

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

If resolution 4 is passed, Aeeris 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 4 is not passed, Aeeris will not be able to access the additional 10% capacity to issue equity securities without shareholder approval provided for in 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.

#### 4.3 ASX Listing Rule 7.3A Requirements

Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.3A, the issue price for each security issued under the Additional Placement Capacity will not be less than 75% of the volume weighted average price for securities in that class over the 15 trading days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

- the date on which the price at which the securities are to be issued is agreed by the entity and the recipient of the securities; or
- if the securities are not issued within 10 trading days of the date above, the date on which the securities are issued.

The issue of equity securities under the Additional Placement Capacity may result in voting dilution of existing ordinary shareholders (as shown in the table below). There is also the risk that:

- the market price for equity securities in that class may be significantly lower on the issue date than on the date of the Annual General Meeting; and
- the equity securities may be issued at a price that is at a discount to the market price for those equity securities on the issue date.

Table 1 following shows the dilution of existing Shareholders calculated in accordance with the formula outlined in ASX Listing Rule 7.3A.2 on the basis of the current market price of Shares and the current number of ordinary securities quoted on ASX for variable "A" calculated in accordance with the formula in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 as at the date of this Notice.

#### The table also shows:

- i. two examples where variable "A" has increased, by 50% and 100%. Variable "A" is based on the number of ordinary securities the Company has on issue. The number of ordinary securities on issue may increase as a result of issues of ordinary securities that do not require Shareholder approval (for example, a pro rata entitlements issue or scrip issued under a takeover offer) or future specific placements under Listing Rule 7.1 that are approved at a future Shareholders' meeting; and
- ii. two examples of where the issue price of ordinary securities has decreased by 50% and increased by 50% against the current market price.

Table 1

	Dilution			
Variable "A" Number of Shares on Issue		\$0.050	\$0.100	\$0.150
	Issue Price (per Share)	50%		50%
		decrease in Issue Price	Issue Price	Increase in Issue Price
71,583,858	10% Voting	7,158,386	7,158,386	7,158,386
(Current number of Shares on Issue)	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares
	Funds Raised	\$357,919	\$715,839	\$1,073,758
107,375,787	10% Voting	10,737,579	10,737,579	10,737,579
(50% increase in Shares on Issue)	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares
	Funds Raised	\$536,879	\$1,073,758	\$1,610,637
143,167,716	10% Voting	14,316,772	14,316,772	14,316,772
(100% increase in Shares on Issue)	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares
	Funds Raised	\$715,839	\$1,431,677	\$2,147,516

The above table is based on the following assumptions:

- The number of shares on issue (variable "A") is calculated as 71,583,858 being all fully paid ordinary shares quoted on ASX as at the date of this Notice.
- The Company issues the maximum number of equity securities available under the Additional Placement Capacity.
- The 10% voting dilution reflects the aggregate percentage dilution against the issued share capital at the time of issue.
- The table shows only the issue of equity securities under the Additional Placement Capacity and not under Listing Rule 7.1.
- The issue of equity securities under the Additional Placement Capacity includes only Shares.
- The issue price of \$0.10 was the closing price of shares on ASX on 14 September 2023.

Equity securities under the Additional Placement Capacity may be issued until the earlier of:

- the date that is 12 months after the date of the Annual General Meeting at which the approval is obtained;
- the time and date of the Company's next Annual General Meeting; or
- the date of approval by ordinary shareholders of a significant change to the Company's activities under ASX Listing Rule 11.1.2 or the date of approval by ordinary shareholders of a disposal of a major asset under ASX Listing Rule 11.2.

- To be clear, any approval of the Additional Placement Capacity at this Annual General Meeting will cease to be valid in the event that ordinary shareholders approve a transaction under ASX Listing Rule 11.1.2 or 11.2.
- The Company may issue equity securities in an existing quoted class of securities under the Additional Placement Capacity for cash consideration:
  - to raise funds for the development of the Company's new and existing products and services;
  - o to raise funds for the acquisition of new assets or investments (including assets associated with such acquisition);
  - o to fund working capital.

The Company will comply with the disclosure obligations under Listing Rules 7.1A.4 upon issue of any equity securities under the Additional Placement Capacity.

The Company's allocation policy for issues under the Additional Placement Capacity is dependent on prevailing market conditions at the time of any proposed issue. The identity of the allottees of the equity securities will be determined on a case-by-case basis having regard to the factors including, but not limited to, the following:

- the purpose of the issue;
- the methods of raising funds that are available to the Company, including rights issues or other issues in which existing shareholders may participate;
- the effect of the issue of the equity securities on the control of the Company;
- the financial situation and solvency of the Company;
- prevailing market conditions; and
- advice from the Company's advisors.

As the Company has no current plans to undertake a new capital raising, the allottees under the Additional Placement Capacity have not yet been determined, but if such an exercise was undertaken, allottees may include existing substantial shareholders and/or new shareholders who are not related parties or associates of a related party of the Company.

Aeeris sought Additional Placement Capacity at its 2022 Annual General Meeting. During the 12 months preceding the date of this meeting, the Company did not issue any securities utilising the Company's placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1A.

A voting exclusion statement has been included in this Notice. However, as at the date of this Notice, the Company has not approached any particular existing Shareholders to participate in the issue of equity securities under the Additional Placement Capacity. No existing Shareholders' votes will therefore be excluded under the voting exclusion in the Notice.

If the Company issues equity securities pursuant to the Additional Placement Capacity, it will give to ASX:

- a list of the allottees of the equity securities and the number of equity securities allotted to each (not for release to the market), in accordance with Listing Rule 7.1A.4; and
- the information required by Listing Rule 3.10.5A for release to the market.

#### **GLOSSARY**

\$ means Australian dollars.

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

**Annual General Meeting Explanatory Statement** means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

**Annual General Meeting Proxy Form** means the proxy form accompanying the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

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

**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.

**ASX Listing Rules** means the Listing Rules of ASX.

**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 Aeeris Ltd (ACN 166 705 595).

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

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Directors** means the current directors of the Company.

**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 entity, of an entity within the consolidated group.

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

**Performance Right** means the right to subscribe for one Share on attainment of the vesting conditions.

**Resolution** means a resolution set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

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

**Shareholder** means a registered holder of a Share.