#### **BETTERMOO(D) FOOD CORPORATION**

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#### **INFORMATION CIRCULAR**

This Information Circular (the "**Circular**") accompanies the Notice of the annual general and special meeting (the "**Meeting**") of the Shareholders of Bettermoo(d) Food Corporation (the "**Company**" or "**Bettermoo(d)**") and is furnished to Shareholders holding shares of Bettermoo(d) (the "**Shares**"), in connection with the solicitation by the management of Bettermoo(d) of proxies to be voted at the Meeting to be held at 10:30 a.m. (Vancouver time) on November 25, 2022, at Suite 800 – 1199 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 3T5 or at any adjournment or postponement thereof.

#### INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS INFORMATION CIRCULAR

The date of this Circular is October 18, 2022. Unless otherwise stated, all amounts herein are in Canadian dollars. The following documents filed by the Company on SEDAR at <u>http://www.sedar.com</u> are specifically incorporated by reference into, and form an integral part of, this Circular: the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and the related notes thereto, for the financial years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020; the report of the Company's auditor thereon; and management's discussion and analysis related to the above financial statements.

No person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representation in connection with any matters described herein other than those contained in this Circular and, if given or made, any such information or representation should be considered not to have been authorized by the Company.

This Circular does not constitute the solicitation of an offer to purchase any securities or the solicitation of a proxy by any person in any jurisdiction in which such solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such solicitation.

Information contained in this Circular should not be construed as legal, tax or financial advice and Shareholders are urged to consult their own professional advisers in connection therewith.

#### **PROXIES AND VOTING RIGHTS**

#### **Management Solicitation**

The solicitation of proxies by management of the Company will be conducted by mail and may be supplemented by telephone or other personal contact to be made without special compensation by the directors, officers, and employees of the Company. Bettermoo(d) does not reimburse Shareholders, nominees or agents for costs incurred in obtaining from their principals authorization to execute forms of proxy, except that has requested brokers and nominees who hold stock in their respective names to furnish the proxy-related materials to their customers, and the Company will reimburse such brokers and nominees for their related out of pocket expenses. No solicitation will be made by specifically engaged employees or soliciting agents. The cost of solicitation will be borne by Bettermoo(d). No person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representation other than as contained in this Circular in connection with the solicitation of proxies.

If given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Company. The delivery of this Circular shall not create, under any circumstances, any implication that there has been no change in the information set forth herein since the date of this Circular. This Circular does not constitute the solicitation of a proxy by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such solicitation is not authorized, or in which the person making such solicitation is not qualified to do so, or to anyone to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer of solicitation.

The Company has arranged for intermediaries to forward the Meeting materials to beneficial owners of Shares (the "**Beneficial Shareholders**") held of record by those intermediaries. The Company has distributed or made available for distribution, copies of the Notice, this Circular and form of proxy to clearing agencies, securities dealers, banks and trust companies or their nominees (collectively, the "Intermediaries") for distribution to Beneficial Shareholders held of record by those Intermediaries. Such Intermediaries are required to forward such documents to the Beneficial Shareholders unless a Beneficial Shareholder has waived the right to receive them. The solicitation of proxies from Beneficial Shareholders will be conducted by the Intermediaries or by Bettermoo(d) if the names and

addresses of the Beneficial Shareholders are provided by Intermediaries. Bettermoo(d) will pay the permitted fees and costs of the Intermediaries for reasonable fees and disbursements incurred in connection with the distribution of these materials.

Bettermoo(d) does not intend to pay for Intermediaries to forward to objecting Beneficial Shareholders under NI 54-101 the proxy-related materials and Form 54-101F7 *Request for Voting Instructions Made by Intermediary*. An objecting Beneficial Shareholder will not receive such materials unless the objecting Beneficial Shareholder's Intermediary assumes the cost of delivery.

These proxy-related materials are being sent to both registered and non-registered Shareholders. If you are a non-registered Shareholder, and the Company or its agent has sent these materials directly to you, your name and address and information about your Shares, have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the Intermediary holding on your behalf.

#### **Appointment of Proxy**

Registered Shareholders are entitled to vote at the Meeting. On a show of hands, every Shareholder is entitled to one vote for each Share that such Shareholder holds on the record date of October 18, 2022, on the resolutions to be voted upon at the Meeting, and any other matter to come before the Meeting. The list of Registered Shareholders is available for inspection during normal business hours at the offices of Endeavor Trust Corporation ("**Endeavor**") and will be available at the Meeting.

The persons named as proxyholders (the "**Designated Persons**") in the enclosed form of proxy are directors and/or officers of Bettermoo(d).

A SHAREHOLDER HAS THE RIGHT TO APPOINT A PERSON OR COMPANY (WHO NEED NOT BE A SHAREHOLDER) TO ATTEND AND ACT FOR OR ON BEHALF OF THAT SHAREHOLDER AT THE MEETING, OTHER THAN THE DESIGNATED PERSONS NAMED IN THE ENCLOSED FORM OF PROXY.

TO EXERCISE THE RIGHT, THE SHAREHOLDER MAY DO SO BY STRIKING OUT THE PRINTED NAMES AND INSERTING THE NAME OF SUCH OTHER PERSON AND, IF DESIRED, AN ALTERNATE TO SUCH PERSON, IN THE BLANK SPACE PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF PROXY. SUCH SHAREHOLDER SHOULD NOTIFY THE NOMINEE OF THE APPOINTMENT, OBTAIN THE NOMINEE'S CONSENT TO ACT AS PROXY AND SHOULD PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO THE NOMINEE ON HOW THE SHAREHOLDER'S SHARES SHOULD BE VOTED. THE NOMINEE SHOULD BRING PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION TO THE MEETING.

In order to be voted, the completed form of proxy must be received by the Company's registrar and transfer agent, Endeavor at their offices located at 702 – 777 Hornby Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 1S4, by mail, or by fax at 604-559-8908, or by email at proxy@endeavortrust.ca, no later than 10:30 a.m. on November 23, 2022 or at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays recognized in the Province of British Columbia) before the time and date of any adjournment or postponement of the Meeting.

A proxy may not be valid unless it is dated and signed by the Shareholder who is giving it or by that Shareholder's attorney-in-fact duly authorized by that Shareholder in writing or, in the case of a corporation, dated and executed by a duly authorized officer or attorney-in-fact for the corporation. If a form of proxy is executed by an attorney-in-fact for an individual Shareholder or joint Shareholders or by an officer or attorney-in-fact for a corporate Shareholder, the instrument so empowering the officer or attorney-in-fact, as the case may be, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must accompany the form of proxy.

The persons named in the enclosed form of proxy will vote the shares in respect of which they are appointed in accordance with the direction of the Shareholders appointing them. In the absence of such direction, such shares will be voted in the discretion of the person named in the proxy. The enclosed form of proxy confers discretionary authority upon the persons named therein with respect to amendments or variations to matters identified in the Notice of Meeting and with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting. At the time of printing of this information circular, management knows of no such amendments, variations, or other matters to come before the Meeting. However, if any other matters which are not now known to management should properly come before the Meeting, the proxy will be voted on such matters in accordance with the best judgment of the named proxies.

#### **Revocation of Proxy**

A Shareholder who has given a proxy may revoke it at any time before it is exercised by an instrument in writing: (a) executed by that Shareholder or by that Shareholder's attorney-in-fact authorized in writing or, where the Shareholder is a corporation, by a duly authorized officer of, or attorney-in-fact for, the corporation; and (b) delivered either: (i) to the Company at the address set forth above, at any time up to and including the last Business Day preceding the day of the Meeting or, if adjourned or postponed, any reconvening thereof, or (ii) to the Chairman of the Meeting prior to the vote on matters covered by the proxy on the day of the Meeting or, if adjourned or postponed, any reconvening thereof, or (iii) in any other manner provided by law.

Also, a proxy will automatically be revoked by either: (a) attendance at the Meeting and participation in a poll (ballot) by a Shareholder, or (b) submission of a subsequent proxy in accordance with the foregoing procedures. A revocation of a proxy does not affect any matter on which a vote has been taken prior to any such revocation.

#### Voting of Common Shares and Proxies and Exercise of Discretion by Designated Persons

A Shareholder may indicate the manner in which the Designated Persons are to vote with respect to a matter to be voted upon at the Meeting by marking the appropriate space. If the instructions as to voting indicated in the proxy are certain, the Shares represented by the proxy will be voted or withheld from voting in accordance with the instructions given in the proxy. If the Shareholder specifies a choice in the proxy with respect to a matter to be acted upon, then the Shares represented will be voted or withheld from the vote on that matter accordingly. The Shares represented by a proxy will be voted or withheld from voting in accordance with the instructions of the Shareholder on any ballot that may be called for and if the Shareholder specifies a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon, the Shares will be voted accordingly.

#### IF NO CHOICE IS SPECIFIED IN THE PROXY WITH RESPECT TO A MATTER TO BE ACTED UPON, THE PROXY CONFERS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO THAT MATTER UPON THE DESIGNATED PERSONS NAMED IN THE FORM OF PROXY. IT IS INTENDED THAT THE DESIGNATED PERSONS WILL VOTE THE SHARES REPRESENTED BY THE PROXY IN FAVOUR OF EACH MATTER IDENTIFIED IN THE PROXY AND FOR THE NOMINEES OF THE BOARD FOR DIRECTORS AND AUDITOR.

The enclosed form of proxy confers discretionary authority upon the Designated Persons with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting, including any amendments or variations to any matters identified in the Notice, and with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting. At the date of this Circular, management of Bettermoo(d) is not aware of any such amendments, variations, or other matters to come before the Meeting.

In the case of abstentions from, or withholding of, the voting of the Shares on any matter, the Shares that are the subject of the abstention or withholding will be counted for determination of a quorum but will not be counted as affirmative or negative on the matter to be voted upon.

#### **ADVICE TO BENEFICIAL SHAREHOLDERS**

The information set out in this section is of significant importance to those Shareholders who do not hold shares in their own name. Beneficial Shareholders who do not hold their shares in their own name should note that only proxies deposited by Shareholders whose names appear on the records of the Company as the registered holders of Shares can be recognized and acted upon at the Meeting.

If Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by a broker, then in all cases those Shares will not be registered in the Shareholder's name on the records of the Company. Such Shares will more likely be registered under the names of the Shareholder's broker or an agent of that broker. In the United States, the vast majority of such Shares are registered under the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company (which acts as depositary for many U.S. brokerage firms and custodian banks), and in Canada, under the name of CDS & Co. (the registration name for The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, which acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms). Beneficial Shareholders should ensure that instructions respecting the voting of their Shares are communicated to the appropriate person well in advance of the Meeting.

The Company does not have access to names of Beneficial Shareholders. Applicable regulatory policy requires intermediaries/brokers to seek voting instructions from Beneficial Shareholders in advance of Shareholders' meetings. Every intermediary/broker has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions to clients, which should be carefully followed by Beneficial Shareholders in order to ensure that their Shares are voted at the Meeting.

The form of proxy supplied to a Beneficial Shareholder by its broker (or the agent of the broker) is similar to the Form of Proxy provided to Registered Shareholders by Bettermoo(d). However, its purpose is limited to instructing the Registered Shareholder (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**") in the United States and in Canada. Broadridge typically prepares a special voting instruction form, mails this form to the Beneficial Shareholders, and asks for appropriate instructions regarding the voting of Shares to be voted at the Meeting. Beneficial Shareholders are requested to complete and return the voting instructions to Broadridge by mail or facsimile. Alternatively, Beneficial Shareholders can call a toll-free number and access Broadridge's dedicated voting website (each as noted on the voting instruction form) to deliver their voting instructions and to vote the Shares held by them. Broadridge then tabulates the results of all instructions received and provides appropriate instructions respecting the voting of shares to be represented at the Meeting. A Beneficial Shareholder receiving a Broadridge voting instruction form cannot use that form as a proxy to vote Shares directly at the Meeting – the voting instruction form must be returned to Broadridge well in advance of the Meeting in order to have its Shares voted at the Meeting.

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

Alternatively, a Beneficial Shareholder may request in writing that his, her or its broker send to the Beneficial Shareholder a legal proxy which would enable the Beneficial Shareholder to attend the Meeting and vote his, her or its Shares.

# **VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS OF VOTING SECURITIES**

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of common shares without par value. As of the record date, determined by the Board to be the close of business on October 18, 2022, a total of 64,628,169 Shares were issued and outstanding. Each Share carries the right to one vote at the Meeting.

Only Registered Shareholders as of the record date, October 18, 2022, are entitled to receive notice of, and to attend and vote at, the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the Meeting.

To the knowledge of the directors and senior officers of the Company, no person or company beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, or exercises control or direction over, Shares carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to the outstanding Shares of Bettermoo(d), other than as set forth below:

Name of Shareholder	Number of Shares Owned	Percentage of Outstanding Shares <sup>(1)</sup>
CDS & Co <sup>(3)</sup>	49,174,760 <sup>(2)</sup>	76.089%
Joel Shacker	7,650,000	11.837 %

(1) Based on 64,628,169 Shares issued and outstanding as of the date of this Circular.

(2) CDS & CO is a share depository, the beneficial ownership of which is unknown to the Company.

(3) The above information was supplied by the Transfer Agent, as of the record date.

# AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Company's audited financial statements for the fiscal period ended December 31, 2021, and 2020, and the report of the auditors on those statements will be placed before the Meeting. Receipt at the Meeting of the audited financial statements of Bettermoo(d) will not constitute approval or disapproval of any matters referred to in those statements. No vote will be taken on the audited financial statements. These audited financial statements are available at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

Pursuant to National Instrument 51-102 Continuous Disclosure Obligations and National Instrument 54-101 Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer, both of the Canadian Securities Administrators, a person or corporation who in the future wishes to receive annual and interim financial statements

from Bettermoo(d) must deliver a written request for such material to Bettermoo(d). Shareholders who wish to receive annual and interim financial statements are encouraged to complete the appropriate section on the Request form attached to this Circular and send it to the transfer agent, Endeavor.

# NUMBER OF DIRECTORS

The Company's articles provide for a Board of no fewer than three directors and no greater than a number as fixed or changed from time to time by ordinary resolution passed by the Shareholders.

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to pass an ordinary resolution to set the number of directors of Bettermoo(d) for the ensuing year at **five (5)**. The number of directors will be approved if the affirmative vote of the majority of Shares present or represented by proxy at the Meeting and entitled to vote, are voted in favour to set the number of directors at **five (5)**.

# Management recommends the approval of the resolution to set the number of directors of the Company at five (5).

# **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

At present, the directors of Bettermoo(d) are elected at each annual meeting and hold office until the next annual meeting or until their successors are duly elected or appointed in accordance with the Company's articles or until such director's earlier death, resignation, or removal. In the absence of instructions to the contrary, the enclosed form of proxy will be voted for the nominees listed in the proxy, all of whom are presently members of the Board.

Management of the Company proposes to nominate the persons named in the table below for election by the Shareholders as directors of Bettermoo(d). Information concerning such persons, as furnished by the individual nominees, as of the date of this Circular, is as follows:

Name, Province, Country of Residence & Position(s)	Principal Occupation Business or Employment for Last Five Years	Periods during which Nominee has Served as a Director <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Shares Owned <sup>(1)</sup>
Steven Pear Texas, USA Director & Chief Executive Officer	Businessman and former corporate beverage executive for Coca-Cola, MillerCoors, and Odwalla Inc.	December 21, 2020	Nil
Geoff Balderson <sup>(2)</sup> Vancouver, BC, Canada Director, Chief Financial Officer, and Corporate Secretary	From 2015 to present, Mr. Balderson has acted an officer and director of various companies and is the President of Harmony Corporate Services Ltd., a Vancouver based company that provides administrative services to publicly listed companies.	March 8, 2021	Nil
Joel Shacker <sup>(2)</sup> Vancouver, BC, Canada Director	Mr. Shacker is CEO and Director of Core One Labs Inc. since May 2020, and President and Director of Thoughtful Bands Inc since April 2020 (formerly Mota Ventures Corp.). Mr. Shacker was a former Associate at Stadnyk and Partners from 2018 to 2020, former Director and consultant of Weekend Unlimited Inc. from 2018 to 2020.	March 8, 2021	7,650,000 (11.837 %)

Name, Province, Country of Residence & Position(s)	Principal Occupation Business or Employment for Last Five Years	Periods during which Nominee has Served as a Director <sup>(1)</sup>	Number of Shares Owned <sup>(1)</sup>
Nima Bahrami Vancouver, BC, Canada Director	Mr. Bahrami is the CEO and President of a private dairy alternatives company, Bettermoo(d) Holdings Corp. From March 2021 to present, Mr. Bahrami has served as the corporate communications coordinator for Thoughtful Brands Inc. and from May 2018 to March 2021, Mr. Bahrami served as an independent corporate consultant.	May 18, 2022	Nil
<b>Patrick Morris</b> <sup>(2)</sup> Vancouver, BC, Canada Director	Mr. Morris is the CEO of Clear Sky Lithium Corp., and former CEO of Eat & Beyond Global Holdings Inc., an investment issuer focused on the future of food, he is a corporate consultant and has served as a director and officer of several publicly listed companies.	May 28, 2021	Nil
Total as a group		7,650,000 Sha	ares (11.837 %)

(1) Shares beneficially directly or indirectly owned or over which control or direction is exercised, at the date of this Circular, based upon information furnished to the Company by the individual directors. These numbers do not include outstanding stock options or warrants available for exercise.

(2) Audit Committee member.

# Management recommends the approval of each of the nominees listed above for election as a director of Bettermoo(d) for the ensuing year.

Management does not contemplate that any of its nominees will be unable to serve as directors. If any vacancies occur in the slate of nominees listed above before the Meeting, then the Designated Persons intend to exercise discretionary authority to vote the Shares represented by proxy for the election of any other persons as directors.

#### **Cease Trade Orders and Conflicts of Interest**

Other than as described below, to the knowledge of the Company, as of the date hereof, no Nominee is, or has been, within 10 years before the date hereof, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including the Company) that:

- (a) was subject to a cease trade order or similar order or an order that denied the corporation access to any statutory exemptions for a period of more than thirty (30) consecutive days (an "**Order**"), which was issued while the proposed director or executive officer was acting in the capacity as director, CEO or CFO; or
- (b) was subject to an Order that was issued after the director or executive officer 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, CEO or CFO.

The directors are required by law to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and to disclose any interests that they may have in any project or opportunity of the Company. If a conflict of interest arises at a meeting of the Board, any director in a conflict will disclose his interest and abstain from voting on such matter.

To the best of the Company's knowledge, and other than disclosed herein, there are no known existing or potential conflicts of interest among the Company, its promoters, directors and officers or other members of management of the Company or of any proposed promoter, director, officer or other member of management as a result of their outside business interests, except that certain of the directors and officers serve as directors and officers of other companies, and therefore it is possible that a conflict may arise between their duties to the Company and their duties as a director or officer of such other companies. All related party transactions during each reporting period are detailed in the Company's Management Discussion & Analysis for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, and 2020.

From August 2014 to May 2017, Mr. Balderson was President and CEO of Argentum Silver Corp. ("**Argentum**"), a company publicly trading on the TSX Venture Exchange and from July 2007 to present a director of Argentum. A management cease trade order was issued to Argentum on November 2, 2015, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Argentum's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on December 16, 2015. In addition, a cease trade order was issued to Argentum on November 3, 2016, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Argentum on November 3, 2016, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Argentum's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on December 5, 2016.

Mr. Balderson is a director, CFO and Corporate Secretary of Core One Labs Inc. ("**Core**") and Mr. Shacker is the CEO of and a director of Core. Core is a company publicly trading on the CSE. A management cease trade order was issued to Core on June 16, 2020, for failure to file its financial statements in the required time. On July 15, 2020, a cease trade order was issued to Core for failure to file its financial statements in the required time. Core's financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on August 26, 2020, for the June 16, 2020, management cease trade order and the July 15, 2020, cease trade order. A further management cease trade order was issued to Core on May 3, 2021, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Core's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on June 29, 2021. A further management cease trade order was issued to Core on May 3, 2022, for failure to Core on May 3, 2022, for failure to file its financial statements in the required time. Core's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on June 29, 2021. A further management cease trade order was issued to Core on May 3, 2022, for failure to file its financial statements in the required time. Core's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on June 29, 2021. A further management cease trade order was issued to Core on May 3, 2022, for failure to file its financial statements in the required time. Core's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on June 29, 2021. A further management cease trade order was issued to Core on May 3, 2022, for failure to file its financial statements in the required time. Core's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on July 11, 2022.

Mr. Balderson is CFO and Corporate Secretary of Thoughtful Brands Inc. ("**Thoughtful**"), and Joel Shacker is the President and a director of Thoughtful. Thoughtful was previously a publicly traded company on the CSE. A management cease trade order was issued to Thoughtful on May 4, 2021, and a cease trade order was issued on July 8, 2021. The common shares of Thoughtful were delisted from the CSE on July 15, 2022.

Mr. Balderson is CFO of Vinergy Capital Inc. ("**Vinergy**"), a company publicly trading on the CSE. A management cease trade order was issued to Vinergy on December 30, 2021, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Vinergy's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on August 3, 2021.

Mr. Balderson is CFO and director of Lida Resources Inc. ("Lida"), a company publicly trading on the CSE. A management cease trade order was issued to Lida on December 30, 2021, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Lida's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on March 4, 2022.

Mr. Balderson is CFO and Secretary of New Wave Holdings Inc. ("**New Wave**"), a company publicly trading on the CSE. A management cease trade order was issued to New Wave on July 30, 2021, and a cease trade order was issued on October 7, 2021. New Wave's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on October 29, 2021.

Mr. Balderson is CFO of Lords & Company Worldwide Holdings Inc. ("**Lords**"), a company publicly trading on the CSE. A management cease trade order was issued to Lords on March 31, 2022, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Lords' annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on May 10, 2022.

From April 8, 2020 to March 29, 2022, Mr. Morris was a director of Binovi Technologies Corp. ("**Binovi**") (formerly, Eyecarrot Innovations Corp.) a company publicly traded on the TSX Venture Exchange. A management cease trade order was issued to Binovi on August 14, 2020, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Binovi's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on September 14, 2020. A management cease trade order was issued to Binovi on June 29, 2021, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Binovi's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on September 14, 2020. A management cease trade order was issued to Binovi on June 29, 2021, for failure to file its annual financial statements in the required time. Binovi's annual financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on July 28, 2021. A management cease trade order was issued to Binovi on September 15, 2020, for failure to file its interim financial statements in the required time. Binovi's interim financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on September 15, 2020, for failure to file its interim financial statements in the required time. Binovi's interim financial statements were subsequently filed and the BCSC issued a revocation order on September 29, 2020.

#### **Bankruptcies**

To the best of the Company's knowledge, no proposed director of Bettermoo(d) is, or within ten (10) years before the date of this Circular, has been a director or an executive officer of any company that, while the person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in the 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 made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcies or insolvency.

#### Personal Bankruptcies

To the best of the Company's knowledge, no proposed director of Bettermoo(d) has, within ten (10) years before the date of this Circular, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement, or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of the proposed director.

#### Securities Related Penalties and Sanctions

To the best of the Company's knowledge, no proposed director has been subject to, or entered into a settlement agreement resulting from:

- (a) a court order 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 that would likely be considered important to a reasonable securityholder in deciding whether to vote for a proposed director.

# STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

#### Definitions

"CEO" means an individual who acted as chief executive officer of the Company, or acted in a similar capacity, for any part of the most recently completed financial year;

"CFO" means an individual who acted as chief financial officer of the Company, or acted in a similar capacity, for any part of the most recently completed financial year;

"**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 Company or one of its subsidiaries for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the Company or any of its subsidiaries;

"NEO" or "named executive officer" means each of the following individuals:

- (a) a CEO;
- (b) a CFO;
- (c) in respect of the Company and its subsidiaries, the most highly compensated executive officer other than the individuals identified in paragraphs (a) and (b) at the end of the most recently completed financial year whose total compensation was more than \$150,000, as determined in accordance with subsection 1.3(5) of National Instrument 51-102, for that financial year; and
- (d) each individual who would be an NEO under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was neither an executive officer of the Company, nor acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year;

"option-based award" means an award under an equity incentive plan of options, including, for greater certainty, share options, share appreciation rights, and similar instruments that have option-like features;

"**plan**" includes any plan, contract, authorization, or arrangement, whether or not set out in any formal document, where cash, securities, similar instruments, or any other property may be received, whether for one or more persons;

"**share-based award**" means an award under an equity incentive plan of equity-based instruments that do not have option-like features, including, for greater certainty, common shares, restricted shares, restricted share units, deferred share units, phantom shares, phantom share units, common share equivalent units, and stock; and

"underlying securities" means any securities issuable on conversion, exchange, or exercise of compensation securities.

# NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

The following table summarizes the compensation paid to the directors and NEOs of Bettermoo(d) for the last two financial years:

Table of Compensation Excluding Compensation Securities							
Name and Position	Year Ended Dec. 31	Salary, consulting fee, retainer, or commission (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Committee or meeting fees (\$)	Value of perquisites (\$)	Value of all other compensation (\$)	Total compensation (\$)
Steven Pear (1)	2021	222,317	N/A	N/A	N/A	164,691	387,008
Director & CEO	2020	65,400	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	65,400
Geoff Balderson <sup>(2)</sup>	2021	100,050	N/A	N/A	N/A	82,346	182,396
Director, CFO and Corporate Secretary	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Joel Shacker <sup>(3)</sup>	2021	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nima Bahrami <sup>(4)</sup>	2021	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Patrick Morris <sup>(5)</sup>	2021	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	61,759	61,759
Director	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Stephen Horgan <sup>(6)</sup>	2021	32,003	N/A	N/A	N/A	16,469	48,472
Former Director	2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Michael Gonzalez <sup>(7)</sup>	2021	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Former Director and Former CEO	2020	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Dominic Verdejo <sup>(8)</sup>	2021	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Former Director	2020	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Joseph Meagher <sup>(9)</sup>	2021	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil
Former CFO and Corporate Secretary	2020	\$Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$Nil	\$Nil

(1) Mr. Pear was appointed as a director and CEO on December 11, 2020.

(2) Mr. Balderson was appointed as a director, CFO and Corporate Secretary on March 8, 2021.

(3) Mr. Shacker was appointed as a director on March 8, 2021.

(4) Mr. Bahrami was appointed as a director on May 18, 2022.

(5) Mr. Morris was appointed as a director on May 28, 2021.

(6) Mr. Horgan resigned as a director on May 18, 2022.

(7) Mr. Gonzalez resigned as a director on March 8, 2021, and as CEO on December 21, 2020.

(8) Mr. Verdejo resigned as a director on May 28, 2021.

(9) Mr. Meagher resigned as CFO and Corporate Secretary on March 8, 2021.

Other than as set forth in the foregoing table, the named executive officers and directors have not received, during the most recently completed financial year, compensation pursuant to any standard arrangement for the compensation of directors for their services in their capacity as directors, including any additional amounts payable for committee participation or special assignments, any other arrangement, in addition to, or in lieu of, any standard arrangement,

for the compensation of directors in their capacity as directors, or any arrangement for the compensation of directors for services as consultants or experts.

#### Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities

The following compensation securities were granted or issued to any NEO or director by the Company in the financial year ended December 31, 2021, and subsequent for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the Company, as disclosed in the following table:

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Name and Type of Number of Date of Issue, Closing price of Closing Expiry						E	
position	compensation security	compensation securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class	issue or grant	issue, conversi on, or exercise price (\$)	security or underlying security on date of grant (\$)	closing price of security or underlyin g security at year end (\$)	Expiry date
Steven Pear Director & CEO	Options RSUs	200,000 Options 250,000 Options Nil RSUs	July 9, 2021 January 25, 2022	\$1.05 \$1.35	\$1.05 \$1.35	\$1.50	July 9, 2026 January 25, 2027
Geoff Balderson Director, CFO and Corporate Secretary	Options RSUs	100,000 Options Nil RSUs	July 9, 2021	\$1.05	\$1.05	\$1.50	July 9, 2026
Joel Shacker Director	Options RSUs	Nil Options Nil RSUs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nima Bahrami Director	Options RSUs	150,000 Options	November 12, 2021	\$0.30	\$1.40	\$1.50	November 12, 2026
Patrick Morris Director	Options RSUs	75,000 Options Nil RSUs	July 9, 2021	\$1.05	\$1.05	\$1.50	July 9, 2026
Stephen Horgan Former Director	Options RSUs	20,000 Options Nil RSUs	July 9, 2021	\$1.05	\$1.05	\$1.50	July 9, 2026
Michael Gonzalez Former Director and Former CEO	Options RSUs	Nil Options Nil RSUs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Dominic Verdejo</b> Former Director	Options RSUs	Nil Options Nil RSUs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Joseph Meagher Former CFO and Corporate Secretary	Options RSUs	Nil Options Nil RSUs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

Other than as set out below, the Company did not enter into any employment, consulting, or managements during the most recently completed fiscal year.

The Company entered into a consulting agreement dated April 23, 2021, and was amended on September 20, 2021 (collectively, the "**CEO Agreement**") with Steven Pear to provide the services of Chief Executive Officer to the Company. In consideration for providing the services, the Company shall pay to Mr. Pear a monthly cash fee of (USD)\$6,500, plus, applicable taxes and reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of the Company. The monthly cash fee payable to Mr. Pear will be subject to annual review by the Board and may be increased from time-to-time at the sole discretion of Mr. Pear and the Company for a longer-term agreement following completion of the initial term. Under the terms of the CEO Agreement, Mr. Pear will be entitled to participate in other monetary incentive programs that may be established by the Company from time to time, at the discretion of the Board. Mr. Pear may terminate the CEO Agreement on one (1) month's notice to the Company and at any time after ninety (90) days following the date on which there is a change of control. The Company may terminate the CEO Agreement at any time without notice upon a material breach of the CEO Agreement, on one (1) month's notice to the Company and a change of control.

The Company entered into a corporate administration and financial advisory agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") with Winchester Advisory Ltd., ("Winchester Advisory") on March 15, 2021, to provide certain corporate, accounting, and administrative services to the Company in accordance with the terms of the Advisory Agreement for a monthly fee of \$10,000 plus applicable taxes and reimbursement of all out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of the Company. The Advisory Agreement is for an initial term of twelve (12) months and shall continue thereafter on a month-to-month basis, subject to termination on thirty (30) days' written notice.

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

The Board is responsible for determining, by way of discussions at board meetings, the compensation to be paid to the Company's executive officers. The Company presently has two NEOs, Steven Pear as CEO and Geoff Balderson as CFO and Corporate Secretary.

For the financial year ended December 31, 2021, and 2020, the Company did not have a formal compensation program with specific performance goals. All tasks related to developing and monitoring the Company's approach to the compensation of officers were performed by the members of the Board. The compensation of each of the NEOs was reviewed, recommended, and approved by the Company's independent directors.

Compensation is designed to achieve the following key objectives:

- (a) to support our overall business strategy and objectives;
- (b) to provide market competitive compensation that is substantially performance-based;
- (c) to provide incentives that encourage superior corporate performance and retention of highly skilled and talented employees; and
- (d) to align executive compensation with corporate performance and therefore Shareholders' interests.

Our compensation package is comprised of short-term compensation in the form of base salary or service fees, medium-term compensation in the form of discretionary cash bonuses and long-term compensation in the form of option-based awards. The Company does not have a formal compensation program which sets benchmarks for performance by NEOs. Base salary is determined by the Board largely based on market standards. In addition, the Board may consider, on an annual basis, an award of bonuses to key executives and senior management. The amount and award of such bonuses is discretionary, depending on, among other factors, the financial performance of the Company and the position of a participant. The Board considers that the payment of such discretionary annual cash bonuses satisfies the medium-term compensation component. No bonuses were awarded for the financial year ended December 31, 2021, and 2020. Lastly, the Company chooses to grant stock options and RSUs to executive officers to satisfy the long-term compensation component.

The Board has not directly considered the implications of the risks associated with our compensation policies and practices. The Company does not have a set policy preventing an NEO or director from purchasing financing instruments such as prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars or units of exchange funds designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by such person. The Company does not use a peer group to determine compensation.

#### **Pension Disclosure**

The Company does not have any pension, defined benefit, defined contribution, or deferred compensation plans in place.

#### STOCK OPTION PLAN AND OTHER INCENTIVE PLANS

The Board approved a 20% rolling stock option plan (the "Option Plan") and a restricted share unit plan on September 10, 2021 (the "RSU Plan") (together, the "Plans") to grant restricted share units ("RSUs") and incentive stock options ("Options") to directors, officers, key employees, and consultants of the Company. Pursuant to the RSU Plan and the Option Plan, the Company may reserve up to a maximum of 20% of the issued and outstanding common shares at the time of grant pursuant to awards granted under the Plans.

The Company's directors, officers, employees, and certain consultants are entitled to participate in the Plans. The Option Plan and RSU plan is designed to encourage share ownership and entrepreneurship on the part of the senior management and other employees. The Board believes that the Plans align the interests of the NEO and the Board with shareholders by linking a component of executive compensation to the longer-term performance of the common shares.

Options and RSUs are granted by the Board. In monitoring or adjusting the option allotments, the Board takes into account its own observations on individual performance (where possible) and its assessment of individual contribution to shareholder value, previous option grants and the objectives set for the NEOs and the Board. The scale of options is generally commensurate to the appropriate level of base compensation for each level of responsibility.

In addition to determining the number of options to be granted pursuant to the methodology outlined above, the Board also makes the following determinations:

- (a) parties who are entitled to participate in the Plans
- (b) the exercise price for each Option or RSU granted, subject to the provision that the exerciseprice cannot be lower than the prescribed discount permitted by the CSE from the market price on the date of grant;
- (c) the date on which each Option or RSU is granted;
- (d) the vesting period, if any, for each option or RSU;
- (e) the other material terms and conditions of each Option or RSU grant; and
- (f) any re-pricing or amendment to an option grant.

The Board makes these determinations subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Option Plan and RSU Plan. The Board reviews and approves grants of Options and RSUs on an annual basis and periodically during a financial year.

The following is a summary of the material terms of the Plans.

• the total number of common shares (either issued directly or issuable on exercise of Options or RSUs of the Company) provided as compensation to Investor Relations Persons (as such term is defined in the Plan) may not exceed in aggregate 2% of the issued and outstanding common shares of the Company in any 12-month period; and

• approval by shareholders other than directors and senior officers of the Company and shareholders who beneficially own or control, directly or indirectly, common shares carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to all common shares of the Company, must all be obtained for any grants of options to a director or executive officer of, or of a related entity to, the Company (each a "Related Person") if, after the grant:

the total number of common shares (either issued directly or issuable on exercise of options or the number of securities, calculated on a fully diluted basis, reserves for issuance under options granted to:

- i. Related Persons, exceeds 10% of the outstanding securities of the Company; or
- ii. a Related Person and the associates of the Related Person, exceeds 5% of the outstanding securities of the Company; or

the number of securities, calculated on a fully diluted basis, issued within 12 months to:

- iii. Related Persons, exceeds 10% of the outstanding securities of the Company; or
- iv. a Related Person and the associates of the Related Person, exceeds 5% of the outstanding securities of the Company.

Subject to any required approvals of the CSE or any other applicable stock exchange, the Board may amend, suspend, or terminate the Plan or any portion thereof at any time, but an amendment may not be made without shareholder approval if such approval is necessary to comply with any applicable regulatory requirement. Further, subject to any required approvals of the CSE or any other applicable stock exchange, the Board may not do any of the following without obtaining, within 12 months either before or after the Board's adoption of a resolution authorizing such action, shareholder approval, and, where required, approval by Disinterested Shareholders, or by the written consent of the holders of a majority of the securities of the Company entitled to vote:

- 1. increase the aggregate number of common shares which may be issued under the Plans;
- 2. materially modify the requirements as to the eligibility for participation in the Plans that would have the potential of broadening or increasing insider participation;
- 3. add any form of financial assistance or any amendment to a financial assistance provision which is more favourable to participants under the Plans;
- 4. add a cashless exercise feature, payable in cash or securities, which does not provide for a full deduction of the number of underlying securities from the Plans reserve; and
- 5. materially increase the benefits accruing to participants under the Plans.

However, the Board may amend the terms of the Plan to comply with the requirements of any applicable regulatory authority without obtaining shareholder approval, including:

- amendments to the Plans of a housekeeping nature;
- change the vesting provisions of an option granted under the stock option plan, if applicable;
- change to the vesting provisions of a security or the Plans;
- change to the termination provisions of a security or the Plans that does not entail an extension beyond the original expiry date;
- make such amendments to the stock option plan as are necessary or desirable to reflect changes to securities laws applicable to the Company;

- make such amendments as may otherwise be permitted by regulatory authorities;
- if the Company becomes listed or quoted on a stock exchange or stock market senior to the CSE, make such amendments as may be required by the policies of such senior stock exchange or stock market; and
- amend the stock option plan to reduce the benefits that may be granted to Employees, Management Company Employees or Consultants.

#### **Stock Option Plan**

On September 10, 2021, the Board adopted the 20% rolling Option Plan. The Option Plan is designed to give each Option holder an interest in preserving and maximizing shareholder value in the longer term, to enable the Company to attract and retain individuals with experience and ability and to reward individuals for current performance and expected future performance. The Board considers Option grants when reviewing executive officer compensation packages as a whole.

The Board has sole discretion to determine the key employees to whom it recommends that grants be made and to determine the terms and conditions of the Options forming part of such grants. The Board approves ranges of Option grants for each level of executive officer. Individual grants are determined by an assessment of an individual's current and expected future performance, level of responsibilities and the importance of the position to the Company.

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The number of Options which may be issued under the Option Plan in the aggregate and in respect of any fiscal year is limited under the terms of the Option Plan and cannot be increased without shareholder approval.

The Company will not issue any stock options unless such issuance is in accordance with section 2.25 of National Instrument 45-106 – Prospectus Exemptions.

#### **Restricted Share Unit Plan**

On September 10, 2021, the Board adopted the RSU Plan. The RSU Plan provides for granting of RSUs for the purposes of advancing the interests of the Company through motivation, attraction and retention of employees, officers, consultants, and directors by granting equity-based compensation incentives, in addition to the Option Plan.

RSUs granted pursuant to the RSU Plan will be used to compensate participants for their individual performancebased achievements and are intended to supplement stock option awards in this respect, the goal of such grants is to more closely tie awards to individual performance based on established performance criteria.

The Plans has been used to provide Options and RSUs which are granted in consideration of the level of responsibility of the executive as well as his or her impact or contribution to the longer-term operating performance of the Company. In determining the number of Options or RSUs to be granted to the executive officers, the Compensation Committee with consultation of the Board takes into account the number of Options or RSUs, if any, previously granted to each executive officer, and the exercise price of any outstanding Options to ensure that such grants are in accordance with the policies of the CSE and closely align the interests of the executive officers with the interests of shareholders.

The Board has the responsibility to administer the compensation policies related to the executive management of the Company, including option-based and share-based awards.

As at the date of this Information Circular, there were 4,434,000 Options outstanding and nil RSUs. Based on the Company having 64,628,169 Shares outstanding (as of the Record Date), 8,491,634 Options and/or RSUs could be granted under the Plans.

# THE COMPANY IS PROPOSING TO ADOPT A NEW EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN TO REPLACE ITS CURRENT 20% OPTION PLAN AND RSU PLAN. FOR DETAILS OF THE NEW PLAN, SEE "PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON – APPROVAL OF NEW EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN" BELOW.

#### Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

The following table sets out the securities of the Company which have been authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans as at 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 the securityholders	N/A	N/A	N/A
Equity compensation plans not approved by the securityholders	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	N/A		N/A

#### Incentive Plan Awards – NEOs and Directors

#### **Outstanding Share-Based Awards and Option-Based Awards**

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, the following Options were granted to its NEOs and directors:

Number of Options	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Expiry Date
395,000	\$1.05	July 8, 2021	July 8, 2021
150,000	\$0.30	November 12, 2021	November 12, 2026

The Company does not have any share-based award plans for its NEOs or directors.

# INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

No person who is, or at any time during the two most recently completed financial years was, a director or executive officer of the Company, a proposed nominee for election as a director of the Company, or an associate of any of the foregoing individuals, has been indebted to the Company at any time since the commencement of the Company's last completed financial year.

# INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

Except as otherwise disclosed in this Circular, no: (a) director, proposed director or executive officer of Bettermoo(d) ; (b) person or company who beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, Shares or who exercises control or direction of Shares, or a combination of both carrying more than ten percent of the voting rights attached to the outstanding Shares (an "**Insider**"); (c) director or executive officer of an Insider; or (d) associate or affiliate of any of the directors, executive officers or Insiders, has had any material interest, direct or indirect, in any transaction since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year or in any proposed transaction which has materially affected or would materially affect Bettermoo(d), except with an interest arising from the ownership of Shares where such person or company will receive no extra or special benefit or advantage not shared on a pro rata basis by all Shareholders.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCLOSURE

National Instrument 52-110 of the Canadian Securities Administrators ("**NI 52110**") requires the Company, as a venture issuer, to disclose annually in its Circular certain information concerning the constitution of its Audit Committee and its relationship with its independent auditor.

#### The Audit Committee Charter

The Charter of the Company's audit committee is included as Schedule "A" to this Information Circular.

#### **Composition of the Audit Committee**

As of the date of this Circular, the following are the members of the Audit Committee:

Audit Committee Members				
Geoff Balderson	Not Independent	Financially literate		
Patrick Morris	Independent	Financially literate		
Joel Shacker (Chair) Independent Financially literate				

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

In addition to each member's general business experience, the education and experience of each member that is relevant to the performance of his responsibilities as a member of the Audit Committee is as follows:

*Geoff Balderson* Mr. Balderson has over 20 years of capital market experience Mr. Balderson is president of Harmony Corporate Services Ltd. and leads a team that provides bookkeeping, accounting, filing and corporate secretarial services to publicly listed companies Mr. Balderson is an officer and director of other TSXV-listed companies. Mr. Balderson is a former Investment Advisor with two Canadian securities dealers, and a graduate of the University of British Columbia.

*Joel Shacker* Mr. Shacker has worked extensively in the cannabis and finance space over the past six years and has sat on several boards of publicly traded companies. He has been in charge of leading the expansion of publicly traded companies into international cannabis markets and has overseen and developed cannabis operations from the ground up. Mr. Shacker is currently the Chief Executive Officer and a director of Core One Labs Inc., an emerging biotechnology research and development company in the psychedelics as alternative medicines space. Core One Labs Inc. is focused on life sciences and on bringing psychedelic medicines to market through novel delivery systems and psychedelic assisted psychotherapy. Mr. Shacker holds an Honours Business Administration degree from Ivey Business School specializing in finance (2013).

**Patrick Morris** Mr. Morris is an entrepreneur and capital markets executive with 20 years of experience raising funds for microcap companies in a number of industries including pharmaceutical cannabis, resource exploration, blockchain technologies, finance and business related to the future of food. Mr. Morris served as CEO and Director of Eat Beyond Global Holdings Inc. (CSE: EATS) Canada's first publicly traded investment issuer specifically focussed on investing in the future of food from its inception in late 2019 to July 2021. Mr. Morris also co-created and co-produced Canada's first nationally syndicated radio show about growth stock opportunities which was broadcast on fourteen (14) of the top-rated news talk stations across Canada.

#### Audit Committee Oversight

Since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year, the Board has not failed to adopt a recommendation of the Audit Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor.

#### **Reliance on Certain Exemptions**

At no time since the commencement of our most recently completed financial year, have we relied on the exemption in sections 2.4 (De Minimis Non-audit Services), 3.2 (Initial Public Offerings), 3.4 (Events Outside Control of Member), 3.5 (Death, Disability or Resignation of Audit Committee Member) of NI 52-110, or an exemption from NI 52-110, in whole or in part, granted under Part 8 of NI 52-110.

#### **Reliance on the Exemption in Subsection 3.3(2) or Section 3.6**

At no time since the commencement of our most recently completed financial year, have we relied on the exemption in subsection 3.3(2) (Controlled Companies) or section 3.6 (Temporary Exemption for Limited and Exception Circumstances) of NI 52-110.

#### **Reliance on Section 3.8**

At no time since the commencement of our most recently completed financial year, have we relied on section 3.8 (Acquisition of Financial Literacy) of NI 52-110.

#### **Reliance on Section 6.1**

Pursuant to section 6.1 of NI 52-110, as a venture issuer we are relying on the exemption from the audit committee composition requirements and certain reporting obligations found in Parts 3 and 5 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 in the Audit Committee Charter under the heading "External Auditors".

#### **External Auditor Service Fees**

In the following table, "audit fees" are fees billed by the Company's external auditor for services provided in auditing the Company's annual financial statements for the subject year. "Audit-Related Fees" are fees not included in audit fees that are billed by the Auditor for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit review of the Company's financial statements. "Tax Fees" are fees billed by the auditor for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning. "All Other Fees" are fees billed by the Auditor for products and services not included in the foregoing categories.

The aggregate fees billed by the Auditor in the last two fiscal years, by category, are as set out in the table below.

Nature of Services	Fees Billed by Auditor in respect of the financial year ended December 31, 2021	Fees Billed by Auditor in respect of the financial year ended December 31, 2020
Audit Fees	\$64,119.80	\$60,829
Audit-Related Fees	Nil	\$10,000
Tax Fees	Nil	Nil
All Other Fees	Nil	Nil
Total	\$64,119.80	\$70,829

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Maintaining a high standard of corporate governance is a priority for the Board and the Company's management believes that effective corporate governance will help create and maintain shareholder value in the long term. A description of Bettermoo(d)'s corporate governance practices, which addresses the matters set out in National Instrument 58-101 *Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices*, is set out below.

#### **Board of Directors**

The Board approves all significant decisions that affect the Company before they are implemented. The Board supervises their implementation and reviews the results. The Board is actively involved in the Company's strategic planning process. The Board discusses and reviews all materials relating to the strategic plan with management.

The Board approves all the Company's major communications, including annual and quarterly reports, financing documents and press releases. The Board, through its Audit Committee, also examines the effectiveness of the Company's internal control processes and management information systems. The Board consults with the internal auditor and management of the Company to ensure the integrity of these systems.

The Board is responsible for determining whether or not each Director is an independent Director. Directors who also act as Officers of the Company are not considered independent. Directors who do not also act as Officers of the Company, do not work in the day-to-day operations of the Company, are not party to any material contracts with the Company, or receive any fees from the Company except as disclosed herein, are considered independent.

As of the Record Date, Patrick Morris, Joel Shacker and Nima Bahrami are independent directors of the Board based upon the tests for independence set forth in NI 52–110. Steven Pear and Geoff Balderson are not considered to be independent within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation, by virtue of their positions as the Company's NEOs.

# The Board maintains the exercise of independent supervision over management by encouraging open and candid discussion from its independent Directors.

The current directors of the Company and each of the individuals to be nominated for election as a director of Bettermoo(d) at the Meeting may serve as a director or officer of one or more other reporting issuers as at the date of this Notice of Meeting and Circular. However, our directors are required by law to act honestly and in good faith with a view to our best interests and to disclose any interests which they may have in any of our projects or opportunities. If a conflict of interest arises at a meeting of the Board, any director in a conflict will disclose his interest and abstain from voting on such matter. In determining whether or not we will participate in any project or opportunity, that director will primarily consider the degree of risk to which we may be exposed and our financial position at that time.

To the best of our knowledge, there are no known existing or potential conflicts of interest among us and our promoters, directors, officers or other members of management as a result of their outside business interests except that certain of the directors, officers, promoters and other members of management serve as directors, officers, promoters and members of management of other public companies, and therefore it is possible that a conflict may arise between their duties as a director, officer, promoter or member of management of such other companies.

#### **Other Public Company Directorships**

Name of Director Geoff Balderson	Other Reporting Issuer Brascan Gold Inc., Alerio Gold Corp., Goldeneye Resources Corp., Gambier Gold Corp., Four Nines Gold Inc., Lida Resources Inc., New Wave Holdings Corp., Nexco Resources Inc., Hawkmoon Resources Corp., Plant Veda Foods Ltd., Way of Will Inc., Shooting Star Acquisition Corp., and Spectre Capital Corp.	Name of Exchange or Market TSXV, CSE
Joel Shacker	Thoughtful Brands Inc., Core One Labs Inc., American Future Fuel Corporation and Gold Line Resources Ltd.	TSXV, CSE
Patrick Morris	Core One Labs Inc., Blender Bites Limited and American Future Fuel Corporation.	TSXV, CSE
Nima Bahrami	Blender Bites Limited.	CSE

The following directors of the Company also serve as directors of other reporting issuers:

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

The Board briefs all new directors with respect to the policies of the Board and other relevant corporate and business information. The Board does not provide any continuing education but does encourage directors to individually and as a group keep themselves informed on changing corporate governance and legal issues. Directors are individually responsible for updating their skills as required to meet their obligations as directors. In addition, the Board undertakes strategic planning sessions with management.

# **Ethical Business Conduct**

The Board has found that the fiduciary duties placed on individual directors by the Company's governing corporate legislation and the common law of Canada and the restrictions placed by applicable corporate legislation on an

individual director's participation in decisions of the Board in which the director has an interest have been sufficient to ensure that the Board operates independently of management and in the best interests of Bettermoo(d).

#### **Nomination of Directors**

The Board is responsible for identifying individuals qualified to become new Board members and recommending to the Board new director nominees for the next annual meeting of Shareholders.

New nominees must have a track record in general business management, special expertise in an area of strategic interest to Bettermoo(d), the ability to devote the required time, show support for the Company's mission and strategic objectives, and a willingness to serve.

#### Compensation

The Board conducts reviews with regard to the compensation of the directors and NEOs once a year. To make its recommendations on such compensation, the Board informally takes into account the types of compensation and the amounts paid to directors and officers of comparable publicly traded Canadian companies.

The Board does not currently have a compensation committee.

#### **Other Board Committees**

The Board has no other committees other than the Audit Committee.

#### Assessments

The Board regularly monitors the adequacy of information given to directors, communications between the Board and management and the strategic direction and processes of the Board and its committees. The Board is currently responsible for assessing its own effectiveness, the effectiveness of individual directors and the effectiveness of the Audit Committee.

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

Except as disclosed elsewhere in this Circular, no director or executive officer of the Company who was a director or executive officer since the beginning of the Company's last financial year, each proposed nominee for election as a director of Bettermoo(d), or any associate or affiliates of any such directors, officers or nominees, has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of Shares or other securities in Bettermoo(d) or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting other than the election of directors.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to pass an ordinary resolution re-appointing Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton Labonte LLP as the auditor to hold office until the next annual meeting of the Shareholders or until such firm is removed from office or resigns as provided by law and to authorize the Board to fix the remuneration to be paid to the auditor, Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton Labonte LLP, of Vancouver, British Columbia.

Management recommends that Shareholders vote for the approval of the re-appointment of Dale Matheson Carr-Hilton Laborte LLP as the auditor for Bettermoo(d) for the ensuing year at a remuneration to be fixed by the Board.

#### PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

#### APPROVAL OF THE NEW EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

On September 22, 2022, the Board implemented and adopted a new equity incentive plan (the "**New Plan**"), reserving for issuance, combined with any equity securities granted under all other compensation arrangements adopted by the Company, a maximum of 20% of the issued and outstanding common shares at the time of grant.

At the Meeting, the Shareholders will be asked to consider, and if thought advisable, to ratify, confirm and approve by way of ordinary resolution, the New Plan, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

The Board has, by resolution, adopted the New Plan and proposes to implement it upon receipt of approval of the shareholders.

#### Approval Requirements

As in certain circumstances, approval of the New Plan by Disinterested Shareholders (as hereinafter defined) may be required, we believe it prudent to seek Disinterested Shareholder approval of the New Plan at the Meeting,

Shareholders who are not Related Persons entitled to benefit under the New Plan (the "**Disinterested Shareholders**") will be asked at the Meeting to approve implementation of the New Plan.

At the Meeting, Disinterested Shareholders will be asked to pass a resolution approving the New Plan, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "B".

Accordingly, at the Meeting, Disinterested Shareholders are being asked to consider and, if thought advisable, approve an ordinary resolution in the following form:

#### **"BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- (1) the New Plan of the Company, substantially in the form attached at Schedule "B" to the Circular of the Company dated September 22, 2022, be and the same is hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved;
- (2) the Board of Directors of the Company be authorized in its absolute discretion to administer the New Plan and amend or modify the New Plan in accordance with its terms and conditions and with the policies of the Canadian Securities Exchange ("CSE"); and
- (3) any one director or officer of the Company be and is hereby authorized and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute and deliver, under the corporate seal of the Company or otherwise, all such deeds, documents, instruments and assurances as in his opinion may be necessary or desirable to give effect to the foregoing resolutions, including, without limitation, making any changes to the New Plan required by the CSE or applicable securities regulatory authorities and to complete all transactions in connection with the administration of the New Plan."

The form of the New Plan Resolution set forth above is subject to such amendments as management may propose at the Meeting, but which do not materially affect the substance of the New Plan Resolution.

The Board considers that the ability to grant incentives is an important component of its compensation strategy and is necessary to enable the Company to attract and retain qualified directors, officers, employees, and consultants. The Board therefore recommends that Shareholders vote "For" the resolution approving the proposed new long term incentive plan. Unless otherwise instructed, the persons named in the enclosed form of Proxy will vote "IN FAVOUR" of the above resolution.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information relating to Bettermoo(d) is available at <u>www.sedar.com</u> under the Company's profile. Shareholders may contact the Company at its head office by mail at Suite 800, 1199 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 3T5, to request copies of the Company's financial statements and related Management's Discussion and Analysis (the "**MD&A**"). Financial information is provided in the audited financial statements and MD&A for Bettermoo(d) for its year ended December 31, 2021, and 2020.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

Management of Bettermoo(d) knows of no other matters to come before the Meeting other than those referred to in the Notice of Meeting included at the beginning of this Circular. However, if any other matters that are not known to management should properly come before the Meeting, the accompanying form of proxy confers discretionary authority upon the persons named in the proxy to vote on such matters in accordance with their best judgment.

# **APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board has authorized and approved the content of this Circular has been approved and the delivery of it to each Shareholder of Bettermoo(d) entitled to receive it and to the appropriate regulatory agencies.

Dated at Vancouver, British Columbia as of the October 18, 2022

# ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF

# **BETTERMOO(D) FOOD CORPORATION**

Steven Pear Director and Chief Executive Officer

#### Schedule "A"

#### **Audit Committee Charter**

#### Purpose of the Committee

The purpose of the audit committee (the "Audit Committee") of the directors of the Company (the "Board") is to provide an open avenue of communication between management, the Company's independent auditor and the Board and to assist the Board in its oversight of:

- the integrity, adequacy and timeliness of the Company's financial reporting and disclosure practices;
- the Company's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements related to financial reporting; and
- the independence and performance of the Company's independent auditor.

The Audit Committee will also perform any other activities consistent with this Charter, the Company's articles and governing laws as the Audit Committee or Board deems necessary or appropriate.

The Audit Committee shall consist of at least three directors. Members of the Audit Committee shall be appointed by the Board and may be removed by the Board in its discretion. The members of the Audit Committee shall elect a Chairman from among their number. A majority of the members of the Audit Committee must not be officers or employees of the Company or of an affiliate of the Company. The quorum for a meeting of the Audit Committee is a majority of the members of the Company or of an affiliate of the Company or of an affiliate of the Company. With the exception of the foregoing quorumrequirement, the Audit Committee may determine its own procedures.

The Audit Committee's role is one of oversight. Management is responsible for preparing the Company's financial statements and other financial information and for the fair presentation of the information set forthin the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Management is also responsible for establishing internal controls and procedures and for maintaining the appropriate accounting and financial reporting principles and policies designed to assure compliance with accounting standards and all applicable laws and regulations.

The independent auditor's responsibility is to audit the Company's financial statements and provide its opinion, based on its audit conducted in accordance with IFRS, that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company in accordance with IFRS.

The Audit Committee is responsible for recommending to the Board the independent auditor to be nominated for the purpose of auditing the Company's financial statements, preparing, or issuing an auditor's report or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company, and for reviewing and recommending the compensation of the independent auditor. The Audit Committee is also directly responsible for the evaluation of and oversight of the work of the independent auditor. The independent auditor shall report directly to the Audit Committee.

#### Authority and Responsibilities

In addition to the foregoing, in performing its oversight responsibilities the Audit Committee shall:

1. Monitor the adequacy of this Charter and recommend any proposed changes to the Board.

- 2. Review the appointments of the Company's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Executive Officer and any other key financial executives involved in the financial reporting process.
- 3. Review with management and the independent auditor the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's accounting and financial controls and the adequacy and timeliness of its financial reporting processes.
- 4. Review with management and the independent auditor the annual financial statements and relateddocuments and review with management the unaudited quarterly financial statements and related documents, prior to filing or distribution, including matters required to be reviewed under applicable legal or regulatory requirements.
- 5. Where appropriate and prior to release, review with management any news releases that disclose annual or interim financial results or contain other significant financial information that has not previously been released to the public.
- 6. Review the Company's financial reporting and accounting standards and principles and significantchanges in such standards or principles or in their application, including key accounting decisions affecting the financial statements, alternatives thereto and the rationale for decisions made.
- 7. Review the quality and appropriateness of the accounting policies and the clarity of financial information and disclosure practices adopted by the Company, including consideration of the independent auditor's judgment about the quality and appropriateness of the Company's accounting policies. This review may include discussions with the independent auditor without the presence of management.
- 8. Review with management and the independent auditor significant related party transactions and potential conflicts of interest.
- 9. Pre-approve all non-audit services to be provided to the Company by the independent auditor.
- 10. Monitor the independence of the independent auditor by reviewing all relationships between the independent auditor and the Company and all non-audit work performed for the Company by the independent auditor.
- 11. Establish and review the Company's procedures for the:
  - receipt, retention, and treatment of complaints regarding accounting, financial disclosure,
  - internal controls or auditing matters; and
  - confidential, anonymous submission by employees regarding questionable accounting, auditingand financial reporting and disclosure matters.
- 12. Conduct or authorize investigations into any matters that the Audit Committee believes is within the scope of its responsibilities. The Audit Committee has the authority to retain independent counsel, accountants, or other advisors to assist it, as it considers necessary, to carry out its duties, and to set and pay the compensation of such advisors at the expense of the Company.
- 13. Perform such other functions and exercise such other powers as are prescribed from time to time for the audit committee of a reporting company in Parts 2 and 4 of Endeavor Instrument 52-110 of the Canadian Securities Administrators, the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia) and thearticles of the Company.

Schedule "B" Equity Incentive Plan September 22, 2022 (the "New Plan")

#### **BETTERMOO(D) FOOD CORPORATION**

#### EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

#### September 22, 2022

# PART 1 PURPOSE

#### 1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Plan is to secure for the Company and its shareholders the benefits inherent in share ownership by the employees and directors of the Company, consultants, and its affiliates who, in the judgment of the Board, will be largely responsible for its future growth and success. It is generally recognized that equity incentive plans of the nature provided for herein aid in retaining and encouraging employees and directors of exceptional ability because of the opportunity offered them to acquire a proprietary interest in the Company.

#### **1.2** Available Awards

Awards that may be granted under this Plan include:

- (a) Options;
- (b) Deferred Share Units;
- (c) Restricted Share Units; and
- (d) Performance Share Units.

#### PART 2 INTERPRETATION

#### 2.1 Definitions

- (a) "Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in the BCA.
- (b) "Award" means any right granted under this Plan, including Options, Deferred Share Units, Restricted Share Units and Performance Share Units.
- (c) "BCA" means the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia).
- (d) **"Blackout Period**" means a period in which the trading of Shares or other securities of the Company is restricted under any policy of the Company then in effect.
- (e) **"Board**" means the board of directors of the Company.
- (f) "Cashless Exercise Right" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.5 of this Plan.
- (g) "Change of Control" means the occurrence and completion of any one or more of the following events:
  - (A) the Company shall not be the surviving entity in a merger, amalgamation or other reorganization (or survives only as a subsidiary of an entity other than a previously wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company);

- (B) the Company shall sell or otherwise transfer, including by way of the grant of a leasehold interest or joint venture interest (or one or more subsidiaries of the Company shall sell or otherwise transfer, including without limitation by way of the grant of a leasehold interest or joint venture interest) property or assets (i) aggregating more than 50% of the consolidated assets (measured by either book value or fair market value) of the Company and its subsidiaries as at the end of the most recently completed financial year of the Company or (ii) which during the most recently completed financial year of the Company generated, or during the then current financial year of the Company are expected to generate, more than 50% of the consolidated operating income or cash flow of the Company and its subsidiaries, to any other person or persons (other than one or more Designated Affiliates of the Company), in which case the Change of Control shall be deemed to occur on the date of transfer of the assets representing one dollar more than 50% of the consolidated assets in the case of clause (i) or 50% of the consolidated operating income or cash flow in the case of clause (ii), as the case may be;
- (C) the Company is to be dissolved and liquidated;
- (D) any person, entity or group of persons or entities acting jointly or in concert acquires or gains ownership or control (including, without limitation, the power to vote) more than 50% of the Company's outstanding voting securities; or
- (E) as a result of or in connection with: (i) the contested election of directors, or; (ii) a transaction referred to in subparagraph (i) above, the persons who were directors of the Company before such election or transaction shall cease to constitute a majority of the directors.

For the purposes of the foregoing, "voting securities" means Shares and any other shares entitled to vote for the election of directors and shall include any securities, whether or not issued by the Company, which are not shares entitled to vote for the election of directors but are convertible into or exchangeable for shares which are entitled to vote for the election of directors, including any options or rights to purchase such shares or securities.

- (h) "Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any applicable United States Treasury Regulations and other binding guidance thereunder.
- (i) "Company" means Bettermoo(d) Food Corporation, a company incorporated under the laws of British Columbia.
- (j) "Deferred Payment Date" for a Participant means the date after the Restricted Period which is the earlier of (i) the date which the Participant has elected to defer receipt of Restricted Shares in accordance with Section 4.4 of this Restricted Share Plan; and (ii) the Participant's Separation Date.
- (k) "Deferred Share Unit" means the agreement by the Company to pay, and the right of the Participant to receive, a Deferred Share Unit Payment for each Deferred Share Unit held, evidenced by way of book-keeping entry in the books of the Company and administered pursuant to this Plan.
- (1) "Deferred Share Unit Grant Letter" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 5.2 of this Plan.
- (m) "Deferred Share Unit Payment" means, subject to any adjustment in accordance with Section 5.5 of this Plan, the issuance to a Participant of one previously unissued Share for each whole Deferred Share Unit credited to such Participant.

- (n) **"Designated Affiliate**" means subsidiaries of the Company designated by the Board from time to time for purposes of this Plan.
- (o) "Director Retirement" in respect of a Participant, means the Participant ceasing to hold any directorships with the Company, any Designated Affiliate and any entity related to the Company for purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) after attaining a stipulated age in accordance with the Company's normal retirement policy, or earlier with the Company's consent.
- (p) "Director Separation Date" means the date that a Participant ceases to hold any directorships with the Company and any Designated Affiliate due to a Director Retirement or Director Termination and also ceases to serve as an employee or consultant with the Company, any Designated Affiliate\_and any entity related to the Company for the purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).
- (q) "**Director Termination**" means the removal of, resignation or failure to re-elect the Eligible Director (excluding a Director Retirement) as a director of the Company, a Designated Affiliate and any entity related to the Company for purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).
- (r) "Effective Date" means September 22, 2022, being the date upon which this Plan was adopted by the Board.
- (s) "Eligible Directors" means the directors of the Company or any Designated Affiliate who are, as such, eligible for participation in this Plan.
- (t) "Eligible Employees" means employees (including employees who are officers and directors) of the Company or any Designated Affiliate thereof, whether or not they have a written employment contract with Company, determined by the Board, as employees eligible for participation in this Plan. Eligible Employees shall include, consultants, service providers eligible for participation in this Plan as determined by the Board.
- (u) "Exchange" means the Canadian Securities Exchange, or any successor entity, which is the principal stock exchange on which the Shares are listed for trading.
- (v) "Fair Market Value" with respect to the Shares as of any date, means the closing market price of the Shares on the trading day prior to such date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for the purposes of establishing the exercise price per Share of any Option, or the value of any Share underlying a Restricted Share Right, Deferred Share Unit or Performance Share Unit on the grant date, the Fair Market Value means the greater of the closing market price of the Shares on (a) the trading day prior to the date of grant of the applicable Award; and (b) the date of grant of the applicable Award.
- (w) **"Multiplier(s)**" means the factor(s) by which a Participant's Performance Share Units will be multiplied, as determined by the Board and set out in the applicable Performance Share Unit Agreement;
- (x) "**Option**" means an option granted under the terms of this Plan.
- (y) "**Option Period**" means the period during which an Option is outstanding.
- (z) "**Option Shares**" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.5 of this Plan.
- (aa) "**Optionee**" means an Eligible Employee or Eligible Director to whom an Option has been granted under the terms of this Plan.
- (bb) "Participant" means an Eligible Employee or Eligible Director who participates in this Plan.
- (cc) "**Performance Period**" means the period provided for in Section 6.3;

- (dd) "**Performance Share Unit**" means a bookkeeping entry evidencing the right of a Participant to receive the value of one Share at the time of payment, multiplied by the applicable Multiplier(s), pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof and as evidenced by a Performance Share Unit Agreement;
- (ee) "Performance Share Unit Agreement" means an agreement evidencing a Performance Share Unit entered into by and between the Company and a Participant;
- (ff) "Plan" means this Equity Incentive Plan, as it may be amended and restated from time to time.
- (gg) "**Restricted Period**" means any period of time that a Restricted Share Right is not vested and the Participant holding such Restricted Share Right remains ineligible to receive the relevant Shares, determined by the Board in its absolute discretion, however, such period of time may be reduced or eliminated from time to time and at any time and for any reason as determined by the Board, including, but not limited to, circumstances involving death or disability of a Participant.
- (hh) "**Retirement**" in respect of an Eligible Employee, means the Eligible Employee ceasing to hold any employment with the Company or any Designated Affiliate after attaining a stipulated age in accordance with the Company's normal retirement policy, or earlier with the Company's consent.
- (ii) "Restricted Share Unit" has such meaning as ascribed to such term at Section 4.1 of this Plan.
- (jj) "Restricted Share Unit Grant Letter" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 4.2 of this Plan.
- (kk) "Separation Date" means the date that a Participant ceases to be an Eligible Director or Eligible Employee.
- (ll) "Service Provider" means any person or company engaged by the Company or a Designated Affiliate to provide services for an initial, renewable or extended period of 12 months or more.
- (mm) "Shares" means the common shares of the Company.
- (nn) "Specified Employee" means a U.S. Taxpayer who meets the definition of "specified employee", as defined in Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (00) "**Termination**" means the termination of the employment (or consulting services) of an Eligible Employee with or without cause by the Company or a Designated Affiliate or the cessation of employment (or consulting services) of the Eligible Employee with the Company or a Designated Affiliate as a result of resignation or otherwise, other than the Retirement of the Eligible Employee.
- (pp) "US Taxpayer" means a Participant who is a US citizen, US permanent resident or other person who is subject to taxation on their income under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

# 2.2 Interpretation

- (a) This Plan is created under and is to be governed, construed and administered in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.
- (b) Whenever the Board (or Board committee, as the case may be) is to exercise discretion in the administration of the terms and conditions of this Plan, the term "**discretion**" means the sole and absolute discretion of the Board (or Board committee, as the case may be).
- (c) As used herein, the terms "**Part**" or "**Section**" mean and refer to the specified Part or Section of this Plan, respectively.

- (d) Where the word "**including**" or "**includes**" is used in this Plan, it means "including (or includes) without limitation".
- (e) Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing any gender include any other gender.
- (f) Unless otherwise specified, all references to money amounts are to Canadian dollars.

# PART 3 STOCK OPTIONS

# 3.1 Participation

The Company may from time to time grant Options to Participants pursuant to this Plan.

# 3.2 Price

The exercise price per Share of any Option shall be not less than one hundred per cent (100%) of the Fair Market Value.

# **3.3** Grant of Options

The Board may at any time authorize the granting of Options to such Participants as it may select for the number of Shares that it shall designate, subject to the provisions of this Plan. The date of grant of an Option shall be the date such grant was approved by the Board.

Each Option granted to a Participant shall be evidenced by a stock option agreement with terms and conditions consistent with this Plan and as approved by the Board (and in all cases which terms and conditions need not be the same in each case and may be changed from time to time, subject to Section 8.7 of this Plan, and any required approval of the Exchange or any other exchange or exchanges on which the Shares are then traded).

#### **3.4** Terms of Options

The Option Period shall be five years from the date such Option is granted, or such greater or lesser duration as the Board may determine at the date of grant, and may thereafter be reduced with respect to any such Option as provided in Section 3.6 hereof covering termination of employment or death of the Optionee; provided, however, that at any time the expiry date of the Option Period in respect of any outstanding Option under this Plan should be determined to occur either during a Blackout Period or within ten business days following the expiry of the Blackout Period, the expiry date of such Option Period shall be deemed to be the date that is the tenth business day following the expiry of the Blackout Period.

Unless otherwise determined from time to time by the Board, Options shall vest and may be exercised (in each case to the nearest full Share) during the Option Period as follows:

- (a) at any time during the first six months of the Option Period, the Optionee may purchase up to 25% of the total number of Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to his or her Option; and
- (b) at any time during each additional six-month period of the Option Period the Optionee may purchase an additional 25% of the total number of Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to his or her Option plus any Shares not purchased in accordance with the preceding subsection (a) and this subsection (b) until, after the 18<sup>th</sup> month of the Option Period, 100% of the Option will be exercisable.

Except as set forth in Section 3.6, no Option may be exercised unless the Optionee is at the time of such exercise:

- (a) in the case of an Eligible Employee, in the employ (or retained as a Service Provider) of the Company or a Designated Affiliate and shall have been continuously so employed or retained since the grant of the Option; or
- (b) in the case of an Eligible Director, a director of the Company or a Designated Affiliate and shall have been such a director continuously since the grant of the Option.

The exercise of any Option will be contingent upon the Optionee having entered into an Option agreement with the Company on such terms and conditions as have been approved by the Board and which incorporates by reference the terms of this Plan. The exercise of any Option will, subject to Section 3.5, also be contingent upon receipt by the Company of cash payment of the full purchase price of the Shares being purchased.

# 3.5 Cashless Exercise Right

Participants have the right (the "**Cashless Exercise Right**"), in lieu of the right to exercise an Option, to terminate such Option in whole or in part by notice in writing delivered by the Participant to the Company electing to exercise the Cashless Exercise Right and, in lieu of receiving the Shares (the "**Option Shares**") to which such Terminated Option relates, to receive the number of Shares, disregarding fractions, which is equal to the quotient obtained by:

- (a) subtracting the applicable Option exercise price per Share from the Fair Market Value per Share on the business day immediately prior to the exercise of the Cashless Exercise Right and multiplying the remainder by the number of Option Shares; and
- (b) dividing the product obtained under subsection 3.5(a) by the Fair Market Value per Share on the business day immediately prior to the exercise of the Cashless Exercise Right.

If a Participant exercises a Cashless Exercise Right in connection with an Option, it is exercisable only to the extent and on the same conditions that the related Option is exercisable under this Plan.

#### **3.6** Effect of Termination of Employment or Death

#### If an Optionee:

- (a) dies while employed by, a Service Provider to or while a director of the Company or a Designated Affiliate, any Option held by him or her at the date of death shall become exercisable in whole or in part, but only by the person or persons to whom the Optionee's rights under the Option shall pass by the Optionee's will or applicable laws of descent and distribution. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, all such Options shall be exercisable only to the extent that the Optionee was entitled to exercise the Option at the date of his or her death and only for 12 months after the date of death or prior to the expiration of the Option Period in respect thereof, whichever is sooner; and
- (b) ceases to be employed by, a Service Provider to, or act as a director of, the Company or a Designated Affiliate for cause, no Option held by such Optionee will, unless otherwise determined by the Board, be exercisable following the date on which such Optionee ceases to be so engaged; provided, however, that if an Optionee ceases to be employed by, a Service Provider to, or act as a director of, the Company or a Designated Affiliate for any reason other than cause then, unless otherwise determined by the Board, any Option held by such Optionee at the effective date thereof shall become exercisable for a period of up to 12 months thereafter or prior to the expiration of the Option Period in respect thereof, whichever is sooner.

# 3.7 Effect of Takeover Bid

In the event of a Change of Control, unless otherwise determined by the Board, (i) all Options outstanding shall immediately vest and be exercisable; and (ii) all Options that are not otherwise exercised contemporaneously with the completion of the Change of Control will terminate and expire immediately thereafter.

# **3.8** Effect of Amalgamation or Merger

Subject to Section 3.7, if the Company amalgamates or otherwise completes a plan of arrangement or merges with or into another corporation, any Shares receivable on the exercise of an Option shall be converted into the securities, property or cash which the Participant would have received upon such amalgamation, arrangement or merger if the Participant had exercised his or her Option immediately prior to the record date applicable to such amalgamation, arrangement or merger, and the option price shall be adjusted appropriately by the Board and such adjustment shall be binding for all purposes of this Plan.

#### PART 4 RESTRICTED SHARE UNITS

# 4.1 Participants

The Company has the right to grant, in its sole and absolute discretion, to any Participant, rights to receive any number of fully paid and non-assessable Shares ("**Restricted Share Units**") as a discretionary payment in consideration of past services to the Company or as an incentive for future services, subject to this Plan and with such additional provisions and restrictions as the Board may determine. For purposes of calculating the number of Restricted Share Units to be granted, the Company shall be obligated to value the Shares underlying such Restricted Share Units at not less than one hundred per cent (100%) of the Fair Market Value.

# 4.2 Restricted Share Units Grant Letter

Each grant of a Restricted Share Right under this Plan shall be evidenced by a grant letter (a "**Restricted Share Units Grant Letter**") issued to the Participant by the Company. Such Restricted Share Right Grant Letter shall be subject to all applicable terms and conditions of this Plan and may be subject to any other terms and conditions (including without limitation any recoupment, reimbursement or claw-back compensation policy as may be adopted by the Board from time to time) which are not inconsistent with this Plan and which the Board deems appropriate for inclusion in a Restricted Share Right Grant Letter. The provisions of the various Restricted Share Right Grant Letters issued under this Plan need not be identical.

# 4.3 Restricted Period

Concurrent with the determination to grant Restricted Share Units to a Participant, the Board shall determine the Restricted Period applicable to such Restricted Share Units. In addition, at the sole discretion of the Board, at the time of grant, the Restricted Share Units may be subject to performance conditions to be achieved by the Company or a class of Participants or by a particular Participant on an individual basis, within a Restricted Period, for such Restricted Share Units to entitle the holder thereof to receive the underlying Shares. Upon expiry of the applicable Restricted Period (or on the Deferred Payment Date, as applicable), a Restricted Share Right shall be automatically settled, and without the payment of additional consideration or any other further action on the part of the holder of the Restricted Share Right, the underlying Shares shall be issued to the holder of such Restricted Share Units, which Restricted Share Units shall then be cancelled.

# 4.4 Deferred Payment Date

Participants who are residents of Canada for the purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) (and for greater certainty, who are not US Taxpayers), may elect to defer to receive all or any part of the Shares underlying Restricted Share Units until one or more Deferred Payment Dates. Any other Participants may not elect a Deferred Payment Date.

#### 4.5 **Prior Notice of Deferred Payment Date**

Participants who elect to set a Deferred Payment Date must, in respect of each such Deferred Payment Date, give the Company written notice of the Deferred Payment Date(s) not later than thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the applicable Restricted Period. For certainty, Participants shall not be permitted to give any such notice after the day which is thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the Restricted Period and a notice once given may not be changed or revoked. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing shall not prevent a Participant from electing an additional

Deferred Payment Date, provided, however that notice of such election is given by the Participant to the Company not later than thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the subject Restricted Period.

# 4.6 Retirement or Termination during Restricted Period

In the event and to the extent of the Retirement or Termination and/or, as applicable, the Director Retirement or Director Termination of a Participant from all such roles with the Company during the Restricted Period, any Restricted Share Units held by the Participant shall immediately terminate and be of no further force or effect; provided, however, that the Board shall have the absolute discretion to modify the grant of the Restricted Share Units to provide that the Restricted Period shall terminate immediately prior to the date of such occurrence.

# 4.7 Retirement or Termination after Restricted Period

In the event and to the extent of the Retirement or Termination and/or, as applicable, the Director Retirement or Director Termination of the Participant from all such roles with the Company following the Restricted Period and prior to a Deferred Payment Date, the Participant shall be entitled to receive, and the Company shall issue forthwith, Shares in satisfaction of the Restricted Share Units then held by the Participant.

# 4.8 Death or Disability of Participant

In the event of the death or total disability of a Participant, any Shares represented by Restricted Share Units held by the Participant shall be immediately issued by the Company to the Participant or legal representative of the Participant.

# 4.9 Payment of Dividends

Subject to the absolute discretion of the Board, in the event that a dividend (other than a stock dividend) is declared and paid by the Company on the Shares, a Participant may be credited with additional Restricted Share Units. The number of such additional Restricted Share Units, if any, will be calculated by dividing (a) the total amount of the dividends that would have been paid to the Participant if the Restricted Share Units (including Restricted Share Units in which the Restricted Period has expired but the Shares have not been issued due to a Deferred Payment Date) in the Participant's account on the dividend record date had been outstanding Shares (and the Participant held no other Shares) by (b) the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the date on which such dividends were paid.

#### 4.10 Change of Control

In the event of a Change of Control, all Restricted Share Units outstanding shall vest immediately and be settled by the issuance of Shares notwithstanding the Restricted Period and any Deferred Payment Date.

#### PART 5 DEFERRED SHARE UNITS

# 5.1 Deferred Share Unit Grants

The Board may from time to time determine to grant Deferred Share Units to one or more Eligible Directors in a lump sum amount or on regular intervals, based on such formulas or criteria as the Board may from time to time determine. Deferred Share Units will be credited to the Eligible Director's account when designated by the Board. For purposes of calculating the number of Deferred Share Units to be granted, the Company shall be obligated to value the Shares underlying such Deferred Share Units at not less than one hundred per cent (100%) of the Fair Market Value.

## 5.2 Deferred Share Unit Grant Letter

Each grant of a Deferred Share Unit under this Plan shall be evidenced by a grant letter (a "Deferred Share Unit Grant Letter") issued to the Eligible Director by the Company. Such Deferred Share Unit Grant Letter shall be subject to all applicable terms and conditions of this Plan and may be subject to any other terms and conditions (including without limitation any recoupment, reimbursement or claw-back compensation policy as may be adopted by the Board from time to time) which are not inconsistent with this Plan and which the Board deems appropriate for inclusion in a Deferred Share Unit Grant Letter. The provisions of Deferred Share Unit Grant Letters issued under this Plan need not be identical.

#### 5.3 Redemption of Deferred Share Units and Issuance of Deferred Shares

The Deferred Share Units held by each Eligible Director who is not a US Taxpayer shall be redeemed automatically and with no further action by the Eligible Director on the 20<sup>th</sup> business day following the Separation Date for that Eligible Director. For US Taxpayers, Deferred Share Units held by an Eligible Director who is a Specified Employee will be automatically redeemed with no further action by the Eligible Director on the date that is six months following the Separation Date for the Eligible Director, or if earlier, upon such Eligible Director's death. Upon redemption, the former Eligible Director shall be entitled to receive and the Company shall issue, the number of Shares issued from treasury equal to the number of Deferred Share Units in the Eligible Director's account, subject to any applicable deductions and withholdings. In the event a Separation Date occurs during a year and Deferred Share Units have been granted to such Eligible Director for that entire year, the Eligible Director will only be entitled to a pro-rated Deferred Share Unit Payment in respect of such Deferred Share Units based on the number of days that he or she was an Eligible Director in such year.

No amount will be paid to, or in respect of, an Eligible Director under this Plan or pursuant to any other arrangement, and no other additional Deferred Share Units will be granted to compensate for a downward fluctuation in the value of the Shares of the Company nor will any other benefit be conferred upon, or in respect of, an Eligible Director for such purpose.

#### 5.4 Death of Participant

In the event of the death of an Eligible Director, the Deferred Share Units shall be redeemed automatically and with no further action on the 20<sup>th</sup> business day following the death of an Eligible Director.

#### 5.5 Payment of Dividends

Subject to the absolute discretion of the Board, in the event that a dividend (other than a stock dividend) is declared and paid by the Company on the Shares, an Eligible Director may be credited with additional Deferred Share Units. The number of such additional Deferred Share Units, if any, will be calculated by dividing (a) the total amount of the dividends that would have been paid to the Eligible Director if the Deferred Share Units in the Eligible Director's account on the dividend record date had been outstanding Shares (and the Eligible Director held no other Shares), by (b) the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the date on which such dividends were paid.

#### PART 6 PERFORMANCE SHARE UNITS

#### 6.1 **Performance Share Units**

The Board may from time to time determine to grant Performance Share Units to one or more Eligible Directors with the specific terms and conditions thereof to be as provided in this Plan and in the Performance Share Unit Agreement in respect of such grant. The Performance Share Unit Agreement in respect of the Performance Share Units granted will set out, at a minimum, the number of Performance Share Units granted, the Performance Period, the performance-based criteria and the Multiplier(s). Subject to the provisions of this Article 6, each Performance Share Unit awarded to a Participant for services performed during the year in which the

Performance Share Unit is granted shall entitle the Participant to receive payment in an amount equal to the Fair Market Value on the day immediately prior to the last day of the applicable Performance Period multiplied by the applicable Multiplier(s), to be determined on the last day of the Performance Period.

# 6.2 Distributions

The Board, in its sole discretion, may determine that if and when distributions are paid on any Shares, additional Performance Share Units shall be credited to the Participant as of such distribution payment date. The number of additional Performance Share Units (including fractional Performance Share Units) to be credited to the Participant shall be determined by dividing the dollar amount of the distribution payable in respect of the Shares underlying the Performance Share Units by the Fair Market Value on the date the distribution is paid. Fractional Performance Share Units to two decimal places shall be credited to the Participant. For greater certainty, the Performance Period and Multiplier(s), if any, shall be the same as the Performance Period and Multiplier(s), if any, for the Performance Share Units.

# 6.3 **Performance Period**

Subject to Sections 6.5, 6.6 and 6.7 (which could result in shortening any such period), the Performance Period in respect of a particular award shall be one year from the date of grant of the applicable Performance Share Unit, provided that the Board may, in its sole discretion, determine the Performance Period to be greater than one year, to a maximum of three years from the date of grant of the applicable Performance Share Unit.

# 6.4 **Performance-Based Criteria and Multipliers**

The Board may establish performance-based criteria which, if met by the Company, will entitle the Participant to be paid an amount in excess of or less than the Fair Market Value of one Share for each Performance Share Unit at the end of the applicable Performance Period. The Board, in its sole discretion, may waive the performance-based criteria if the Board determines there were material unusual circumstances that occurred during the Performance Period (as an example only, if take-over speculation significantly affects the Fair Market Value at the end of the Performance Period).

# 6.5 Retirement or Termination During Performance Period

If a Participant ceases to be an Eligible Employee or Eligible Director, as applicable, during the Performance Period because of retirement or Termination of the Participant, all Performance Share Units previously awarded to the Participant shall be forfeited and cease to be credited to the Participant on the date of the Retirement or Termination, as the case may be; however, the Board shall have the absolute discretion to modify the grant of the Performance Share Units to provide that the Performance Period would end at the end of the calendar quarter immediately before the date of the Retirement or Termination, as the case may be, and the amount payable to the Participant shall be calculated as of such date.

#### 6.6 Death or Disability

During Performance Period, in the event of the death or total disability of a Participant during the Performance Period, the Performance Period shall be deemed to end at the end of the calendar quarter immediately before the date of death or total disability of the Participant and the amount payable to the Participant or its executors, as the case may be, shall be calculated as of such date.

# 6.7 Change of Control During Performance Period

In the event of a Change of Control, the Performance Period shall be deemed to end at the end of the calendar quarter immediately before the Change of Control and the amount payable to the Participant shall be calculated as of such date.

## 6.8 Payment to Participants

Subject to the terms of this Plan, the Board, in its sole discretion, may pay earned Performance Share Units in the form of cash or in Shares issued from treasury (or in a combination thereof) equal to the value of the Performance Share Units at the end of the applicable Performance Period. The determination of the Board with respect to the form of payout of such Performance Share Units shall be set forth in the Performance Share Unit Agreement for the grant of the Performance Share Unit or reserved for later determination. In no event will delivery of such Shares or payment of any cash amounts be made later than two and a half months after the end of the year in which such conditions or restrictions were satisfied or lapsed.

#### 6.9 Payment of Dividends

Subject to the absolute discretion of the Board, in the event that a dividend (other than a stock dividend) is declared and paid by the Company on the Shares, an Eligible Director may be credited with additional Performance Share Units. The number of such additional Performance Share Units, if any, will be calculated by dividing (a) the total amount of the dividends that would have been paid to the Eligible Director if the Performance Share Units in the Eligible Director's account on the dividend record date had been outstanding Shares (and the Eligible Director held no other Shares), by (b) the Fair Market Value of the Shares on the date on which such dividends were paid.

# PART 7 WITHHOLDING TAXES

# 7.1 Withholding Taxes

The Company or any Designated Affiliate may take such steps as are considered necessary or appropriate for the withholding of any taxes or other amounts which the Company or any Designated Affiliate is required by any law or regulation of any governmental authority whatsoever to withhold in connection with any Award including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the withholding of all or any portion of any payment or the withholding of the issue of any Shares to be issued under this Plan, until such time as the Participant has paid the Company or any Designated Affiliate for any amount which the Company or Designated Affiliate is required to withhold by law with respect to such taxes or other amounts. Without limitation to the foregoing, the Board may adopt administrative rules under this Plan, which provide for the automatic sale of Shares (or a portion thereof) in the market upon the issuance of such Shares under this Plan on behalf of the Participant to satisfy withholding obligations under an Award.

#### PART 8 GENERAL

#### 8.1 Number of Shares

The aggregate number of Shares that may be issued under this Plan shall not exceed 20% of the outstanding issue from time to time, such Shares to be allocated among Awards and Participants in amounts and at such times as may be determined by the Board from time to time. Furthermore, the aggregate number of Shares issued or issuable to persons providing "investor relations activities" (as defined in the Exchange policies) as compensation within a 12-month period, may not exceed 2% of the total number of Shares then outstanding, or such other percentage as permit-ted by the policies of the Exchange.

For the purposes of this Section 8.1, "outstanding issue" means the total number of Shares, on a non-diluted basis, that are issued and outstanding immediately prior to the date that any Shares are issued or reserved for issuance pursuant to an Award.

#### 8.2 Lapsed Awards

If Awards are surrendered, terminated or expire without being exercised in whole or in part, new Awards may be granted covering the Shares not issued under such lapsed Awards, subject to any restrictions that may be imposed by the Exchange, including, without limitation, the restriction that if an Option is cancelled prior to its expiry date, the

Company shall post notice of the cancellation and shall not grant new Options to the same Participant until 30 days have elapsed from the date of cancellation.

# 8.3 Adjustment in Shares Subject to this Plan

If there is any change in the Shares through the declaration of stock dividends of Shares, through any consolidations, subdivisions or reclassification of Shares, or otherwise, the number of Shares available under this Plan, the Shares subject to any Award, and the exercise price of any Option shall be adjusted as determined to be appropriate by the Board, and such adjustment shall be effective and binding for all purposes of this Plan.

# 8.4 Transferability

Any Awards accruing to any Participant in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Plan shall not be transferable unless specifically provided herein. During the lifetime of a Participant all Awards may only be exercised by the Participant. Awards are non-transferable except by will or by the laws of descent and distribution.

#### 8.5 Employment

Nothing contained in this Plan shall confer upon any Participant any right with respect to employment or continuance of employment with the Company or any Affiliate, or interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any Affiliate to terminate the Participant's employment at any time. Participation in this Plan by a Participant is voluntary.

# 8.6 Record Keeping

The Company shall maintain a register in which shall be recorded:

- (a) the name and address of each Participant;
- (b) the number of Awards granted to each Participant and relevant details regarding such Awards; and
- (c) such other information as the Board may determine.

# 8.7 Amendments to Plan

The Board shall have the power to, at any time and from time to time, either prospectively or retrospectively, amend, suspend or terminate this Plan or any Award granted under this Plan without shareholder approval, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing: changes of a clerical or grammatical nature, changes regarding the persons eligible to participate in this Plan, changes to the exercise price, vesting, term and termination provisions of the Award, changes to the cashless exercise right provisions, changes to the authority and role of the Board under this Plan, and any other matter relating to this Plan and the Awards that may be granted hereunder, provided however that:

- (a) such amendment, suspension or termination is in accordance with applicable laws and the rules of any stock exchange on which the Shares are listed;
- (b) no amendment to this Plan or to an Award granted hereunder will have the effect of impairing, derogating from or otherwise adversely affecting the terms of an Award which is outstanding at the time of such amendment without the written consent of the holder of such Award;
- (c) the terms of an Option will not be amended once issued; and
- (d) the expiry date of an Option Period in respect of an Option shall not be more than ten years from the date of grant of an Option except as expressly provided in Section 3.4.

If this Plan is terminated, the provisions of this Plan and any administrative guidelines and other rules and regulations adopted by the Board and in force on the date of termination will continue in effect as long as any Award or any rights pursuant thereto remain outstanding and, notwithstanding the termination of this Plan, the Board shall remain able to make such amendments to this Plan or the Award as they would have been entitled to make if this Plan were still in effect.

# 8.8 No Representation or Warranty

The Company makes no representation or warranty as to the future market value of any Shares issued in accordance with the provisions of this Plan.

# 8.9 Section 409A

It is intended that any payments under this Plan to US Taxpayers shall be exempt from or comply with Section 409A of the Code, and all provisions of this Plan shall be construed and interpreted in a manner consistent with the requirements for avoiding taxes and penalties under Section 409A of the Code.

# 8.10 Compliance with Applicable Law, etc.

If any provision of this Plan or any agreement entered into pursuant to this Plan contravenes any law or any order, policy, by-law or regulation of any regulatory body or stock exchange having authority over the Company or this Plan, then such provision shall be deemed to be amended to the extent required to bring such provision into compliance therewith.

# 8.11 Term of the Plan

This Plan shall remain in effect until it is terminated by the Board.

# PART 9 ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PLAN

# 9.1 Administration by the Board

- (a) Unless otherwise determined by the Board, this Plan shall be administered by the Board or a Board committee designated by the Board.
- (b) The Board (or Board committee, as the case may be) shall have the power, where consistent with the general purpose and intent of this Plan and subject to the specific provisions of this Plan, to:
  - (i) adopt and amend rules and regulations relating to the administration of this Plan and make all other determinations necessary or desirable for the administration of this Plan. The interpretation and construction of the provisions of this Plan and related agreements by the Board (or Board committee, as the case may be) shall be final and conclusive. The Board (or Board committee, as the case may be) may correct any defect or supply any omission or reconcile any inconsistency in this Plan or in any related agreement in the manner and to the extent it shall deem expedient to carry this Plan into effect and it shall be the sole and final judge of such expediency;
  - (ii) determine and designate from time to time the individuals to whom Awards shall be made, the amounts of the Awards and the other terms and conditions of the Awards;
  - (iii) delegate any of its responsibilities or powers under this Plan to a Board committee; and
  - (iv) otherwise exercise the powers under this Plan as set forth herein.