VOYAGEUR MINERAL EXPLORERS CORP.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

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MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

DATED APRIL 25, 2023

VOYAGEUR MINERAL EXPLORERS CORP.

141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301 Toronto, Ontario, M5H 3L5

NOTICE OF ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an annual and special meeting (the "**Meeting**") of the shareholders ("**Shareholders**") of common shares of Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp. ("**Voyageur**" or the "**Corporation**") will be held at the offices of the Corporation at 141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 3L5, at 11:00 a.m. (Toronto time) on May 30, 2023, for the following purposes:

- (i) to receive the annual financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, together with the auditor's report thereon;
- (ii) to fix the number of directors at five (5);
- (iii) to elect the directors for the ensuing year;
- (iv) to reappoint McGovern Hurley LLP as the auditors of the Corporation for the ensuing year and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration;
- (v) to consider, and, if deemed appropriate, to pass with or without variation an ordinary resolution approving an omnibus equity incentive plan of the Corporation, as more particularly described in the accompanying management information circular of Corporation dated April 25, 2023 (as defined below); and
- (vi) to transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting, or at any adjournment thereof.

An "ordinary resolution" is a resolution passed by a majority of the votes cast by eligible Shareholders who voted in respect of that resolution at the Meeting.

This notice of meeting is accompanied by a form of proxy (the "**Proxy**"), a supplemental mailing card and the management information circular of the Corporation dated April 25, 2023 (the "**Circular**"). The Circular includes more detailed information relating to the matters to be addressed at the Meeting. The Circular is deemed to form a part of this notice of meeting.

The Corporation urges all Shareholders to vote by proxy in advance of the Meeting in accordance with the instructions set out below and to listen to the Meeting through the live conference call details provided below. Please note that the conference call is being provided for information purposes only and Shareholder will not be able to participate at the Meeting through the conference call.

Date and Time Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. (Toronto time)

Dial-in Numbers +1 (647) 723-3984 (Toronto)

+1 (866) 365-4406 (North America – Toll Free)

Access Code 8487744#

Shareholders unable to attend the Meeting in person should read the notes to the Proxy and complete and return the Proxy to the Corporation's registrar and transfer agent, TSX Trust Company at 100 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario M5H 4H1. A Proxy will not be valid unless it is deposited at the office of TSX Trust Company by 11:00 a.m. (Toronto time) on May 26, 2023; or not less than 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays) prior to the commencement of the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof. Late proxies may be accepted or rejected by the chairman of the Meeting in his discretion. The chairman is under no obligation to accept or reject any particular late Proxy.

^{*}Participants should dial in approximately 5 to 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.

If you are a non-registered Shareholder of the Corporation and received these materials through your broker or another intermediary, please complete and return the Proxy or other voting form in accordance with instructions provided to you by your broker or such other intermediary.

The enclosed Proxy appoints nominees of management as proxyholder and you may amend the Proxy, if you wish, by inserting in the space provided the name of the person you wish to represent you as proxyholder at the Meeting.

The record date for the determination of Shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof is April 19, 2023 (the "**Record Date**"). Shareholders whose names have been entered in the register of Shareholders at the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to receive notice of, and to vote, at the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario, as of this 25th day of April 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VOYAGEUR MINERAL EXPLORERS CORP.

"Fraser Laschinger"

Fraser Laschinger, President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

VOYAGEUR MINERAL EXPLORERS CORP.

141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301 Toronto, Ontario, M5H 3L5

Management Information Circular

GENERAL INFORMATION

The annual and special meeting (the "Meeting") of shareholders ("Shareholders") of common shares ("Common Shares") of Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp. ("Voyageur" or the "Corporation") will be held at 11:00 a.m. (Toronto time) on May 30, 2023 at the offices of the Corporation at 141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 3L5, as set forth in the notice of meeting (the "Notice of Meeting") accompanying this management information circular (the "Circular").

The Corporation urges all Shareholders to vote by proxy in advance of the Meeting in accordance with the instructions set out below and to listen to the Meeting through the live conference call details provided below. Please note that the conference call is being provided for information purposes only and Shareholder will not be able to participate at the Meeting through the conference call.

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In this Circular, unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts "\$" are expressed in Canadian dollars.

Except where otherwise indicated, the information contained herein is stated as of April 25, 2023.

A quorum for the Meeting is two Shareholders, present in person or represented by proxy, who between them hold or represent at least 5% of the shares entitled to vote at the Meeting.

Solicitation of Proxies

The Circular is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the management of the Corporation to be used at the Meeting to be held at 141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario M5H 3L5 at 11:00 a.m. (Toronto time), on May 30, 2023, or any adjournments thereof, for the purposes set forth above and in the accompanying Notice of Meeting.

It is expected that solicitation will be primarily by mail, but proxies may be solicited personally or by telephone by the directors, officers and regular employees of the Corporation at nominal cost. The costs of solicitation by management will be borne by the Corporation.

Voting In Person at the Meeting

A registered Shareholder whose name has been provided to TSX Trust Company will appear on a list of Shareholders prepared by the registrar and transfer agent for the purpose of the Meeting. To vote in person at the Meeting, each Shareholder will be required to register for the Meeting by identifying themselves at the registration desk.

Voting of Proxies

Common Shares represented by properly executed proxies in the accompanying form will be voted for or against, or withheld from voting, as the case may be, in accordance with the instructions given by the Shareholder on any ballot that may be called for and that, if the Shareholder specifies a choice with respect

to any matter to be acted upon, the Common Shares will be voted accordingly. In the absence of such direction, such Common Shares will be voted in favour of the matters set out herein.

The accompanying 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, or other matters that may properly come before the Meeting. As of the date hereof, management of the Corporation knows of no such amendments, variations, or other matters to come before the Meeting. In the event that any such amendments or other matters properly come before the Meeting, then the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy will vote on such amendments or other matters in accordance with their best judgment.

Appointment of Proxyholders

Enclosed with this Circular is a form of proxy for use at the Meeting. The persons named in the enclosed form of proxy are officers and/or directors of the Corporation. If a registered Shareholder cannot attend the Meeting but wishes to vote on the resolutions, the registered Shareholder should sign, date, and deliver the enclosed form of proxy to the Corporation's registrar and transfer agent: TSX Trust Company at 100 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario M5H 4H1, Canada.

A Shareholder has the right to appoint a person or corporation (who need not be a Shareholder) other than the persons specified in such form of proxy to attend and act on behalf of such Shareholder at the Meeting. Such right may be exercised by striking out the names of the persons specified in the form of proxy, inserting the name of the person or corporation to be appointed in the blank space provided in the form of proxy, signing the form of proxy, and returning it in the manner set forth in the form of proxy, or by completing another proper form of proxy and, in either case, depositing the completed proxy at the office of the transfer agent indicated on the enclosed envelope not later than 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the time of the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof. Late proxies may be accepted or rejected by the chairman of the Meeting in his discretion, and the chairman is under no obligation to accept or reject any particular late proxy.

A registered Shareholder forwarding the enclosed form of proxy may indicate the manner in which the appointee is to vote with respect to any specific item by checking the appropriate space. If the registered Shareholder giving the proxy wishes to confer a discretionary authority with respect to any item of business, then the space opposite the item is to be left blank. The Common Shares represented by the form of proxy submitted by a registered Shareholder will be voted in accordance with the directions, if any, given in the form of proxy.

To be valid, a form of proxy must be executed by a registered Shareholder or a registered Shareholder's attorney duly authorized in writing or, if the registered Shareholder is a body corporate, under its corporate seal, or by a duly authorized officer or attorney.

Revocation of Proxy

A Shareholder may revoke a proxy given pursuant to this solicitation by an instrument in writing, including another proxy bearing a later date, executed by the Shareholder or by its attorney authorized in writing, and deposited at: (i) the Corporation's registrar and transfer agent, TSX Trust Company, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the Meeting at which the proxy is to be used; (ii) the Corporation's head office at 141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario M5H 3L5, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the Meeting at which the proxy is to be used; (iii) with the chairman of such Meeting on the day of the Meeting; or (iv) in any other manner permitted by law.

Notice to Beneficial Holders of Common Shares

Only registered Shareholders or duly appointed proxyholders are permitted to attend and vote at the Meeting. Many Shareholders are "non-registered" Shareholders because the Common Shares they own are not registered in their names but are instead registered in the name of the brokerage firm, bank, or trust company through which they purchased the Common Shares. More particularly, a person is not a registered

Shareholder in respect of Common Shares which are held on behalf of that person (a "**Non-Registered Holder**") but which are registered either:

- (a) in the name of an intermediary (an "Intermediary") that the Non-Registered Holder deals with in respect of the Common Shares (Intermediaries include, among others, banks, trust companies, securities dealers or brokers, and trustees or administrators of self-administered RRSPs, RRIFs, RESPs and similar plans); or
- (b) in the name of a clearing agency (such as CDS Clearing and Depository Services Inc. ("CDS")) of which the Intermediary is a participant.

There are two categories of Non-Registered Holders under applicable securities regulations for purposes of dissemination to Non-Registered Holders of proxy-related materials and other security holder materials and requests for voting instructions from such Beneficial Shareholders. Non-objecting beneficial owners ("NOBOs") are Non-Registered Holders who have advised their intermediary (such as brokers or other nominees) that they do not object to their intermediary disclosing ownership information to the Corporation, consisting of their name, address, e-mail address, securities holdings and preferred language of communication. Canadian securities laws restrict the use of that information to matters strictly relating to the affairs of the Corporation. Objecting beneficial owners ("OBOs") are Non-Registered Holders who have advised their intermediary that they object to their intermediary disclosing such ownership information to the Corporation.

The Notice of Meeting, this Circular, and a proxy or voting instruction form (collectively, the "Meeting Materials") are being sent to both registered Shareholders and NOBOs. The Corporation is sending the Meeting Materials directly to NOBOs under National Instrument 54-101 - Communication With Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer ("NI 54-101") of the Canadian Securities Administrators. If you are a NOBO, and the Corporation or its agent has sent these materials directly to you, your name and address and information about your holdings of Common Shares have been obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the Intermediary holding the Common Shares on your behalf. By choosing to send these materials to you directly, the Corporation (and not the Intermediary holding on your behalf) has assumed responsibility for (i) delivering these materials to you and (ii) executing your proper voting instructions. Please return your voting instructions as specified in the request for voting instructions. The Corporation does not intend to pay for Intermediaries to forward the Meeting Materials to OBOs under NI 54-101. An OBO will not receive the Meeting Materials unless the OBO's Intermediary assumes the cost of delivery.

Should a Non-Registered Holder who receives a proxy or voting instruction form wish to vote at the Meeting in person, the Non-Registered Holder should strike out the names of the management proxyholders named in the form and insert the Non-Registered Holder's name in the blank space provided. **Non-Registered Holders should carefully follow the instructions on their proxy or voting instruction form, including those regarding when and where the proxy or voting instruction form is to be delivered.**

All references to Shareholders in this Circular, instrument of proxy and Notice of Meeting are to registered Shareholders of the Corporation unless specifically stated otherwise.

INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED ON AT THE MEETING

Other than the election of directors and the approval of the Equity Incentive Plan (as defined below), none of the directors or executive officers of Voyageur, no proposed nominee for election as a director of Voyageur, none of the persons who have been directors or executive officers of Voyageur since the commencement of its last completed financial year, none of the other insiders of Voyageur, and no associate or affiliate of any of the foregoing persons has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting.

VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

Voting Securities

The board of directors of the Corporation (the "**Board**") has fixed the close of business on April 19, 2023 as the record date, being the date for the determination of the registered Shareholders entitled to receive notice of, and to vote at, the Meeting (the "**Record Date**"). As at the date hereof, 32,268,397 Common Shares were issued and outstanding. Each Common Share carries the right to one vote at the Meeting. There are no other classes of voting securities outstanding.

Shareholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date will be entitled to receive notice of, and to vote, at the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof. Persons registered on the books of the Corporation at the close of business on the Record Date and persons who are transferees of any Common Shares acquired after the Record Date and who have produced properly endorsed certificates evidencing such Common Shares or who otherwise establish ownership thereof and demand, not later than 10 days before the Meeting, that their names be included in the list of Shareholders, are entitled to vote at the Meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof.

Principal Holders of Voting Securities

As of the date hereof, to the knowledge of the directors and officers of the Corporation, no person or corporation beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, or exercises control or direction over, 10% or more of the Common Shares, other than as set out below:

Name	Number of Common Shares Beneficially Owned or Over Which Control or Direction is Exercised ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	Percentage of Issued and Outstanding Common Shares ⁽²⁾
Robert Douglas Cudney ⁽³⁾	10,893,802	33.8%

Notes:

- (1) The information as to Common Shares beneficially owned, controlled or directed, not being within the knowledge of the Corporation, has been obtained by the Corporation from publicly disclosed information and/or furnished by the relevant shareholder.
- (2) On a non-diluted basis.
- (3) 521,100 Common Shares are held directly by Mr. Cudney and Mr. Cudney exercises control over 10,367,702 Common Shares held by Northfield Capital Corporation and 5,000 Common Shares held by Cudney Stables Inc.

THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Financial Statements

The annual financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 and accompanying auditor's report thereon (together, the "Financial Statements") will be presented at the Meeting and have been mailed to those registered and beneficial Shareholders who have requested them. The Financial Statements are available under the Corporation's issuer profile on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval ("SEDAR") at www.sedar.com.

Setting Number of Directors

The articles of the Corporation (the "**Articles**") provide that the Corporation is authorized to have between a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of fifteen (15) directors. Accordingly, at the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if deemed appropriate, pass an ordinary resolution fixing the number of directors to be elected to hold office until the next annual meeting or until their successors are elected or appointed, in accordance with the Articles, at five (5), subject to increases or decreases as provided by the Articles and *The Corporations Act* (Manitoba) ("**MCA**").

The Board unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote **FOR** the resolution fixing the number of directors to be elected at the Meeting at five (5).

UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, PROXIES AND VOTING INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN PURSUANT TO THIS SOLICITATION BY THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORPORATION WILL BE VOTED FOR THE

RESOLUTION FIXING THE NUMBER OF DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED AT THE MEETING AT FIVE (5).

Election of Directors

The Board currently consists of five (5) directors and the term of office of each of the present directors will expire at the Meeting. Directors of Voyageur are elected for a term of one year. At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to elect five (5) directors for the ensuing year.

Each of the director nominees, if elected, will serve until the close of the next annual meeting, unless he resigns or otherwise vacates office before that time.

The Board unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote **FOR** each of the proposed nominees set forth in the table below.

UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, PROXIES AND VOTING INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN PURSUANT TO THIS SOLICITATION BY THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORPORATION WILL BE VOTED FOR THE ELECTION OF EACH OF THE PROPOSED NOMINEES SET FORTH IN THE TABLE BELOW.

Nominees for Election

The following table and notes thereto state the names of all the persons proposed to be nominated for election as directors of the Corporation, all of the positions and offices with the Corporation now held by them, their present principal occupations or employment and the number of Common Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or over which control or direction is exercised, by each of them as of the date of this Circular. The information as to Common Shares beneficially owned has been furnished to the Board by the respective nominees.

These nominees have consented to being named in this Circular and to serving if elected. The Corporation's management does not contemplate that any of the nominees will be unable or unwilling to serve as a director, but if that should occur for any reason prior to the Meeting, the Common Shares represented by properly submitted proxies given in favour of such nominee(s) may be voted by the persons whose names are printed in the form of proxy, at their discretion, in favour of another nominee.

Name and place of residence	Principal occupation	Director since	Number of Common Shares ⁽¹⁾
Robert Cudney Ontario, Canada	President, Northfield Capital Corporation	October 12, 2021	10,893,802
Fraser Laschinger (2) Ontario, Canada	President and CEO, Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp.	September 17, 2020	475,000
William J. Phillips (3) Ontario, Canada	Independent businessman	August 22, 2007	390,450
Brent Peters (2) (3) Ontario, Canada	Independent businessman	September 16, 2019	225,000
M. Ross Orr ^{(2) (3)} Ontario, Canada	President and CEO, BacTech Environmental Corp.	September 17, 2020	20,000

Notes:

- (1) The information as to Common Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or over which control or direction is exercised, not being within the knowledge of management of Voyageur, has been furnished by the respective individual or has been extracted from insider reports filed by the individual and publicly available through the Internet at the web site for the Canadian System for Electronic Disclosure by Insiders (SEDI) at www.sedi.ca.
- (2) Member of the Audit Committee. Brent Peters is the Chair.
- (3) Member of Corporate Governance, Compensation and Nominating Committee. William J. Phillips is the Chair.

As a group, the proposed directors beneficially own, control or direct, directly or indirectly, 12,004,2/52 Common Shares, representing approximately 37.2% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares as of the date hereof.

Corporate Cease Trade Orders or Bankruptcies, Penalties or Sanctions

No proposed director of the Corporation, is, as at the date hereof, or has been, within the ten (10) years before the date hereof, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including the Corporation) that:

- (a) was subject to (i) a cease trade or similar order, or (ii) an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than thirty (30) consecutive days (collectively, an "Order") and that was issued while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or
- (b) was subject to an Order that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

No proposed director of the Corporation:

- (a) is, as at the date hereof, or has been within the ten (10) years before the date hereof, a director or executive officer of any company (including the Corporation) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets; or
- (b) has, within the ten (10) years before the date hereof, 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 director, executive officer or shareholder.

No proposed director has been subject to:

- (a) any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority; or
- (b) any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable investor in making an investment decision.

Appointment of Auditor

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if thought advisable, to pass an ordinary resolution to re-appoint McGovern Hurley LLP, the current independent registered certified auditors of the Corporation, to serve as auditors of the Corporation until the close of the next annual meeting of Shareholders and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration (the "Auditor Resolution"). To be adopted, the Auditor Resolution is required to be passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Meeting.

The Board unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote **FOR** the Auditor Resolution.

UNLESS THE SHAREHOLDER HAS SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCTED IN THE ENCLOSED FORM OF PROXY THAT THE COMMON SHARES REPRESENTED BY SUCH PROXY ARE TO BE WITHHELD OR VOTED OTHERWISE, THE PERSONS NAMED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROXY WILL VOTE FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT AND RATIFICATION OF MCGOVERN HURLEY LLP AS AUDITORS OF THE CORPORATION TO HOLD OFFICE UNTIL THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OR

UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO FIX THE REMUNERATION OF THE AUDITORS.

Approval of the Equity Incentive Plan

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if deemed appropriate, to pass with or without variation an ordinary resolution approving the Equity Incentive Plan, pursuant to which the Board may, from time to time, determine those directors, employees and consultants of the Corporation and its subsidiaries (each an "Eligible Participant") who will be granted an award (an "Award") pursuant to the Equity Incentive Plan (the "Incentive Plan Resolution"). To be adopted, the Incentive Plan Resolution is required to be passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the Meeting.

The Equity Incentive Plan provides for the following Awards (each as defined and described in more detail below): Options, Restricted Share Units and Deferred Share Units. A copy of the Equity Incentive Plan has been attached to this Circular as Appendix "B".

The Corporation currently has a Stock Option Plan (as defined below), with 2,425,000 Common Shares issuable under outstanding Options (the "Outstanding Options") granted under the Stock Option Plan as of the date of this Circular. If approved by Shareholders, the Equity Incentive Plan will replace the Stock Option Plan and no further Awards will be granted under the Stock Option Plan. However, all of the Outstanding Options will remain outstanding and in full force and effect in accordance with their terms, and continue to be governed by the provisions of the Stock Option Plan.

The Board approved the Equity Incentive Plan effective April 25, 2023, subject to the approval of the Shareholders. It will become effective upon the receipt of the approval of Shareholders (the "Effective Date").

If approval is obtained at the Meeting, the Corporation will not be required to seek further approval of the grant of unallocated Awards under the Equity Incentive Plan until the Corporation's 2026 annual and special Shareholders' meeting (provided that such meeting is held on or prior to May 30, 2026). If approval is not obtained at the Meeting, any currently unallocated Awards under the Equity Incentive Plan will no longer be available for grant, and previously granted Awards will not be available for reallocation if they are cancelled prior to exercise.

The following is a summary of the material terms of the Equity Incentive Plan. The following summary does not purport to be complete, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Equity Incentive Plan, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix "B". Capitalized terms used in this summary and not otherwise defined have the meaning ascribed to them in the Equity Incentive Plan.

Summary of the Equity Incentive Plan

Purpose

The purpose of the Equity Incentive Plan is: (a) to increase the interest in the Corporation's welfare of those employees, executive officers, directors and Consultants (who are Eligible Participants under the Equity Incentive Plan), who share responsibility for the management, growth and protection of the business of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation; (b) to provide an incentive to such Eligible Participants to continue their services for the Corporation or a subsidiary and to encourage such Eligible Participants whose skills, performance and loyalty to the objectives and interests of the Corporation or a subsidiary are necessary or essential to its success, image, reputation or activities; (c) to reward Eligible Participants for their performance of services while working for the Corporation or a subsidiary; and (iv) to provide a means through which the Corporation or a subsidiary may recruit and retain key talent for the Corporation.

Types of Awards

The Equity Incentive Plan provides for the grant of the following types of Awards: Options, Restricted Share Units and Deferred Share Units. All Awards are to be evidenced by an agreement or other instrument or document (a "Grant Agreement").

Plan Administration

The Equity Incentive Plan is administered by the Board, which may delegate its authority to a committee. Subject to the terms of the Equity Incentive Plan, applicable law and the rules of the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "CSE") or such other stock exchange on which the Corporation's shares may be listed from time to time, the Board will have the power and authority to: (a) designate the Eligible Participants who will receive Awards (an Eligible Participant who receives an Award, a "Participant"); (b) designate the types and amounts of Awards to be granted to each Participant; (c) designate the number of Common Shares to be covered by each Award; (d) determine the terms and conditions of any Award, including any vesting conditions or conditions based on performance of the Corporation or of an individual ("Performance Criteria"); (d) to interpret and administer the Equity Incentive Plan and any instrument or agreement relating to it, or Award made under it; and (e) make such amendments to the Equity Incentive Plan and Awards made under the Equity Incentive Plan as are permitted by such plan and the rules of the applicable stock exchange.

Shares Available for Awards

Subject to adjustments as provided for under the Equity Incentive Plan, the maximum number of Common Shares available for issuance at any time pursuant to outstanding Awards under or governed by the Equity Incentive Plan shall be equal to 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares as at the date of any grant.

The Equity Incentive Plan would be an "evergreen" plan as Common Shares covered by Awards which have been exercised or settled, as applicable, and Awards which expire or are forfeited, surrendered, cancelled or otherwise terminated or lapse for any reason without having been exercised, will be available for subsequent grant under the Equity Incentive Plan and the number of Awards that may be granted under the Equity Incentive Plan increases if the total number of issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Corporation increases.

Award Limitations

The Equity Incentive Plan provides the follow limitations on grants:

- a) The maximum number of Common Shares issuable pursuant to the Awards under the Equity Incentive Plan (which includes Outstanding Options) shall not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares as at the date of any Award grant.
- b) The maximum number Common Shares issuable to Eligible Participants who are Insiders (as a group), at any time, together with Common Shares reserved under any other Security Based Compensation Arrangement, shall not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares at any point in time.
- c) The maximum number of Common Shares issuable to Eligible Participants who are Insiders (as a group) within any one year period, together with Common Shares reserved under any other Security Based Compensation Arrangement, shall not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares at any point in time.
- d) The maximum number of Shares issuable to any one Participant under Awards shall not exceed: (a) 5% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares at any point in time, or (b) 10% in a 12-month period, each as measured as of the date of grant of an Award.

Eligible Participants

Any employee, executive officer, director, or Consultant of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries is an "Eligible Participant" and considered eligible to be selected to receive an Award under the Equity Incentive Plan, provided that only directors of the Corporation are eligible to receive Deferred Share Units. Eligibility for the grant of Awards and actual participation in the Equity Incentive Plan is determined by the Board.

Description of Awards

Options

An option ("Option") is an option granted by the Corporation to a Participant entitling such Participant to acquire a designated number of Common Shares from treasury at an exercise price set at the time of grant (the "Option Price"). Options are exercisable, subject to vesting criteria established by the Board at the time of grant, over a period as established by the Board from time to time which shall not exceed 10 years from the date of grant. If the expiration date for an Option falls within a black-out period the expiration date will be extended to the date which is ten business days after the end of the black-out period, which may be after the date that is 10 years from the date of grant. The Option Price shall not be set at less than the volume weighted average trading price of the Common Shares on the applicable stock exchange for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the grant. At the time of grant of an Option, the Board may establish vesting conditions in respect of each Option grant, which may include performance criteria related to corporate or individual performance. The Equity Incentive Plan also permits the Board to grant an option holder, at any time, the right to deal with such Option on a cashless exercise basis at a price equal to the difference between the market price of the Common Shares on the day immediately prior to the date of the exercise of the cashless exercise right, and the Option Price (less applicable withholding taxes), subject to the rules of the applicable stock exchange on which the Common Shares are listed from time to time.

The Board may grant Options to U.S. Participants that are qualified incentive stock options ("**ISOs**") for the purposes of Section 422 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986. ISOs may only be granted to employees of the Corporation or a subsidiary of the Corporation.

Restricted Share Units

A restricted share unit (each, a "Restricted Share Unit") is an Award in the nature of a bonus for services rendered that, upon settlement, entitles the recipient to receive Common Shares as determined by the Board. The Board may establish conditions and vesting provisions, including Performance Criteria, which need not be identical for all Restricted Share Units. Restricted Share Units that are subject to Performance Criteria may not become fully vested prior to the expiry of the Restricted Period. Restricted Share Units expire no later than December 31 of the calendar year which commences three years after the calendar year in which the performance of services for which the Restricted Share Unit was granted, occurred. A Restricted Share Unit may be forfeited if conditions to vesting are not met. The Board, in its discretion, may award dividend equivalents with respect to Awards of Restricted Share Units, subject to such dividend equivalents being paid out in cash if entitlements to additional Restricted Share Units in respect of such dividend equivalents resulted in the limits set out in the Equity Incentive Plan being exceeded.

Such dividend equivalent entitlements will not be available until the Restricted Share Units are vested and paid out.

Deferred Share Units

A deferred share unit (each, a "**Deferred Share Unit**") is an Award attributable to a person's duties as a director that, upon settlement, entitles the recipient to receive such number of Common Shares as determined by the Board, and is issuable after the person ceases to be a director of the Corporation. In addition, the Board may award such additional Deferred Share Units to a director as the Board deems advisable to provide the Participant with appropriate equity-based compensation for the services such Participant renders to the Corporation. The Board, in its discretion, may award dividend equivalents with respect to Awards of Deferred Share Units, subject to such dividend equivalents being paid out in cash if entitlements to additional Deferred Share Units in respect of such dividend equivalents resulted in the limits set out in the Equity Incentive Plan being exceeded. Deferred Share Units must be settled no later than December 31 of the calendar year following the year in which the recipient of the Deferred Share Unit ceased to be a director of the Corporation.

Effect of Termination on Awards

Unless otherwise provided for in a Grant Agreement or determined by the Board on an individual basis, in the event of the Participant's:

- a) <u>Voluntary Resignation</u>: All of the Participant's unvested Awards are immediately forfeited on the termination date, and any vested Options remain exercisable until the earlier of, unless otherwise determined by the Board, in its sole discretion, 30 days following the termination date and the expiry date of the Option.
- b) <u>Termination for Cause</u>: All of the Participant's vested and unvested Options immediately terminate, and all unvested Restricted Share Units are immediately forfeited on the termination date.
- c) <u>Termination not for Cause</u>: All of the Participant's unvested Options immediately terminate and any vested Options remain exercisable until the earlier of, unless otherwise determined by the Board, in its sole discretion, 90 days following the termination date and the expiry date of the Option. All unvested Restricted Share Units are immediately forfeited on the termination date.
- d) <u>Permanent Disability or Retirement:</u> All unvested Restricted Share Units are immediately forfeited on the termination date. Any vested Options remain exercisable until the earlier of 90 days following the vesting date of the Option and the expiry date of the Option.
- e) <u>Death</u>: The Participant's unvested Restricted Share Units are immediately terminated upon the death of a Participant, and any vested Options remain exercisable by the Participant's beneficiary until the earlier of 12 months following the termination date and the expiry date of the Option.
- f) Termination in Connection with a Change of Control: If, after a Change of Control (as described below), and within 12 months following the Change of Control, (i) a Participant who was also an officer or employee of, or a Consultant to, the Corporation prior to the Change of Control, has their position, employment or consulting agreement terminated, or the Participant is constructively dismissed, or (ii) a director ceases to act in such capacity, then all of the Participant's unvested Restricted Share Units immediately vest and shall be paid out, and all unvested Options shall vest and become exercisable. Any Options that become exercisable in these circumstances shall remain exercisable until the earlier of 90 days following the termination date and the expiry date of the Option.

Change of Control

In the event of a Change of Control (as defined in the Equity Incentive Plan) the Board will have the power, in its sole discretion, to modify the terms of the Equity Incentive Plan and/or the Awards to assist the Participants to tender into a take-over bid or participate in any other transaction leading to a Change of Control.

Assignment

No Award or other benefit payable under the Equity Incentive Plan shall, except as otherwise provided by law (including the policies of the CSE, as applicable) or specifically approved by the Board, be transferred, sold, assigned, pledged, or otherwise disposed in any manner other than by will or the law of descent.

Termination and Amendment

The Board may suspend or terminate the Equity Incentive Plan at any time. In addition, the Board may from time to time, in its absolute discretion and without approval of the Shareholders amend any provision of the Equity Incentive Plan or any Award, subject to any regulatory or stock exchange requirement at the time of such amendment, including, without limitation: (a) any amendment to the general vesting provisions, if applicable, of the Equity Incentive Plan or the Awards; (b) any amendment regarding the effect of termination of a Participant's employment or engagement; (c) any amendment which accelerates the date on which any Option may be exercised under the Equity Incentive Plan; (d) any amendment necessary to comply with applicable law or the requirements of the stock exchange or any other regulatory body; (e) any

amendment of a "housekeeping" nature, including to clarify the meaning of an existing provision of the Equity Incentive Plan, correct or supplement any provision of the Equity Incentive Plan that is inconsistent with any other provision of the Equity Incentive Plan, correct any grammatical or typographical errors or amend the definitions in the Equity Incentive Plan; (f) any amendment regarding the administration of the Equity Incentive Plan; (g) any amendment to add provisions permitting the grant of Awards settled otherwise than with Common Shares issued from treasury, a form of financial assistance or clawback, and any amendment to a provision permitting the grant of Awards settled otherwise than with Common Shares issued from treasury, a form of financial assistance or clawback which is adopted; and (h) any other amendment that does not require the approval of the Shareholders, as provided below.

Notwithstanding the foregoing: (a) no amendment shall alter or impair the rights of any Participant, without the consent of such Participant except as permitted by the provisions of the Equity Incentive Plan; and (b) the Board shall be required to obtain Shareholder approval to make the following amendments: (i) any increase to the maximum number of Common Shares issuable under the Equity Incentive Plan (either as a fixed number or a fixed percentage of the outstanding Common Shares), except in the event of an adjustment provided for in the Equity Incentive Plan; (ii) any amendment that extends the term of Options beyond the original expiry date that benefits an Insider of the Corporation; (iii) any amendment which extends the expiry date of any Award, or the Restricted Period, or the Performance Period of any Restricted Share Unit beyond the original expiry date or Restricted Period or Performance Period that benefits an Insider of the Corporation; (iv) except in the case of an adjustment provided for in the Equity Incentive Plan, any amendment which reduces the exercise price of an Option or any cancellation of an Option and replacement of such Option with an Option with a lower exercise price; (v) any amendment which increases the maximum number of Common Shares that may be (A) issuable to Insiders at any time; or (B) issued to Insiders under the Equity Incentive Plan and any other proposed or established Security Based Compensation Arrangement in a one-year period, except in case of an adjustment provided for in the Equity Incentive Plan; (vi) any amendment to the definition of an Eligible Participant under the Plan; and (vii) any amendment to the amendment provisions of the Equity Incentive Plan.

Clawback

Any Award or the proceeds from the exercise of an Award will be subject to deductions and clawback if the Participant to whom the Award was granted violates (a) a non-competition, non-solicitation, confidentiality, or other restrictive covenant by which such Participant is bound, or (ii) any policy adopted by the Corporation applicable to the Participant that provides for forfeiture or disgorgement with respect to incentive compensation that includes Awards under the Equity Incentive Plan.

Equity Incentive Plan Resolution

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to consider and, if deemed advisable, to approve an ordinary resolution, in substantially the form set out below, approving the Equity Incentive Plan. To be effective, the resolution approving the Equity Incentive Plan requires the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the votes cast by Shareholders present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the Meeting.

"BE IT RESOLVED ORDINARY RESOLUTION, THAT:

- (a) the omnibus equity incentive plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan") of Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp. (the "Corporation"), substantially in the form attached as Appendix "B" to the management information circular of the Corporation dated April 25, 2023, is hereby confirmed and approved;
- (b) the board of directors of the Corporation is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the Equity Incentive Plan as may be required by the Canadian Securities Exchange or other regulatory authorities, without the further approval by the shareholders of the Corporation, in order to ensure the timely adoption of the Equity Incentive Plan;
- (c) the Corporation is hereby authorized to continue granting awards under the Equity Incentive Plan until May 30, 2026, being three years from the date hereof;

- (d) notwithstanding that this resolution be passed by the shareholders of the Corporation, the board of directors of the Corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to revoke these resolutions, without any further approval of the shareholders of the Corporation, at any time if such revocation is considered necessary or desirable to the board of directors of the Corporation; and
- (e) any director or officer of the Corporation is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the Corporation, to do all things and to execute, deliver and file all such agreement, documents and instruments, and to do all such other acts and things, as such director or officer deems necessary or desirable to give effect to the forgoing resolutions."

The Board unanimously recommends that Shareholders vote **FOR** the Incentive Plan Resolution.

UNLESS THE SHAREHOLDER HAS SPECIFICALLY INSTRUCTED IN THE ENCLOSED FORM OF PROXY THAT THE COMMON SHARES REPRESENTED BY SUCH PROXY ARE TO BE WITHHELD OR VOTED OTHERWISE, THE PERSONS NAMED IN THE ACCOMPANYING PROXY WILL VOTE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN.

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

The purpose of this Compensation Discussion and Analysis is to provide information about Voyageur's executive compensation objectives and processes and to discuss compensation decisions relating to its named executive officers ("NEO" or "Named Executive Officer") listed in the Summary Compensation Table that follows. During its fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the following individuals were NEOs (as determined by applicable securities legislation) of Voyageur:

- Fraser Laschinger, President and CEO;
- Marina Katsimitsoulias, Chief Financial Officer;

Voyageur is a junior resource company with interests in exploration and development properties in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Voyageur has no earnings or revenues from operations to date and often operates with limited financial resources to ensure that funds are available to complete scheduled programs. As a result, the Board has to consider not only the financial situation of Voyageur at the time of the determination of executive compensation, but also the estimated financial situation of Voyageur in the mid-term and long-term. An important element of executive compensation is that of Awards, which do not require cash disbursement by Voyageur. Additional information about Voyageur and its operations is available in its audited consolidated financial statements and Management's Discussion & Analysis for the year ended November 30, 2022, which have been electronically filed with regulators and are available for viewing at the Canadian System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval (SEDAR) at www.sedar.com.

Compensation Objectives and Principles

The primary goal of Voyageur's executive compensation process is to attract and retain the key executives necessary for Voyageur's long-term success, to encourage executives to further the development of Voyageur and its operations, and to motivate top quality and experienced executives. The key elements of executive compensation consist of a combination of: (i) base salary; (ii) potential annual incentive award; and (iii) Awards. The directors are of the view that all elements should be considered, rather than any single element.

Elements of Executive Compensation

Base Salary

Base salaries are paid to NEOs as a means to provide a non-performance-based element of compensation that is certain and predictable and generally competitive with market practices. Base salaries for NEOs are fixed and based on agreements between the Corporation and the NEOs. The level of base salary for each

NEO is determined by the level of responsibility of his or her position, the individual's qualifications and experience and his or her performance.

Awards

Options to purchase Common Shares and other Awards issuable under the Equity Incentive Plan are intended to align the interests of Voyageur's directors and its executive officers with those of its Shareholders, to provide a long-term incentive that rewards these individuals for their contribution to the creation of shareholder value, and to reduce the cash compensation Voyageur would otherwise have to pay. Voyageur's Stock Option Plan (the "Stock Option Plan") and, if approved by Shareholders, the Equity Incentive Plan, are administered by the Board on recommendations, from time to time, of the Corporate Governance, Compensation and Nominating Committee.

In establishing the number of the Awards to be granted to the Named Executive Officers, reference is made to the number of incentive awards granted to officers of other publicly traded companies that, similar to Voyageur, are involved in the mining industry, as well as those of other publicly traded Canadian companies of a comparable size to that of Voyageur in respect of assets. The Board also considers previous grants of Awards and the overall number of Awards that are outstanding relative to the number of outstanding Common Shares in determining whether to make any new grants of Awards and the size and terms of any such grants, as well as the level of effort, time, responsibility, ability, experience and level of commitment of the executive officer in determining the level of incentive compensation.

See "Incentive Plan Awards-Outstanding Share-Based and Option-Based Awards" and "Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans".

Benefits and Perquisites

Voyageur does not, as of the date of this Circular, offer any benefits or perquisites to its Named Executive Officers that are not generally available to all employees.

Compensation Governance

Role of the Compensation Committee

The Corporate Governance, Compensation and Nominating Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee"), through discussion without any formal objectives or criteria, is responsible for reviewing and approving the Chief Executive Officer's compensation, evaluating the Chief Executive Officer's performance, and determining, or making recommendations to the Board with respect to, the Chief Executive Officer's compensation level. The Compensation Committee is also charged with making recommendations to the Board with respect to the compensation of other executive officers and of the directors to ensure such arrangements reflect the responsibilities and risks associated with each position, as well as with respect to incentive compensation plans and equity-based plans, if any, and for reviewing executive compensation disclosure before Voyageur publicly discloses this information. All employment, consulting or other compensation arrangements between Voyageur and its directors or executive officers (or between any subsidiary of Voyageur and any director or executive officer) are considered and approved by the independent directors of the Board.

When determining the compensation of its officers, the Board considers:

- recruiting and retaining executives critical to the success of Voyageur and the enhancement of Shareholder value:
- providing fair and competitive compensation;
- balancing the interests of management and Shareholders;
- rewarding performance, both on an individual basis and with respect to operations in general; and
- available financial resources.

Voyageur's management and officers have each agreed to suspend payment of director fees for the time being. (see "Director Compensation" below).

Committee Members

The Compensation Committee is composed of Messrs. William Phillips (chair), M. Ross Orr and Brent Peters, all of whom are independent. The Corporation believes that the members of the Compensation Committee have the relevant experience to act as the members of this committee, as noted by their experience below:

William Phillips

Mr. Phillips is a businessman and was the President, CEO and owner of Woodlore International Inc., a manufacturer of customized furniture from January 1993 until its sale in 2021.

M. Ross Orr

Mr. Orr has been the President and CEO of BacTech Environmental Corp. since 2011. Mr. Orr initially brought BacTech Mining Corporation to Canada from Australia in 1997 and was instrumental in the success of the Company's IPO. He sat on the board as a Director until taking the role of President and CEO in 2004. Prior to that, he was a partner in CC Capital Corp. for five years. Mr. Orr is a graduate of the University of Calgary with a BA, Economics.

Brent Peters

Mr. Peters is a finance executive with over 15 years of experience in the mineral exploration business. Since 1996, Mr. Peters was the Vice President, Finance of Northfield until his resignation in 2020. From 2003 to 2008, Mr. Peters was also the CFO of Gold Eagle Mines Ltd. (prior Southern Star Resources Ltd.) which was purchased by Goldcorp Inc. for \$1.5 billion in 2008. In the past he has also served as an officer and/or director of Nighthawk Gold Corp., Geoglobal Resources Inc., INV Metals Inc., and Aranka Gold Inc. Mr. Peters has a BBA from Brock University in Ontario, Canada.

Risks Associated with Compensation

In light of the Corporation's size and limited elements of executive compensation, the Board does not deem it necessary to consider at this time the implications of the risks associated with the Corporation's compensation policies and practices. However, the Corporation believes its compensation policies alleviate risk by having a balance of short term (salary) and long-term compensation (Awards). The Compensation Committee will also evaluate the risks and make adjustments to the Corporation's compensation policies as necessary. As previously mentioned, Awards are granted to retain NEOs and motivate the NEOs by rewarding sustained, long-term development and growth that will result in increases in stock value. There is no formal process for assessing when Awards are to be granted. Awards are granted at a time determined necessary by the Compensation Committee and the Board in their discretion.

Financial Instruments

The Corporation does not currently have a policy that restricts NEOs or directors from purchasing financial instruments, including, for greater certainty, prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars, or units of exchange funds that are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity. However, as of the date of this Circular, no NEO or director of the Corporation has participated in the purchase of such financial instruments pertaining to the Corporation.

Summary Compensation Table

The following table provides a summary of the compensation earned by, paid to, or accrued and payable to, each Named Executive Officer and non-executive director during the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022. Amounts reported in the table below are in Canadian dollars).

Nama	Fiscal		Chara	Outlan	Non-equity plan comp			All other compens ation	Total Compensation
Name and principal position	Year ended Nov 30	Salary/Other Compensation ⁽¹⁾	Share- based awards	Option- based awards ⁽²⁾	Annual incentive plans	Long- term incentive plans	Pension value		
Fraser Laschinger President, CEO and Director ⁽³⁾	2022 2021	\$75,000 \$9,375	Nil Nil	\$54,074 \$87,532	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	\$129,074 \$96,907
Marina Katsimitsoulias CFO ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	2022 2021	\$40,000 \$31,867	Nil Nil	\$45,062 \$17,506	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	\$85,062 \$49,373
William Phillips	2022	Nil	Nil	\$36,049	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$36,049
Director	2021	Nil	Nil	\$17,506	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$17,506
M. Ross Orr	2022	Nil	Nil	\$36,049	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$36,049
Director	2021	Nil	Nil	\$17,506	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$17,506
Brent Peters	2022	Nil	Nil	\$36,049	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$36,049
Director	2021	Nil	Nil	\$17,506	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$17,506
Robert Cudney	2022	Nil	Nil	\$36,049	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$36,049
Director ⁽⁶⁾	2021	Nil	Nil	\$52,519	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	\$52,519

Notes:

- (1) Directors who are also officers and receive a salary from the Corporation do not receive any additional remuneration from the Corporation for serving as a director.
- (2) The fair value of Option-based awards is determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The amounts in the Option-based awards column represent the grant date fair value of options granted during the fiscal year ended November 30, 2021, and the year ended November 30, 2022, and may not represent the amounts the NEOs will actually realize from the awards.
- (3) Mr. Laschinger was appointed as President and CEO on October 12, 2021.
- (4) During the year ended November 30, 2022, Voyageur paid financial consulting fees of \$40,000 to 2839662 Ontario Inc., a company controlled by Marina Katsimitsoulias, the Chief Financial Officer of Voyageur.
- (5) Ms. Katsimitsoulias was appointed as CFO on February 3, 2021.
- (6) Director since October 12, 2021.

Incentive Plan Awards

Outstanding Share-Based and Option-Based Awards

The following table sets out share-based and option-based awards granted to the Named Executive Officers and non-executive directors during the most recently completed financial year and in prior years, and that were outstanding as at November 30, 2022.

	Option Based Awards					d Awards
Name and Position	Number of Common Shares underlying unexercised Options (#)	Option exercise price per Common Share (\$)	Option expiry date (month / day / year)	Value of unexercised in-the- money Options ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Number of Common Shares or units of Common Shares that have not vested (#)	Market or payout value of Share-based awards that have not vested (\$)
Fraser Laschinger President, CEO and Director ⁽²⁾	100,000 250,000 150,000	\$0.40 \$0.47 \$0.40	02/07/2025 10/20/2026 11/16/2027	Nil	Nil	Nil

Marina Katsimitsoulias CFO ⁽³⁾	150,000 50,000 125,000	\$0.40 \$0.47 \$0.40	05/10/2025 20/10/2026 11/16/2027	Nil	Nil	Nil
William Phillips Director	175,000 50,000 100,000	\$0.50 \$0.47 \$0.40	08/01/2022 10/20/2026 11/16/2027	Nil	Nil	Nil
M. Ross Orr Director	100,000 150,000 100,000	\$0.40 \$0.47 \$0.40	10/05/2025 10/20/2026 11/16/2027	Nil	Nil	Nil
Brent Peters Director	100,000 50,000 100,000	\$0.40 \$0.47 \$0.40	02//06/2025 10/20/2026 11/16/2027	Nil	Nil	Nil
Robert Cudney ⁽⁴⁾ Director	150,000 150,000 100,000	\$0.40 \$0.47 \$0.40	02/07/2025 10/20/2026 11/16/2027	Nil	Nil	Nil

Notes:

- (1) The value of unexercised "in-the-money options" at the financial year-end is the difference between the Option exercise price and the market value of the underlying stock on the Canadian Stock Exchange on November 30, 2022. The closing price of the Common Shares on November 30, 2022 was \$0.32.
- (2) Mr. Laschinger was appointed as President and CEO on October 12, 2021.
- (3) Ms. Katsimitsoulias was appointed as CFO on February 3, 2021.
- (4) Director since October 12, 2021.

Exercise of Incentive Plan Awards

There were no exercises of any compensation securities by any Named Executive Officers or non-executive directors during the financial year ended November 30, 2022.

Pension Plan Benefits

Voyageur does not offer any pension plan benefits to its Named Executive Officers.

Termination and Change of Control Benefits

Employment Agreements

Fraser Laschinger, President and Chief Executive Officer – On November 1, 2021, the Corporation entered into a consulting agreement with Mr. Laschinger entitling Mr. Laschinger to consulting fees of \$75,000 per year.

Marina Katsimitsoulias, Chief Financial Officer – On February 3, 2021, the Corporation appointed Ms. Katsimitsoulias as Chief Financial Officer. On November 1, 2021 the Corporation entered into a consulting agreement with Ms. Katsimitsoulias entitling Ms. Katsimitsoulias to consulting fees of \$40,000 per year.

The following table sets out the estimated payments in the event of termination of employment for Mr. Laschinger and/or Ms. Katsimitsoulias, assuming that the event giving rise to the payment occurred on November 30, 2022.

	Termination by the Employee	Termination by	the Corporation
Employee	Within Six Months following a Change of Control	Without Cause	With Cause
Fraser Laschinger	\$150,000	\$75,000	Nil
Marina Katsimitsoulias ⁽¹⁾	\$40,000	\$20,000	Nil

Note:

(1) Effective December 1, 2022 the Corporation entered into a consulting agreement with Ms. Katsimitsoulias entitling Ms. Katsimitsoulias to consulting fees of \$50,000 per year, and accordingly Ms. Katsimitsoulias will be entitled to \$50,000 within six months following a Change of Control.

Director Compensation

Directors who are also officers and receive a salary from the Corporation do not receive any additional remuneration from the Corporation for serving as a director. During the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, all of the directors are entitled to reimbursement of any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in performing duties as a director and are entitled to participate in the Corporation's Stock Option Plan (see "Outstanding Share-Based and Option-Based Awards" above) which will be replaced by the Equity Incentive Plan if approved by Shareholders at the Meeting.

Long Term Incentive Plan Awards

The Corporation has no long-term incentive plans other than options granted from time to time under the provisions of the Corporation's Stock Option Plan which will be replaced by the Equity Incentive Plan if approved by Shareholders at the Meeting. However, all of the Outstanding Options will remain outstanding and in full force and effect in accordance with their terms, and continue to be governed by the provisions of the Stock Option Plan.

Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance

The Corporation recently acquired directors' and officers' liability insurance ("**D&O Insurance**") for its directors and officers. The D&O Insurance insures the Corporation and its directors and officers against liability arising from wrongful acts of the Corporation's directors and officers in their capacity as directors and officers of the Corporation, subject to limitations, if any, contained in the MCA, and has an aggregate policy limit of \$2,000,000. The D&O Insurance coverage is subject to a deductible of \$25,000 on indemnifiable and securities claims. The current D&O Insurance policy is in effect until June 19, 2023 and has an aggregate annual premium of \$12,190. No portion of the D&O Insurance is directly paid by any director or officer of the Corporation.

SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The only compensation plan of the Corporation under which equity securities are currently authorized for issuance is the Stock Option Plan. The table below summarizes information in relation to the Common Shares reserved for issuance under the Stock Option Plan as of November 30, 2022. If approved by Shareholders at the Meeting, the Stock Option Plan will be replaced by the Equity Incentive Plan. However, all of the Outstanding Options will remain outstanding and in full force and effect in accordance with their terms, and continue to be governed by the provisions of the Stock Option Plan.

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 securityholders	2,425,000	\$0.42	801,839 ⁽¹⁾

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 not approved by securityholders	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	2,425,000	\$0.42	801,839 ⁽¹⁾

Note:

(1) Based on 10% of the Corporation's issued and outstanding Common Shares as at November 30, 2022.

The Stock Option Plan

The Corporation has a Stock Option Plan that was most recently confirmed by the Shareholders on November 6, 2014. Shareholders are being asked to approve a new omnibus equity incentive plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan") at the Meeting, which, if approved, would replace the Stock Option Plan and no further Awards will be granted under the Stock Option Plan. However, all of the Outstanding Options will remain outstanding and in full force and effect in accordance with their terms, and continue to be governed by the provisions of the Stock Option Plan. See "Approval of the Equity Incentive Plan" for a description of the Equity Incentive Plan.

As of the date hereof, 801,839 Common Shares are reserved for future issuance pursuant to the Stock Option Plan, representing 2.5% of the total issued and outstanding Common Shares. As of November 30, 2022, 2,425,000 Common Shares were reserved for issuance upon the exercise of outstanding Options pursuant to the Stock Option Plan, representing 7.5% of the total issued and outstanding Common Shares at that time.

The following is a summary of the key terms of the Stock Option Plan:

The purpose of the Stock Option Plan is to attract, retain and motivate directors, officers, employees and other service providers by providing them with the opportunity, through Options, to acquire a proprietary interest in the Corporation and benefit from its growth. The Options are non-assignable.

The maximum number of Common Shares available at all times for issuance under the Stock Option Plan or any other security-based compensation arrangements (pre-existing or otherwise) shall not exceed 10% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of grant.

The maximum number of Common Shares available for issuance to any one Optionee (as defined in the Stock Option Plan) under the Stock Option Plan or any other security-based compensation arrangements (pre-existing or otherwise) shall not exceed 5% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of grant.

The maximum number of Common Shares which may be issued to Insiders (as defined in the Stock Option Plan) under the Stock Option Plan, together with any other previously established or proposed Security Based Compensation Arrangements, within any one-year period shall not exceed 10% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of grant.

The maximum number of Common Shares that may be issued to any one Optionee under the Stock Option Plan, together with any other previously established or proposed Security Based Compensation Arrangements, within a one-year period shall not exceed 5% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of grant.

The maximum number of Common Shares which may be issued to Consultants (as defined in the Stock Option Plan) under the Stock Option Plan, together with any other previously established or proposed Security Based Compensation Arrangements, within any one-year period shall not exceed 10% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of grant.

The maximum number of Common Shares that may be issued to any person performing investor relations services under the Stock Option Plan, together with any other previously established or proposed Security Based Compensation Arrangements, within a one-year period shall not exceed 2% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding at the time of grant.

Any increase in the issued and outstanding Common Shares will result in an increase in the number of Options issuable under the Stock Option Plan. Any issuance of Common Shares from treasury, including issuances of Common Shares in respect of which Options are exercised, expired or cancelled, shall automatically replenish the number of Options issuable under the Stock Option Plan.

The exercise price of Options granted under the Stock Option Plan will be determined by the Board and will be in the context of the market price of the Common Shares but, in any event, shall not be lower than the "market price" of the Common Shares on the date of grant of the Options. Under the Stock Option Plan, "market price" means the greater of the last closing price per Common Share on the trading day immediately preceding the day on which the Corporation announces the grant of the Options or, the price per Common Share on the Grant Date (as defined in the Stock Option Plan). In the event the Common Shares are not listed; "market price" of Common Shares means the price per Common Share on the over-the-counter market determined by dividing the aggregate sale price of the Common Shares sold by the total number of such Common Shares so sold on the applicable market for the last day prior to the Grant Date.

The term of any Options granted under the Stock Option Plan will be fixed by the Board and may not exceed ten years.

Any options granted pursuant to the Stock Option Plan will terminate within 90 days of the option holder ceasing to act as an "Eligible Person" as such term is defined in the Stock Option Plan (other than a consultant providing investor relations services to Voyageur, in which case the options terminate within 30 days of the option holder ceasing to act in such capacity), unless such cessation is on account of death or disability. If such cessation is on account of disability or death, the options terminate on the one-year anniversary of such cessation. The Stock Option Plan also provides for adjustments to outstanding Options in the event of any consolidation, subdivision, conversion or exchange of Voyageur's shares.

The Stock Option Plan is administered by the Board, on recommendations received from the Compensation Committee (see "Executive Compensation – Compensation Discussion and Analysis" and "Compensation Governance – Role of the Compensation Committee").

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Board of Directors

The Board facilitates its exercise of independent supervision over management by ensuring that the Board is comprised of a majority of directors who are independent of management. The Board, at present, is composed of five directors, three of whom, (Messrs., Brent Peters, William Phillips, and M. Ross Orr) are considered to be independent. In determining whether a director is independent, the Board considers, for example, whether the director has a relationship, which could, or could be perceived to, interfere with the director's ability to objectively assess the performance of management. On this basis, Mr. Laschinger, by reason of his office as President and Chief Executive Officer, and Mr. Cudney, as Executive Chairman, are not considered to be independent directors.

The Board is mandated to set the strategic direction for the Corporation and to oversee its implementation by management. To assist it in fulfilling this responsibility, the Board will have responsibility for several areas, including:

- reviewing and approving Voyageur's strategic and operating plans;
- reviewing and approving material proposed expenditures;
- reviewing and approving significant operational and financial matters; and

providing direction to management on operational and financial matters.

While decisions regarding the ongoing day-to-day management are made by Voyageur's management, the Board meets regularly to review the business operation and financial statements of Voyageur and also to discharge, in part, its responsibility through the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee as established by the Board. The frequency of the meetings of the Board, as well as the nature of agenda items, will depend on the state of Voyageur's affairs and the types of opportunities that arise or risks that it faces. Voyageur directors' endeavor to hold a minimum of four meetings of the Board in each fiscal year. When business requires that a Board meeting cannot be called within a reasonable time, Board decisions are made by written resolution signed by all directors.

The Board is expected to participate fully in assessing and approving strategic plans and prospective decisions proposed by management. In order to ensure that the principal business risks borne by Voyageur are appropriate, the directors are to receive and are expected to comment on periodic oral or written reports from management as to management's assessment and management of such risks. The Board regularly monitors the financial performance of Voyageur, including reviewing detailed financial information and budgets contained in management reports. The Board, directly and through its Audit Committee, assesses the integrity of Voyageur's internal control and management information systems.

The Board is responsible for reviewing the performance of senior management, with the independent directors of the Board, who serve on the Compensation Committee, being responsible for recommendation of executive compensation to the Board for subsequent approval. The Board is also responsible for addressing matters of succession planning. See also "Executive Compensation – Compensation Discussion and Analysis".

Directorships

Certain of the current directors and nominees for election as directors of Voyageur are also directors of other reporting issuers (or equivalent) in a jurisdiction or a foreign jurisdiction as follows:

Name	Reporting Issuer (or equivalent in a foreign jurisdiction)
Robert Cudney	Northfield Capital Corporation
Brent Peters	Cascada Silver Corp.
M. Ross Orr	BacTech Environmental Corporation

Orientation and Continuing Education

While Voyageur has not established a formal orientation and education program for new Board members, it is committed to providing such information so as to ensure that the new directors are familiarized with Voyageur's business and the procedures of the Board. Information may include the Corporations' corporate and organizational structure, recent filings and financial information, governance documents and important policies and procedures. The Board endeavors to ensure that every director possesses the capabilities, expertise, availability and knowledge required to fill the position adequately. From time to time, Voyageur will arrange on-site tours of its operations.

The Board endeavors to ensure that all new directors receive a comprehensive orientation. All new directors should fully understand the role of the Board and its committees, as well as the contribution individual directors are expected to make (including, in particular, the commitment of time and resources that the Corporation expects from its directors). All new directors should also understand the nature and operation of the business.

The Board provides continuing education opportunities when appropriate for all directors and other officers, so that individuals may maintain or enhance their skills and abilities as directors, and officers, as well as to ensure their knowledge and understanding of Voyageur's business remains current.

Ethical Business Conduct

The Board monitors the ethical conduct of Voyageur and ensures that it complies with applicable legal and regulatory requirements, such as those of relevant securities commissions and stock exchanges. The Board has found that the fiduciary duties placed on individual directors by Voyageur's governing corporate legislation and the common law, as well as the restrictions placed by applicable corporate legislation on the 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 the Corporation.

Nomination of Directors

The Board is responsible for recruiting new directors, proposing new director nominees to the Board and reviewing the performance and qualifications of existing directors. The Board considers its size each year when it considers the number of directors to recommend to its Shareholders for election at annual meetings, taking into account the number required to carry out the Board's duties effectively, to maintain a majority of independent directors, and to maintain diversity of view and experience. The current Board was chosen for their technical and financial expertise to ensure a high level of corporate governance. The existing directors have the knowledge and contacts necessary to search out additional directors. The Board does not have a formal process for identifying new candidates for Board nomination. The Board has not yet appointed a nominating committee and these functions are currently performed by the Board as a whole.

Compensation

The Compensation Committee is comprised of Messrs. William Phillips (chair), Brent Peters and M. Ross Orr. The primary function of the Compensation Committee is to assist the Board in establishing, administering and evaluating the compensation principles, criteria, policies and plans for Voyageur's executive officers, to interface with senior management regarding the compensation of employees and to provide recommendations regarding compensation to the Board for approval.

See also "Compensation Governance" and "Executive Compensation – Compensation Discussion and Analysis".

Other Board Committees

Other than the Audit Committee and Compensation Committee, the Board does not have any other committees in place at this time.

Assessments

The Board does not, at present, have a formal process in place for assessing the effectiveness of the Board, its committees or individual directors; however, it believes that its current size facilitates informal discussion and evaluation of members' contributions within that framework.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Audit Committee Charter

The directors of the Corporation have adopted a Charter for the Audit Committee, which sets out the Audit Committee's mandate, organization, powers and responsibilities. The full text of the Audit Committee Charter is attached hereto as Appendix A to this Circular.

Audit Committee Members

As of the date of this Circular, Messrs. Brent Peters (chair), Fraser Laschinger and M. Ross Orr are members of the Corporation's Audit Committee. All members, except Fraser Laschinger are considered

"independent" as that term is defined in (as defined in NI 52-110)¹, and all members are financially literate (as defined in NI 52-110)².

Relevant Education and Experience

All of the Audit Committee members are businessmen with experience in financial matters; each has an understanding of accounting principles used to prepare financial statements and varied experience as to general application of such accounting principles, as well as the internal controls and procedures necessary for financial reporting, garnered from working in their individual fields of endeavor. In addition, each of the members of the Audit Committee have knowledge of the role of an audit committee in the realm of reporting companies from their respective years of experience as directors of public companies other than Voyageur.

Brent Peters

Mr. Peters is a finance executive with over 15 years of experience in the mineral exploration business. Since 1996, Mr. Peters is the previous Vice President, Finance of Northfield. And was a director of Nighthawk Gold Corp. From 2003 to 2008, Mr. Peters was also the CFO of Gold Eagle Mines Ltd. (prior Southern Star Resources Ltd.) which was purchased by Goldcorp Inc. for \$1.5 billion in 2008. In the past he has also served as an officer and/or director of Geoglobal Resources Inc., INV Metals Inc., and Aranka Gold Inc. Mr. Peters has a BBA from Brock University in Ontario, Canada.

M. Ross Orr

Mr. Orr has been the President and CEO of BacTech Environmental Corp. since 2011. Mr. Orr initially brought BacTech Mining Corporation to Canada from Australia in 1997 and was instrumental in the success of the Company's IPO. He sat on the board as a Director until taking the role of President and CEO in 2004. Prior to that, he was a partner in CC Capital Corp. for five years. Mr. Orr is a graduate of the University of Calgary with a BA, Economics.

Fraser Laschinger

Mr. Laschinger is currently the President and CEO of Voyageur. He graduated with an Honours in Business Administration from the Richard Ivey School of Business at the University of Western Ontario in 2006. Mr. Laschinger was a co-founder of Mineral Streams Inc., a private mineral royalty company that was sold to AuRico Metals Inc. in 2015. Previously, Mr. Laschinger worked in equity research for a Canadian investment dealer.

Audit Committee Oversight

At no time during the last financial year have any recommendations by the Audit Committee respecting the appointment and/or compensation of the external auditors of the Corporation not been adopted by the Board.

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¹ To be considered independent, a member of the Audit Committee must not have any direct or indirect "material relationship" with the Corporation. A "material relationship" is a relationship which could, in the view of the board of directors of the Corporation, be reasonably expected to interfere with the exercise of a member's independent judgment. To be considered financially literate, a member of the Committee must have the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Corporation's financial statements.

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Reliance On Certain Other Exemptions

The Corporation is a "venture issuer" as defined in NI 52-110 and is relying on the exemption in section 6.1 of NI 52-110 relating to Part 3 (Composition of the Audit Committee) and Part 5 (Reporting Obligations).

Pre-Approved Policies and Procedures For Non-Audit Services

Voyageur's Audit Committee Charter provides that the Audit Committee shall review and pre-approve any engagements for non-audit services to be provided by the Corporation's external auditor. This policy encourages consideration of whether the provision of services other than audit services is compatible with maintaining the auditor's independence and requires Audit Committee pre-approval of permitted audit and audit related activities.

External Auditor Service Fees

The following table discloses the fees billed to the Corporation by its external auditors during the last two completed financial years:

	Fiscal year ended November 30, 2022	Fiscal year ended November 30, 2021
Audit Fees	\$28,000	\$25,000
Audit-Related Fees	Nil	Nil
Tax Fees	\$3,500	\$3,000
All Other Fees	Nil	Nil

INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND SENIOR OFFICERS

No current director or officer of the Corporation, no individual who held any such position during the financial year ended November 30, 2022, no proposed nominee for election as a director of the Corporation and no associate of any of the foregoing is, or during the financial year ended on November 30, 2022 has been, indebted to the Corporation, nor have these individuals been indebted to another entity which indebtedness is the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or similar arrangement or undertaking provided by the Corporation either pursuant to an employee stock purchase program of the Corporation or otherwise during the financial year of the Corporation ended November 30, 2022.

INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

No proposed nominee for election as a director, and no director or officer of Voyageur who has served in such capacity since the beginning of Voyageur most recently completed financial year, and no Shareholder holding of record or beneficially, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of Voyageur's outstanding Common Shares, and none of the respective associates or affiliates of any of the foregoing, had any material interest in any transaction with Voyageur since the beginning of the last completed financial year, or in any proposed transaction, that has materially affected Voyageur or its subsidiaries, or is likely to do so.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

The management functions of Voyageur and its subsidiaries are performed by the Corporation's directors and executive officers. There are no management agreements or arrangements under which such management functions are performed by persons other than the directors and executive officers of Voyageur or its subsidiaries.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to the Corporation is available on SEDAR at www.sedar.com under the Corporation's profile. Financial information is provided in the Corporation's audited consolidated financial statements of the Corporation and the MD&A for the financial year ended November 30, 2022.

Additional copies of the Corporation's financial statements and MD&A may be obtained without charge upon request to us at 141 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario M5H 1L3.

DIRECTORS' APPROVAL

The contents of this Circular and the sending of it have been approved by the directors of the Corporation. This Circular has been sent to each director of the Corporation, each shareholder of the Corporation entitled to the Notice of Meeting and the auditors of the Corporation.

DATED as of the 25th of April, 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By: "Fraser Laschinger"

Fraser Laschinger President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

APPENDIX A

AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER

VOYAGEUR MINERAL EXPLORERS CORP.

(Implemented pursuant to Multilateral Instrument 52-110- Audit Committees)

Role and Objective

The Audit Committee (the "Committee") is a committee of the board of directors (the "Board") of Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp.(the "Corporation") to which the Board has delegated its responsibility for oversight of the nature and scope of the annual audit, management's reporting on internal accounting standards and practices, financial information and accounting systems and procedures, financial reporting and statements and recommending, for Board approval, the audited financial statements and other mandatory disclosure releases containing financial information. The objectives of the Committee are as follows:

- 1. To assist directors in meeting their responsibilities (especially for accountability) in respect of the preparation and disclosure of the financial statements of the Corporation and related matters;
- 2. To provide better communication between directors and external auditors appointed by the Corporation;
- 3. To enhance the external auditors' independence; and
- 4. To increase the credibility and objectivity of financial reports.

Membership of the Committee

- 1. The Committee shall be comprised of at least three (3) directors of the Corporation.
- 2. The Board shall have the power to appoint the Committee Chairman.
- 3. All of the members of the Committee shall be "financially literate." The Board has adopted the definition for "financial literacy" used in Multinational Instrument 52-110 Audit Committees ("MI 51-110").
- 4. All of the members of the Committee shall be independent directors of the Corporation.

Meetings

- At all meetings of the Committee every question shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast. In case of an equality of votes, the Chairman of the meeting shall not be entitled to a second or casting vote.
- 2. A quorum for meetings of the Committee shall be a majority of its members and the rules for calling, holding, conducting and adjourning meetings of the Committee shall be the same as those governing the Board.
- 3. Meetings of the Committee should be scheduled to take place at least four (4) times per year. At the request of the external auditor, the President, the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer of the Company or any member of the Committee, the Chairman will convene a meeting of the Committee. In advance of every meeting of the Committee, the Chairman, with the assistance of the Chief Financial Officer, will ensure that the agenda and meeting materials are distributed in a timely manner.

- 4. Minutes of all meetings of the Committee shall be taken. The Committee shall forthwith report the results of meetings and reviews undertaken and any associated recommendations to the Board. The Chairman will appoint a Secretary of the meeting, who need not be a member of the committee and who will maintain the minutes of the meeting.
- 5. The Committee shall meet with the external auditors at least once per year (in connection with the preparation of the year-end financial statements) and at such other times as the external auditors and the Committee consider appropriate.

Mandate and Responsibilities of the Committee

- 1. The Committee shall be accountable to the Board. The responsibilities of a member of the Committee shall be in addition to such member's duties as a member of the Board.
- 2. It is the responsibility of the Committee to oversee the work of the external auditors, including resolution of disagreements between management and the external auditors regarding financial reporting.
- 3. It is the responsibility of the Committee to satisfy itself on behalf of the Board with respect to the Corporation's internal control system:
 - (i) identifying, monitoring and mitigating business risks; and
- 4. It is a responsibility of the Committee to review the annual financial statements of the Corporation prior to their submission to the Board for approval. The process should include but not be limited to:
 - (i) reviewing changes in accounting principles, or in their application, which may have a material impact on the current or future years' financial statements;
 - (ii) reviewing significant accruals or other estimates such as the ceiling test calculation;
 - (iii) reviewing accounting treatment of unusual or non-recurring transactions;
 - (iv) ascertaining compliance with covenants under loan agreements;
 - (v) reviewing disclosure requirements for commitments and contingencies;
 - (vi) reviewing adjustments raised by the external auditors, whether or not included in the financial statements:
 - (vii) reviewing unresolved differences between management and the external auditors;
 - (viii) ensure all transactions between the Corporation and parties to which the Corporation is not dealing at arm's length, including without limitation, any directors, officers, employees or any related party of a director, officer or employee, of the Corporation are properly disclosed;
 - (ix) obtaining explanations of significant variances within comparative reporting periods.
- 5. The Committee is to review (and make a recommendation to the Board with respect to their approval) the financial statements including notes, prospectuses, management discussion and analysis, annual information form, and all public disclosure containing audited or unaudited financial information before release and prior to Board approval. The Committee must be satisfied that adequate procedures are in place for the review of the Corporation's disclosure of all other financial information and shall periodically assess the accuracy of those procedures.

- 6. With respect to the appointment of external auditors by the Board, the Committee shall:
 - (i) recommend to the Board the appointment of the external auditors;
 - (ii) recommend to the Board the terms of engagement of the external auditors, including the compensation of the external auditors and a confirmation that the external auditors shall report directly to the Committee; and
 - (iii) when there is to be a change in auditors, review the issues related to the change and the information to be included in the required notice to securities regulators of such change.
- 7. The Committee shall review with external auditors (and the internal auditor if applicable) their assessment of the internal controls of the Corporation as part of the regular audit process, their written reports containing recommendations for improvement (i.e., management letter and audit committee letter), and management's response and follow-up to any identified weaknesses. The Committee shall also review annually with the external auditors their plan for their audit and upon completion of the audit, their reports on the financial statements of the Corporation and its subsidiaries, if any.
- 8. Take reasonable steps to confirm the independence of the outside auditor, which shall include:
 - (i) ensuring receipt from the outside auditor a formal written statement delineating all relationships between the outside auditor and the Corporation, consistent with generally accepting auditing practices,
 - (ii) considering and discussing with the outside auditor any disclosed relationships or services, including non-audit services, that may impact the objectivity and independence of the outside auditor, and
 - (iii) pre-approving all non-audit services to be provided to the Corporation or its subsidiaries, if any, by the external auditors (including review of quarterly financial statements). The Committee may delegate to one or more of its members the authority to pre-approve non-audit services, provided that the member report to the Committee at the next scheduled meeting and that such pre-approval and the member comply with such other procedures as may be established by the Committee from time to time.
- 9. The Committee shall review risk management policies and procedures of the Corporation (i.e., hedging, litigation and insurance).
- 10. The Committee shall assess the requirement for the appointment of an internal auditor for the Corporation.
- 11. The Committee shall establish a procedure for:
 - (i) the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Corporation regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters; and
 - (ii) the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Corporation of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.
- 12. The Committee shall review and approve the Corporation's hiring policies regarding employees and former employees of the present and former external auditors of the Corporation.
- 13. The Committee shall have the authority to investigate any financial activity of the Corporation. All employees of the Corporation are to cooperate as requested by the Committee.

14. The Committee may retain persons having special expertise and/or obtain independent professional advice to assist in fulfilling their responsibilities at the expense of the Corporation without any further approval of the Board.

Charter Review

The Committee will annually review and reassess the adequacy of this policy and submit any recommended changes to the Board for approval.

APPENDIX B

VOYAGEUR MINERAL EXPLORERS CORP.

OMNIBUS EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN

Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp. (the "Company") hereby establishes an omnibus equity incentive plan for directors, executive officers, key employees and Consultants of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

ARTICLE 1 INTERPRETATION

Section 1.1 Definitions

Where used herein or in any amendments hereto or in any communication required or permitted to be given hereunder, the following terms shall have the following meanings, respectively, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Account" means an account maintained for each Participant on the books of the Company which will be credited with Awards in accordance with the terms of this Plan;

"Affiliates" has the meaning ascribed thereto in National Instrument 45-106 – Prospectus Exemptions;

"Award" means any of an Option, DSU, or RSU granted to a Participant pursuant to the terms of the Plan:

"Black-Out Period" means a period of time when pursuant to any policies of the Company (including the Company's insider trading policy), securities of the Company may not be traded by certain Persons designated by the Company:

"Board" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2.2(1);

"Business Day" means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or statutory holiday, when banks are generally open for business in Toronto, Ontario for the transaction of banking business;

"Cashless Exercise Right" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 3.6(3);

"Cause" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 6.2(1):

"Change of Control" means, unless the Board determines otherwise, the happening, in a single transaction or in a series of related transactions, of any of the following events:

- (i) any transaction (other than a transaction described in clause (iii) below) pursuant to which any Person or group of Persons acting jointly or in concert acquires for the first time the direct or indirect beneficial ownership of securities of the Company representing 50% or more of the aggregate voting power of all of the Company's then issued and outstanding securities entitled to vote in the election of directors of the Company, other than any such acquisition that occurs upon the exercise or settlement of options or other securities granted by the Company under any of the Company's equity incentive plans;
- (ii) there is consummated an arrangement, amalgamation, merger, consolidation or similar transaction involving (directly or indirectly) the Company and, immediately after the consummation of such arrangement, amalgamation, merger, consolidation or similar transaction, the shareholders of the Company immediately

prior thereto do not beneficially own, directly or indirectly, either (A) outstanding voting securities representing more than 50% of the combined outstanding voting power of the surviving or resulting entity in such amalgamation, merger, consolidation or similar transaction or (B) more than 50% of the combined outstanding voting power of the parent of the surviving or resulting entity in such arrangement, amalgamation merger, consolidation or similar transaction, in each case in substantially the same proportions as their beneficial ownership of the outstanding voting securities of the Company immediately prior to such transaction;

- (iii) the sale, lease, exchange, license or other disposition, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, of assets, rights or properties of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries which have an aggregate book value greater than 50% of the book value of the assets, rights and properties of the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis to any other person or entity, other than a disposition to a whollyowned Subsidiary of the Company in the course of a reorganization of the assets of the Company and its wholly-owned Subsidiaries;
- (iv) the passing of a resolution by the Board or shareholders of the Company to substantially liquidate the assets of the Company or wind up the Company's business or significantly rearrange its affairs in one or more transactions or series of transactions or the commencement of proceedings for such a liquidation, winding-up or re-arrangement (except where such re-arrangement is part of a bona fide reorganization of the Company in circumstances where the business of the Company is continued and the shareholdings remain substantially the same following the re-arrangement);
- (v) individuals who, on the Effective Date, are members of the Board (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the members of the Board; provided, however, that if the appointment or election (or nomination for election) of any new Board member was approved or recommended by a majority vote of the members of the Incumbent Board then still in office, such new member will, for purposes of this Plan, be considered as a member of the Incumbent Board; or
- (vi) the Board adopts a resolution to the effect that a Change of Control as defined herein has occurred or is imminent:

"Company" means Voyageur Mineral Explorers Corp., a corporation existing under *The Corporations Act* (Manitoba), as amended from time to time;

"Consultant" means a person, other than an employee, executive officer or director of the Company or a Subsidiary, that provides ongoing services to the Company, and includes for an individual Consultant, a corporation of which the individual Consultant is an employee or shareholder, or a partnership of which the individual Consultant is an employee or partner:

"Consulting Agreement" means, with respect to any Participant, any written consulting agreement between the Company or a Subsidiary and such Participant;

"Dividend Equivalent" means a cash credit equivalent in value to a dividend paid on a Share credited to a Participant's Account;

"DSU" or "Deferred Share Unit" means a right awarded to a Participant to receive a payment in the form of Shares upon Termination of Service, as provided in Article 5 and subject to the terms and conditions of this Plan;

"DSU Agreement" means a document evidencing the grant of DSUs and the terms and conditions thereof:

"DSU Settlement Amount" means the amount of Shares, calculated in accordance with Section 5.5, to be issued to settle a DSU Award after the Filing Date;

"Effective Date" means the effective date of the Plan as provided in Section 8.11;

"Eligible Participants" means any director, executive officer, employee or Consultant of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, but for the purposes of Article 5, this definition shall be limited to directors of the Company;

"Employment Agreement" means, with respect to any Participant, any written employment agreement between the Company or a Subsidiary and such Participant;

"Exercise Notice" means a notice in writing signed by a Participant and stating the Participant's intention to exercise a particular Award, if applicable;

"Filing Date" has the meaning set out in Section 5.4(1), as applicable;

"Grant Agreement" means an agreement evidencing the grant to a Participant of an Award, including an Option Agreement, a DSU Agreement, an RSU Agreement, an Employment Agreement or a Consulting Agreement;

"Incentive Stock Option" or "ISO" means an Option that is granted to a U.S. Participant, as described in Section 3.8;

"**Insider**" has the meaning set out in the applicable rules and policies of the Stock Exchange or, if there is no definition provided therein, then as defined pursuant to applicable securities law;

"Market Value" means at any date when the market value of Shares is to be determined: (i) if the Shares are listed on a Stock Exchange, the volume weighted average trading price of the Shares on such Stock Exchange for the five trading days immediately preceding the relevant time as it relates to an Award; or (ii) if the Shares are not listed on any stock exchange, the fair market value as is determined solely by the Board, acting reasonably and in good faith and such determination shall be conclusive and binding on all Persons;

"**Option**" means an option granted by the Company to a Participant entitling such Participant to acquire a designated number of Shares from treasury at the Option Price, but subject to the provisions hereof, and includes an ISO;

"Option Agreement" means a document evidencing the grant of Options and the terms and conditions thereof;

"Option Price" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 3.2;

"Option Term" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 3.4;

"Outstanding Issue" means the number of Shares that are issued and outstanding, on a nondiluted basis;

"Participants" means Eligible Participants that are granted Awards under the Plan;

"Performance Criteria" means specified criteria, other than the mere continuation of employment or the mere passage of time, the satisfaction of which is a condition for the grant, exercisability, vesting or full enjoyment of an Award;

"Performance Period" means the period determined by the Board at the time any Award is granted or at any time thereafter during which any Performance Criteria and any other vesting conditions specified by the Board with respect to such Award are to be measured;

"**Person**" means an individual, corporation, company, cooperative, partnership, trust, unincorporated association, entity with juridical personality or governmental authority or body, and pronouns which refer to a Person shall have a similarly extended meaning;

"Plan" means this omnibus equity incentive plan, including any amendments or supplements hereto made after the Effective Date:

"**Prior Plan**" means the share option plan of the Company in effect immediately prior to the Effective Date:

"Restricted Period" means the period determined by the Board pursuant to Section 4.3;

"RSU" means a right awarded to a Participant to receive a payment in the form of Shares as provided in Article 4 and subject to the terms and conditions of this Plan;

"RSU Agreement" means a document evidencing the grant of RSUs and the terms and conditions thereof:

"RSU Settlement Date" has the meaning determined in Section 4.5(1);

"RSU Vesting Determination Date" has the meaning described thereto in Section 4.4;

"Shares" means the common shares in the share capital of the Company;

"Security Based Compensation Arrangement" means a compensation or incentive plan that includes: (i) stock option plan or individual option grants for employees, insiders, consultants or service providers; (ii) share purchase plans; (iii) stock appreciation rights; (iv) any other compensation or incentive mechanism involving the issuance or potential issuance of securities of the Company, and for clarity, includes evergreen plans, provided, however, that any such arrangements which do not involve the issuance from treasury or potential issuance from treasury of Shares of the Company are not "Security Based Compensation Arrangements" for the purposes of this Plan;

"Stock Exchange" means the stock exchange on which the majority of the trading volume and value of the Shares occurs, at the applicable time;

"Subsidiary" means a corporation, company or partnership that is controlled, directly or indirectly, by the Company;

"Tax Act" means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and its regulations thereunder, as amended from time to time:

"**Termination**" means that a Participant has ceased to be an Eligible Participant, including for greater certainty, the earliest date on which both of the following conditions are met: (i) the Participant has ceased to be employed by, or otherwise have a service relationship with, the Company or any Subsidiary thereof for any reason whatsoever; and (ii) the Participant is neither a member of the Board nor a director of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries;

"Termination Date" means (i) in the event of a Participant's resignation, the date on which such Participant ceases to be a director, executive officer, employee or Consultant of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries, and (ii) in the event of the termination of the Participant's employment, or position as an executive or officer of the Company or a Subsidiary, or as a Consultant, the effective date of the termination as specified in the notice of termination provided to the Participant by the Company or the Subsidiary, as the case may be, and, for greater certainty, without regard to any period of notice, pay in lieu of notice, or severance that may follow the Termination Date pursuant to the terms of the Participant's employment or services agreement (if any), the applicable employment standards legislation or the common law (if applicable), and regardless of whether the Termination was lawful or unlawful, except as may otherwise be required to meet minimum standards prescribed by the applicable standards legislation;

"Termination of Service" means that a Participant has ceased to be an Eligible Participant, and for greater certainty, for those Eligible Participants who are not solely directors of the Company, the earliest date on which both of the following conditions are met: (i) the Participant has ceased to be employed by the Company or has ceased providing ongoing services as a Consultant to the Company or any Subsidiary thereof for any reason whatsoever; and (ii) the Participant is neither a member of the Board nor a director of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries;

"**United States**" means the United States of America, its territories and possessions, any State of the United States and the District of Columbia;

- **"U.S. Participant"** means any Participant who, at any time during the period from the date an Award is granted to the date such award is exercised, redeemed, or otherwise paid to the Participant, is subject to income taxation in the United States on the income received for services provided to the Company or a Subsidiary and who is not otherwise exempt from United States income taxation under the relevant provisions of the U.S. Tax Code or the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention, as amended:
- "U.S. Securities Act" means the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended;
- "U.S. Tax Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and

"Vested Awards" has the meaning described thereto in Section 6.2(5).

Section 1.2 Interpretation

- (1) Whenever the Board is to exercise discretion or authority in the administration of the terms and conditions of this Plan, the term "discretion" or "authority" means the sole and absolute discretion of the Board.
- (2) The division of this Plan into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenient reference only and do not affect the interpretation of this Plan.
- (3) In this Plan, words importing the singular shall include the plural, and *vice versa* and words importing any gender include any other gender.
- (4) The words "including", "includes" and "include" and any derivatives of such words mean "including (or includes or include) without limitation". As used herein, the expressions "Article", "Section" and other subdivision followed by a number, mean and refer to the specified Article, Section or other subdivision of this Plan, respectively.
- (5) Unless otherwise specified in the Participant's Grant Agreement, all references to money amounts are to Canadian currency.

- (6) For purposes of this Plan, the legal representatives of a Participant shall only include the administrator, the executor or the liquidator of the Participant's estate or will.
- (7) If any action may be taken within, or any right or obligation is to expire at the end of, a period of days under this Plan, then the first day of the period is not counted, but the day of its expiry is counted.

ARTICLE 2 PURPOSE AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PLAN; GRANTING OF AWARDS

Section 2.1 Purpose of the Plan

The purpose of the Plan is to permit the Company to grant Awards to Eligible Participants, subject to certain conditions as hereinafter set forth, for the following purposes:

- (1) to increase the interest in the Company's welfare of those Eligible Participants, who share responsibility for the management, growth and protection of the business of the Company or a Subsidiary;
- (2) to provide an incentive to such Eligible Participants to continue their services for the Company or a Subsidiary and to encourage such Eligible Participants whose skills, performance and loyalty to the objectives and interests of the Company or a Subsidiary are necessary or essential to its success, image, reputation or activities;
- (3) to reward Participants for their performance of services while working for the Company or a Subsidiary; and
- (4) to provide a means through which the Company or a Subsidiary may attract and retain able Persons to enter its employment or service.

Section 2.2 Implementation and Administration of the Plan

- (1) The Plan shall be administered and interpreted by the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") or, if the Board by resolution so decides, by a committee appointed by the Board. If such committee is appointed for this purpose, all references to the "Board" herein will be deemed references to such committee. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Board from adopting other or additional Security Based Compensation Arrangements or other compensation arrangements, subject to any required approval.
- Subject to Article 7 and any applicable rules of the Stock Exchange, the Board may, from time to time, as it may deem expedient, adopt, amend and rescind rules and regulations or vary the terms of this Plan and/or any Award hereunder for carrying out the provisions and purposes of the Plan and/or to address tax or other requirements of any applicable jurisdiction.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of this Plan, the Board is authorized, in its sole discretion, to make such determinations under, and such interpretations of, and take such steps and actions in connection with, the proper administration and operations of the Plan as it may deem necessary or advisable. The Board may delegate to officers or managers of the Company, or committees thereof, the authority, subject to such terms as the Board shall determine, to perform such functions, in whole or in part. Any such delegation by the Board may be revoked at any time at the Board's sole discretion. The interpretation, administration, construction and application of the Plan and any provisions hereof made by the Board, or by any officer, manager, committee or any other Person to which the Board delegated authority to perform such functions, shall be final and binding on the Company, its Subsidiaries and all Eligible Participants.
- (4) No member of the Board or any Person acting pursuant to authority delegated by the Board hereunder shall be liable for any action or determination taken or made in good faith in the

administration, interpretation, construction or application of the Plan or any Award granted hereunder. Members of the Board and any person acting at the direction or on behalf of the Board, shall, to the extent permitted by law, be fully indemnified and protected by the Company with respect to any such action or determination.

(5) The Plan shall not in any way fetter, limit, obligate, restrict or constrain the Board with regard to the allotment or issuance of any Shares or any other securities in the capital of the Company. For greater clarity, the Company shall not by virtue of this Plan be in any way restricted from declaring and paying stock dividends, repurchasing Shares or varying or amending its share capital or corporate structure.

Section 2.3 Participation in this Plan

- (1) The Company makes no representation or warranty as to the future market value of the Shares or with respect to any income tax matters affecting any Participant resulting from the grant of an Award, the exercise of an Option or transactions in the Shares or otherwise in respect of participation under the Plan. Neither the Company, nor any of its directors, officers, employees, shareholders or agents shall be liable for anything done or omitted to be done by such Person or any other Person with respect to the price, time, quantity or other conditions and circumstances of the issuance of Shares hereunder, or in any other manner related to the Plan. For greater certainty, no amount will be paid to, or in respect of, a Participant under the Plan or pursuant to any other arrangement, and no additional Awards will be granted to such Participant to compensate for a downward fluctuation in the price of the Shares, nor will any other form of benefit be conferred upon, or in respect of, a Participant for such purpose. The Company and its Subsidiaries do not assume and shall not have responsibility for the income or other tax consequences resulting to any Participant and each Participant is advised to consult with such Participant's own tax advisors.
- (2) Participants (and their legal representatives) shall have no legal or equitable right, claim, or interest in any specific property or asset of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. No asset of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries shall be held in any way as collateral security for the fulfillment of the obligations of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries under this Plan. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, this Plan shall be unfunded. To the extent any Participant or the Participant's estate holds any rights by virtue of a grant of Awards under this Plan, such rights (unless otherwise determined by the Board) shall be no greater than the rights of an unsecured creditor of the Company.
- Unless otherwise determined by the Board and subject to the rules and policies of the Stock Exchange, the Company shall not offer financial assistance to any Participant in regard to the exercise of any Award granted under this Plan.
- (4) The Board may also require that any Eligible Participant in the Plan provide certain representations, warranties and certifications to the Company to satisfy the requirements of applicable laws, including, without limitation, exemptions from the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act, and applicable U.S. state securities laws.
- (5) In connection with an Award to be granted to any Eligible Participant, it shall be the responsibility of such person and the Company to confirm that such person is a *bona fide* Eligible Participant for the purposes of participation under the Plan.

Section 2.4 Shares Subject to the Plan

- (1) Subject to adjustment pursuant to Article 7, the securities that may be acquired by Participants under this Plan shall consist of authorized but unissued Shares from treasury.
- (2) The maximum number of Shares issuable at any time pursuant to outstanding Awards under this Plan and all other Security Based Compensation Arrangements shall be equal to 10% of the Outstanding Issue, as measured as at the date of any grant.

- (3) No Award that can be settled in Shares issued from treasury may be granted if such grant would have the effect of causing the total number of Shares subject to such Award to exceed the abovenoted total numbers of Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to the settlement of Awards.
- (4) The Plan is an "evergreen" incentive plan, as Shares of the Company covered by Awards which have been exercised or settled, as applicable, and Awards which have expired or are forfeited, surrendered, cancelled or otherwise terminated or lapsed for any reason without having been exercised, will be available for subsequent grants under the Plan and the number of Awards that may be granted under the Plan increases if the total number of issued and outstanding Shares of the Company increases.

Section 2.5 Limits with Respect to other Security Based Compensation Arrangements, Insiders, Individual Limits, and Annual Grant Limits

- (1) The maximum number of Shares issuable pursuant to this Plan and any other Security Based Compensation Arrangement shall not exceed the limits set out in Section 2.4(2).
- (2) The maximum number of Shares issuable to Eligible Participants who are Insiders (as a group), at any time, under this Plan and any other Security Based Compensation Arrangement, shall not exceed 10% of the Outstanding Issue at any point in time.
- (3) The maximum number of Shares issuable to Eligible Participants who are Insiders (as a group), within any one year period, under this Plan and any other Security Based Compensation Arrangement, shall not exceed 10% of the Outstanding Issue at any point in time.
- (4) The maximum number of Shares issuable to any one Participant under Awards shall not exceed: (a) 5% of the Outstanding Issue at any point in time, or (b) 10% in a 12-month period, each as measured as of the date of grant of an Award.
- (5) Subject to the policies of the Stock Exchange, any Shares issued or Award granted pursuant to the Plan, or securities issued under any other Security Based Compensation Arrangement prior to a Participant becoming an Insider, shall be included for the purposes of the limits set out in Section 2.5(2) and Section 2.5(3).

Section 2.6 Granting of Awards

Any Award granted under the Plan shall be subject to the requirement that, if at any time the Company shall determine that the listing, registration or qualification of the Shares subject to such Award, if applicable, upon any Stock Exchange or under any law or regulation of any jurisdiction, or the consent or approval of any Stock Exchange or any governmental or regulatory body, is necessary as a condition of, or in connection with, the grant of such Awards or exercise of any Option or the issuance or purchase of Shares thereunder, if applicable, such Award may not be accepted or exercised in whole or in part unless such listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval shall have been effected or obtained on conditions acceptable to the Board. Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the Company to apply for or to obtain such listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval.

Section 2.7 Relationship with the Prior Plan

The Plan supersedes and replaces the Prior Plan. All securities granted under the Prior Plan shall continue to exist and shall remain outstanding in accordance with their terms and the Prior Plan, provided that from the Effective Date no new securities shall be granted under the Prior Plan.

ARTICLE 3 OPTIONS

Section 3.1 Nature of Options

An Option is an option granted by the Company to a Participant entitling such Participant to acquire a designated number of Shares from treasury at the Option Price, but subject to the provisions hereof. For the avoidance of doubt, no Dividend Equivalents shall be granted in connection with an Option.

Section 3.2 Option Awards

Subject to the provisions set forth in this Plan and any shareholder or regulatory approval which may be required, the Board shall, from time to time by resolution, in its sole discretion, (i) designate the Eligible Participants who may receive Options under the Plan, (ii) fix the number of Options, if any, to be granted to each Eligible Participant and the date or dates on which such Options shall be granted, (iii) determine the price per Share to be payable upon the exercise of each such Option (the "**Option Price**") and the relevant vesting provisions (including Performance Criteria, if applicable) and the Option Term, the whole subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in this Plan or in any Option Agreement, and any applicable rules of the Stock Exchange.

Section 3.3 Option Price

The Option Price for Shares that are the subject of any Option shall be determined and approved by the Board when such Option is granted, but shall not be less than the greater of the closing market price of the Shares on the Stock Exchange: (i) on the trading day prior to the date of grant of the Option and (ii) the date of grant of the Option.

Section 3.4 Option Term

- (1) The Board shall determine, at the time of granting the particular Option, the period during which the Option is exercisable, which shall not be more than ten years from the date the Option is granted (the "Option Term").
- (2) Should the expiration date for an Option fall within a Black-Out Period, such expiration date shall be automatically extended without any further act or formality to that date which is the tenth Business Day after the end of the Black-Out Period, such tenth Business Day to be considered the expiration date for such Option for all purposes under the Plan.

Section 3.5 Exercise of Options

Prior to its expiration or earlier termination in accordance with the Plan, each Option shall be exercisable at such time or times and/or pursuant to the achievement of such Performance Criteria and/or other vesting conditions as the Board at the time of granting the particular Option, may determine in its sole discretion. For greater certainty, any exercise of Options by a Participant shall be made in accordance with any insider trading policies implemented by the Company.

Section 3.6 Method of Exercise and Payment of Purchase Price

(1) Subject to the provisions of the Plan, an Option granted under the Plan shall be exercisable (from time to time as provided in Section 3.5) by the Participant (or by the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) by delivering a fully completed Exercise Notice to the Company at its registered office to the attention of the Corporate Secretary of the Company (or the individual that the Corporate Secretary of the Company may from time to time designate) or give notice in such other manner as the Company may from time to time designate, which notice shall specify the number of Shares in respect of which the Option is being exercised and shall be accompanied by full payment, by cash, certified cheque, bank draft or any

other form of payment deemed acceptable by the Board of the purchase price for the number of Shares specified therein and, if required by Section 8.2, the amount necessary to satisfy any taxes.

- Upon the exercise, the Company shall, as soon as practicable after such exercise but no later than ten Business Days following such exercise, forthwith cause the transfer agent and registrar of the Shares either to:
 - (a) deliver to the Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) a certificate in the name of the Participant representing in the aggregate such number of Shares as the Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) shall have then paid for and as are specified in such Exercise Notice; or
 - (b) in the case of Shares issued in uncertificated form, cause the issuance of the aggregate number of Shares as the Participant (or the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) shall have then paid for and as are specified in such Exercise Notice to be evidenced by a book position on the register of the shareholders of the Company to be maintained by the transfer agent and registrar of the Shares.
- (3) Subject to the rules and policies of the Stock Exchange, the Board may, in its discretion and at any time, determine to grant a Participant the alternative, when entitled to exercise an Option, to deal with such Option on a "cashless exercise" basis, on such terms as the Board may determine in its discretion (the "Cashless Exercise Right"). Without limitation, the Board may determine in its discretion that such Cashless Exercise Right, if any, grants a Participant the right to terminate such Option in whole or in part by notice in writing to the Company and in lieu of receiving Shares pursuant to the exercise of the Option, receive, without payment of any cash other than pursuant to Section 8.2 that number of Shares, disregarding fractions, which when multiplied by the Market Value on the day immediately prior to the exercise of the Cashless Exercise Right, have a total value equal to the product of that number of Shares subject to the Option multiplied by the difference between the Market Value on the day immediately prior to the exercise of the Cashless Exercise Right and the Option Price.
- (4) In the event the Company determines to accept the Participant's request pursuant to a Cashless Exercise Right, the Company shall make an election pursuant to subsection 110(1.1) of the Tax Act.

Section 3.7 Option Agreements

Options shall be evidenced by an Option Agreement, in such form not inconsistent with the Plan as the Board may from time to time determine. The Option Agreement may contain any such terms that the Company considers necessary in order that the Option will comply with any provisions respecting options in the income tax or other laws in force in any country or jurisdiction of which the Participant may from time to time be resident or citizen or the rules of any regulatory body having jurisdiction over the Company.

Section 3.8 Incentive Stock Options

(1) ISOs are available only for Participants who are employees of the Company, or a "parent corporation" or "subsidiary corporation" (as such terms are defined in Section 424(e) and (f) of the U.S. Tax Code), on the date the Option is granted. In addition, a Participant who holds an ISO must continue as an employee, except that upon termination of employment the Option will continue to be treated as an ISO for up to three months, after which the Option will no longer qualify as an ISO, except as provided in this Section 3.8(1). A Participant's employment will be deemed to continue during period of sick leave, military leave or other *bona fide* leave of absence, provided the leave of absence does not exceed three months, or the Participant's return to employment is guaranteed by statute or contract. If a termination of employment is due to permanent disability, an Option may continue its ISO status for up to one year, and if the termination is due to death, the ISO status may

- continue for the balance of the Option's term. Nothing in this Section 3.8(1) will be deemed to extend the original expiry date of an Option.
- (2) A Participant who owns, or is deemed to own, pursuant to Section 424(e) of the U.S. Tax Code, Shares possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company may not be granted an Option that is an ISO unless the Option Price is at least 110% of the Market Value of the Shares, as of the date of the grant, and the Option is not exercisable after the expiration of five years from the date of grant.
- (3) To the extent the aggregate Market Value (determined as of the date of grant) of Shares with respect to which ISOs are exercisable for the first time by a Participant during any calendar year (under all plans of the Company and any affiliates) exceeds US\$100,000, the Options or portions thereof that exceed such limit (according to the order in which they were granted) shall be treated as Options other than ISOs, notwithstanding any contrary provision in the applicable Option Agreement.

ARTICLE 4 RESTRICTED SHARE UNITS

Section 4.1 Nature of RSUs

A "Restricted Share Unit" (or "**RSU**") is an Award in the nature of a bonus for services rendered that, upon settlement, entitles the recipient Participant to acquire Shares as determined by the Board, pursuant and subject to such restrictions and conditions as the Board may determine at the time of grant, unless such RSU expires prior to being settled. Vesting conditions may, without limitation, be based on continuing employment (or other service relationship) and/or achievement of Performance Criteria. Unless otherwise determined by the Board in its discretion, the Award of an RSU is considered a bonus for services rendered in the calendar year in which the Award is made or as an incentive for future services rendered to the Company or its Subsidiaries.

Section 4.2 RSU Awards

- (1) The Board shall, from time to time by resolution, in its sole discretion, (i) designate the Eligible Participants who may receive RSUs under the Plan, (ii) fix the number of RSUs, if any, to be granted to each Eligible Participant and the date or dates on which such RSUs shall be granted, (iii) determine the relevant conditions and vesting provisions (including the applicable Performance Period and Performance Criteria, if any) and the Restricted Period of such RSUs, (provided, however, that no such Restricted Period shall exceed the three years referenced in Section 4.3), and (iv) any other terms and conditions applicable to the granted RSUs, which need not be identical and which, without limitation, may include non-competition provisions, subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in this Plan and in any RSU Agreement.
- (2) Subject to the vesting and other conditions and provisions in this Plan and in the RSU Agreement, each vested RSU awarded to a Participant shall entitle the Participant to receive one Share upon confirmation by the Board that the vesting conditions (including the Performance Criteria, if any) have been met and no later than the last day of the Restricted Period. For greater certainty, RSUs that are subject to Performance Criteria may not become fully vested by the last day of the Restricted Period.

Section 4.3 Restricted Period

The applicable restricted period in respect of a particular RSU shall be determined by the Board but in all cases shall end no later than the 31st of December of the third calendar year following the calendar year in which the performance of services for which such RSU is granted, occurred (the "**Restricted Period**"). All unvested RSUs shall be cancelled on the RSU Vesting Determination Date (as such term is defined in Section 4.4) and, in any event: all unvested RSUs shall be cancelled no later than the last day of the Restricted Period.

Section 4.4 RSU Vesting Determination Date

The vesting determination date means the date on which the Board determines if the Performance Criteria and/or other vesting conditions with respect to an RSU have been met (the "**RSU Vesting Determination Date**"), and as a result, establishes the number of RSUs that become vested, if any. For greater certainty, the RSU Vesting Determination Date must fall after the end of the Performance Period, if any, but no later than the 15th of December of the calendar year which commences three years after the calendar year in which the performance of services for which such RSU is granted, occurred. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for any U.S. Participant, the RSU Vesting Determination Date shall occur no later than the 15th of March of the calendar year following the end of the Performance Period.

Section 4.5 Settlement of RSUs

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in the RSU Agreement, all of the vested RSUs covered by a particular grant shall be settled as soon as practicable and in any event within ten Business Days following their RSU Vesting Determination Date and no later than the end of the Restricted Period (the "RSU Settlement Date").
- (2) Settlement of RSUs shall take place promptly following the RSU Settlement Date and no later than the end of the Restricted Period. Settlement of RSUs shall be subject to Section 8.2 and shall take place through:
 - (a) delivery to the Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) of a certificate in the name of the Participant representing in the aggregate such number of Shares as the Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) shall be entitled to receive (unless the Participant intends to simultaneously dispose of any such Shares); or
 - (b) in the case of Shares issued in uncertificated form, issuance of the aggregate number of Shares as the Participant (or the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) shall be entitled to receive, to be evidenced by a book position on the register of the shareholders of the Company to be maintained by the transfer agent and registrar of the Shares.
- (3) Notwithstanding the foregoing, for any U.S. Participant, the RSU Settlement Date and delivery of Shares, shall each occur no later than the 15th of March of the calendar year following the end of the Performance Period.

Section 4.6 Determination of Amounts

For the purposes of determining the number of Shares to be issued or delivered to a Participant upon settlement of RSUs pursuant to Section 4.5, such calculation will be made on the RSU Settlement Date based on the whole number of Shares equal to the whole number of vested RSUs then recorded in the Participant's Account to settle in Shares.

Section 4.7 RSU Agreements

RSUs shall be evidenced by an RSU Agreement in such form not inconsistent with the Plan as the Board may from time to time determine. The RSU Agreement may contain any such terms that the Company considers necessary in order that the RSU will comply with any provisions respecting restricted share units in the income tax or other laws in force in any country or jurisdiction of which the Participant may from time to time be resident or citizen or the rules of any regulatory body having jurisdiction over the Company.

Section 4.8 Award of Dividend Equivalents

Dividend Equivalents may, as determined by the Board in its sole discretion, be awarded in respect of unvested RSUs in a Participant's Account on the same basis as cash dividends declared and paid on Shares as if the Participant was a shareholder of record of Shares on the relevant record date. However, to the extent that Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Section 4.8 entitle Participants to receive additional RSUs, the maximum aggregate number of Shares that might possibly be issued to satisfy this obligation must be included in the grant limits in Section 2.4(2) and Section 2.5(2) to Section 2.5(4), and if the Company does not have a sufficient number of Shares available under this Plan to satisfy its obligations in respect of such Dividend Equivalents it shall make payments in cash.

In the event that the Participant's applicable RSUs do not vest, all Dividend Equivalents, if any, associated with such RSUs will be forfeited by the Participant and returned to the Company's account.

ARTICLE 5 DEFERRED SHARE UNITS

Section 5.1 Nature of DSUs

A "Deferred Share Unit" (or "**DSU**") is an Award attributable to a Participant's duties as a director of the Company and that, upon settlement, entitles the recipient Participant to receive such number of Shares (which may include Shares purchased in the secondary market by a trustee or administrative agent appointed by the Board) as determined by the Board, and is issuable after Termination of Service of the Participant.

Section 5.2 DSU Awards

The Board shall, from time to time by resolution, in its sole discretion, (i) designate the Eligible Participants who may receive DSU Awards under the Plan, (ii) fix the number of DSU Awards to be granted to each Eligible Participant, and (iii) fix the date or dates on which such DSU Awards shall be granted, subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in this Plan and in any DSU Agreement. Each DSU awarded shall entitle the Participant to one Share.

Section 5.3 Additional Deferred Share Units

The Board may award such number of DSUs to a Participant as the Board deems advisable to provide the Participant with appropriate equity-based compensation for the services they render to the Company or its Subsidiaries. The Board shall determine the date on which such DSUs may be granted and the date as of which such DSUs shall be credited to a Participant's Account. An award of DSUs pursuant to this Section 5.3 shall be subject to a DSU Agreement evidencing the Award and the terms applicable thereto.

Section 5.4 Settlement of DSUs

- (1) A Participant may receive their Shares to which such Participant is entitled upon Termination of Service, by filing a redemption notice on or before the 15th day of December of the first calendar year commencing after the date of the Participant's Termination of Service. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Participant does not file such notice on or before that 15th day of December, the Participant will be deemed to have filed the redemption notice on the 15th day of December (the date of the filing or deemed filing of the redemption notice, the "Filing Date"). In all cases for each U.S. Participant, the U.S. Participant will be deemed to have filed the redemption notice on the date of their Termination of Service.
- (2) The Company will make payment of the DSU Settlement Amount as soon as reasonably possible following the Filing Date and in any event no later than the end of the first calendar year commencing after the Participant's Termination of Service. In all cases for each U.S. Participant, the Company will make payment of the DSU Settlement Amount as soon as reasonably possible following the Filing Date and in any event no later than the 1st day of March of the calendar year following Termination of Service.

- (3) In the event of the death of a Participant, the Company will, subject to Section 8.2, make payment of the DSU Settlement Amount within two months of the Participant's death to or for the benefit of the legal representative of the deceased Participant. For the purposes of the calculation of the Settlement Amount, the Filing Date shall be the date of the Participant's death.
- (4) Subject to the terms of the DSU Agreement, including the satisfaction or, at the discretion of the Board, waiver of any vesting conditions, settlement of DSUs shall take place promptly following the Filing Date. Settlement of DSUs shall be subject to Section 8.2 and shall take place through:
 - (a) delivery to the Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) of a certificate in the name of the Participant representing in the aggregate such number of Shares as the Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) shall be entitled to receive (unless the Participant intends to simultaneously dispose of any such Shares); or
 - (b) in the case of Shares issued in uncertificated form, issuance of the aggregate number of Shares as the Participant (or the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) shall be entitled to receive, to be evidenced by a book position on the register of the shareholders of the Company to be maintained by the transfer agent and registrar of the Shares.

Section 5.5 Determination of DSU Settlement Amount

For the purposes of determining the number of Shares to be issued or delivered to a Participant upon settlement of DSUs pursuant to Section 5.4, such calculation will be made on the Filing Date based on the whole number of Shares equal to the whole number of vested DSUs then recorded in the Participant's Account to settle in Shares.

Section 5.6 DSU Agreements

DSUs shall be evidenced by a DSU Agreement in such form not inconsistent with the Plan as the Board may from time to time determine. The DSU Agreement may contain any such terms that the Company considers necessary in order that the DSU will comply with any provisions respecting deferred share units in the income tax or other laws in force in any country or jurisdiction of which the Participant may from time to time be resident or citizen or the rules of any regulatory body having jurisdiction over the Company.

Section 5.7 Award of Dividend Equivalents

Dividend Equivalents may, as determined by the Board in its sole discretion, be awarded in respect of DSUs in a Participant's Account on the same basis as cash dividends declared and paid on Shares as if the Participant was a shareholder of record of Shares on the relevant record date. However, to the extent that Dividend Equivalents awarded under this Section 5.7 entitle Participants to receive additional DSUs, the maximum aggregate number of Shares that might possibly be issued to satisfy this obligation must be included in the grant limits in Section 2.4(2) and Section 2.5(2) to Section 2.5(4), and if the Company does not have a sufficient number of Shares available under this Plan to satisfy its obligations in respect of such Dividend Equivalents it shall make payments in cash.

ARTICLE 6 GENERAL CONDITIONS

Section 6.1 General Conditions Applicable to Awards

Each Award, as applicable, shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) <u>Vesting Period</u>. Subject to Section 2.7, each Award granted hereunder shall vest in accordance with the terms of the Grant Agreement entered into in respect of such Award. The Board has the

right to accelerate the date upon which any Award becomes exercisable notwithstanding the vesting schedule set forth for such Award, regardless of any adverse or potentially adverse tax consequence resulting from such acceleration.

- (2) Employment. Notwithstanding any express or implied term of this Plan to the contrary, the granting of an Award pursuant to the Plan shall in no way be construed as a guarantee by the Company or a Subsidiary to the Participant of employment or another service relationship with the Company or a Subsidiary. The granting of an Award to a Participant shall not impose upon the Company or a Subsidiary any obligation to retain the Participant in its employ or service in any capacity. Nothing contained in this Plan or in any Award granted under this Plan shall interfere in any way with the rights of the Company or any of its Affiliates in connection with the employment, retention or termination of any such Participant. The loss of existing or potential profit in Shares underlying Awards granted under this Plan shall not constitute an element of damages in the event of termination of a Participant's employment or service in any office or otherwise.
- (3) Grant of Awards. Eligibility to participate in this Plan does not confer upon any Eligible Participant any right to be granted Awards pursuant to this Plan. Granting Awards to any Eligible Participant does not confer upon any Eligible Participant the right to receive nor preclude such Eligible Participant from receiving any additional Awards at any time. The extent to which any Eligible Participant is entitled to be granted Awards pursuant to this Plan will be determined in the sole discretion of the Board. Participation in the Plan shall be entirely voluntary and any decision not to participate shall not affect an Eligible Participant's relationship or employment with the Company or any Subsidiary.
- (4) Rights as a Shareholder. Neither the Participant nor such Participant's personal representatives or legatees shall have any rights whatsoever as shareholder in respect of any Shares covered by such Participant's Awards by reason of the grant of such Award until such Award has been duly exercised, as applicable, and settled and Shares have been issued in respect thereof. Subject to Section 4.8 and Section 5.7, no adjustment shall be made for dividends or other rights for which the record date is prior to the date such Shares have been issued.
- (5) <u>Conformity to Plan</u>. In the event that an Award is granted, or a Grant Agreement is executed which does not conform in all particulars with the provisions of the Plan, or purports to grant Awards on terms different from those set out in the Plan, the Award or the grant of such Award shall not be in any way void or invalidated, but the Award so granted will be adjusted to become, in all respects, in conformity with the Plan.
- (6) Non-Transferrable Awards. Except as specifically provided in a Grant Agreement approved by the Board, each Award granted under the Plan is personal to the Participant and shall not be assignable or transferable by the Participant, whether voluntarily or by operation of law, except by will or by the laws of succession of the domicile of the deceased Participant. No Award granted hereunder shall be pledged, hypothecated, charged, transferred, assigned or otherwise encumbered or disposed of on pain of nullity.
- (7) Participant's Entitlement. Except as otherwise provided in this Plan or unless the Board permits otherwise, upon any Subsidiary of the Company ceasing to be a Subsidiary of the Company, Awards previously granted under this Plan that, at the time of such change, are held by a Person who is a director, executive officer, employee or Consultant of such Subsidiary of the Company and not of the Company itself, whether or not then exercisable, shall automatically terminate on the date of such change.

Section 6.2 General Conditions Applicable to Options

Each Option shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) <u>Termination for Cause</u>. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant for Cause, any vested or unvested Option granted to such Participant shall terminate automatically and become

void immediately. For the purposes of the Plan, the determination by the Company that the Participant was discharged for Cause shall be binding on the Participant. "Cause" shall include, among other things, gross misconduct, theft, fraud, breach of confidentiality or breach of the Company's codes of conduct and any other reason determined by the Company to be cause for termination.

- (2) <u>Termination not for Cause</u>. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant as a result of such Participant's employment or service relationship with the Company or a Subsidiary being terminated without Cause, (i) any unvested Option granted to such Participant shall terminate and become void immediately and (ii) any vested Option granted to such Participant may be exercised by such Participant. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, in its sole discretion, such Option shall only be exercisable within the earlier of 90 days after the Termination Date, or the expiry date of the Option set forth in the Grant Agreement, after which the Option will expire.
- (3) Resignation. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant as a result of such Participant's resignation from the Company or a Subsidiary, (i) each unvested Option granted to such Participant shall terminate and become void immediately upon resignation, and (ii) unless otherwise determined by the Board, in its sole discretion, each vested Option granted to such Participant will cease to be exercisable on the earlier of the 30 days following the Termination Date and the expiry date of the Option set forth in the Grant Agreement, after which the Option will expire.
- (4) Permanent Disability/Retirement. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant by reason of retirement (in accordance with any retirement policy implemented by the Company from time to time) or permanent disability, (i) any unvested Option shall terminate and become void immediately, and (ii) any vested Option will cease to be exercisable on the earlier of the 90 days from the date of retirement or the date on which the Participant ceases such Participant's employment or service relationship with the Company or any Subsidiary by reason of permanent disability, and the expiry date of the Option set forth in the Grant Agreement, after which the Option will expire.
- (5) Death. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant by reason of death, any vested Option granted to such Participant may be exercised by the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant for that number of Shares only which such Participant was entitled to acquire under the respective Options (the "Vested Awards") on the date of such Participant's death. Such Vested Awards shall only be exercisable within 12 months after the Participant's death or prior to the expiration of the original term of the Options whichever occurs earlier.

Section 6.3 General Conditions Applicable to RSUs

Each RSU shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Termination for Cause and Resignation. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant for Cause or as a result of such Participant's resignation from the Company or a Subsidiary, the Participant's participation in the Plan shall be terminated immediately, all RSUs credited to such Participant's Account that have not vested shall be forfeited and cancelled, and the Participant's rights to Shares that relate to such Participant's unvested RSUs shall be forfeited and cancelled on the Termination Date. The Participant shall not receive any payment in lieu of cancelled RSUs that have not vested.
- (2) <u>Death or Termination</u>. Upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Participant as a result of (i) death, (ii) retirement, (iii) Termination for reasons other than for Cause, (iv) such Participant's employment or service relationship with the Company or a Subsidiary being terminated by reason of injury or disability, or (v) becoming eligible to receive long-term disability benefits, all unvested RSUs in the Participant's Account as of such date relating to a Restricted Period in progress shall be terminated, and the Participant shall not receive any payment in lieu of cancelled RSUs.

(3) <u>General</u>. For greater certainty, where a Participant's employment or service relationship with the Company or a Subsidiary is terminated pursuant to Section 6.3(1) or Section 6.3(2) following the satisfaction of all vesting conditions in respect of particular RSUs but before receipt of the corresponding distribution in respect of such RSUs, the Participant shall remain entitled to such distribution.

ARTICLE 7 ADJUSTMENTS AND AMENDMENTS

Section 7.1 Adjustment to Shares

In the event of (i) any subdivision of the Shares into a greater number of Shares, (ii) any consolidation of Shares into a lesser number of Shares, (iii) any reclassification, reorganization or other change affecting the Shares, (iv) any merger, amalgamation or consolidation of the Company with or into another corporation, or (iv) any distribution to all holders of Shares or other securities in the capital of the Company, of cash, evidences of indebtedness or other assets of the Company (excluding an ordinary course dividend in cash or Shares, but including for greater certainty shares or equity interests in a Subsidiary or business unit of the Company or one of its Subsidiaries or cash proceeds of the disposition of such a Subsidiary or business unit) or any transaction or change having a similar effect, then the Board shall in its sole discretion, subject to the required approval of any Stock Exchange, determine the appropriate adjustments or substitutions to be made in such circumstances in order to maintain the economic rights of the Participant in respect of such Award in connection with such occurrence or change, including, without limitation:

- (a) adjustments to the exercise price of such Award without any change in the total price applicable to the unexercised portion of the Award;
- (b) adjustments to the number of Shares to which the Participant is entitled upon exercise of such Award; or
- (c) adjustments to the number or kind of Shares reserved for issuance pursuant to the Plan.

Section 7.2 Change of Control

- (1) In the event of a potential Change of Control, the Board shall have the power, in its sole discretion, subject to Section 7.3, to modify the terms of this Plan and/or the Awards to assist the Participants to tender into a take-over bid or to participate in any other transaction leading to a Change of Control.
- (2) If the Company completes a transaction constituting a Change of Control and within 12 months following the Change of Control, (i) a Participant who was also an officer or employee of, or Consultant to, the Company prior to the Change of Control has their position, employment or Consulting Agreement terminated, or the Participant is constructively dismissed, or (ii) a director ceases to act in such capacity, then all unvested RSUs shall immediately vest and shall be paid out, and all unvested Options shall vest and become exercisable. Any Options that become exercisable pursuant to this Section 7.2(2) shall remain open for exercise until the earlier of their expiry date as set out in the Grant Agreement and the date that is 90 days after such termination or dismissal.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, this Section 7.2 shall not apply with respect to any DSUs held by a Participant where such DSUs are governed under paragraph 6801(d) of the regulations under the Tax Act or any successor to such provision.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, for all U.S. Participants, "Change of Control" as defined herein shall be as "Change in Control" is defined in 409A of the U.S. Tax Code.

Section 7.3 Amendment or Discontinuance of the Plan

- (1) The Board may suspend or terminate the Plan at any time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any suspension or termination of the Plan shall be such that the Plan continuously meets the requirements of paragraph 6801(d) of the regulations under the Tax Act or any successor to such provision with respect to any DSUs held by a Participant.
- (2) The Board may from time to time, in its absolute discretion and without approval of the shareholders of the Company amend any provision of this Plan or any Award, subject to any regulatory or Stock Exchange requirement at the time of such amendment, including, without limitation:
 - (a) any amendment to the general vesting provisions, if applicable, of the Plan or of the Awards:
 - (b) any amendment regarding the effect of termination of a Participant's employment or engagement;
 - (c) any amendment which accelerates the date on which any Option may be exercised under the Plan;
 - (d) any amendment necessary to comply with applicable law or the requirements of the Stock Exchange or any other regulatory body;
 - (e) any amendment of a "housekeeping" nature, including to clarify the meaning of an existing provision of the Plan, correct or supplement any provision of the Plan that is inconsistent with any other provision of the Plan, correct any grammatical or typographical errors or amend the definitions in the Plan;
 - (f) any amendment regarding the administration of the Plan;
 - (g) any amendment to add provisions permitting the grant of Awards settled otherwise than with Shares issued from treasury, a form of financial assistance or claw back, and any amendment to a provision permitting the grant of Awards settled otherwise than with Shares issued from treasury, a form of financial assistance or claw back which is adopted; and
 - (h) any other amendment that does not require the approval of the shareholders of the Company under Section 7.3(3).
- (3) Notwithstanding Section 7.3(2):
 - (a) no such amendment shall alter or impair the rights of any Participant without the consent of such Participant except as permitted by the provisions of the Plan;
 - (b) the Board shall be required to obtain shareholder approval to make the following amendments:
 - (i) any increase to the maximum number of Shares issuable under the Plan (either as a fixed number or fixed percentage of the Outstanding Issue), except in the event of an adjustment pursuant to Article 7;
 - (ii) any amendment that reduces the Option Price or extends the term of Options beyond the original expiry date that benefits an Insider of the Company;
 - (iii) any amendment which extends the expiry date of any Award, or the Restricted Period, or the Performance Period of any RSU beyond the original expiry date or Restricted Period or Performance Period, that benefits an Insider of the Company;

- (iv) except in the case of an adjustment pursuant to Article 7, any amendment which reduces the exercise price of an Option or any cancellation of an Option and replacement of such Option with an Option with a lower exercise price;
- (v) any amendment which increases the maximum number of Shares that may be (A) issuable to Insiders at any time, or (B) issued to Insiders under the Plan and any other proposed or established Security Based Compensation Arrangement in a one-year period, except in case of an adjustment pursuant to Article 7;
- (vi) any amendment to the definition of an Eligible Participant under the Plan; and
- (vii) any amendment to the amendment provisions of the Plan.
- (4) Notwithstanding the foregoing, any amendment of the Plan shall be such that the Plan continuously meets the requirements of paragraph 6801(d) of the regulations under the Tax Act or any successor to such provision with respect to any DSUs held by a Participant.

ARTICLE 8 MISCELLANEOUS

Section 8.1 Use of an Administrative Agent and Trustee

The Board may in its sole discretion appoint from time to time one or more entities to act as administrative agent or trustee to administer the Awards granted under the Plan, including for the purposes of making secondary market purchases of Shares for delivery on settlement of an Award, if applicable, and to act as trustee to hold and administer the assets that may be held in respect of Awards granted under the Plan, the whole in accordance with the terms and conditions determined by the Board in its sole discretion. The Company and the administrative agent will maintain records showing the number of Awards granted to each Participant under the Plan.

Section 8.2 Tax Withholding

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, all distributions, delivery of Shares or payments to a Participant (or to the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of the Participant) under the Plan shall be made net of such withholdings, including in respect of applicable taxes and source deductions, as the Company determines. If the event giving rise to the withholding obligation involves an issuance or delivery of Shares, then, the withholding may be satisfied in such manner as the Company determines, including by (a) having the Participant elect to have the appropriate number of such Shares sold by the Company, the Company's transfer agent and registrar or any trustee appointed by the Company pursuant to Section 8.1, on behalf of and as agent for the Participant as soon as permissible and practicable, with the proceeds of such sale being delivered to the Company, which will in turn remit such amounts to the appropriate governmental authorities, or (b) any other mechanism as may be required or determined by the Company as appropriate.

Section 8.3 US Tax Compliance

- (1) DSU Awards granted to U.S. Participants are intended to be comply with, and Option and RSU Awards granted to U.S. Participants are intended to be exempt from, all aspects of Section 409A of the U.S. Tax Code and related regulations ("Section 409A"). Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, all taxes associated with participation in the Plan, including any liability imposed by Section 409A, shall be borne by the U.S. Participant.
- (2) For purposes of interpreting and applying the provisions of any DSU or other Award to subject to Section 409A, the term "termination of employment" or similar phrase will be interpreted to mean a "separation from service," as defined under Section 409A, provided, however, that with respect to an Award subject to the Tax Act, if the Tax Act requires a complete termination of the employment

- relationship to receive the intended tax treatment, then "termination of employment" will be interpreted to only include a complete termination of the employment relationship.
- (3) If payment under any DSU or other Award subject to Section 409A is in connection with the U.S. Participant's separation from service, and at the time of the separation from service the Participant is subject to the U.S. Tax Code and is considered a "specified employee" (within the meaning of Section 409A), then any payment that would otherwise be payable during the six-month period following the separation from service will be delayed until after the expiration of the six-month period, to the extent necessary to avoid taxes and penalties under Section 409A, provided that any amounts that would have been paid during the six-month period may be paid in a single lump sum on the first day of the seventh month following the separation from service.

Section 8.4 Claw Back

Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Plan, any Award which is subject to recovery under any law, government regulation or Stock Exchange listing requirement, will be subject to such deductions and claw back as may be required to be made pursuant to such law, government regulation or Stock Exchange listing requirement (or any policy adopted by the Company pursuant to any such law, government regulation or Stock Exchange listing requirement). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board may provide in any case that outstanding Awards (whether or not vested or exercisable) and the proceeds from the exercise or disposition of Awards or Shares acquired under Awards will be subject to forfeiture and disgorgement to the Company, with interest and other related earnings, if the Participant to whom the Award was granted violates (i) a non-competition, non-solicitation, confidentiality or other restrictive covenant by which such Participant is bound, or (ii) any policy adopted by the Company applicable to the Participant that provides for forfeiture or disgorgement with respect to incentive compensation that includes Awards under the Plan. In addition, the Board may require forfeiture and disgorgement to the Company of outstanding Awards and the proceeds from the exercise or disposition of Awards or Shares acquired under Awards, with interest and other related earnings, to the extent required by law or applicable Stock Exchange listing standards, including and any related policy adopted by the Company. Each Participant, by accepting or being deemed to have accepted an Award under the Plan, agrees to cooperate fully with the Board, and to cause any and all permitted transferees of the Participant to cooperate fully with the Board, to effectuate any forfeiture or disgorgement required hereunder. Neither the Board nor the Company nor any other person, other than the Participant and such Participant's permitted transferees, if any, will be responsible for any adverse tax or other consequences to a Participant or such Participant's permitted transferees, if any, that may arise in connection with this Section 8.4.

Section 8.5 Securities Law Compliance

- (1) The Plan (including any amendments to it), the terms of the grant of any Award under the Plan, the grant of any Award and exercise of any Option, and the Company's obligation to sell and deliver Shares in respect of any Awards, shall be subject to all applicable federal, provincial, state and foreign laws, rules and regulations, the rules and regulations of applicable Stock Exchanges and to such approvals by any regulatory or governmental agency as may, as determined by the Company, be required. The Company shall not be obliged by any provision of the Plan or the grant of any Award hereunder to issue, sell or deliver Shares in violation of such laws, rules and regulations or any condition of such approvals.
- (2) No Awards shall be granted in the United States and no Shares shall be issued in the United States pursuant to any such Awards unless such Shares are registered under the U.S. Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws or an exemption from such registration is available. Any Awards granted in the United States, and any Shares issued pursuant thereto, will be "restricted securities" (as such term is defined in Rule 144(a)(3) under the U.S. Securities Act). Any certificate or instrument representing Awards granted in the United States or Shares issued in the United States pursuant to such Awards pursuant to an exemption from registration under the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state securities laws shall bear substantially the following legend restricting transfer under applicable United States federal and state securities laws:

THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY [and for Awards, the following will be added: AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE PURSUANT HERETOI HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "U.S. SECURITIES ACT"), OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (A) TO THE COMPANY, (B) OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES IN COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATION S UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS, (C) PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT PROVIDED BY (1) RULE 144 THEREUNDER, IF AVAILABLE, OR (2) RULE 144A THEREUNDER, IF AVAILABLE, AND IN EACH CASE IN COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS OR (D) IN A TRANSACTION THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE REGISTRATION UNDER THE U.S. SECURITIES ACT OR ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS, AND, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY TRANSFERS PURSUANT TO (C)(1) OR (D) ABOVE. THE SELLER HAS FURNISHED TO THE COMPANY AN OPINION OF COUNSEL OF RECOGNIZED STANDING OR OTHER EVIDENCE, IN FORM AND SUBSTANCE REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO THE COMPANY, TO THAT EFFECT. DELIVERY OF THIS CERTIFICATE MAY NOT CONSTITUTE "GOOD DELIVERY" IN SETTLEMENT OF TRANSACTIONS ON STOCK EXCHANGES IN CANADA.

- (3) No Awards shall be granted, and no Shares shall be issued, sold or delivered hereunder, where such grant, issue, sale or delivery would require registration of the Plan or of the Shares under the securities laws of any jurisdiction or the filing of any prospectus for the qualification of same thereunder, and any purported grant of any Award or purported issue or sale of Shares hereunder in violation of this provision shall be void.
- (4) The Company shall have no obligation to issue any Shares pursuant to this Plan unless upon official notice of issuance such Shares shall have been duly listed with a Stock Exchange. Shares issued, sold or delivered to Participants under the Plan may be subject to limitations on sale or resale under applicable securities laws.
- (5) If Shares cannot be issued to a Participant upon the exercise of an Option due to legal or regulatory restrictions, the obligation of the Company to issue such Shares shall terminate and any funds paid to the Company in connection with the exercise of such Option will be returned to the applicable Participant as soon as practicable.

Section 8.6 Reorganization of the Company

The existence of any Awards shall not affect in any way the right or power of the Company or its shareholders to make or authorize any adjustment, reclassification, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the Company's capital structure or its business, or any amalgamation, combination, merger or consolidation involving the Company or to create or issue any bonds, debentures, shares or other securities of the Company or the rights and conditions attaching thereto or to affect the dissolution or liquidation of the Company or any sale or transfer of all or any part of its assets or business, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar nature or otherwise.

Section 8.7 Quotation of Shares

So long as the Shares are listed on one or more Stock Exchanges, the Company must apply to such Stock Exchange or Stock Exchanges for the listing or quotation, as applicable, of the Shares underlying the Awards granted under the Plan, however, the Company cannot guarantee that such Shares will be listed or quoted on any Stock Exchange.

Section 8.8 No Fractional Shares

No fractional Shares shall be issued upon the exercise or vesting of any Award granted under the Plan and, accordingly, if a Participant would become entitled to a fractional Share upon the exercise or settlement of such Award, or from an adjustment permitted by the terms of this Plan, such Participant shall only have the right to purchase or receive, as the case may be, the next lowest whole number of Shares, and no payment or other adjustment will be made with respect to the fractional interest so disregarded.

Section 8.9 Governing Laws

The Plan and all matters to which reference is made herein shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the laws of Canada applicable therein.

Section 8.10 Severability

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of the Plan shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision and any invalid or unenforceable provision shall be severed from the Plan.

Section 8.11 Effective Date of the Plan

The Plan was adopted by the Board on April 25, 2023 and approved by the shareholders of the Company on May 30, 2023, being the effective date of the Plan. Shareholders of the Company must next approve the Plan on or prior to May 30, 2026.