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## FORM 51-102F6V

#### STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION – VENTURE ISSUERS

(for financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019)

#### General

The following information, dated as of August 5, 2021, is provided as required under Form 51-102F6V – *Statement of Executive Compensation*, for Venture Issuers (the "Form"), as such term is defined in National Instrument 51-102 *Continuous Disclosure Obligations*.

For the purposes of this Statement of Executive Compensation:

"Company" means Vext Science, Inc.;

"compensation securities" includes stock options, convertible securities, exchangeable securities and similar instruments including stock appreciation rights, deferred share units and restricted stock units granted or issued by the company or one of its subsidiaries for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the company or any of its subsidiaries; and

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

- (a) each individual who, in respect of the company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief executive officer ("CEO"), including an individual performing functions similar to a CEO;
- (b) each individual who, in respect of the company, during any part of the most recently completed financial year, served as chief financial officer ("CFO"), including an individual performing functions similar to a CFO;
- (c) in respect of the company and its subsidiaries, the most highly compensated executive officer other than the individuals identified in paragraphs (a) and (b) at the end of the most recently completed financial year whose total compensation was more than \$150,000, for that financial year;
- (d) each individual who would be a named executive officer under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was not an executive officer of the company, and was not acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

# DIRECTOR AND NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION

<u>During the financial year ended December 31, 2020</u>, based on the definition above, the NEOs of the Company were: Jason T. Nguyen (former CEO and a Director), Robert Brilon (former President, CFO, Corporate Secretary, and Director), Denise Lok (former CFO) and Eric Offenberger (President, CEO and COO). The directors of the Company who were not NEOs during the financial year ended December 31, 2020 were David Eaton, Johnathan Shelton and Caroline Williams.

<u>During financial year ended December 31, 2019</u>, based on the definition above, the NEOs of the Company were: Jason T. Nguyen (CEO and Director), and Robert J. Brilon (Former President, CFO, Corporate Secretary, and Director). The directors of the Company who were not NEOs during financial year ended December 31, 2019 were David Eaton and Jonathon Shelton.

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of subordinated voting Common Shares ("Subordinated Voting Shares") without par value, each carrying the right to one vote, and to issue an unlimited number of Class A Common

Shares with multiple voting rights, each convertible into 100 Subordinated Voting Shares ("Super Voting Shares"). The Company's Subordinated Voting Shares are listed for trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "CSE") under stock symbol "VEXT".

The Board assumes responsibility for reviewing and monitoring the long-range compensation strategy for the senior management of the Company. In determining executive compensation, the Board considers the Company's financial circumstances at the time decisions are made regarding executive compensation, and also the anticipated financial situation of the Company in the mid and long-term.

# Director and NEO Compensation, Excluding Options and Compensation Securities

The following table of compensation, excluding options and compensation securities, provides a summary of the compensation paid by the Company to NEOs and directors of the Company who were not NEOS for the financial years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 in US dollars. Options and compensation securities are disclosed under the heading "Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities" in this Form.

Table of compensation excluding compensation securities							
Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary, consulting fee, retainer or commission (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Committee or meeting fees (\$)	Value of Perquisites (\$)	Value of all other compensation (\$)	Total compensation (\$)
Jason T. Nguyen <sup>(1)</sup> former CEO, Executive Chairman of the Board, and Director	2020 2019	462,100 370,231	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	462,100 370,231
Eric Offenberger <sup>(2)</sup> President, CEO and COO	2020 2019	219,231 Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	219,231 Nil
Robert J. Brilon <sup>(3)</sup> Former President, CFO, Corporate Secretary and Director	2020	821,814	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	821,814
	2019	291,942	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	291,942
Denise Lok <sup>(4)</sup>	2020	11,388	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	11,388
Former CFO	2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
David Eaton	2020	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Director	2019	19,800	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	19,800
Jonathon Shelton	2020	4,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4,000
Director	2019	20,800	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Caroline Williams <sup>(5)</sup>	2020	Nil	Nil	4,000	Nil	Nil	4,000
Former Director	2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

# Notes:

- (1) Mr. Nguyen received \$462,100 in 2020 and \$370,231 in 2019 in relation to his employment with the Company and nil in relation to his position as a director of the Company. Mr. Nguyen resigned as CEO on January 18, 2020 and was appointed Executive Chairman of the Board on February 20, 2020.
- (2) Mr. Offenberger was appointed Chief Operating Officer on December 31, 2018 and President and CEO on February 18, 2020. Mr. Offenberger received \$219,231 in 2020 and \$150,000 in 2019 in relation to his employment with the Company.
- (3) Mr. Brilon received \$821,814 in 2020 and \$291,942 in 2019 in relation to his employment with the Company and nil in relation to his position as a director of the Company. Mr. Brilon resigned as the President, CFO, Corporate Secretary, and Director of the Company on February 7, 2020.
- (4) Ms. Lok was CFO of the Company from February 10, 2020 to March 10, 2021 and received \$11,388 in 2020 in relation to her employment to the Company.
- (5) Ms. Williams was a member of the Board of Directors from February 18, 2020 to December 10, 2020 and received \$4,000 in 2020 for attendance at board meetings.

#### **Stock Option Plan and Other Compensation Plans**

#### 10% "rolling" Stock Option Plan (Option-Based Awards)

The Company has in place a 10% rolling share option plan (the "Option Plan"), which became effective January 4, 2019. The principal purpose of the Option Plan is to advance the interests of the Company by encouraging the directors, employees and consultants of the Company and of its subsidiaries or affiliates, if any, by providing them with the opportunity, through options, to acquire Subordinated Voting Shares in the share capital of the Company, thereby increasing their proprietary interest in the Company, encouraging them to remain associated with the Company and furnishing them with additional incentive in their efforts on behalf of the Company in the conduct of its affairs.

The Option Plan provides that the number of Subordinated Voting Shares issuable under the Option Plan, together with all of the Company's other previously established or proposed share compensation arrangements, may not exceed 10% of the total number of the Company's issued and outstanding Subordinated Voting Shares.

The Option Plan is administered by the board of directors of the Company or by a special committee of the directors appointed from time to time by the board of directors of the Company. The maximum term may not exceed ten (10) years from the date of grant.

Pursuant to the Option Plan, the Company may issue Options for such period and exercise price as may be determined by the Board, and in any case not exceeding ten years from the date of grant. The Company may issue Options equal to not more than 10% of the then issued and outstanding Subordinated Voting Shares. The minimum exercise price of an option granted under the Option Plan must not be less than the fair market value of a Subordinated Voting Share on the date such option is granted, and if the Subordinated Voting Shares are listed on a recognized stock exchange, will be subject to the minimum exercise price permitted by such stock exchange.

Unless accelerated in accordance with the Option Plan, all options, whether vested or unvested, shall terminate immediately upon the Company terminating the optionee's employment or contractual relationship with the Company or any related company for cause. Options shall be terminated, to the extent not previously exercised, upon the occurrence of the first of the following events: (i) the expiration of the option as designated by the Board; (ii) in the case of termination of employment by the Company without cause, or the failure of a director standing for election to be reelected, or the failure of the Company to renew a contract for services at the end of its terms (other than a contract or employment relating to Investor Relations Activities (as such term is defined in the policies of the CSE), the date which is 90 days after the date of termination; (iii) in the case of a termination of a contract or employment relating to Investor Relations Activities, the date which 30 days from the date of termination; (iv) in case of the death of the optionee, the date which is one year after the death; and (v) in all other cases, the date of termination.

# Copy of Option Plan

The foregoing summary of the Option Plan is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Option Plan, which is available on the Company's SEDAR profile page at <a href="www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

# 10% "rolling" Restricted Share Unit Plan (Share-based Awards)

The Company has in place a 10% rolling restricted share unit plan dated for reference November 12, 2020 and approved by Shareholders at the Company's annual general and special meeting on December 10, 2020 (the "RSU Plan"). The RSU Plan provides that a rolling maximum of 10% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding shall be determined from time to time and made available for issuance pursuant to the RSU Plan, subject to adjustments as provided in the RSU Plan. Because the RSU Plan is a "rolling plan", when RSUs are cancelled (whether or not upon payment with respect to vested RSUs) or terminated, the same number of Common Shares shall again automatically be available for issuance pursuant to the RSU Plan.

Nature and Administration of the RSU Plan

All Directors, Officers, Consultants and Employees (as defined in the RSU Plan) of the Company and its related entities

("Eligible Persons") are eligible to participate in the RSU Plan (as "Participants"), and the Company reserves the right to restrict eligibility or otherwise limit the number of persons eligible for participation as Participants in the RSU Plan. Eligibility to participate as a Participant in the RSU Plan does not confer upon any person a right to receive an award of RSUs.

Subject to certain restrictions, the Board or its appointed committee (the "Board"), can, from time to time, award RSUs to Eligible Persons. RSUs will be credited to an account (an "Account") maintained for each Participant on the books of the Company as of the award date. The number of RSUs to be credited to each Participant's account shall be determined at the discretion of the Board and pursuant to the terms of the RSU Plan.

RSUs and all other rights, benefits or interests in the RSU Plan are not transferable or assignable otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and shall be exercisable during the lifetime of the Participant only by the Participant and after death only by the Participant's legal representative.

# Credit for Dividends

A Participant's Account will be credited with additional RSUs (the "Dividend RSUs") as of each dividend payment date in respect of which cash dividends are paid on Common Shares. The number of Dividend RSUs credited to a Participant's Account in connection with the payment of dividends on Common Shares will be based on the actual amount of cash dividends that would have been paid to such Participant had he or she been holding such number of Common Shares equal to the number of RSUs credited to the Participant's Account on the date on which cash dividends are paid on the Common Shares and the market price of the Common Shares on the payment date. Note that the Company is not obligated to pay dividends on Common Shares.

Resignation, Termination, Leave of Absence or Death

Generally, if a Participant's employment or service is terminated, or if the Participant resigns from employment with the Company, then all RSUs held by the Participant (whether vested or unvested) shall terminate automatically upon the termination of the Participant's service or employment.

In the event a Participant is terminated by reason of (i) termination by the Company other than for cause or (ii) the Participant's death, the Participant's unvested RSUs shall vest automatically as of such date. In the event the termination of the Participant's services by reason of voluntary resignation, only the Participant's unvested RSUs shall terminate automatically as of such date.

## Change of Control

In the event of a Change of Control, the Board may, in its discretion, without the necessity or requirement for the agreement or consent of any Participant: (i) accelerate, conditionally or otherwise, on such terms as it sees fit, the vesting date of any RSU; (ii) permit the conditional settlement of any RSU, on such terms as it sees fit; (iii) otherwise amend or modify the terms of the RSU, including for greater certainty permitting Participants to settle any RSU, to assist the Participants to tender the underlying Common Shares to, or participate in, the actual or potential Change of Control Event (as defined in the RSU Plan) or to obtain the advantage of holding the underlying Common Shares during such Change of Control Event; and (iv) terminate, following the successful completion of such Change of Control Event, on such terms as it sees fit, the RSUs not settled prior to the successful completion of such Change of Control Event, including, without limitation, for no payment or other compensation. The determination of the Board in respect of any such Change of Control Event shall for the purposes of this RSU Plan be final, conclusive and binding.

#### Adjustments

In the event there is a change in the outstanding Common Shares by reason of any stock dividend or split, recapitalization, amalgamation, consolidation, combination or exchange of shares, or other corporate change, the Board shall make, subject to the prior approval of the CSE where necessary, appropriate substitution or adjustment in (i) the number or kind of Common Shares or other securities reserved for issuance pursuant to the RSU Plan, and (ii) the number and kind of Common Shares or other securities subject to unsettled and outstanding RSUs granted pursuant to the RSU Plan.

### Vesting

Each award of RSUs vests on the date(s) (the "Vesting Date") specified by the Board on the award date, and reflected in the applicable RSU agreement certificate.

## Limitations under the RSU Plan

The maximum number of Common Shares made available for issuance pursuant to the RSU Plan shall be determined from time to time by the Board, but in any case, shall not exceed 10% of the Common Shares issued and outstanding from time to time, subject to adjustments as provided in the RSU Plan.

# Copy of RSU Plan

The foregoing summary of the RSU Plan is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the RSU Plan, which is available on the Company's SEDAR profile page at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a>.

# **Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities**

## **Outstanding Compensation Securities**

The following table discloses the particulars of the option-based awards granted to the NEOs and Directors pursuant to the Option Plan in the financial year ended December 31, 2020.

Compensation Securities							
Name and position	Type of Compensation Security	Number of compensation securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class (#)	Date of issue or grant (mm/dd/yy)	Issue, conversion or exercise price (CAD\$)	Closing price of security or underlying security on date of grant (\$)	Closing price of security or underlying security at year end (CAD\$)	Expiry Date (mm/dd/yy)
Jason T. Nguyen CEO, Executive Chairman of the Board, and Director	Stock Options		1	1	-	1	
Robert J. Brilon Former President, CFO, Corporate Secretary and Director	Stock Options		1	1	-		
Denise Lok Former CFO	Stock Options	150,000 0.32%	05/12/20	0.75	0.495	0.99	05/12/30
David Eaton Director	Stock Options	250,000 0.54%	05/12/20	0.75	0.495	0.99	05/12/30
Jonathon Shelton Director	Stock Options		1	1	ı	1	
Caroline Williams Former Director	Stock Options	250,000 0.54%	05/12/20	0.75	0.495	0.99	05/12/30

## **Exercise of Compensation Securities by Directors and NEOs**

There were no compensation securities exercised by any of the NEOs or directors of the Company during financial year ended December 31, 2020.

The Company had not entered into any other contract, agreement, plan or arrangement that provides for payments to a

NEO or a director at, following or in connection with any termination (whether voluntary, involuntary or constructive), resignation, retirement a change in control of the Company or a change in an NEOs or directors responsibilities, as at December 31, 2020.

# **Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements**

During the Company's most recently completed financial year, the Company provided compensation to certain officers of the Company pursuant to the following employment agreements:

- (i) Employment Agreement dated July 1, 2018 between Jason T. Nguyen and New Gen Holdings Inc. ("New Gen"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, as amended (the "Nguyen Employment Agreement");
- (ii) Employment Agreement dated July 1, 2018 between Robert J. Brilon and New Gen (the "Brilon Employment Agreement"); and
- (iii) Employment Agreement dated February 14, 2020 between Eric Offenberger, the Company and New Gen, as amended (the "Offenberger Employment Agreement").

The Nguyen Employment Agreement is for an initial period of three years. At the expiration of the agreement, the agreement will be renewed for regular terms of one year each on a fulltime basis, provided neither party submits a notice of termination in accordance with the agreement. The employment will be at-will employment and may be terminated at any time by either party with or without cause or notice, and without any liability or obligation except as provided in the agreement. If New Gen terminates the agreement at any time during the agreement, for any reason except for those acts by the employee to be considered "cause" (willful misconduct in the scope of Mr. Nguyen's employment which substantially interferes with the contracts or operations of New Gen or Mr. Nguyen's conviction of a felony which substantially interferes with the contracts or operations of New Gen), New Gen agrees to provide Mr. Nguyen with 24 months of base compensation and 24 months of employee benefits value. If Mr. Nguyen terminates the agreement at any time during the agreement, for "good reasons" (the occurrence of i) New Gen's material breach of a material term of the agreement including a failure to pay any portion of Mr. Nguyen's compensation or benefits; ii) a material diminution in Mr. Nguyen's position, duties or responsibilities; iii) a material reduction by New Gen of Mr. Nguyen's aggregate annualized compensation and benefits except for across-the-board reductions affecting similarly situated executive officers of New Gen; or iv) any required relocation of Mr. Nguyen's residence by New Gen or the relocation of New Gen's offices at which Mr. Nguyen is principally employed beyond a radius of 30 miles) or "change of control" (a change in the composition of the board of directors, as a result of which fewer than one-half of the incumbent directors remain directors or the acquisition or aggregation of securities by any person pursuant to which the person becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of New Gen representing 50% or more of the combined voting power of the outstanding securities of New Gen) reasons, New Gen agrees to provide Mr. Nguyen with 24 months of base compensation and 24 months of employee benefits value. For the services of CEO rendered by Mr. Nguyen, New Gen will pay to Mr. Nguyen base compensation of USD\$390,000 for full time employment in year one; USD\$430,000 for full time employment in year two; and USD\$470,000 for full time employment in year three. In addition to the base compensation, an additional bonus of up to 100% of the base wage will be payable in any commission or sales bonus structure approved by the board from time to time. Mr. Nguyen will be awarded a bonus of USD\$250,000 upon the assignment to New Gen of a patent pending that may be awarded to Mr. Nguyen during his employment and a 5% royalty on the proceeds related to licensing of the patent for the duration of the patent. Under the Nguyen Employment Agreement, Mr. Nguyen was awarded 100,000 stock options. Mr. Nguyen's Employment Agreement was terminated upon Mr. Nguyen's resignation.

The Brilon Employment Agreement is for an initial period of three years. At the expiration date of the agreement, the agreement will be renewed for regular terms of one year each, under fulltime employment, provided neither party submits a notice of termination in accordance with the agreement. Pursuant to the Brilon Employment Agreement, the employment of Mr. Brilon will be at-will employment and may be terminated at any time by either party with or without cause or notice, and without any liability or obligation except as expressly provided in the agreement. If New Gen terminates the employment of Mr. Brilon at any time during the term of the Brilon Employment Agreement, for any reason except "for cause", New Gen will provide 24 months of base compensation and 24 months of employee benefits value. If Mr. Brilon terminates the employment at any time during the agreement for "good reason" or "change of

control", New Gen agrees to provide the employee with 24 months of base compensation and 24 months of employee benefits value. For the services of President, CFO, and Corporate Secretary rendered by Mr. Brilon, New Gen will pay to Mr. Brilon base compensation of USD\$250,000 for full time employment in year one; USD\$280,000 for full time employment in year two; and USD\$310,000 for full time employment in year three. In addition to Mr. Brilon's base compensation, an additional bonus of up to 100% of the base wage will be payable upon meeting certain performance goals to be set mutually and participation in any commission or sales bonus structure approved by the board. Mr. Brilon was awarded a bonus of \$15,000 upon the completion of the New Gen acquisition and listing of the Company's Subordinated Voting Shares on the CSE. Under the Brilon Employment Agreement, Mr. Brilon was awarded 50,000 Options. On February 7, 2020, Mr. Brilon resigned as the President, CFO, Corporate Secretary, and Director. The Brilon Employment Agreement was terminated upon Mr. Brilon's resignation.

The Offenberger Employment Agreement will continue perpetually until such a time as either party elects to terminate the agreement, with or without cause or notice, and without any liability or obligation except as expressly provided in the agreement (the "Term"). For the services of Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Operating Officer ("COO") rendered by Mr. Offenberger, the Company will pay to Mr. Offenberger an annual base salary of USD\$300,000, which is not subject to mandatory or discretionary annual increases, unless the parties agree otherwise in writing. In addition to Mr. Offenberger's annual salary, should the Company's adjusted earnings before income tax depreciation and amortization ("AEBITDA") exceed USD\$9,000,000 based on the most recent audited annual financial statements of the Company (the "Bonus Threshold"), the Company will pay an annual incentive bonus of 2% of the AEBITDA in excess of the Bonus Threshold (the "Bonus"), subject a maximum of 50% of Mr. Offenberger's annual base salary.

# Oversight and description of director and NEO compensation

Elements of the Compensation Program

The responsibilities relating to executive and director compensation, including reviewing and recommending compensation of the Company's officers and employees and overseeing the Company's base compensation structure and equity-based compensation program is performed by the Company's board of directors (the "Board") as a whole. The Board also assumes responsibility for reviewing and monitoring the long-range compensation strategy for the Company's senior management. The Board generally reviews the compensation of senior management on an annual basis taking into account compensation paid by other issuers of similar size and activity and the performance of officers generally and in light of the Company's goals and objectives.

The compensation for senior management of the Company is designed to ensure that the level and form of compensation achieves certain objectives, including: (a) attracting and retaining talented, qualified and effective executives; (b) motivating the short and long-term performance of executives; and (c) better aligning the interests of executive officers with those of the Company's shareholders. In the Board's view, paying salaries which are competitive in the markets in which the Company operates is a first step to attracting and retaining talented, qualified and effective executives. Competitive salary information on comparable companies is compiled from a variety of sources, including national and international publications.

The Board determines the compensation for the CEO. The compensation of the Company's executives is determined by the Board after the recommendation of the CEO. In each case, the Board takes into consideration the prior experience of the executive, industry standards, competitive salary information on comparable companies of similar size and stage of development, the degree of responsibility and participation of the executive in the day-to-day affairs of the Company, and the Company's available cash resources.

In the Board's view, to attract and retain qualified and effective executives, the Company must pay base salaries which are reasonable in relation to the level of service expected while remaining competitive in the markets in which the Company operates.

The Board has assessed the Company's compensation plans and programs for its executive officers to ensure alignment with the Company's business plan and to evaluate the potential risks associated with those plans and programs. The Board has concluded that the compensation policies and practices do not create any risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company. The Board considers the risks associated with executive compensation and corporate incentive plans when designing and reviewing such plans and programs.

The Company has not adopted a policy restricting its executive officers or directors from purchasing financial instruments that are designated to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by its executive officers or directors. To the knowledge of the Company, none of the executive officers or directors has purchased such financial instruments.

#### Philosophy and Objectives

The compensation program for the senior management of the Company is designed within this context with a view that the level and form of compensation achieves certain objectives, including:

- (a) attracting and retaining qualified executives;
- (b) motivating the short and long-term performance of these executives; and
- (c) better aligning their interests with those of the Company's shareholders.

In compensating its senior management, the Company has employed a combination of base salary and equity participation through its Option Plan (described above). Recommendations for senior management compensation are presented to the Board for review.

# Base Salary or Consulting Fees

In the Board's view, paying base salaries which are reasonable in relation to the level of service expected while remaining competitive in the markets in which the Company operates is a first step to attracting and retaining qualified and effective executives.

Base salary ranges for the executive officers were initially determined upon a review of companies within the oil and gas industry, which were of the same size as the Company, at the same stage of development as the Company and considered comparable to the Company.

In determining the base salary of an executive officer, the Board considers the following factors:

- (a) the particular responsibilities related to the position;
- (b) salaries paid by other companies in the oil and gas industry which were similar in size as the Company;
- (c) the experience level of the executive officer;
- (d) the amount of time and commitment which the executive officer devotes to the Company; and
- (e) the executive officer's overall performance and performance in relation to the achievement of corporate milestones and objectives.

During the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company incurred the following expenses to related parties in US dollars:

	2020 (\$)	2019 (\$)
Salaries and wages – CEO, COO and a director	219,231	150,000
Salaries and wages – Former President, CFO, Corporate Secretary and a director	821,814	291,942
Salaries and wages – Executive Chairman	462,100	409,231
Salaries and wages – a director	4,000	20,800
Salaries and wages – a director	4,000	Nil

	2020 (\$)	2019 (\$)
Salaries and wages – Former CFO	11,388	Nil
Salaries and wages – Former Secretary	100,000	Nil
Share-based payments – directors and officers	291,322	101,955

## **Amounts Due to Related Parties**

Amounts due to related parties as at December 30, 2020 and 2019 included the following:

- Included in payables and accrued liabilities as at December 31, 2020 is \$562,884 (2019 \$338,198) owing to Jason Nguyen, the Executive Chairman, companies controlled by him, and his close family members. Most of this amount is made up of accrued salary and a patent transfer fee.
- Included in payables and accrued liabilities as at December 31, 2020 is \$nil (2019 \$5,885) owing to a company controlled by David Eaton, a director, and \$270,833 (2019 \$nil) owing to Robert Brilon, the former CFO, President, Corporate Secretary, and Director of the Company.
- Included in the payables and accrued liabilities as at December 31, 2020 is \$24,000, a performance bonus for Eric Offenberger, CEO.
- Included in the payables and accrued liabilities as at December 31, 2020 is \$250,000 (2019 \$nil) due to Robert Brilon, the former CFO, President, Corporate Secretary, and Director of the Company. This obligation bears no interest and is due the earlier of any change of control of the Company, a debt or equity financing greater than \$10 million of the Company on or after February 7, 2020, or no later than February 27, 2022 (Note 15). This liability was paid off in February 2021.
- Included in the long-term loans payable as at December 31, 2020 is \$64,763 (2019 \$87,316) due to Jason Nguyen, the Executive Chairman of the Company, his spouse, and a company controlled by him. These loans bear interest of 13% per annum and are due between 2022 2026.

#### **Executive Compensation**

Except for the grant of incentive share options and to the NEOs and any compensation payable pursuant to an executive compensation agreement between the CEO or CFO and the Company, there are no arrangements under which NEOs were compensated by the Company during the two most recently completed financial years for their services in their capacity as NEOs, or directors.

#### **Director Compensation**

The directors received no cash compensation for acting in their capacity as directors of the Company for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019. The Company paid Caroline Williams a director's fee in the amount of \$3,000 for each Board of Directors meeting she attended. Ms. Williams resigned from the Board of Directors on December 10, 2020.

Except for the directors' fees paid to Ms. Williams noted above, and except for the grant to directors of share options, there are no arrangements under which directors were compensated by the Company during the two most recently completed financial years for their services in their capacity as directors.

### **Bonus Incentive Compensation**

The Company's objective is to achieve certain strategic objectives and milestones. The Board considers executive bonus compensation dependent upon the Company meeting those strategic objectives and milestones and sufficient cash resources being available for the granting of bonuses. The Board approves executive bonus compensation dependent upon compensation levels based on recommendations of the CEO. Such recommendations are generally based on

information provided by issuers that are similar in size and scope to the Company's operations.

#### Equity Participation

The Company believes that encouraging its executives and employees to become shareholders is the best way of aligning their interests with those of its shareholders. Equity participation is accomplished through the Company's existing stock option plan. Stock options are granted to executives and employees taking into account a number of factors, including the amount and term of options previously granted, base salary and bonuses and competitive factors.

#### **Compensation Review Process**

# Risks Associated with the Company's Compensation Program

The Company's directors have not considered the implications of any risks to the Company associated with decisions regarding the Company's compensation program. The Company intends to formalize its compensation policies and practices and will take into consideration the implications of the risks associated with the Company's compensation program and how it might mitigate those risks.

# **Benefits and Perquisites**

The Company does not, as of the date of this Form, offer any benefits or perquisites to its NEOs other than potential grants of incentive stock options as otherwise disclosed and discussed herein.

# Hedging by Directors or NEOs

The Company has not, to date, adopted a policy restricting its executive officers and directors from purchasing financial instruments, including, for greater certainty, prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars, or units of exchange funds, which are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by executive officers or directors. The Company is not, however, aware of any directors of officers having entered into this type of transaction

As of the date of this Form, entitlement to grants of incentive stock options under the Company's Stock Option Plan is the only equity security element awarded by the Company to its executive officers and directors.

#### **Pension Disclosure**

The Company does not have a pension plan that provides for payments or benefits to the NEOs at, following, or in connection with retirement.