

29 October 2021

Dear Shareholder

Re: Notice of Meeting on Wednesday, 24 November 2021 at 11.00am (AEDT)

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Ionic Industries Limited (**Company**) will be held virtually via a live webcast at 11.00am (AEDT) on Wednesday, 24 November 2021 (**Meeting**).

In accordance with the *Treasury Laws Amendment (2021 Measures No.1) Act 2021*, the Company will not be despatching physical copies of the Notice of Meeting. Instead, the Notice of Meeting and accompanying explanatory statement (**Meeting Materials**) are being made available to shareholders electronically. This means that:

- You can access the Meeting Materials online at the Company's website
   <a href="http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/category/annual-reports-and-documentation/">http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/category/annual-reports-and-documentation/</a> or at or at the Company's share registry's online voting site, Investor Vote at
   <a href="http://www.linkmarketservices.com.au">(www.linkmarketservices.com.au</a>)
- If you have provided an email address and have elected to receive electronic communications from the Company, you will receive an email to your nominated email address with a link to an electronic copy of the Meeting Materials and the voting instruction form.

If you would like to receive electronic communications from the Company in the future, please update your communication elections online at <a href="https://www.linkmarketservices.com.au">www.linkmarketservices.com.au</a>. If you have not yet registered, you will need your shareholder information including SRN/HIN details.

If you are unable to access the Meeting Materials online please contact our share registry Link Market Services Limited on <a href="mailto:info@linkmarketservices.com.au">info@linkmarketservices.com.au</a> or 1300 554 474 (within Australia) or +61 2 8280 7100 (Outside Australia) between 8:30am and 7:30pm (AEDT) Monday to Friday, to arrange a copy.

Yours sincerely,

Melanie Leydin Company Secretary Ionic Industries Limited

ACN: 168 143 324

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# IONIC INDUSTRIES LIMITED ACN 168 143 324

## **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

**Explanatory Statement and Proxy Form** 

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, 24 November 2021

Time of Meeting: 11.00am (AEDT)

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting will be held virtually via a webinar conferencing facility. If you are a shareholder who wishes to attend and participate in the virtual meeting, please register in advance as per the instructions outlined in this Notice of Meeting. Shareholders are strongly encouraged to lodge their completed proxy forms in accordance with the instructions in this Notice of Meeting.

Following recent modifications brought to the Corporations Act 2001 which renewed the temporary relief for companies to use electronic communications to send meeting materials, no hard copy of the Notice of Annual General Meeting and Explanatory Statement will be circulated. The Notice of Meeting has been given to those entitled to receive by use of one or more technologies. The Notice of Meeting has been given to those entitled to receive by use of one or more technologies. The Notice of Meeting is also available on the Company's website: http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/

## **IONIC INDUSTRIES LIMITED**

ACN 168 143 324
Registered office: Level 4, 100 Albert Road, South Melbourne Victoria 3205

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Members of Ionic Industries Limited (the "Company") will be held virtually via a webinar conferencing facility at 11.00am (AEDT) on Wednesday, 24 November 2021.

The health and safety of members and personnel, and other stakeholders, is the highest priority and the Company is acutely aware of the current circumstances as a result of COVID-19. While the COVID-19 situation remains volatile and uncertain, based on the best information available to the Board at the time of the Notice, the Company will conduct a poll on the resolutions in the Notice using the proxies filed prior to the Meeting.

Shareholders are encouraged to submit their proxies as early as possible, and in any event, prior to the cut-off date for proxy voting as set out in the Notice. To lodge your proxy, please follow the directions on your personalised proxy form.

Shareholders attending the AGM virtually will be able to ask questions and the Company has made provision for Shareholders who register their attendance before the start of the meeting to also cast their votes on the proposed resolutions at the AGM.

The virtual meeting can be attended using the following details:

When: Wednesday, 24 November 2021 at 11.00am (AEDT)

Topic: Ionic Industries Limited Annual General Meeting

Register in advance for the virtual meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN uDdxzKmnQi2aJxZg0ry7hg

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. As noted previously, the Company strongly recommends its shareholders to lodge a directed proxy as soon as possible in advance of the meeting even if they are planning to attend the meeting online. The Company will conduct a poll on each resolution presented at the meeting. The Company will accept questions during the meeting either by submitting a question through the Q&A box located on screen or by raising the hand function also located on screen at which point the Company will allow your question verbally.

The Company is happy to accept and answer questions submitted prior to the meeting by email to <a href="mailto:mwatkins@leydinfreyer.com.au">mwatkins@leydinfreyer.com.au</a>. The Company will address relevant questions during the meeting or by written response after the Meeting (subject to the discretion of the Company not to respond to unreasonable and/or offensive questions). If the situation in relation to COVID-19 were to change in a way that affected the position above, the Company will provide a further update ahead of the Meeting by releasing an announcement to its website.

Any shareholders who wish to attend the AGM online should therefore monitor the Company's website for any updates about the AGM. If it becomes necessary or appropriate to make alternative arrangements for the holding or conducting of the meeting, the Company will make further information available through the Company's website at <a href="http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/">http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/</a>.

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## **AGENDA**

The Explanatory Statement and proxy form which accompany and form part of this Notice, describe in more detail the matters to be considered. Please consider this Notice, the Explanatory Statement and the proxy form in their entirety.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

#### Receipt and consideration of Accounts & Reports

To receive and consider the financial report of the Company and the related reports of the Directors and auditors for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Note: There is no requirement for shareholders to approve these reports. Accordingly, no resolution will be put to shareholders on this item of business.

#### Resolution 1: Re-election of Mr Peter Armitage as a Director of the Company

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

"That Mr Peter Armitage, who retires by rotation pursuant to the Constitution of the Company and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election, be re-elected as a Director of the Company."

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Melanie Leydin Company Secretary 29 October 2021

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#### Notes

- 1. **Entire Notice:** The details of the resolutions contained in the Explanatory Notes accompanying this Notice of Meeting should be read together with, and form part of, this Notice of Meeting.
- 2. Record Date: The Company has determined that shares will be taken to be held by the persons who are registered as holding the shares at 7.00pm on the date 48 hours before the date of the Annual General Meeting, for the purposes of the Meeting. Only those persons will be entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and transfers registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.

#### 3. Proxies

- a. Votes at the Annual General Meeting may be given personally or by proxy, attorney or representative.
- b. Each shareholder has a right to appoint one or two proxies.
- c. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.
- d. If a shareholder is a company it must execute under its common seal or otherwise in accordance with its constitution and the Corporations Act.
- e. Where a shareholder is entitled to cast two or more votes, the shareholder may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion of number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise.
- f. If a shareholder appoints two proxies, and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the shareholder's votes, each proxy may exercise half of the votes. If a shareholder appoints two proxies, neither proxy may vote on a show of hands.
- g. A proxy must be signed by the shareholder or his or her attorney who has not received any notice of revocation of the authority. Proxies given by corporations must be signed in accordance with corporation's constitution and Corporations Act.
- h. To be effective, proxy forms must be received at the Company's Share Registry (Link Market Services Limited) no later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Annual General Meeting, this is no later than 11.00am (AEDT) on Monday, 22 November 2021. Any proxy received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled meeting.

#### 4. Corporate Representative

Any corporate shareholder who has appointed a person to act as its corporate representative at the Meeting should provide that person with a certificate or letter executed in accordance with the Corporations Act authorising him or her to act as that company's representative. The authority may be sent to the Company and/or registry in advance of the Meeting or handed in at the Meeting when registering as a corporate representative.

#### 5. How the Chairman will vote Undirected Proxies

Subject to the restrictions set out in Note 6 below, the Chairman of the meeting will vote undirected proxies in favour of all of the proposed resolutions.

#### 6. Voting Exclusion Statements

#### Resolution 1

There are no voting exclusions on this resolution.

#### 7. Enquiries

Shareholders are invited to contact the Company Secretary on (03) 9692 7222 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

#### **Purpose of Information**

This Explanatory Statement ("Statement") accompanies and forms part of the Company's Notice of Annual General Meeting ("Notice") for the 2021 Annual General Meeting ("Meeting") to be held virtually via a webinar conferencing facility at 11.00am (AEDT) on Wednesday, 24 November 2021.

The Notice incorporates, and should be read together, with this Statement

## Receipt and consideration of Accounts & Reports

A copy of the Annual Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2021 (which incorporates the Company's financial report, reports of the Directors and the auditors) is not enclosed as there is no longer a requirement for the Company to incur the printing and distribution cost associated with doing so for all shareholders.

You may obtain a copy free of charge in hard copy form by contacting the Company by phone at +61 3 9692 7222, and you may request that this occurs on a standing basis for future years. Alternatively, you may access the Annual Report at the Company's website: <a href="http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/">http://www.ionicindustries.com.au/</a>.

It is noted that no resolution is required on these reports. Accordingly, no resolution will be put to shareholders on this item of business.

### Resolution 1: Re-election of Mr Peter Armitage as a Director of the Company

#### Background

The Constitution of the Company requires that at every Annual General Meeting, one third of Directors (excluding the Managing Director) shall retire from office and provides that such Directors are eligible for re-election at the meeting. Mr Peter Armitage being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Mr Peter Armitage was appointed as a Director of the Company on 20 June 2016.

Mr. Peter Armitage began his professional career over 40 years ago with an international accounting firm, specialising in start-ups and work-outs. After qualification he was invited into partnership of a national firm that he maintained until he set up his own practice in 1978, of which he remains principal. Since the early 1980's he has been a Director of a number of listed exploration companies in both Australia and New Zealand concentrating on fiscal aspects of project modelling and procurement of capital. He has been responsible for a number of successful IPOs supervising Due Diligence and Corporate Governance matters as well as attending to all compliance matters. Mr Armitage has also been involved in various consulting assignments in Peoples Republic of China, Canada, USA, Hong Kong, and UK for Fortune 500 companies. Mr Armitage also holds directorships in ASX listed Energex NL (ASX: ENX).

## **Board Recommendation**

The Board (with Mr Armitage abstaining) recommends that shareholders vote in favour of the re-election of Mr Armitage.

The Chairman of the meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of Mr Armitage re-election.

#### **Voting Exclusions**

Refer to Note 6 for voting exclusions on this Resolution.

#### **GLOSSARY**

The following terms have the following meanings in this Explanatory Statement:

- "\$" means Australian Dollars;
- "Annual Report" means the Directors' Report, the Financial Report, and Auditor's Report, in respect to the year ended 30 June 2021;
- "Auditor's Report" means the auditor's report on the Financial Report;
- "AEDT" means Australian Eastern Daylight Time;
- "Board" means the Directors acting as the board of Directors of the Company or a committee appointed by such board of Directors;
- "Chairman" means the person appointed to chair the Meeting of the Company convened by the Notice;
- "Company" means Ionic Industries Limited ACN 168 143 324;
- "Constitution" means the constitution of the Company as at the date of the Meeting;
- "Corporations Act" means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth);
- "Director" means a Director of the Company;
- "Directors Report" means the annual directors' report prepared under Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act for the Company and its controlled entities;
- "Explanatory Memorandum" means the explanatory memorandum which forms part of the Notice;
- "Financial Report" means the annual financial report prepared under Chapter 2M of the Corporations Act for the Company and its controlled entities;
- "Meeting" has the meaning given in the introductory paragraph of the Notice;
- "Notice" means the Notice of Meeting accompanying this Explanatory Statement;
- "Proxy Form" means the proxy form attached to the Notice;
- "Resolution" means a resolution referred to in the Notice;
- "Section" means a section of the Explanatory Memorandum; and
- "Shareholder" means shareholder of the Company.



ACN 168 143 324

#### **LODGE YOUR VOTE**

ONLINE

www.linkmarketservices.com.au

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**BY HAND** 

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## **PROXY FORM**

I/We being a member(s) of IONIC Industries Limited and entitled to attend and vote hereby appoint:

#### APPOINT A PROXY

the Chairman of the Meeting (mark box)

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

or failing the person or body corporate named, or if no person or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act on my/our behalf (including to vote in accordance with the following directions or, if no directions have been given and to the extent permitted by the law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held at 11:00am (AEDT) on Wednesday, 24 November 2021 virtually via a webinar conferencing facility (the Meeting) and at any postponement or adjournment of the Meeting.

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

## **VOTING DIRECTIONS**

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

## Resolutions

For Against Abstain\*

1 Re-election of Mr Peter Armitage as a Director of the Company



\* If you mark the Abstain box for a particular Item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or on a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

#### SIGNATURE OF SHAREHOLDERS – THIS MUST BE COMPLETED

Shareholder 1 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 2 (Individual)

Joint Shareholder 3 (Individual)

Sole Director and Sole Company Secretary

Director/Company Secretary (Delete one)

Director

This form should be signed by the shareholder. If a joint holding, either shareholder may sign. If signed by the shareholder's attorney, the power of attorney must have been previously noted by the registry or a certified copy attached to this form. If executed by a company, the form must be executed in accordance with the company's constitution and the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).



#### HOW TO COMPLETE THIS SHAREHOLDER PROXY FORM

#### YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

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

#### **APPOINTMENT OF PROXY**

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

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

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will default to the Chairman of the Meeting, who is required to vote those proxies as directed. Any undirected proxies that default to the Chairman of the Meeting will be voted according to the instructions set out in this Proxy Form

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

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

#### APPOINTMENT OF A SECOND PROXY

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

To appoint a second proxy you must:

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

#### SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

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

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

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

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

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

#### **CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES**

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

#### **LODGEMENT OF A PROXY FORM**

This Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed) must be received at an address given below by **11:00am (AEDT) on Monday, 22 November 2021,** being not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Form received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

Proxy Forms may be lodged using the reply paid envelope or:



#### **ONLINE**

#### www.linkmarketservices.com.au

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



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#### **BY FAX**

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#### **BY HAND**

delivering it to Link Market Services Limited\* Level 12 680 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

\*during business hours Monday to Friday (9:00am - 5:00pm) and subject to public health orders and restrictions