

21 October 2022

Dear Shareholder

# Helios Energy Annual General Meeting

Helios Energy Limited (ASX: HE8) (**Helios** or the **Company**) advises that an Annual General Meeting (**AGM**) will be held at the offices of the Company, Level 3, 18 Richardson Street, West Perth, Western Australia on Tuesday, 22 November 2022 commencing at 10am (Perth time).

In accordance with section 253RA of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth), as inserted by section 31 of the Treasury Laws Amendment (2021 Measures No. 1) Act 2021 (Cth) assented to on 13 August 2021, the Notice of Meeting is being made available to Shareholders (for whom an election by the recipient to receive documents in hard copy only is not in force) electronically and can be viewed and downloaded online at the following link: <a href="https://www.heliosenergyltd.com/investor-centre/announcements">https://www.heliosenergyltd.com/investor-centre/announcements</a>.

The Company encourages Shareholders to vote on resolutions via proxy form. Proxy forms can be lodged online, by post or in person, by following the proxy lodgement instructions on the proxy form. Proxy forms must be received by the Company's share registry Computershare by 10:00am (Perth time) on Sunday, 20 November 2022.

This release has been issued with the authorisation of the Board.

For further information, please contact:

John Palermo Company Secretary **Helios Energy Ltd** 

21 October 2022

ASX Code: HF8

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# **HELIOS ENERGY LIMITED**

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# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AND PROXY FORM

**TIME**: 10.00am (WST)

**DATE**: Tuesday, 22 November 2022

PLACE: Helios Energy Limited

Level 3, 18 Richardson Street West Perth, Western Australia

Shareholders are urged to attend or vote by lodging the proxy form accompanying this Notice.

This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on (+61 8) 9463 2463.

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

An indicative timetable of key proposed dates is set out below. These dates are indicative only and are subject to change.

Event	Date
Last day for receipt of Proxy Forms – Proxy Forms received after this time will be disregarded	10.00am (WST) on Sunday, 20 November 2022
Snapshot date for eligibility to vote	5.00pm (WST) on Sunday, 20 November 2022
Annual General Meeting	10.00am (WST) on Tuesday, 22 November 2022

#### **DEFINED TERMS**

Capitalised terms used in this Notice of General Meeting will, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meaning given to them in the Glossary set out in the Explanatory Statement.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION - COVID-19 VIRUS HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

The Board of Directors have elected to hold a physical meeting and have undertaken to implement certain protocols and practices to ensure the safe conduct of the Annual General Meeting in line with general health advisory recommendations.

#### Please note the following:

- The Annual General Meeting will be a physical meeting held at Helios Energy Limited, Level 3, 18 Richardson Street, West Perth WA 6005, at which Shareholders may attend in person or by proxy.
- Shareholders are encouraged to vote by proxy. Voting on all Resolutions will be conducted by poll and not by show of hands.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at 10.00am (WST) on Tuesday, 22 November 2022 at Helios Energy Limited, Level 3, 18 Richardson Street, West Perth, Western Australia.

The Explanatory Statement to this Notice of Meeting provides additional information on matters to be considered at the Annual General Meeting. The Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form are part of this Notice of Meeting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001* (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders of the Company at **5.00pm (WST)** on **Sunday**, **20 November 2022**.

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. Annual Report

To receive and consider the financial report of the Company together with the reports of the directors and the auditor for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

#### 2. Resolution 1 – Adoption of the Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution:** 

"That, for the purposes of section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, the remuneration report for the financial year ended 30 June 2022 be adopted".

**Short Explanation:** The Remuneration Report is in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report. Listed companies are required to put the Remuneration Report to the vote for adoption at the Company's Annual General Meeting. The vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

#### 3. Resolution 2 - Re-election of Mr Hui Ye as a Director

To consider and, if thought fit to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution:** 

"That Mr Hui Ye, a director of the Company who retires in accordance with Clause 14.2 of the Constitution and ASX Listing Rule 14.4, and being eligible, offers himself for re-election, be re-elected as a director of the Company".

#### 4. Resolution 3 – Approval of Proportional Takeover Provisions

To consider and, if thought fit to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as a **special resolution:** 

"That, pursuant to and in accordance with sections 136 and 648D of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, the Company insert into the Constitution the proportional takeover provisions set out in Schedule 1 of the Explanatory Memorandum in Clause 36 of the Constitution with effect from the end of the Meeting."

#### Resolution 4 - Approval of 10% Placement Facility

To consider and, if thought fit to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as a special resolution:

"That, pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.1A and for all other purposes, Shareholders approve the issue of Equity Securities up to 10% of the issued capital of the Company (at the time of the issue) calculated in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 and otherwise on the terms and conditions in the Explanatory Memorandum."

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

For personal use only **JOHN PALERMO** 

**Company Secretary** 

Dated: 18 October 2022

#### **VOTING EXCLUSIONS**

For the purposes of Listing Rule 14.11, the following voting exclusion statements apply to the Resolutions.

#### **VOTING EXCLUSION STATEMENT - RESOLUTION 1**

For Resolution 1, a vote must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of either of the following persons:

- (a) a member of the key management personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or
- (b) a closely related party of such a member.

However any of those persons may cast a vote on the resolution if:

- (a) the person does so as a proxy appointed in writing that specifies how the proxy is to vote on the proposed resolution; and
- (b) the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described in paragraphs (a) or (b) above.

If you appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as your proxy, the Company encourages you to direct the Chairman how to vote on this advisory Resolution. The Chairman, as one of the Key Management Personnel of the Company, is not permitted to cast any votes in respect of this advisory Resolution that arise from undirected proxies held unless the proxy expressly authorises the Chairman to do so.

#### **VOTING EXCLUSION STATEMENT - RESOLUTION 4**

For Resolution 4, the Company will disregard any votes cast in favour of this Resolution by or on behalf of:

- (a) a person (and any associates of such a person) who is expected to participate in; or
- (b) who will obtain a material benefit as a result of the proposed issue (except a benefit solely by reason of being a holder of ordinary securities in the Company).

However, this does not apply to a vote cast in favour of the Resolution by:

- (a) a person as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with directions given to the proxy or attorney to vote on the Resolution in that way; or
- (b) the Chair of the Meeting as proxy or attorney for a person who is entitled to vote on the Resolution, in accordance with a direction given to the Chair to vote on the resolution as the Chair decides; or
- (c) a holder acting solely in a nominee, trustee or custodial or other fiduciary capacity on behalf of a beneficiary provided the following conditions are met:
  - (i) the beneficiary provides written confirmation to the holder that the beneficiary is not excluded from voting, and is not an associate of a person excluded from voting, on the resolution; and
  - (ii) the holder votes on the resolution in accordance with directions given by the beneficiary to the holder to vote in that way.

#### TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING AND HOW TO VOTE

#### **VENUE**

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders to which this Notice of Meeting relates will be held at 10.00am (WST) on Tuesday, 22 November 2022 at:

Helios Energy Limited Level 3, 18 Richardson Street West Perth, Western Australia

#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

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

#### **VOTING IN PERSON**

To vote in person, attend the Annual General Meeting on the date and at the place or method set out above.

#### **VOTING BY PROXY**

The Proxy Form (and any power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed) must be received at an address below, or by fax or mail by on 10.00am (WST) on Sunday, 20 November 2022.

Online: www.investorvote.com.au

By mobile: Scan the QR Code on your Proxy Form and follow the prompts

By mail: Computershare Investor Services Pty Ltd, GPO Box 242, Melbourne VIC 3001,

Australia

In person: Level 3, 18 Richardson Street, West Perth WA 6005, Australia

**By fax:** 1800 783 447 (within Australia) or +61 3 9473 2555 (outside Australia)

A Proxy Form received after that time will not be valid.

#### APPOINTMENT OF A PROXY

A Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy. The proxy may, but need not be, a Shareholder.

The Company encourages Shareholders to appoint the Chairperson as your proxy. To do so, mark the appropriate box on the Proxy Form. If the person you wish to appoint as your proxy is someone other than the Chairperson, please write the name of that person in the space provided on the Proxy Form. If you leave this section blank, or your named proxy does not attend the Meeting, the Chairperson will be your 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, you may photocopy the Proxy Form or an additional Proxy Form may be obtained by telephoning Computershare Investor Services on 1300 850 505 (within Australia) or +61 (3) 9415 4000 (outside Australia).

Please note, it is recommended Shareholders complete the attached proxy form and send to the Company via the communication methods outlined above.

To appoint a second proxy you must, on each Proxy Form, state (in the appropriate box) the percentage of your voting rights which are the subject of the relevant proxy. If both Proxy Forms do not specify that percentage, each proxy may exercise half your votes. Fractions of votes will be disregarded.

Lodgement of a Proxy Form will not preclude a Shareholder from attending and voting at the Meeting in person.

#### **CORPORATE SHAREHOLDERS**

Corporate Shareholders should comply with the execution requirements set out on the proxy form or otherwise with the provisions of section 127 of the Corporations Act. Section 127 of the Corporations Act provides that a company may execute a document without using its common seal if the document is signed by:

- two directors of the company;
- a director and a company secretary of the company; or
- for a proprietary company that has a sole director who is also the sole company secretary, that director.

#### **Corporate Representatives**

A corporation may elect to appoint an individual to act as its representative in accordance with section 250D of the Corporations Act, in which case the Company will require a certificate of appointment of the corporate representative executed in accordance with the Corporations Act. The certificate of appointment must be lodged with the Company and/or the Company's share registry before the Meeting or at the registration desk on the day of the Meeting.

#### **Votes on Resolutions**

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark in the 'FOR', 'AGAINST' or 'ABSTAIN' box opposite the Resolution. All your votes will be cast in accordance with such a direction unless you indicate only a portion of voting rights are to be voted on the Resolution by inserting the percentage or number of Shares you wish to vote in the appropriate boxes. If you do not mark any of the boxes next to a Resolution, your proxy may vote as he or she chooses. If you mark more than one box on the Resolution, your vote will be invalid.

#### **Chairperson Voting Undirected Proxies**

If the Chairperson is your proxy, the Chairperson will cast your votes in accordance with your directions on the Proxy Form. If you do not mark any of the boxes on the Resolutions, then you expressly authorise the Chairperson to vote your undirected proxies at his/her discretion.

As at the date of this Notice of Meeting, the Chairperson intends to vote undirected proxies <u>FOR</u> each of the Resolutions. In exceptional cases the Chairperson's intentions may subsequently change and in this event, the Company will make an announcement to the market.

#### **Voting Entitlement (Snapshot Date)**

For the purposes of determining voting and attendance entitlements at the Meeting, Shares will be taken to be held by the persons who are registered as holding the Shares at **5.00pm (WST)** on **Sunday, 20 November 2022**. Accordingly, transactions registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the Meeting.

#### **Questions from Shareholders**

Questions for the Board of Directors can be submitted in the same manner as outlined above for the lodgement of Proxy Forms and must be received be submitted by no later than **5.00pm (WST)** on **Sunday**, **20 November 2022**.

The Board of Directors will endeavour to prepare answers to these questions, where necessary they will be moderated and curated to cover common ground.

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of the Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 10:00am (WST) on Tuesday, 22 November 2022 at Helios Energy Limited, Level 3, 18 Richardson Street, West Perth, Western Australia.

The purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide Shareholders with all information known to the Company which is material to a decision on how to vote on all the Resolutions in the accompanying Notice of Meeting.

This Explanatory Statement should be read in conjunction with the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

Capitalised terms in this Explanatory Statement are defined in the Glossary or otherwise in the Explanatory Statement.

#### 1. ANNUAL REPORT

Section 317 of the Corporations Act requires the reports of the directors and of the auditors and the Annual Report, including the financial statements, to be put before the Annual General Meeting and the Constitution provides for those reports and statements to be received and considered at the Annual General Meeting.

Neither the Corporations Act nor the Constitution requires a vote of Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on the reports or statements. However, Shareholders will be given the opportunity to raise questions on the reports and the statements at the Annual General Meeting.

The Company's 2022 Annual Report is available at <a href="www.heliosenergyltd.com">www.heliosenergyltd.com</a>. Those shareholders that elected to receive a printed copy of the Annual Report will have received a copy with this Notice of Annual General Meeting.

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be offered the opportunity to:

- (a) discuss the Annual Report;
- (b) ask questions about, or comment on, the management of the Company; and
- (c) ask the auditor questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the Auditor's Report.

In addition to taking questions at the Meeting, written questions to the Chairman about the management of the Company, or to the Company's auditor about:

- (a) the preparation and the content of the Auditor's Report;
- (b) the conduct of the audit;
- (c) accounting policies of the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements; and
- (d) the independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit,

may be submitted no later than five business days before the Meeting to the Company Secretary at the Company's registered office.

#### 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF THE REMUNERATION REPORT

The Remuneration Report is in the Directors Report section of the Company's Annual Report.

By way of summary, the Remuneration Report:

(a) explains the Company's remuneration policy and the process for determining the remuneration of its Directors and executive officers;

- (b) addresses the relationship between the Company's remuneration policy and the Company's performance; and
- (c) sets out remuneration details for each Director and each of the Company's executives named in the Remuneration Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act requires companies to put a resolution to their members that the Remuneration Report be adopted. The vote on this resolution is advisory only, however, and does not bind the Board or the Company. The Board will consider the outcome of the vote and comments made by Shareholders on the Remuneration Report at the meeting when reviewing the Company's remuneration policies.

The Chairman will give Shareholders a reasonable opportunity to ask questions about or to make comments on the Remuneration Report.

ALZOUJI MZE OUI Under the Corporations Act, if 25% or more of votes that are cast are voted against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at two consecutive AGMs, Shareholders will be required to vote at the second of those AGMs on a resolution that a further meeting is held at which all of the Company's Directors (other than the Managing Director) must stand for re-election. Voting on this resolution will be determined by a poll at the meeting rather than a show of hands. Shareholders voted in favour (99.98%) of the Remuneration Report at the 2021 AGM.

#### **Undirected Proxies**

The Chairman intends to exercise all undirected proxies in favour of Resolution 1. If the Chairman of the Meeting is appointed as your proxy and you have not specified the way the Chairman is to vote on Resolution 1, by signing and returning the Proxy Form, the Shareholder is considered to have provided the Chairman with an express authorisation to vote the proxy in accordance with the Chairman's intention.

Any undirected proxies held by any other key management personnel or any of their closely related parties will not be voted on this resolution.

Key management personnel of the Company has the same meaning as set out in the accounting standards and includes the Directors of the Company and those other persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, directly or indirectly. The Remuneration Report identifies the Company's key management personnel for the financial year to 30 June 2022. Their closely related parties are defined in the Corporations Act, and include certain members of their family, dependents and companies they control.

#### RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF MR HUI YE AS A DIRECTOR

ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and Clause 14.2 of the Constitution provide that a re-election of Directors must be held at each annual general meeting.

The Directors to retire are to be those who have been in office for 3 years since their appointment or last reappointment or who have been longest in office since their appointment or last re-appointment or, if the Directors have been in office for an equal length of time, by agreement.

Mr Hui Ye, who has served as a Director since 1 December 2017, and was last re-elected on 26 November 2019, retires by rotation and seeks re-election.

Mr Ye is the Chairman and President of Beijing Chunhui Yuan Group, which is a large and very successful private company with extensive interests in real estate, hotels, natural resources, education and entertainment. Mr Ye was a graduate of Shenzhen University in 1988 and is a descendent of one of the most influential families in modern China's history. Through Notable Pioneer Limited, Mr Ye holds the largest shareholding in the Company (605,576,359 shares, which equates to a 23.26% shareholding in the Company).

If re-elected the Board does not consider Mr Ye will be an independent Director. Resolution 2 is an ordinary resolution.

The Chairman intends to exercise all available proxies in favour of Resolution 2.

The Board (excluding Mr Ye) supports the re-election of Mr Ye to the Board and recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 2.

#### **RESOLUTION 3 – PROPORTIONAL TAKEOVER PROVISIONS**

#### 4.1 General

Under the Corporations Act, a company may include provisions in its constitution to enable it to refuse to register shares acquired under a proportional takeover bid unless a resolution approving the bid is passed by the shareholders. Such provisions cease to apply three years after they were inserted into the company's constitution, or last renewed by shareholders.

A company may insert new provisions by special resolution in the same manner as altering its constitution.

Resolution 3 seeks Shareholder approval by way of special resolution (requiring approval by 75% of the votes cast by Shareholders entitled to vote on the Resolution) to insert new proportional takeover bid provisions in the Constitution so that they remain in effect for three years from the date of the Meeting. The Directors consider that it is in the best interests of Shareholders to insert the new proportional takeover provisions in its Constitution, by way of a new Clause 36 in the form detailed in Schedule 1.

The information is set out below so that Shareholders may make an informed decision on whether to support or oppose this Resolution.

#### 4.2 What is a Proportional Takeover Bid

A proportional takeover bid is a takeover bid where the offer made to each shareholder of a company is only for a proportion of that shareholder's shares in the company.

Accordingly, if a shareholder accepts in full the offer under a proportional takeover bid, the shareholder will dispose of the specified portion of their shares in the company and retain the balance of the shares.

# 4.3 Effect of the Provisions to be Renewed

If a proportional takeover bid is made to Shareholders, the Board will be required to convene a meeting of Shareholders to vote on a resolution to approve the proportional takeover bid. That meeting must be held at least 14 days before the offer under the proportional takeover bid closes.

The resolution shall be taken to have been passed if a majority of Shares voted at the meeting, excluding the Shares of the bidder and its associates, vote in favour of the resolution. The Directors will breach the Corporations Act if they fail to ensure the resolution to approve the offer is voted on. However, if no resolution is voted on before the end of the 15th day before the close of the offer, the resolution will be deemed to have been passed. Where the resolution approving the offer is passed or deemed to have been passed, transfers of Shares resulting from accepting the offer will be registered provided they otherwise comply with the Corporations Act, the Listing Rules, the ASX Settlement Operating Rules and the Constitution. If the resolution is not approved, then in accordance with the Corporations Act, the offer will be deemed to be withdrawn.

The proportional takeover approval provisions do not apply to full takeover bids and only apply for three years after the date of adoption of the provisions. The provisions may be renewed for a further threeyear term, but only by a special resolution of Shareholders.

#### 4.4 Reasons for Proposing Resolution 3

The Directors consider that Shareholders should have the opportunity to insert the proportional takeover approval provisions in the Constitution. Without the inclusion of such provisions, a proportional takeover bid for the Company may enable effective control of the Company to be acquired without Shareholders having the opportunity to dispose of all of their Shares to the bidder. Accordingly, Shareholders could be at risk of passing control to the bidder without payment of an adequate control premium for all their Shares whilst leaving themselves as part of a minority interest in the Company.

These provisions deal with this possibility by providing that if a proportional takeover bid is made for Shares, Shareholders must vote on whether or not a proportional takeover bid should be permitted to

The benefit of these provisions is that Shareholders are able to decide collectively whether the proportional takeover bid is acceptable in principle and it may ensure that any partial offer is appropriately priced.

#### 4.5 No Knowledge of Present Acquisition Proposals

As at the last date before the finalisation of this Explanatory Memorandum, no Director is aware of a proposal by any person to acquire, or to increase the extent of, a substantial interest in the Company.

#### 4.6 Potential Advantages for Directors and Shareholders

The insertion of the proportional takeover approval provisions will enable the Directors to formally ascertain the views of Shareholders in respect of a proportional takeover bid. Without such provisions, the Directors are dependent upon their perception of the interests and views of Shareholders. Other than this advantage, the Directors consider that the renewal of these provisions has no potential advantages or potential disadvantages for them as they remain free to make a recommendation on whether a proportional takeover offer should be accepted.

The Directors consider that inserting the new proportional takeover approval provisions will benefit all Shareholders in that they will have an opportunity to consider a proportional takeover bid and then attend or be represented by proxy at a meeting of Shareholders called specifically to vote on the proposal. Accordingly, Shareholders will be able to prevent a proportional takeover bid proceeding if there is sufficient support for the proposition that control of the Company should not be permitted to pass under the proportional takeover bid. The provisions may also help Shareholders avoid being locked in as a minority with one majority Shareholder. In addition, increasing the bargaining power of Shareholders may ensure that any partial offer is adequately priced. Furthermore, knowing the view of Shareholders assists each individual Shareholder in assessing the likely outcome of the proportional takeover bid and whether to accept or reject that bid.

#### 4.7 Potential Disadvantages for Directors and Shareholders

It may be argued that renewing the proportional takeover provisions will make it more difficult for a proportional takeover bid to succeed and will therefore discourage proportional takeover bids. The chance of a proportional takeover bid being successful may be reduced. In turn, this may reduce the opportunities which Shareholders may have to sell all or some of their Shares at a premium to persons seeking control of the Company. Such a provision may also be considered an additional restriction on the ability of individual Shareholders to deal freely in their Shares.

#### 4.8 Directors' Recommendation

On balance, the Directors consider that the possible advantages outweigh the possible disadvantages such that the insertion of the proportional takeover approval provisions is in the interests of Shareholders.

The Directors unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 3. Each Director intends to vote all the Shares controlled by him or her in favour of the Resolution.

If Resolution 3 is approved by 75% of the votes cast by members entitled to vote on the Resolution, Clause 36 of the Constitution, as set out in Schedule 1 of this Notice will be inserted into the Constitution and will take effect from the end of the Meeting.

#### 5. RESOLUTION 4 - APPROVAL OF 10% PLACEMENT FACILITY

#### 5.1 General

Listing Rule 7.1A enables eligible entities to issue Equity Securities up to 10% of its issued share capital through placements over a 12-month period after the annual general meeting (10% Placement Facility). The 10% Placement Facility is in addition to the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

An eligible entity for the purposes of Listing Rule 7.1A is an entity that is not included in the S&P/ASX 300 Index and has a market capitalisation of \$300 million or less. The Company is an eligible entity. The Company is now seeking shareholder approval by way of a special resolution to have the ability to issue Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility.

The exact number of Equity Securities to be issued under the 10% Placement Facility will be determined in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 (refer to Section 5.2(c) below).

If Resolution 4 is passed, the Company will be able to issue equity securities up to the combined 25% limit in Listing Rules 7.1 and 7.1A, without any further shareholder approval.

If Resolution 4 is not passed, the Company will not be able to access the additional 10% capacity to issue equity securities to issue equity securities without shareholder approval provided for in Listing Rule 7.1A and will remain subject to the 15% limit on issuing equity securities without shareholder approval set out in Listing Rule 7.1.

The Directors of the Company believe that Resolution 4 is in the best interests of the Company because if exploration success is achieved at its Presidio Oil Project in Texas, USA or at the Company's helium extraction plants in China over the next 12 months, this resolution provides the ability for the Company to raise additional funds quickly. The Directors unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of this Resolution.

#### 5.2 Description of Listing Rule 7.1A

#### (a) Shareholder approval

The ability to issue Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility is subject to shareholder approval by way of a special resolution at an annual general meeting. Accordingly, at least 75% of votes cast by Shareholders present (in person, or by proxy or representative) and eligible to vote at the Meeting must be in favour of Resolution 4 for it to be passed.

#### (b) Equity securities

Any Equity Securities issued under the 10% Placement Facility must be in the same class as an existing quoted class of Equity Securities of the Company.

The Company, as at the date of the Notice, has on issue two classes of Equity Securities, namely quoted Shares and Unquoted Options.

#### (c) Formula for calculating 10% Placement

Listing Rule 7.1A.2 provides that eligible entities which have obtained shareholder approval at an annual general meeting may issue or agree to issue, during the 12-month period after the date of the annual general meeting, a number of Equity Securities calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$(A \times D) - E$$

where

**A** = The number of fully paid ordinary shares on issue at the commencement of the 12 months immediately preceding the date of issue or agreement to issue:

- plus the number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in the 12 months under an exception to ASX Listing Rule 7.2 other than exception 9, 16 or 17;
- plus the number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in the relevant period on the conversion of convertible securities within ASX Listing Rule 7.2 exception 9 where:
  - the convertible securities were issued or agreed to be issued before the commencement of the relevant period; or
  - the issue of, or agreement to issue the convertible securities was approve or taken under these rules to have been approved under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 or 7.4;
- plus the number of fully paid ordinary securities issued in the relevant period under an agreement to issue securities within ASX Listing Rule 7.2 exception 16 where:
  - the agreement was entered into before the commencement of the relevant period;
     or
  - the agreement or issue was approved, or taken under these rules to have been approved under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 or rule 7.4;
- plus the number of any other fully paid ordinary securities issued in the relevant period with approval under Listing Rule 7.1 or rule 7.4;
- plus the number of partly paid ordinary securities that became fully paid in the relevant period; and
- less the number of fully paid ordinary securities cancelled in the last 12 months.

Note that A has the same meaning in ASX Listing Rule 7.1 when calculating an entity's 15% placement capacity.

D = 10%

**E** = the number of equity securities issued or agreed to be issued under ASX Listing Rule 7.1A.2 in the last 12 months immediately preceding the date or issue of the securities where the issue or agreement has not been subsequently approved by the holders of its ordinary securities under ASX Listing Rule 7.4.

#### (d) Listing Rule 7.1 and Listing Rule 7.1A

The ability of an entity to issue Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A is in addition to the entity's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1. At the date of this Notice, the Company has on issue 2,604,049,443 Shares, meaning the Company has the capacity to issue:

- (i) 390,607,416 Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1; and
- (ii) 260,404,944 Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A.

The actual number of Equity Securities that the Company will have capacity to issue under Listing Rule 7.1A will be calculated at the date of issue of the Equity Securities in accordance with the formula prescribed in Listing Rule 7.1A.2 (refer to Section 5.2(c) above).

#### (e) 10% Placement period

The 10% Placement Period is defined in section 5.4(a) below.

#### 5.3 Listing Rule 7.1A

The effect of Resolution 4 will be to allow the Directors to issue the Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A during the 10% Placement Period without using the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.

Resolution 4 is a special resolution and therefore requires approval of 75% of the votes cast by shareholders present and eligible to vote (in person, by proxy, by attorney or, in the case of a corporate Shareholder, by a corporate representative).

#### 5.4 Listing Rule 7.3A Information Requirements

Pursuant to and in accordance with Listing Rule 7.3A, information is provided in relation to the approval of the 10% Placement Facility as follows:

#### (a) 10% Placement Period

Shareholder approval of the 10% Placement Facility under Listing Rule 7.1A is valid from the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained and expires on the earlier to occur of:

- the date that is 12 months after the date of the annual general meeting at which the approval is obtained;
- (ii) the time and date of the Company's next annual general meeting; or
- (iii) the time and date of the approval by shareholders of ordinary securities of a transaction under ASX Listing Rules 11.1.2 (a significant change to the nature or scale of activities) or 11.2 (disposal of main undertaking (10% Placement Period).

#### (b) Minimum Issue Price

The Equity Securities will be issued at an issue price of not less than 75% of the VWAP for the Company's Equity Securities over the 15 Trading Days on which trades in that class were recorded immediately before:

(i) the date on which the price at which the Equity Securities are to be issued is agreed by the Company and the recipient of the Equity Securities; or

(ii) if the Equity Securities are not issued within 10 Trading Days of the date in paragraph (i) above, the date on which the Equity Securities are issued.

#### (c) Purpose for which the 10% Placement Facility may be implemented

The Company may seek to issue the Equity Securities for cash consideration in which case the Company intends to use the funds raised towards an acquisition of new resource assets or investments (including expenses associated with such acquisition), continued exploration and feasibility study expenditure on the Company's current assets and/or for general working capital.

The Company will comply with the disclosure obligations under Listing Rule 7.1A(4) upon issue of any Equity Securities.

#### (d) Risk of economic and voting dilution

If Resolution 4 is approved by Shareholders and the Company issues Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility, the existing Shareholders' voting power in the Company will be diluted as shown in the below table (in the case of Unlisted Options, only if the Unlisted Options are exercised). There is a risk that:

- (i) the market price for the Company's Equity Securities may be significantly lower on the date of the issue of the Equity Securities than on the date of the Meeting; and
- (ii) the Equity Securities may be issued at a price that is at a discount to the market price for the Company's Equity Securities on the issue date,

which may have an effect on the amount of funds raised by the issue of the Equity Securities.

The below table shows the dilution of existing Shareholders on the basis of the current market price of Shares and the current number of ordinary securities for variable "A" calculated in accordance with the formula in Listing Rule 7.1A(2) as at the date of this Notice.

The table also shows:

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

	Dilution				
Variable 'A' in Listing Rule		\$0.046	\$0.091	\$0.137	
7.1A.2		50% decrease in Issue Price	Issue Price	50% increase in Issue Price	
Current Variable A	10% Voting	260,404,944	260,404,944	260,404,944	
	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares	
2,604,049,443 Shares	Funds raised	\$11,978,627	\$23,696,850	\$35,675,477	
50% increase in	10% Voting	390,607,416	390,607,416	390,607,416	
current Variable A	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares	
3,906,074,165 Shares	Funds raised	\$17,967,941	\$35,545,275	\$53,513,216	
100% increase in	10% Voting	520,809,889	520,809,889	520,809,889	
current Variable A	Dilution	Shares	Shares	Shares	
5,208,098,886 Shares	Funds raised	\$23,957,255	\$47,393,700	\$71,350,955	

The table has been prepared on the following assumptions:

- The Company issues the maximum number of Equity Securities available under the 10% Placement Facility.
- (ii) No options are exercised into Shares before the date of the issue of the Equity Securities.
- (iii) The 10% voting dilution reflects the aggregate percentage dilution against the issued share capital at the time of issue. This is why the voting dilution is shown in each example as 10%.
- (iv) The table does not show an example of dilution that may be caused to a particular Shareholder by reason of placements under the 10% Placement Facility, based on that Shareholder's holding at the date of the Meeting.
- (v) The table shows only the effect of issues of Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A, not under the 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1.
- (vi) The issue of Equity Securities under the 10% Placement Facility consists only of Shares. If the issue of Equity Securities includes options, it is assumed that those options are exercised into Shares for the purpose of calculating the voting dilution effect on existing Shareholders.
- (vii) The issue price is \$0.091, being the closing price of the Shares on ASX on 7 October 2022.

#### (e) Allocation policy when the 10% Placement Facility may be implemented

The Company's allocation policy is dependent on the prevailing market conditions at the time of any proposed issue pursuant to the 10% Placement Facility. The identity of the allottees of Equity Securities will be determined on a case-by-case basis having regard to the factors including but not limited to the following:

- (i) the methods of raising funds that are available to the Company, including but not limited to, rights issue or other issue in which existing security holders can participate;
- (ii) the effect of the issue of the Equity Securities on the control of the Company;
- (iii) the financial situation and solvency of the Company; and
- (iv) advice from corporate, financial and broking advisers (if applicable).

The allottees under the 10% Placement Facility have not been determined as at the date of this Notice. However, the recipients of Equity Securities could consist of current Shareholders and/or new Shareholders (or both), none of whom will be related parties or associates of a related party of the Company.

#### (f) Prior Approvals under Listing Rule 7.1A

The Company has previously obtained approval from its Shareholders pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.1A at its 2021 Annual General meeting, however has not issued or agreed to issue Equity Securities under Listing Rule 7.1A2 in the 12 months preceding the date of this Notice.

#### (g) Voting Exclusions

A voting exclusion statement is included in the Notice. At the date of the Notice, the Company has not approached any particular existing Shareholder or security holder or an identifiable class of existing security holder to participate in the issue of the Equity Securities utilising this 10% Placement Facility following the 2022 Annual General Meeting. No existing Shareholder's votes will therefore be excluded under the voting.

#### 5.5 Directors' Recommendation

Resolution 4 is a special resolution, which requires a minimum of 75% of the votes cast. The Chairman intends to exercise all available proxies in favour of Resolution 4.

The Board unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 4 as this will enable the Company to conserve its cash, and the ability to issue equity securities in the event of a capital raise.

#### **GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS**

In the Notice and this Explanatory Memorandum, words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa, and unless the context otherwise requires:

\$ means Australian dollars.

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

Annual Report means the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2022 as lodged with ASX and ASIC.

ASIC means the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ABN 98 008 624 691) and, where the context requires, the Australian Securities Exchange operated by ASX Limited.

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

Board means the current board of Directors of the Company.

**Business Day** means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

Chairman means the person appointed to chair the Meeting convened by the Notice.

Closely Related Party has the meaning given in section 9 of the Corporations Act.

Company means Helios Energy Limited (ACN 143 932 110).

Constitution means the constitution of the Company.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Director** means a director of the Company.

**Equity Securities** has the same meaning as in the Listing Rules.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice of Meeting.

**Key Management Personnel** has the same meaning as in the accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of an entity within the consolidated group.

Listing Rules means the official listing rules of ASX.

Meeting or Annual General Meeting means the general meeting convened by this Notice.

**Notice** or **Notice** of **Meeting** or **Notice** of **Annual General Meeting** means this notice of annual general meeting including the explanatory statement.

**Option** means an option to acquire a Share.

**Proxy Form** means the proxy form attached to the Notice.

Related Body Corporate has the meaning given to that term in the Corporations Act.

Related Party is defined in section 228 of the Corporations Act

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report.

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

Rule means a rule or clause of the Constitution

Schedule means a schedule to this Notice.

**Section** means a section contained in this Explanatory Statement.

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

Shareholder means a registered holder of a Share.

Share Registry means Computershare Investor Services Pty Ltd (ACN 078 279 277).

WST means Western Standard Time as observed in Perth, Western Australia.

#### SCHEDULE 1 - PROPORTIONAL TAKEOVER PROVISIONS

#### 36. PARTIAL TAKEOVER PLEBISCITES

#### 36.1 Resolution to Approve Proportional Off-Market Bid

- (a) Where offers have been made under a proportional off-market bid in respect of a class of securities of the Company ("bid class securities"), the registration of a transfer giving effect to a contract resulting from the acceptance of an offer made under the proportional off-market bid is prohibited unless and until a resolution (in this clause 36 referred to as a "prescribed resolution") to approve the proportional off-market bid is passed in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.
- (b) A person (other than the bidder or a person associated with the bidder) who, as at the end of the day on which the first offer under the proportional offmarket bid was made, held bid class securities is entitled to vote on a prescribed resolution and, for the purposes of so voting, is entitled to one vote for each of the bid class securities.
- (c) A prescribed resolution is to be voted on at a meeting, convened and conducted by the Company, of the persons entitled to vote on the prescribed resolution.
- (d) A prescribed resolution that has been voted on is to taken to have been passed if the proportion that the number of votes in favour of the prescribed resolution bears to the total number of votes on the prescribed resolution is greater than one half, and otherwise is taken to have been rejected.

#### 36.2 Meetings

- (a) The provisions of this Constitution that apply in relation to a general meeting of the Company apply, with modifications as the circumstances require, in relation to a meeting that is convened pursuant to this clause 36.2 as if the last mentioned meeting was a general meeting of the Company.
- (b) Where takeover offers have been made under a proportional off-market bid, the Directors are to ensure that a prescribed resolution to approve the proportional off-market bid is voted on in accordance with this clause 36 before the 14<sup>th</sup> day before the last day of the bid period for the proportional off-market bid (the "**resolution deadline**").

#### 36.3 Notice of Prescribed Resolution

Where a prescribed resolution to approve a proportional off-market bid is voted on in accordance with this clause 36 before the resolution deadline, the Company is, on or before the resolution deadline:

- (a) to give the bidder; and
- (b) if the Company is listed each relevant financial market (as defined in the Corporations Act) in relation to the Company;

a notice in writing stating that a prescribed resolution to approve the proportional off-market bid has been voted on and that the prescribed resolution has been passed, or has been rejected, as the case requires.

#### 36.4 Takeover Resolution Deemed Passed

Where, at the end of the day before the resolution deadline, no prescribed resolution to approve the proportional off-market bid has been voted on in accordance with this clause 36, a resolution to approve the proportional off-market bid is to be, for the purposes of this clause 36, deemed to have been passed in accordance with this clause 36.

#### 36.5 Takeover Resolution Rejected

Where a prescribed resolution to approve a proportional off-market bid under which offers have been made is voted on in accordance with this clause 36 before the resolution deadline, and is rejected, then:

- (a) despite section 652A of the Corporations Act:
  - (i) all offers under the proportional off-market bid that have not been accepted as at the end of the resolution deadline; and

- (ii) all offers under the proportional off-market bid that have been accepted and from whose acceptance binding contracts have not resulted as at the end of the resolution deadline, are deemed to be withdrawn at the end of the resolution deadline;
- (b) as soon as practicable after the resolution deadline, the bidder must return to each person who has accepted any of the offers referred to in clause 36.5(a)(ii) any documents that were sent by the person to the bidder with the acceptance of the offer;
- (c) the bidder:
  - (i) is entitled to rescind; and
  - (ii) must rescind as soon as practicable after the resolution deadline, each binding takeover contract resulting from the acceptance of an offer made under the proportional off-market bid; and
- (d) a person who has accepted an offer made under the proportional offmarket bid is entitled to rescind the takeover contract (if any) resulting from the acceptance.

#### 36.6 Renewal

This clause 36 ceases to have effect on the third anniversary of the date of the adoption of the last renewal of this clause 36.

### **Helios Energy Ltd**

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#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

For your proxy appointment to be effective it must be received by 10:00am (AWST) on Sunday, 20 November 2022.

# **Proxy Form**

#### How to Vote on Items of Business

All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions.

#### APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

Voting 100% of your holding: Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box your proxy may vote or abstain as they choose (to the extent permitted by law). If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.

Voting a portion of your holding: Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the percentage or number of securities you wish to vote in the For, Against or Abstain box or boxes. The sum of the votes cast must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%.

Appointing a second proxy: You are entitled to appoint up to two proxies to attend the meeting and vote on a poll. If you appoint two proxies you must specify the percentage of votes or number of securities for each proxy, otherwise each proxy may exercise half of the votes. When appointing a second proxy write both names and the percentage of votes or number of securities for each in Step 1 overleaf.

A proxy need not be a securityholder of the Company.

#### SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS FOR POSTAL FORMS

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the securityholder must sign.

Joint Holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the securityholders should sign.

Power of Attorney: If you have not already lodged the Power of Attorney with the registry, 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 sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

#### PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

#### Corporate Representative

If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to participate in the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Appointment of Corporate Representative". A form may be obtained from Computershare or online at www.investorcentre.com/au and select "Printable Forms".

#### **Lodge your Proxy Form:**



#### Online:

Lodge your vote online at www.investorvote.com.au using your secure access information or use your mobile device to scan the personalised QR code.

Your secure access information is



Control Number: 999999

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For Intermediary Online subscribers (custodians) go to www.intermediaryonline.com

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PLEASE NOTE: For security reasons it is important that you keep your SRN/HIN confidential.

You may elect to receive meeting-related documents, or request a particular one, in electronic or physical form and may elect not to receive annual reports. To do so, contact Computershare.

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SAMPLETOWN VIC 3030

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## Proxy Form

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