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22 November 2012

## Australian Ethical Investment Limited Results of 2012 Annual General Meeting

The results of Australian Ethical Investment Limited's Annual General Meeting held at 5:30 pm on Thursday, 22 November 2012 are set out below.

All resolutions were decided on a poll.

Resolutions 2, 3, 9 and 10 were passed.

Resolutions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 11 failed.

## This means that:

- Justine Hickey and Steve Gibbs have been elected as directors of the Company;
- André Morony and Phillip Vernon continue as directors of the Company;
- Penelope Le Couteur, Nigel Hennessy and Damian Hannes were not elected as directors of the Company;
- KPMG is the Company's auditor;
- The remuneration report was adopted, however a 'second strike' was recorded and a spill resolution was required; and
- The spill resolution failed and a spill meeting will not be conducted.

In relation to resolution 6, the Company and shareholders were orally advised at the AGM that Penelope Le Couteur had withdrawn her consent to her nomination to stand for the office of director. Neither Penelope Le Couteur nor the shareholders who nominated her advised the Company prior to the commencement of the AGM. Furthermore, none of the people nominated by shareholders for election to the office of director, being Penelope Le Couteur, Nigel Hennessy and Damian Hannes were in attendance at the AGM.

Resolution 10 related to the remuneration report. 33.84% of votes cast were against the resolution. This constituted a 'second strike'. As a result resolution 11, the spill meeting motion, was required. 68.67% of the votes cast were against resolution 11. This means that a spill meeting is not required.

The shareholders unanimously passed a resolution moved from the floor thanking two partners of Thomas Davis & Co, Jeff Ryan and Peter Whiteman, for their work in auditing the Company's accounts, the managed investment scheme's accounts, the superannuation fund's accounts and all the other work that they had done for Australian Ethical during their tenure as auditors.

These results are provided in accordance with ASX Listing Rule 3.13.2 and Section 251AA of the Corporations Act 2001. The proxy information required by section 251AA(1) is set out in the table at the end of this announcement.

## **Detailed results**

That Justine Hickey, Director, who retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers herself for re-election, be re-elected as a director of the Company.

| F | or      | Against | Abstain |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
|   | 435,219 | 259,002 | 519     |



That Stephen Gibbs, Director, who retires by operation of clause 11.4 of the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for election, be elected as a director of the Company.

| For     | Against | Abstain |  |
|---------|---------|---------|--|
| 693,090 | 1,131   | 519     |  |

4 That André Morony, Director, be removed as a director of the Company.

| For  | Agains | t       | Abstain |
|------|--------|---------|---------|
| 279, | 098    | 411,538 | 4,104   |

5 That Phillip Vernon, Director, be removed as a director of the Company.

| For  | Agains | Against Abstain |  |       |
|------|--------|-----------------|--|-------|
| 258, | 649 4  | 32,501          |  | 3,590 |

That Penelope Le Couteur, who has nominated herself as a candidate for election as a director of the Company, be appointed as a director of the Company.

| For |         | Against | Abstain |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|
|     | 185,677 | 429,159 | 79,904  |

7 That Nigel Hennessey, who has nominated himself as a candidate for election as a director of the Company, be appointed as a director of the Company.

| For     | Against | Abstain |
|---------|---------|---------|
| 262,251 | 429,480 | 3,009   |

8 That Damian Hannes, who has nominated himself as a candidate for election as a director of the Company, be appointed as a director of the Company.

| For |         | Against | Abstain |  |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|--|
|     | 257.773 | 433,958 | 3.009   |  |

9 That KPMG is appointed as the Company's auditor.

| For |         | Against | Abstain |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|
|     | 509,728 | 180,276 | 4,736   |

10 That the Remuneration Report as set out in the Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2012 be adopted.

| For    | Against | Abstain |
|--------|---------|---------|
| 421,57 | 215,674 | 4,308   |

11 That, as required by the Corporations Act:

- (a) a meeting of the Company's members be held within 90 days of the date of the 2012 Annual General Meeting (the spill meeting);
- (b) each of André Morony\*, Justine Hickey\*, Stephen Gibbs\* and Stephen Newnham cease to hold office immediately before the end of the spill meeting; and
- (c) resolutions to appoint persons to offices that will be vacated immediately before the end of the spill meeting be put to the vote at the spill meeting.

<sup>\*</sup> This assumes the relevant director is not removed or re-elected or elected at the Meeting as the case may be.

| For |         | Against | Abstain |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|
|     | 199,948 | 438,181 | 3,429   |



## **Detailed proxy information**

| Res | olution  |  | For     | Against | Abstain | Open  |
|-----|--|--|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| 2   | accord   | lustine Hickey, Director, who retires by rotation in dance with the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, herself for re-election, be re-elected as a director of the any.   | 408,538 | 157,083 | 519     | 4,132 |
| 3   | 11.4 o   | Stephen Gibbs, Director, who retires by operation of clause of the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers lf for election, be elected as a director of the Company.  | 564,490 | 1,131   | 519     | 4,132 |
| 4   | That A   | André Morony, Director, be removed as a director of the any.   | 157,039 | 405,206 | 3,085   | 4,942 |
| 5   | That F<br>Comp   | Phillip Vernon, Director, be removed as a director of the any.   | 156,730 | 406,029 | 2,571   | 4,942 |
| 6   | That Penelope Le Couteur, who has nominated herself as a candidate for election as a director of the Company, be appointed as a director of the Company. |  | 134,310 | 423,490 | 8,193   | 4,279 |
| 7   | That Nigel Hennessey, who has nominated himself as a candidate for election as a director of the Company, be appointed as a director of the Company.     |  | 160,332 | 405,008 | 1,990   | 2,942 |
| 8   | That Damian Hannes, who has nominated himself as a candidate for election as a director of the Company, be appointed as a director of the Company.       |  | 155,854 | 409,486 | 1,990   | 2,942 |
| 9   | That K   | (PMG is appointed as the Company's auditor.  | 434,411 | 127,993 | 4,736   | 3,132 |
| 10  |  | he Remuneration Report as set out in the Annual Report for ancial year ended 30 June 2012 be adopted.  | 400,811 | 113,755 | 3,289   | 4,350 |
| 11  | (a) (b) (c) * This   | as required by the Corporations Act:  a meeting of the Company's members be held within 90 days of the date of the 2012 Annual General Meeting (the spill meeting); each of André Morony*, Justine Hickey*, Stephen Gibbs* and Stephen Newnham cease to hold office immediately before the end of the spill meeting; and resolutions to appoint persons to offices that will be vacated immediately before the end of the spill meeting be put to the vote at the spill meeting.  assumes the relevant director is not removed or re-elected cted at the Meeting as the case may be. | 98,029  | 412,080 | 3,239   | 4,942 |