



## ARA ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda)

(Co. Reg. No: 32276)

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of ARA ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED (the "Company") will be held at Level 3, Meeting Room 331-332, Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, 1 Raffles Boulevard, Suntec City, Singapore 039593 on Friday, 15 April 2016 at 10.00 a.m. for the following purposes:

#### AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

- To receive and adopt the Directors' Statement and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 together with the Auditors' Report thereon. (Ordinary Resolution 1)
- To declare a final tax exempt (one-tier) dividend of 2.7 Singapore cents per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2015. (2014: 2.7 Singapore cents per ordinary share) (Ordinary Resolution 2)
- To re-elect the following Directors of the Company retiring pursuant to Bye-law 86(1) of the Company's Bye-laws:  
(i) Cheng Mo Chi Moses (Ordinary Resolution 3)  
(ii) Chew Gek Khim (Ordinary Resolution 4)  
(iii) Yap Chee Keong (Ordinary Resolution 5)  
*Dr Cheng Mo Chi Moses will, upon re-election as Director of the Company, remain as a member of the Audit, Nominating and Remuneration Committees and will be considered independent for the purposes of Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST").*  
*Ms Chew Gek Khim will, upon re-election as Director of the Company, remain as Non-Executive Deputy Chairman and a member of the Nominating and Remuneration Committees.*  
*Mr Yap Chee Keong will, upon re-election as Director of the Company, remain as member of the Audit Committee and will be considered non-independent for the purposes of Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.*
- To approve the payment of Directors' fees of S\$590,000 for the financial year ending 31 December 2016, to be paid quarterly in arrears. (2015: S\$590,000) (Ordinary Resolution 6)
- To re-appoint KPMG LLP as the Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration. (Ordinary Resolution 7)
- To transact any other ordinary business which may properly be transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

#### AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, with or without any modifications:

##### 7. Share Issue Mandate

That pursuant to Rule 806 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, the Directors of the Company be authorised and empowered to:

- issue shares in the capital of the Company ("Shares") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
- make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require Shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) options, warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into Shares, at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors of the Company may in their absolute discretion deem fit; and
- (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue Shares in pursuance of any Instrument made or granted by the Directors of the Company while this Resolution was in force, provided that:
  - the aggregate number of Shares (including Shares to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) and Instruments to be issued pursuant to this Resolution shall not exceed fifty per cent. (50%) of the issued share capital (excluding treasury shares) of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of Shares to be issued other than on a pro-rata basis to existing Shareholders of the Company shall not exceed twenty per cent. (20%) of the issued share capital (excluding treasury shares) of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
  - (subject to such calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of Shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the percentage of issued share capital shall be based on the issued share capital (excluding treasury shares) of the Company at the time of the passing of this Resolution, after adjusting for:
    - new Shares arising from the conversion or exercise of convertible securities;
    - any new Shares arising from the exercise of any share options or vesting of any share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time of the passing of this Resolution; and
    - any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of Shares;
  - in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Bye-laws of the Company; and
  - unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, such authority shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required to be held, whichever is earlier.  
[See Explanatory Note (i)]

(Ordinary Resolution 8)

##### 8. Renewal of the Mandate for Interested Person Transactions

That:

- approval be and is hereby given, for the purposes of Rule 9 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, for the Company, its subsidiaries and associated companies that are considered to be entities at risk under Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, or any of them to enter into any of the transactions falling within the types of Mandated Transactions described in Appendix A to the Company's Letter to Shareholders and Depositors dated 30 March 2016 (the "Letter") with any party who is of the class of Mandated Interested Persons described in Appendix A to the Letter, provided that such transactions are carried out in the normal course of business, at arm's length and on normal commercial terms and will not be prejudicial to the interests of the Company and its minority Shareholders and in accordance with the guidelines and review procedures set out in Appendix A to the Letter ("IPT Mandate");
- the IPT Mandate shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier; and
- the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing all such documents as may be required) as they may consider necessary, desirable or expedient to give effect to the IPT Mandate.  
[See Explanatory Note (ii)]

(Ordinary Resolution 9)

##### 9. Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate

That:

- for the purposes of the Companies Act of Bermuda and otherwise in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SGX-ST, the exercise by the Directors of the Company of all powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire issued ordinary shares in the capital of the Company ("Shares") from time to time (whether by way of market purchases or off-market purchases on an equal access scheme) of up to ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as ascertained as at the date of this Annual General Meeting of the Company) at the price of up to but not exceeding the Maximum Price as defined in the Letter and that this mandate shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held or the date on which purchases of Shares pursuant to this mandate are carried out to the full extent mandated, whichever is the earlier; and
- the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing such documents as may be required) as they may consider expedient or necessary to give effect to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.  
[See Explanatory Note (iii)]

(Ordinary Resolution 10)

##### 10. Increase in Authorised Share Capital

That:

- the authorised share capital of the Company be increased from S\$2,000,000 divided into 1,000,000,000 Shares of par value of S\$0.002 each to S\$10,000,000 divided into 5,000,000,000 Shares of par value of S\$0.002 each; and
- the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to take any and all steps, and to do and/or procure to be done any and all acts and things, and to approve, sign and execute any documents which they in their absolute discretion consider to be necessary, desirable or expedient to implement and carry into effect this ordinary resolution.  
[See Explanatory Note (iv)]

(Ordinary Resolution 11)

By Order of the Board

Sharon Yeoh  
Company Secretary  
Singapore, 30 March 2016

#### Explanatory Notes to Resolutions to be passed –

- The Ordinary Resolution 8 proposed in item 7 above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company from the date of this Annual General Meeting until the date of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held or such authority is varied or revoked by the Company in a general meeting, whichever is the earlier, to issue Shares, make or grant Instruments convertible into Shares and to issue Shares pursuant to such Instruments, up to a number not exceeding, in total, fifty per cent. (50%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company, of which up to twenty per cent. (20%) may be issued other than on a pro-rata basis to existing Shareholders of the Company.  
For the purposes of determining the aggregate number of Shares that may be issued, the percentage of issued share capital will be calculated based on the issued share capital (excluding treasury shares) of the Company at the time this Ordinary Resolution is passed, after adjusting for new Shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities, the exercise of any share options or the vesting of any share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time when this Ordinary Resolution is passed, and any subsequent bonus issue or consolidation or subdivision of Shares.
- The Ordinary Resolution 9 proposed in item 8 above, if passed, will adopt the mandate to allow the Company, its subsidiaries and associated companies that are entities at risk or any of them to enter into the Mandated Transactions described in Appendix A to the Letter with any party who is of the class of Mandated Interested Persons described in Appendix A to the Letter, and will empower the Directors of the Company to do all acts necessary to give effect to the IPT Mandate. This authority will, unless revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier. Please refer to the Letter for more details.
- The Ordinary Resolution 10 proposed in item 9 above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, effective until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, or the date on which purchases of Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate are carried out to the full extent mandated, whichever is the earlier, to repurchase ordinary shares of the Company by way of market purchases or off-market purchases of up to ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the Maximum Price. Information relating to this proposed Resolution is set out in the Letter.
- The Ordinary Resolution 11 proposed in item 10 above, if passed, will increase the authorised share capital of the Company from S\$2,000,000 divided into 1,000,000,000 Shares of par value of S\$0.002 each to S\$10,000,000 divided into 5,000,000,000 Shares of par value of S\$0.002 each. The proposed increase in authorised share capital will serve to ensure sufficient unissued share capital to accommodate any future fund raising or other corporate exercises that require the issue of new Shares. Please refer to the Letter for more details.

#### Notes:

- A Shareholder being a Depositor whose name appears in the records of the Depository is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. A Depositor's name must appear on the Depository Register maintained by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited as at forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for Annual General Meeting ("AGM") in order for the Depositor to be entitled to attend and vote at the AGM.
- With the exception of The Central Depository (Pte) Limited, who may appoint more than two proxies, a Shareholder of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint no more than two proxies to attend and vote in his stead.
- If a Depositor wishes to appoint a proxy/proxies to attend the meeting, then he/she must complete and deposit the Depositor Proxy Form at the office of the Singapore Share Transfer Agent, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd. at 50 Raffles Place #32-01, Singapore Land Tower, Singapore 048623, at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the AGM.
- If the Depositor is a corporation, the instrument appointing a proxy must be executed under seal or the hand of its duly authorised officer or attorney.

#### Personal data privacy:

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the AGM and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxies and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"), (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.