

GP Industries Limited (Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) Co. Reg. No. 199502128C

# ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON 11 SEPTEMBER 2020

# 1. Background

The board of directors (the "Board" or "Directors") of GP Industries Limited (the "Company") refers to:

- (a) the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020 passed by Parliament on 7 April 2020 which enables the Minister for Law by order to prescribe alternative arrangements for listed companies in Singapore to, *inter alia*, conduct general meetings, either wholly or partly, by electronic communication, video conferencing, tele-conferencing or other electronic means;
- (b) the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Alternative Arrangements for Meetings for Companies, Variable Capital Companies, Business Trusts, Unit Trusts and Debenture Holders) Order 2020 (the "**Order**") which was gazetted on 13 April 2020, and which sets out the alternative arrangements in respect of, *inter alia*, general meetings of companies.
- (c) the joint statement by the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA"), the Monetary Authority of Singapore and Singapore Exchange Regulation ("SGX Regco") of 13 April 2020 (and subsequently updated on 27 April 2020 and 22 June 2020) which provides additional guidance on the conduct of general meetings during the period from 27 March 2020 to 30 September 2020; and
- (d) its announcement on 13 July 2020 on the automatic extension of time to hold the annual general meeting ("AGM" or the "Meeting") of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2020 pursuant to Rule 707(1) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX") provided by SGX RegCo, in consultation with ACRA and the Monetary Authority of Singapore, in its news release issued on 7 April 2020, on the grant of automatic 60-day extension for all issuers with financial year end on or before 31 March 2020 to hold their AGMs.

#### 2. Date, time and conduct of AGM

The Company is pleased to announce that pursuant to the Order, its AGM will be convened and held by way of electronic means on <u>Friday, 11 September 2020, at 2:30 p.m.</u> (Singapore time).

#### 3. Notice of AGM and proxy form

The Notice of AGM and proxy form will be sent to shareholders solely by electronic means via publication on the Company's website at the URL http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm and will also he made available on the SGX's website at the URL https://www.sqx.com/securities/company-announcements. Printed copies of these documents will not be sent to shareholders.

## 4. Annual Report and Letter to Shareholders

The Company's Annual Report for its financial year ended 31 March 2020 and Letter to Shareholders dated 20 August 2020 (in relation to the proposed renewal of the share purchase mandate and the proposed renewal of the general mandate for interested person transactions) will be published on the Company's website at the URL http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm, and will also be made available on the SGX's website at the URL https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements. Printed copies of these documents will not be sent to shareholders.

#### 5. No personal attendance at AGM

Due to the current COVID-19 safe measurement measures implemented in Singapore, shareholders will not be able to attend the AGM in person. Shareholders will also not be able to vote online on the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM. The Company has made arrangements to conduct the AGM as set out in paragraph 6 below.

#### 6. Alternative arrangements for participation at the AGM

Alternative arrangements have been made by the Company to allow shareholders to participate at the AGM by:

- (a) observing and/or listening to the AGM proceedings via live audio-visual webcast or live audio-only stream;
- (b) submitting questions in advance in relation to any resolution set out in the Notice of AGM, if any; and/or
- (c) appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy to vote on their behalf at the AGM.

Details of the steps and deadlines for pre-registration, submission of questions in advance and voting at the AGM by shareholders, including CPF and SRS investors, are set out in the Appendix to this announcement. In particular, CPF or SRS investors who wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy should approach their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Operators to submit their votes by **2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 1 September 2020**.

#### 7. Persons who hold shares through relevant intermediaries

Persons who hold shares of the Company through relevant intermediaries (as defined in section 181 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50), other than CPF and SRS investors, and who wish to participate in the AGM by:

- (a) observing and/or listening to the AGM proceedings via live audio-visual webcast or live audio-only stream;
- (b) submitting questions in advance in relation to any resolution set out in the Notice of AGM, if any; and/or
- (c) appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy to vote on their behalf at the AGM,

should contact the relevant intermediaries through which they hold such shares as soon as possible in order for the necessary arrangements to be made for their participation in the AGM.

## 8. Key dates/deadlines

The key dates/deadlines which shareholders should take note of are summarised in the table below (which is to be read in conjunction with the Appendix to this announcement):

Key dates	Actions
20 August 2020 (Thursday)	Shareholders who wish to access the live audio-visual webcast or live audio-only stream of the AGM proceedings may begin to pre-register at the URL <a href="https://bit.ly/GPIndustriesAGM2020">https://bit.ly/GPIndustriesAGM2020</a> .
2:30 p.m. on 1 September 2020 (Tuesday)	Deadline for CPF or SRS investors who wish to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy to approach their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Operators to submit their votes.
2:30 p.m. on 6 September 2020 (Sunday)	Deadline for shareholders to submit questions in advance.
2:30 p.m. on 8 September 2020 (Tuesday)	Deadline for shareholders to pre-register for the live audio- visual webcast or live audio-only stream of the AGM proceedings.
2:30 p.m. on 9 September 2020 (Wednesday)	Deadline for shareholders to submit proxy forms.
2:30 p.m. on 10 September 2020 (Thursday)	Authenticated shareholders will receive an email which will contain unique user credentials and instructions on how to access the live audio-visual webcast and live audio-only stream of the AGM proceedings (the "Confirmation Email").  Shareholders who do not receive the Confirmation Email by 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, 10 September 2020, but have registered by Tuesday, 8 September 2020 deadline, should contact the Company's Share Registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd., at +65 6536 5355 or by email at srs.teama@boardroomlimited.com.
Date and time of AGM - 2:30 p.m. on 11 September 2020 (Friday)	Authenticated shareholders may access:  the live audio-visual webcast; or  the live audio-only stream of the AGM proceedings by following the instructions in the Confirmation Email.

## 9. Minutes of AGM

The Company will publish the minutes of the AGM, which will include the responses to substantial and relevant comments or queries from shareholders relating to the agenda of the AGM (if any), on the Company's website at the URL <a href="http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm">http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm</a> and on the SGX's website at the URL <a href="https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements">https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements</a>.

## 10. Important reminder

Due to the constantly evolving COVID-19 situation in Singapore, the Company may be required to change its arrangements for the AGM at short notice. Shareholders are requested to visit the Company's website at the URL <a href="http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm">http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm</a> or on the SGX's website at the URL <a href="https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements">https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements</a> for the latest updates on the status of the AGM.

The Company would like to thank all shareholders for their patience and co-operation in enabling the Company to hold the AGM pursuant to the Order and applicable safe management measures amidst the current COVID-19 situation.

By Order of the Board

Kelly Kiar Lee Noi Company Secretary

20 August 2020



#### **APPENDIX**

# Steps for pre-registration, submission of questions in advance and voting at the AGM

Shareholders will be able to observe and/or listen to the AGM proceedings through a live audio-visual webcast or live audio-only stream via their mobile phones, tablets or computers, submit questions in advance of the AGM and vote by appointing the Chairman of the Meeting as proxy to vote on their behalf at the AGM if such shareholders wish to exercise their voting rights at the AGM.

To do so, they will need to complete the following steps:

No.	Steps	Details
1.	Pre-registration for participating at the AGM	Shareholders, including CPF and SRS investors, can pre-register at the pre-registration website at <a href="https://bit.ly/GPIndustriesAGM2020">https://bit.ly/GPIndustriesAGM2020</a> from now till 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 8 September 2020 to enable the Company to verify their status as shareholders.
		Following the verification, authenticated shareholders will receive an email (the "Confirmation Email") by 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, 10 September 2020. The email will contain unique user credentials and instructions on how to access the live audio-visual webcast and live audio-only stream of the AGM proceedings.
		Shareholders who do not receive the Confirmation Email by <b>2:30 p.m. on Thursday, 10 September 2020</b> , but have registered by Tuesday, 8 September 2020 deadline, should contact the Company's Share Registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd., at +65 6536 5355 or by email at <a href="mailto:srs.teama@boardroomlimited.com">srs.teama@boardroomlimited.com</a> .
2.	Submit questions in advance	Please note that the live audio-visual webcast and live audio-only stream are mainly for shareholders to contemporaneously observe the AGM proceedings and hence, shareholders will not be able to ask questions "live" at the AGM during the live audio-visual webcast or live audio-only stream. Therefore, it is important for shareholders to submit their questions in advance of the AGM.
		<b>Submission of questions</b> . Shareholders, including CPF and SRS investors, can submit questions related to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM to the Chairman of the Meeting, in advance, in the following manner:
		(a) <b>Via email.</b> Shareholders may submit their questions via email to the Company at <a href="mailto:AGM2020@gp-industries.com">AGM2020@gp-industries.com</a> .
		(b) <b>By post.</b> Alternatively, shareholders may also submit their questions by post to the Registered Office of the Company at 3 Fusionopolis Link, #06-11 Nexus @one-north, Singapore 138543.
		When submitting questions via email or by post to the Company, shareholders should provide the following details in their submission, for verification purposes:
		<ul> <li>the shareholder's full name;</li> <li>the shareholder's NRIC, passport or company registration number;</li> <li>the shareholder's address; and</li> <li>the manner in which the shareholder holds shares in the Company (e.g., via CDP, CPF/SRS and/or scrip).</li> </ul>
		Deadline to submit questions. All questions must be submitted by 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, 6 September 2020.

No.	Steps	Details
		Addressing questions. The Management and the Board of the Company will address substantial and relevant questions relating to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the AGM and will publish the responses to these questions on the Company's website prior to the AGM at the URL <a href="http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm">http://www.gp-industries.com/IR.htm</a> and on the SGX's website at the URL <a href="https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements">https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements</a> .
3.	Submit proxy forms to vote	Appointment of Chairman of the Meeting as proxy. Shareholders (whether individual or corporate) who wish to vote on the resolutions to be tabled at the AGM must appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as their proxy to vote on their behalf at the AGM, in accordance with the instructions on the proxy form.  Specific voting instructions to be given. Where shareholders (whether individual or corporate) appoint the Chairman of the Meeting as their proxy, they must give specific instructions as to voting, or abstentions from voting, in respect of a resolution in the proxy form, failing which the appointment of the Chairman of the Meeting as for that resolution will be treated as invalid.  Submission of proxy forms. Proxy forms must be submitted in the following manner:  (a) if submitted by post, be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at 3 Fusionopolis Link, #06-11 Nexus @one-north, Singapore 138543; or  (b) if submitted electronically, be submitted via email to the Company at AGM2020@gp-industries.com,  in either case, by 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 9 September 2020.  A shareholder who wishes to submit a proxy form must first download, complete and sign the proxy form, before submitting it by post to the address provided above, or before scanning and sending it by email to the email address provided above. The proxy form may be downloaded from the Company's website at the URL http://www.gp-industries.com/lR.htm and on the SGX's website at the URL https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements.  Due to the current COVID-19 safe management measures implemented in Singapore, shareholders are strongly encouraged to submit completed proxy forms electronically via email.
		proxy should approach their respective CPF Agent Banks or SRS Operators to submit their votes by <b>2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 1 September 2020</b> .