# TUC RESOURCES LTD ACN 115 770 226

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**TIME**: 12:30 pm (WST)

DATE: Monday, 26 November 2012

PLACE: The Celtic Club 48 Ord Street WEST PERTH WA

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) 9286 1219.

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# 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 12.30 pm (WST) on 26 November 2012 at The Celtic Club, 48 Ord 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 set out above.

#### VOTING BY PROXY

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by the time and in accordance with the instructions set out on the Proxy Form.

In accordance with section 249L of the Corporations Act, members are advised that:

- each member has a right to appoint a proxy;
- the proxy need not be a member of the Company; and
- a member who is entitled to cast 2 or more votes may appoint 2 proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the member appoints 2 proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes.

Sections 250BB and 250BC of the Corporations Act came into effect on 1 August 2011 and apply to voting by proxy on or after that date. Shareholders and their proxies should be aware of these changes to the Corporations Act, as they will apply to this Annual General Meeting. Broadly, the changes mean that:

- if proxy holders vote, they must cast all directed proxies as directed; and
- any directed proxies which are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed.

Further details on these changes is set out below.

# Proxy vote if appointment specifies way to vote

Section 250BB(1) of the Corporations Act provides that an appointment of a proxy may specify the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution and, **if it does**:

- 1. the proxy need not vote on a show of hands, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (i.e. as directed); and
- 2. if the proxy has 2 or more appointments that specify different ways to vote on the resolution the proxy must not vote on a show of hands; and
- 3. if the proxy is the chair of the meeting at which the resolution is voted on the proxy must vote on a poll, and must vote that way (i.e. as directed); and
- 4. if the proxy is not the chair the proxy need not vote on the poll, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (i.e. as directed).

# Transfer of non-chair proxy to chair in certain circumstances

Section 250BC of the Corporations Act provides that, if:

- 1. an appointment of a proxy specifies the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution at a meeting of the Company's members; and
- 2. the appointed proxy is not the chair of the meeting; and
- 3. at the meeting, a poll is duly demanded on the resolution; and
- 4. either of the following applies:
  - the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting;
  - the proxy does not vote on the resolution,
- 5. the chair of the meeting is taken, before voting on the resolution closes, to have been appointed as the proxy for the purposes of voting on the resolution at the meeting.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at 12.30 pm (WST) on 26 November 2012 at The Celtic Club, 48 Ord 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 4.00 pm (WST) on 24 November 2012.

Terms and abbreviations used in this Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement are defined in the Glossary.

#### AGENDA

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

#### Financial Statements and Reports

To receive and consider the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2012 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' report, the remuneration report and the auditor's report.

#### **RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT**

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

"That, for the purpose of Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the Remuneration Report, as contained in the Company's annual financial report for the financial year ended 30 June 2012."

# Note: the vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

*Voting Prohibition Statement:* A vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of any 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, a person (the **Voter**) described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:

- (a) the Voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on the Resolution; or
- (b) the Voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy:
  - (i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; and
  - (ii) expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even if the Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel for the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, for the entity.

### **RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR LEONID CHARUCKYJ**

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

"That, for the purpose of clause 13.4 of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Mr Leonid Charuckyj, a Director who was appointed on 22 December 2011, retires, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

#### **RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR PETER HAROLD**

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

"That, for the purpose of clause 13.2 of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Mr Peter Harold retires and, being eligible, is re-elected as a Director."

#### **RESOLUTION 4 – CHANGE OF COMPANY NAME**

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

"That, for the purpose of section 157(1)(a) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the name of the Company be changed to **Heavy Rare Earth Australia Ltd**."

#### **RESOLUTION 5 – APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

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 327B of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, William Buck Audit (WA) Pty Ltd, having been nominated by a Shareholder and having consented in writing to act in the capacity of auditor, be appointed as auditor of the Company with effect from the close of the Meeting."

DATED: 11 OCTOBER 2012 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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GRAEME BODEN COMPANY SECRETARY

# 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 12.30 pm (WST) on 26 November 2012 at The Celtic Club, 48 Ord Street, West Perth, Western Australia.

This purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions in the Notice of Meeting.

# 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Constitution, the business of the Annual General Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2012 together with the declaration of the directors, the directors' report, the remuneration report and the auditor's report.

In accordance with to the Corporations Act the Company is no longer required to provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless a Shareholder has specifically elected to receive a printed copy.

Whilst the Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report unless specifically requested to do so, Shareholders may view the Company annual financial report on its website at <u>www.tucresources.com.au</u>

# 2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

### 2.1 General

The Corporations Act requires that at a listed company's annual general meeting, a resolution that the remuneration report be adopted must be put to the shareholders. However, such a resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

The remuneration report sets out the Company's remuneration arrangements for the Directors and senior management of the Company. The Remuneration Report is part of the Directors' report contained in the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ending 30 June 2012.

A reasonable opportunity will be provided for discussion of the Remuneration Report at the Annual General Meeting.

#### 2.2 Voting consequences

Under changes to the Corporations Act that came into effect on 1 July 2011, if at least 25% of the votes cast on a remuneration report resolution are voted against adoption of the remuneration report in two consecutive annual general meetings, the Company will be required to put to Shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of a general meeting to consider the appointment of directors of the Company (**Spill Resolution**) at the second annual general meeting.

If more than 50% of shareholders vote in favour of the Spill Resolution, the company must convene a general meeting (**Spill Meeting**) within 90 days of the second annual general meeting.

All of the directors of the company who were in office when the directors' report (as included in the company's annual financial report for the financial year ended immediately before the second annual general meeting) was approved, other than the managing director of the company, will cease to hold office immediately before the

end of the Spill Meeting but may stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting. Following the Spill Meeting those persons whose election or re-election as Directors is approved will be the Directors of the Company.

At the Company's previous annual general meeting, the votes cast against the remuneration report at that general meeting were less than 25%. Accordingly, the Spill Resolution is not relevant for this Annual General Meeting.

# 2.3 Proxy Restrictions

Shareholders appointing a proxy for Resolution 1 should note the following:

# If you appoint a member of the Key Management Personnel (other than the Chair) as your proxy

If you elect to appoint a member of Key Management Personnel (other than the Chair) whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of that member, you must direct the proxy how they are to vote on this Resolution. Undirected proxies granted to these persons will not be included in any vote on Resolution 1.

# If you appoint the Chair as your proxy

If you elect to appoint the Chair as your proxy, you do not need to direct the Chair how you wish them to exercise your vote on Resolution 1, however if you do not direct the Chair how to vote, you must tick the acknowledgement on the proxy form to acknowledge that the Chair may exercise their discretion in exercising your proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of Key Management Personnel.

#### If you appoint any other person as your proxy

You do not need to direct your proxy how to vote, and you do not need to tick any further acknowledgement on the proxy form.

# 3. **RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR**

Clause 13.4 of the Constitution allows the Directors to appoint at any time a person to be a Director as an addition to the existing Directors, but only where the total number of Directors does not at any time exceed the maximum number specified by the Constitution.

Any Director so appointed holds office only until the next following annual general meeting and is then eligible for re-election.

Mr Leonid Charuckyj will retire in accordance with clause 13.4 of the Constitution and being eligible seeks re-election.

The members of the Board, other than Mr Leonid Charuckyj, unanimously recommend the re-election of Mr Leonid Charuckyj as a Director.

#### 4. **RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR**

Clause 13.2 of the Constitution requires that if the Company has three or more Directors, one third (or the number nearest one-third) of those Directors must retire at each annual general meeting, provided always that no Director (except a Managing Director) shall hold office for a period in excess of 3 years, or until the third annual general meeting following his or her appointment, whichever is the longer, without submitting himself or herself for re-election.

The Company currently has three Directors, subject to re-election by rotation, and, accordingly, Mr Peter Harold must retire, having last been elected in 2009.

A Director who retires by rotation under clause 13.2 of the Constitution is eligible for reelection.

Mr Peter Harold retires by rotation and seeks re-election.

The members of the board, other than Mr Peter Harold, unanimously recommend the re-election of Mr Peter Harold as a director.

#### 5. RESOLUTION 4 - CHANGE OF COMPANY NAME

Section 157(1)(a) of the Corporations Act provides that a company may change its name if the company passes a special resolution adopting a new name.

Resolution 4 seeks the approval of Shareholders for the Company to change its name to Heavy Rare Earth Australia Ltd.

If Resolution 4 is passed the change of name will take effect when ASIC alters the details of the Company's registration.

The proposed name has been reserved by the Company and if Resolution 4 is passed, the Company will lodge a copy of the special resolution with ASIC following the Meeting in order to effect the change.

The directors believe that changing the name of the Company to **Heavy Rare Earth Australia Ltd** more accurately reflects the company's focus and future direction. The Company proposes to maintain its portfolio of diversified mineral prospects and is in the process of segregating tenements with a focus other than rare earths into three subsidiary companies, with the aim of seeking separate funding for exploration of distinct commodity groups in each entity.

# 6. RESOLUTION 5 – APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

The Board has had the view since incorporation that the Company did not require the services of one of the largest firms as auditor and accordingly appointed PKF prior to listing on ASX in 2007. The Company changed auditor to Deloitte when the entire PKF team moved there. Directors are of the view that fees are higher than they need to be and this has been confirmed by fee indications from other auditors.

Deloitte, which is the Company's current auditor, has given notice of its intention to resign as auditor of the Company to ASIC (under section 329(5) of the Corporations Act) and has, subject to ASIC consent, tendered its resignation as auditor of the Company. The ASIC consent is expected to be forthcoming before Shareholders vote on Resolution 5.

William Buck Audit (WA) Pty Ltd has provided its consent to act as the Company's auditor, subject to the resignation of Deloitte and the passing of Resolution 5.

In accordance with section 328B(1) of the Corporations Act, the Company has sought and obtained a nomination from Mr Graeme Boden, a shareholder in the Company, for William Buck to be appointed as the auditor of the Company. A copy of the letter of nomination is included as Schedule 1 of this Notice of Meeting.

If Resolution 5 is passed, the appointment of William Buck as the Company's auditors will take effect from the close of this Annual General Meeting.

# 7. ENQUIRIES

Shareholders are required to contact the Company Secretary, Mr Graeme Boden on + 61 (0)8 9286 1219 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

# GLOSSARY

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

ASIC means the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

ASX means ASX Limited or Australian Securities Exchange, as the context requires.

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

Board means the current board of directors of the Company.

**Business Days** means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in the State of Western Australia.

Chair means the chair of the Meeting.

Closely Related Party of a member of the Key Management Personnel means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealing with the entity;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth).

Company means TUC Resources Ltd (ACN 115 770 226).

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

Directors means the current directors of the Company.

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 within the consolidated group.

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

Proxy Form means the proxy form accompanying the Notice.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report set out in the Director's report section of the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2012.

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

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

Shareholder means a holder of a Share.

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

#### **SCHEDULE 1**

#### Nomination of Auditor Notice

G R Boden 15 Lovegrove Close Mount Claremont WA 6010

11<sup>th</sup> October 2012

The Directors TUC Resources Ltd 15 Lovegrove Close Mount Claremont WA 6010

Dear Sirs

#### NOMINATION OF WILLIAM BUCK AUDIT (WA) PTY LTD AS AUDITOR

Pursuant to section 328B(1) of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)*, I, Graeme Raymond Boden, being a member of TUC Resources Ltd ACN 115 770 226 ("Company"), hereby nominate William Buck Audit (WA) Pty Ltd, of Level 3, 15 Labouchere Road, South Perth, Western Australia 6151, for appointment as auditor of the Company at the annual general meeting of shareholders of the Company convened for 26<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

This nomination is conditional upon the requirements of the Corporations Act being met in relation to the resignation of Deloitte as auditor of the Company, thereby making the office of auditor vacant.

Please distribute copies of this notice as required by section 328B(3) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

Yours faithfully

Graeme R Boden

# **PROXY FORM**

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY
TUC RESOURCES LTD
ACN 115 770 226

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

I/We	
of	
	being a member of TUC Resources Ltd entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, hereby
Appoint	
	Name of proxy
<u>OR</u>	the Chair of the Annual General Meeting as your proxy

or failing the person so named or, if no person is named, the Chair of the Annual General Meeting, or the Chair's nominee, to vote in accordance with the following directions, or, if no directions have been given, and subject to the relevant laws as the proxy sees fit, at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 12.30 pm on Monday 26th November 2012 at the Celtic Club, 48 Ord Street, West Perth WA 6005, and at any adjournment thereof.

The Chair intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions in which the Chair is entitled to vote.

#### Voting on Business of the Annual General Meeting

Resolution 1 - Adoption of Remuneration Report Resolution 2 - Re-election of Director - Mr L Charuckyj Resolution 3 – Re-election of Director – Mr P Harold

Resolution 4 – Change of Company Name

Resolution 5	- Appointment	of William	Buck Audit (	(WA) Pty	/ Ltd as auditor

Please note: If you mark the abstain box for a particular Resolution, you are directing your proxy not to vote on that Resolution on a show of hands or on a poll and your votes will not to be counted in computing the required majority on a poll.

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If two proxies are being appointed, the proportion of voting rights this proxy represents is

#### Important for Resolution 1

If a member of the Key Management Personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report or Closely Related Party of such a member is your proxy you must direct your proxy how to vote on Resolution 1 unless that person is also the Chair in which case you must, in the absence of a direction how to vote, expressly authorise the Chair to exercise the proxy by marking the box below.



I/we direct the Chair to vote in accordance with his voting intentions on Resolution 1 (except where I/we have indicated a different voting intention above) and acknowledge that the Chair may exercise my/our proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

If you do not mark this box, and you have not directed your proxy how to vote, the Chair will not cast your votes on Resolution 1 and your votes will not be counted in calculating the required majority if a poll is called on Resolution 1.

Signature of Member(s):	Date:	
Individual or Member 1	Member 2	Member 3
Sole Director/Company Secretary	Director	Director/Company Secretary

Contact Name:

# TUC RESOURCES LTD ACN 115 770 226

# Instructions for Completing 'Appointment of Proxy' Form

- 1. (Appointing a Proxy): A member entitled to attend and cast a vote at an Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on their behalf at the meeting. If the member is entitled to cast 2 or more votes at the meeting, the member may appoint a second proxy to attend and vote on their behalf at the meeting. However, where both proxies attend the meeting, voting may only be exercised on a poll. The appointment of a second proxy must be done on a separate copy of the Proxy Form. A member who appoints 2 proxies may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If a member appoints 2 proxies and the appointments do not specify the proportion or number of votes resulting from the application of these principles will be disregarded. A duly appointed proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. (Direction to Vote): A member may direct a proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. Where a box is not marked the proxy may vote as they choose. Where more than one box is marked on an item the vote will be invalid on that item.

# 3. (Signing Instructions):

- (Individual): Where the holding is in one name, the member must sign.
- (Joint Holding): Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the members should sign.
- (Power of Attorney): If you have not already provided 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, that person must sign. Where the company (pursuant to Section 204A of the Corporations Act) does not have a company secretary, a sole director can also sign alone. Otherwise, a director jointly with either another director or a company secretary must sign. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held.
- 4. (Attending the Meeting): Completion of a Proxy Form will not prevent individual members from attending the Annual General Meeting in person if they wish. Where a member completes and lodges a valid Proxy Form and attends the Annual General Meeting in person, then the proxy's authority to speak and vote for that member is suspended while the member is present at the Annual General Meeting.
- 5. (Return of Proxy Form): To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by:
  - (a) post to TUC Resources Ltd at 15 Lovegrove Close, Mount Claremont, WA 6010; or
  - (b) facsimile to the Company on facsimile number +61 8 9284 3801; or
  - (c) email to the Company at natashaforde@bigpond.com;

so that it is received not less than 48 hours prior to commencement of the Meeting.

Proxy forms received later than this time will be invalid.