**THIS DOCUMENT IS IMPORTANT AND REQUIRES YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.** If you are in any doubt as to the action you should take, you are recommended to seek your own personal financial advice from your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other independent financial adviser (who in the United Kingdom should be authorised under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000).

If you have sold or otherwise transferred all your holding of Ordinary Shares in The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited, please send this document, together with The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2017 (if sent to you in hard copy) with the attached Form of Proxy, as soon as possible, to the purchaser or transferee, or to the stockbroker, bank or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected, for delivery to the purchaser or transferee. If you have sold any part of your holding of Ordinary Shares in The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited, please contact your stockbroker, bank or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected immediately.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF ORDINARY SHARES

# The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited

(a registered closed-ended investment company incorporated in Guernsey with limited liability and with registered number 56716)

## **Notice of 2018 Annual General Meeting**

This document should be read as a whole. Your attention is drawn to the letter from your Chairman which is set out on pages 3 to 7 of this Document and which recommends that you vote in favour of each of the resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday, 10 May 2018.

Your attention is also drawn to the Notice of Annual General Meeting which is set out on pages 8 to 10 of this document.

Proxy forms for the Annual General Meeting must be received by the Company's UK Transfer Agent, Link Asset Services, by no later than 3.00 p.m. on Friday, 4 May 2018.

The Company is a closed-ended investment scheme registered pursuant to the Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 1987, as amended and the Registered Collective Investment Schemes Rules 2015. The Guernsey Financial Services Commission takes no responsibility for the financial soundness of the Company or for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinions expressed with regard to it in this document.

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#### LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

## The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited

(a registered closed-ended investment company incorporated in Guernsey with limited liability and with registered number 56716)

Directors:

Helen Mahy CBE (*Chairman*) Jon Bridel Klaus Hammer Shelagh Mason Registered Office:

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St Peter Port Guernsey GY1 3PP

29 March 2018

Dear Shareholder

#### **2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The purpose of this document is to provide you with information relating to the following business to be considered and resolutions to be put to shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held at the registered office of The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited (the "Company") at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday, 10 May 2018 (the "AGM"). The Company has also published its Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2017 (the "Annual Report").

The notice convening the AGM of the Company and setting out the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM is set out on pages 8 to 10 of this document.

#### **Ordinary Business**

The ordinary business proposed for the AGM comprises the consideration of and, if thought fit, the passing of ordinary resolutions to:

- receive and consider the audited accounts, the Directors' report and the Auditor's report for the year ended 31 December 2017 (resolution 1);
- re-elect Helen Mahy as a Director (resolution 2; see section entitled "Directors" below);
- re-elect Jon Bridel as a Director (resolution 3; see section entitled "Directors" below);
- re-elect Klaus Hammer as a Director (resolution 4; see section entitled "*Directors*" below);
- re-elect Shelagh Mason as a Director (resolution 5; see section entitled "Directors" below);
- approve the re-appointment of Deloitte LLP as auditors of the Company and to authorise the Board to set the remuneration of the auditors (resolutions 6 and 7);
- approve the Directors' remuneration report (as set out in the Annual Report) which incorporates
  the Directors' remuneration policy and the proposed remuneration payable to each Director for
  the year to 31 December 2018 for routine business (resolution 8; see section entitled "Directors'
  Remuneration Report" below);
- approve the proposed remuneration payable to each Director for the year to 31 December 2018 for routine business, as set out in the Annual Report (resolution 9; see section entitled "Directors' Remuneration" below); and
- approve the Company's dividend policy for the year ending 31 December 2018 (resolution 10; see section entitled "*Dividend policy*" below).

#### **Directors**

As a matter of good corporate governance, each of the Directors is seeking re-election.

Biographical details of each of Helen Mahy, Jon Bridel, Klaus Hammer and Shelagh Mason, are contained in the Company's Annual Report.

#### Directors' Remuneration Report

The Directors' remuneration report is set out in the Company's Annual Report. It includes the Directors' remuneration policy as well as details regarding the current and proposed remuneration of the Directors, extracts of which are set out below in the **Directors' Remuneration** section.

#### Directors' Remuneration Policy

All Directors of the Company are non-executive and as such there are:

- no service contracts with the Company;
- no long-term incentive schemes;
- no options or similar performance incentives; and
- no payments for loss of office unless approved by shareholder resolution.

The Directors' remuneration shall:

- reflect the responsibility, experience, time commitment and position on the Board;
- allow the Chairman and Chairman of the Audit Committee to be remunerated in excess of the other board members to reflect their increased roles of responsibility and accountability;
- be paid quarterly in arrears;
- include remuneration for additional, specific corporate work which shall be carefully considered and only become due and payable on completion of that work; and
- be reviewed by an independent professional consultant with experience of investment companies and their fee structures, at least every three years.

The maximum annual limit of aggregate fees payable to the Directors is £350,000.

#### Directors' Remuneration

As all Directors of the Company are non-executive, they receive an annual fee appropriate for their responsibilities and time commitment but no other incentive programmes or performance-related emoluments.

During the year under review the Board commissioned Trust Associates Limited, an independent consultant to conduct a formal review of Directors' remuneration. The conclusions of Trust Associates' report were that:

- there has been a significant rise in investment company board remuneration in recent years, particularly those investing in alternative asset classes;
- the effect of the size of the investment portfolio and market capitalisation has a significant impact
  on the level of remuneration, and that the Company has grown significantly since the previous
  review by Trust Associates in 2015 with net assets having increased by 35 per cent. in that period.
  The Company is among the top 10 per cent. by market capitalisation of London-listed investment
  companies; and
- the workload and time commitment required of the Directors was higher than that of many investment company directors due to the specialist nature of the Company's investments.

Taking account of these factors and the remuneration paid to investment companies of a similar size and with similar characteristics, Trust Associates recommended the following changes to remuneration for routine business:

- each Directors' fees to be increased to £47,000 p.a;
- the fees of the Chairman of the Audit Committee to rise to £56,400 p.a., reflecting a 20 per cent. premium to the Directors' fees, to recognise the additional responsibility of the role;
- the fees of the Chairman of the Board to rise to £69,800 p.a., reflecting a circa 50 per cent. premium to each Director's fees, in recognition not only of the considerably greater weight of responsibility but also the involvement in a number of additional meetings during the year some of these with shareholders and potential investors each year, as well as hosting events on behalf of the Company.

The annual remuneration proposed for routine business of the Company for the year ending 31 December 2018 is therefore:

	Proposed FYE December 2018
<ul> <li>Helen Mahy, Chairman</li> <li>Jon Bridel, Chairman of Audit Committee</li> <li>Klaus Hammer</li> <li>Shelagh Mason</li> </ul>	£ 69,800 £ 56,400 £ 47,000 £ 47,000
	£220,200

Having engaged Trust Associates to undertake an independent formal review of remuneration in 2017, the Remuneration Committee does not expect to commission a further review until 2020 although retains the discretion to do so should the Company's circumstances change significantly. In-between independent formal reviews, the Committee will carry out its own review exercises each year considering, amongst other measures, any appropriate inflationary increases, the size and complexity of the Company and the levels of remuneration of similar investment companies.

As in previous years, where the Company requires Directors to work on specific corporate actions such as further equity raisings (other than by way of the scrip dividend alternative or tap issues), an appropriate additional fee will be determined.

The total fees paid to Directors in the year to 31 December 2017 were within the annual cap of £350,000, previously approved by Shareholders.

#### Dividend policy

Shareholders are being asked to approve the Company's revised dividend policy and, specifically, the payment of dividends amounting to 6.50p per share for the year to 31 December 2018.

As set out in the Annual Report, the Company is targeting an aggregate dividend of 6.50p per share for the year to 31 December 2018 to be paid in four equal quarterly instalments. This is an increase of 0.10p (1.6 per cent.) on the dividend of 6.40p paid in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2017. The first interim quarterly dividend is expected to be paid in June 2018 with respect to the three months to 31 March 2018 and the other three interim quarterly dividends for the financial year to 31 December 2018 are expected to be paid in September 2018, December 2018 and March 2019.

The above dividend payments are targets only and not profit forecasts. There can be no assurance that these targeted payments can or will be met and they should not be seen as an indication of the Company's expected or actual results or returns.

Having highlighted the need to keep under review the Company's original dividend policy of linking dividend growth to inflation given successive falls in long-term forecast power prices (these having reduced by c. 30% since IPO in 2013), the Board took the prudent approach of adjusting the Company's dividend policy in the Annual Report to take into account factors beyond UK inflation.

The Company will continue to set the dividend target for each financial year at the time of publication of the Company's Annual Report and Accounts for the preceding year. The Board aims to increase the aggregate dividend to the extent it is prudent to do so. In setting the dividend, consideration will be given to items impacting forecast cash flows and expected dividend cover including the levels of inflation across TRIG's markets, the outlook for electricity prices and the operational performance of the Company's portfolio.

#### **Special Business**

The special business proposed for the AGM comprises the consideration of and, if thought fit, the passing of the following resolutions:

- an ordinary resolution to authorise the Directors to offer to shareholders the option to elect to receive future dividends wholly or partly by way of dividends wholly or partly in the form of further shares (whether or not of the same class) in the Company rather than cash (resolution 11: see section entitled "Scrip Dividend" below);
- an ordinary resolution to grant approval for the Company to make market acquisitions of its own shares, make tender offers, and to hold treasury shares (resolution 12; see section entitled "Share Buy Back Authority" below);
- an ordinary resolution to authorise the Directors to exercise all powers of the Company to allot and issue, grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any securities into, up to 335,228,243 shares of any class in the Company or, if different, such number of shares of any class as shall be equal to 33.33 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution (in line with institutional guidelines). This authority will be affective until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company (resolution 13; see section entitled "Allotment" below);
- a special resolution to approve the disapplication of pre-emption rights in respect of up to 10 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue (resolution 14; see section entitled "Waiver of pre-emption for limited issue of Ordinary Shares" below).

#### Scrip Dividend (resolution 11)

Based on the historical take-up of scrip dividends, shareholders are requested to approve, by way of ordinary resolution, the renewal of the authority to provide shareholders with the opportunity to elect to receive future dividends wholly or partly in the form of new Ordinary Shares in the Company rather than cash. Providing such an alternative enables shareholders to increase their holdings of Ordinary Shares in the Company without incurring dealing costs and in a tax efficient manner. The advantage to the Company is that it is able to retain cash which would otherwise be paid out as dividends.

Whilst shareholders will need to take their own advice, election by certain shareholders to receive a distribution by way of scrip dividend may be advantageous to them.

#### Share Buy Back Authority (resolution 12)

Shareholders are requested to approve, by ordinary resolution, the authority for the Company to make market acquisitions of its own Ordinary Shares up to a maximum of 14.99 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the resolution (this equates to 150,752,141 Ordinary Shares as at the date of the notice of the AGM).

This authority will expire at the conclusion of next year's annual general meeting or 18 months after the passing of the resolution (whichever is earlier) and, as previously stated by the Company, it is presently intended that a resolution for the renewal of such authority will be proposed at each subsequent annual general meeting of the Company.

The Board would consider holding as treasury shares any Ordinary Shares which the Company acquires pursuant to the authority provided by this resolution.

It is currently envisaged that Ordinary Shares acquired and held in treasury following any buy back will be used to support liquidity in the Company's Ordinary Shares. Any sales out of treasury will only be made at a price per Ordinary Share equal to or greater than the price per Ordinary Share paid by the Company and in any event not less than the prevailing net asset value per Ordinary Share and will be

in accordance with the UK Listing Rules and subject to the Company having sufficient authority granted for the waiver of pre-emption rights (pursuant to resolution 14).

#### Allotment (resolution 13)

Shareholders are requested to approve, by ordinary resolution, the renewal of the authority set out in Article 3.4 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company for a further period up to the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company so that (without prejudice to the authority conferred on the Directors pursuant to Article 3) the Directors are generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise all powers of the Company to allot and issue, grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any securities into, up to 335,228,243 shares of any class in the Company or, if different, such number of shares of any class as shall be equal to 33.33 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution, provided that this authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company to be held in 2019 unless renewed at a general meeting prior to such time, provided that the Company may before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would, or might, require shares to be allotted and issued, or rights to subscribe for or to convert, any security into shares to be granted after such expiry and the Directors may allot and issue shares or grant such rights in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired.

The Directors intend to renew such power at successive annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with current best practice.

#### Waiver of pre-emption for limited issue of Ordinary Shares (resolution 14)

The Directors propose a partial disapplication of the pre-emption rights contained in the Articles in order to allow the Company to issue new Ordinary Shares and/or sell Ordinary Shares out of treasury at a premium to current net asset value per share by way of tap issues without first offering them to existing shareholders on a *pro rata* basis. This authority will expire at the conclusion of next year's annual general meeting or 15 months after the passing of the resolution (whichever is earlier) and it is presently intended that a resolution for the renewal of such authority will be proposed at each subsequent annual general meeting of the Company.

The number of Ordinary Shares which may be so issued and allotted (or sold out of treasury) on a non-pre-emptive basis pursuant to this authority is limited to the number of Ordinary Shares representing 10 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the resolution (this equates to 100,568,473 Ordinary Shares as at the date of the notice of the AGM). This will allow the Company to continue to issue (or sell) Ordinary Shares at a premium to the prevailing net asset value per Ordinary Share when there is sufficient demand for the Company's Ordinary Shares, and thereby help to manage any premium to NAV at which the Company's shares may trade from time to time. The proceeds of any share issuance and sales out of treasury, implemented pursuant to the power conferred by resolution 14, will be invested in accordance with the Company's investment policy.

#### **ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

You will find attached at the end of this document a Form of Proxy. You are invited to complete and return the Form of Proxy as soon as possible in accordance with the written instructions, whether or not you propose to attend the AGM in person. The Form of Proxy should be lodged with the Company's UK Transfer Agent, Link Asset Services, PXS 1, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4ZF, so as to be received not later than 3.00 p.m. on Friday 4 May 2018. Shareholders may appoint more than one proxy provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attaching to different Ordinary Shares. Completing and returning the Form of Proxy will not prevent you from attending the AGM and voting in person, should you wish to do so. Any proxy need not be a member of the Company.

The Directors are unanimously of the opinion that the resolutions to be proposed at the 2018 AGM are in the best interests of shareholders as a whole. Your Board recommends that you vote in favour of each of the resolutions at the AGM.

Yours faithfully,

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of The Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at East Wing, Trafalgar Court, St Peter Port, Guernsey at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday 10 May 2018, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

#### **Ordinary Resolutions**

- 1. TO receive and consider the audited accounts, the Directors' report, and the Auditors' report for the year ended 31 December 2017.
- 2. TO re-elect Helen Mahy as a Director.
- 3. TO re-elect Jon Bridel as a Director.
- 4. TO re-elect Klaus Hammer as a Director.
- 5. TO re-elect Shelagh Mason as a Director.
- 6. THAT Deloitte LLP be re-appointed as auditors of the Company.
- 7. THAT the Directors be authorised to agree the remuneration of the auditors.
- 8. TO approve the Directors' remuneration report including the remuneration policy as set out in the Annual Report.
- 9. TO approve the proposed annual remuneration for routine business for each Director, as set out in the Annual Report for the year ending 31 December 2018.
- 10. TO approve the Company's dividend policy ending and specifically the aggregated target dividend of 6.50p per share for the year ending 31 December 2018, payable as four interim dividends of 1.625p in respect of the quarters ending 31 March 2018, 30 June 2018, 30 September 2018 and 31 December 2018.

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

#### **Ordinary Resolutions**

The Directors propose a renewal of the annual approval that offers shareholders the opportunity to take future dividends wholly or partly in the form of new Ordinary Shares in the Company rather than cash.

11. THAT in accordance with the Company's Articles of Incorporation the Board may, in respect of all and any dividends declared for any financial period or periods of the Company ending prior to the next annual general meeting of the Company, offer shareholders the right to elect to receive further shares (whether or not of that class), credited as fully paid, instead of cash in respect of all or any part of such dividend or dividends declared in respect of any such financial period or periods.

The Directors propose the following resolution to permit the Company to make market acquisitions and to arrange tender offers of Ordinary Shares within certain conditions.

- 12. THAT the Directors be, and hereby are, authorised to exercise their discretion under and in accordance with the Company's Articles of Incorporation and The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended to make market acquisitions (within the meaning of The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended) of the Ordinary Shares issued or to be issued by the Company, PROVIDED THAT:
  - (i) the maximum number of Ordinary Shares authorised to be acquired is 14.99 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue on the date of this resolution (excluding treasury shares);
  - (ii) the minimum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for any Ordinary Share is 0.01p;
  - (iii) the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for any Ordinary Share is the amount equal to the higher of (i) 105 per cent. of the average of the middle market quotations for an Ordinary Share as derived from the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange for the five business days immediately preceding the day on which the Ordinary Share is acquired; (ii) the price of the last independent trade; and (iii) the highest current independent bid at the time of acquisition;
  - (iv) the authority hereby conferred shall (unless previously renewed or revoked) expire on the date falling 18 months after the passing of this resolution or the next annual general meeting of the Company, whichever is the earlier; and
  - (v) the Company may make a contract to purchase its own Ordinary Shares under the authority hereby conferred prior to the expiry of such authority which will or may be executed wholly or partly after the expiry of such authority, and may make a purchase of its own Ordinary Shares in pursuance of any such contract.

The Directors propose the following resolution to permit the Company to issue and allot new shares of any class.

13. THAT, in substitution of any authorities previously granted to the Directors, the Directors are hereby generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise all powers of the Company to allot and issue, grant rights to subscribe for, or to convert any securities into, up to the aggregate number of shares of any class in the Company as shall be equal to 33.33 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution, provided that this authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company to be held in 2019 unless renewed at a general meeting prior to such time, PROVIDED THAT the Company may before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require shares to be allotted and issued or rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares to be granted after such expiry and the Directors may allot and issue shares or grant such rights in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired.

#### **Special Resolutions**

The Directors propose a partial disapplication of the pre-emption rights in order to allow the Company to issue new Ordinary Shares and/or sell Ordinary Shares out of treasury at a premium to prevailing net asset value per Ordinary Share by way of tap issues. The proceeds of any share issuance or sales out of treasury, implemented pursuant to the power conferred by resolution 14, will be invested in accordance with the Company's investment policy.

14. THAT, in substitution for any existing authorities granted by the Directors, the Directors be, and hereby are, empowered to issue and allot (or sell Ordinary Shares held as treasury shares) up to 10 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares of the Company in issue as at the date of this resolution, for cash as if Article 7 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation did not apply to the issue and allotment or sale for the period expiring on the date falling 15 months after the date of passing of this resolution or the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company, whichever is the earlier PROVIDED THAT the Company may before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require Ordinary Shares to be issued and allotted or sold after such expiry and Ordinary Shares may be issued and allotted or sold in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the power conferred by this resolution had not expired.

By Order of the Board

31 March 2018

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#### Notes

- (i) A member of the Company who is entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, speak, and vote in his or her place. A proxy does not need to be a member of the Company but must attend the meeting to represent you. Details of how to appoint the Chairman of the meeting or another person as your proxy using the proxy form are set out in the notes to the proxy form. If you wish your proxy to speak on your behalf at the meeting you will need to appoint your own choice of proxy (not the Chairman) and give your instructions directly to them. A member may appoint more than one proxy to attend the meeting provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attached to different shares.
- (ii) A form of proxy is enclosed which should be completed in accordance with the instructions on it. To be valid, the form of proxy (together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of such authority) must be deposited with the Company's UK Transfer Agent, Link Asset Services, PXS 1, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4ZF by no later than 3.00 p.m. on Friday 4 May 2018 and at any adjournment thereof at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote.
- (iii) To change your proxy instructions simply submit a new proxy form using the methods set out above and in the notes to the proxy form. Note that the cut-off date and time for receipt of a proxy form (see above) also apply in relation to amended instructions; any amended proxy form received after the relevant cut-off date and time will be disregarded. If you submit more than one valid proxy form, the form received last before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence.
- (iv) In order to revoke a proxy instruction you will need to inform the Company by sending a signed hard copy notice clearly stating your intention to revoke your proxy appointment to the Company's UK Transfer Agent. In the case of a member which is an individual, the revocation notice must be under the hand of the appointer or of his attorney duly authorised in writing or in the case of a member which is a company, the revocation notice must be executed under its common seal or under the hand of an officer of the company or an attorney duly authorised. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which the revocation notice is signed (or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority) must be included with the revocation notice.
- (v) The revocation notice must be received by 3.00 p.m. on Friday 4 May 2018. If you attempt to revoke your proxy appointment but the revocation is received after the time specified then, subject to the paragraph directly below, your proxy appointment will remain valid.
- (vi) To allow effective constitution of the Annual General Meeting, if it is apparent to the Chairman that no shareholders will be present in person or by proxy, other than by proxy in the Chairman's favour, the Chairman may appoint a substitute to act as proxy in his stead for any other shareholder, provided that such substitute proxy shall vote on the same basis as the Chairman.
- (vii) To have the right to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting (and also for the purposes of calculating how many votes a shareholder casts), a shareholder must first have his or her name entered in the Company's register of members by no later than 48 hours before the time of the meeting (or, if the meeting is adjourned, 48 hours before the time of the adjourned meeting). Changes to entries on the Company's register of members after that time shall be disregarded in determining the right of any shareholder to attend, speak and vote at the meeting referred to above.

#### Additional Notes

CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies by utilising the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so for the Annual General Meeting to be held on 10 May 2018 and any adjournment(s) thereof by utilising the procedures described in the CREST Manual. CREST Personal Members or other CREST sponsored members, and those CREST members who have appointed a voting service provider(s), should refer to their CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s), who will be able to take the appropriate action on their behalf.

In order for a proxy appointment made by means of CREST to be valid, the appropriate CREST message (a "CREST Proxy Instruction") must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited's specifications and must contain the information required for such instructions, as described in the CREST Manual. The message must be transmitted so as to be received by the issuer's agent (RA10) by the latest time(s) for receipt of proxy appointments specified in this notice of meeting. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the timestamp applied to the message by the CREST Applications Host) from which the issuer's agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST.

CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service providers should note that Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular messages. Normal system timings and limitations will therefore apply in relation to the input of CREST Proxy Instructions. It is the responsibility of the CREST member concerned to take (or, if the CREST member is a CREST personal member or sponsored member or has appointed a voting service provider(s), to procure that his CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s) take(s)) such action as shall be necessary to ensure that a message is transmitted by means of the CREST system by any particular time. In this connection, CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service providers are referred, in particular, to those sections of the CREST Manual concerning practical limitations of the CREST system and timings.

The Company may treat as invalid a CREST Proxy Instruction in the circumstances set out in Regulation 34(1) of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2009.