

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

# AND

# MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

# IN RESPECT OF AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2024

**OCTOBER 1, 2024** 



# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting (the "**Meeting**") of the holders ("**Shareholders**") of common shares ("**Common Shares**") of Trillion Energy International Inc. (the "**Corporation**" or "**Trillion**") will be held at the offices of DS Lawyers Canada LLP, located at Suite 800, 333 – 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2Z1, Canada, on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. (Calgary time) for the following purposes:

- 1. to receive the audited financial statements of the Corporation for the financial year ended December 31, 2023 together with the auditors' report thereon;
- 2. to fix the number of directors to be elected at the Meeting at four (4);
- 3. to elect the directors of the Corporation to hold office until the next annual meeting of Shareholders;
- 4. to appoint MNP LLP as auditors for the Corporation to hold office until the next annual meeting of Shareholders and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration; and
- 5. to transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

This Notice of Meeting is accompanied by the management information circular ("**Information Circular**") and a form of proxy (the "**Form of Proxy**"). The Information Circular is expressly made part of this Notice of Meeting. **The Information Circular should be consulted for further details on matters to be acted upon.** 

**DATED** at Vancouver, British Columbia this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2024.

# BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRILLION ENERGY INTERNATIONAL INC.

<u>"Arthur Halleran"</u> Arthur Halleran President and Chief Executive Officer

# **IMPORTANT**

Only holders of Common Shares of record at the close of business on September 20, 2024 are entitled to notice of the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof and only those holders of the Common Shares of record at the close of business on September 20, 2024, or who subsequently become Shareholders and comply with the provisions of the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), are entitled to vote thereat.

**If you are a registered Shareholder**, please complete and submit the enclosed Form of Proxy or other appropriate form of proxy. Completed forms of proxy must be received by Odyssey Trust Company, by mail at Traders Bank Building 702, 67 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M5E 1J8, by email at proxy@odysseytrust.com, or by fax at 1-800-517-4553, not less than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays, preceding the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. You may also vote by internet voting at

<u>https://login.odysseytrust.com/pxlogin</u> not less than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays, preceding the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

**If you are not a registered Shareholder**, please complete the voting instruction form from your intermediary/broker and follow the instructions set out under "*Advice to Beneficial Shareholders on Voting Their Common Shares*" in the Information Circular.

# Notice-And-Access

The Corporation has elected to use the notice-and-access provisions under National Instrument 54-101 Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer and National Instrument 51-102 Continuous Disclosure Obligations of the Canadian Securities Administrators (the "**Notice-and-Access Provisions**") for the Meeting. The Notice-and-Access Provisions are a set of rules developed by the Canadian Securities Administrators that reduce the volume of materials that must be physically mailed to Shareholders by allowing the Corporation to post the Information Circular and any additional materials online. Shareholders will still receive this Notice of Meeting and a form of proxy and may choose to receive a paper copy of the Information Circular. The Corporation will not use the procedure known as "stratification" in relation to the use of Notice-and-Access Provisions. Stratification occurs when a reporting issuer using the Notice-and-Access Provisions provides a paper copy of the Information Circular to some shareholders with this notice package. In relation to the Meeting, all Shareholders will receive the required documentation under the Notice-and-Access Provisions, which will not include a paper copy of the Information Circular.

Please review the Information Circular carefully and in full prior to voting as the Information Circular has been prepared to help you make an informed decision on the matters to be acted upon. The Information Circular is available under the Corporation's profile on SEDAR+ at <u>www.sedarplus.ca</u> and at <u>www.trillionenergy.com/AGM2024</u>.

Any Shareholder who wishes to receive a paper copy of the Information Circular or obtain additional information about the Notice-and-Access Provisions should contact the Corporation at Suite 700, 838 West Hasting Street Vancouver, BC V6C 0A6, Attention: Renata Kubicek, Corporate Secretary, or by telephone at (604) 422-8088.

In order to ensure that a paper copy of the Information Circular can be delivered to a requesting Shareholder in time for such shareholder to review the Information Circular and return a voting instruction form or proxy prior to the deadline, it is strongly suggested that a Shareholder ensure their request is received no later than October 25, 2024.



# MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

# **INTRODUCTION**

This management information circular (this "**Information Circular**") is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the management of Trillion Energy International Inc. ("**Trillion**" or the "**Corporation**") for use at the annual general meeting (the "**Meeting**") of holders ("**Shareholders**") of common Shares ("**Common Shares**") of the Corporation to be held at DS Lawyers Canada LLP, located at Suite 800,  $333 - 7^{th}$  Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2Z1, Canada, on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. (Calgary time) and at any adjournment or postponement thereof for the purposes set out in the accompanying Notice of Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (the "**Notice of Meeting**"). Unless otherwise stated, the information contained in this Information Circular is given as at October 1, 2024.

In order to ensure as many Common Shares as possible are represented at the Meeting, Registered Shareholders (as defined below) are strongly encouraged to complete the enclosed form of proxy (the "**Form of Proxy**") and return it as soon as possible in the envelope provided for that purpose. Beneficial Shareholders (as defined below) are strongly encouraged to complete the voting instruction form received from their respective intermediary/broker ("**Intermediary**") as soon as possible and to follow the instructions set out under "*Advice to Beneficial Shareholders on Voting Their Common Shares*" in this Information Circular.

Unless otherwise stated, all amounts are reported in Canadian dollars (CAD).

# **GENERAL PROXY INFORMATION**

# **Solicitation of Proxies**

**This solicitation is made on behalf of the management of Trillion.** Although it is expected that the solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail, proxies may also be solicited personally or by telephone by directors, officers, employees or agents of the Corporation. Pursuant to National Instrument 54-101 *Communication With Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer* ("**NI 54-101**"), arrangements have been made with clearing agencies, brokerage houses and other financial intermediaries to forward proxy solicitation material to Beneficial Shareholders. The cost of any such solicitation will be borne by the Corporation.

# Notice-and-Access

The Corporation has elected to use the "notice-and-access" process that came into effect on February 11, 2013 under NI 54-101 and National Instrument 51-102 *Continuous Disclosure Obligations* ("**NI 51-102**") of the Canadian Securities Administrators, for distribution of this Information Circular and other meeting materials to registered Shareholders and non-registered Shareholders as set out in the "Advice to Beneficial Shareholders" section below.

Notice-and-access allows issuers to post electronic versions of meeting materials, including information circulars, annual financial statements and management discussion and analysis, online, via SEDAR+ and one other website, rather than mailing paper copies of such meeting materials to shareholders. The Corporation anticipates that utilizing the notice-and-access process will reduce both postage and printing costs.

The Corporation has posted the Notice of Meeting, this Information Circular, the form of proxy, the Corporation's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 and the auditor's report thereon (the "**Annual Financial Statements**") and the related management's discussion and analysis (the "**Annual MD&A**") on the Corporation's SEDAR+ profile at <u>www.sedarplus.ca</u> and on the Corporation's website at <u>www.trillionenergy.com/AGM2024</u>, and will remain on its website at least until the date that is one year after the date the materials were posted. The Corporation will not be adopting stratification procedures in relation to the use of notice-and-access.

Although the Notice of Meeting, this Information Circular, the form of proxy, the Annual Financial Statements, the Annual MD&A and other meeting materials (collectively the "**Meeting Materials**") will be posted electronically online, subject to the provisions set out below under the heading "Advice to Beneficial Shareholders", the registered and non-registered shareholders (collectively, the "**Notice-and-Access Shareholders**") will receive a "notice package" (the "**Notice-and-Access Notification**") by prepaid mail, which includes the information prescribed by NI 54-101 and a proxy form or voting instruction form from their respective intermediaries. Notice-and-Access Shareholders should follow the instructions for completion and delivery contained in the proxy or voting instruction form. **Shareholders are reminded to carefully review this Information Circular before voting.** 

## **Appointment and Revocation of Proxies**

The information provided in this section applies to Shareholders who hold Common Shares in their own name and have a share certificate or direct registration system (DRS) statement (a "**Registered Shareholder**"). As a Registered Shareholder, you are identified on the share register maintained by the Corporation's register and transfer agent, Odyssey Trust Company, as being a Shareholder.

The persons named in the Form of Proxy are directors and/or officers of the Corporation. A Registered Shareholder has the right to appoint a person (who need not be a Shareholder) to attend and represent such Registered Shareholder at the Meeting other than the persons designated in the Form of Proxy. To exercise this right, the Registered Shareholder should insert the name of the desired representative in the blank space provided in the Form of Proxy or submit another appropriate form of proxy.

In order to be effective, a proxy must be forwarded so as to reach, or be deposited with, the Corporation's registrar and transfer agent, Odyssey Trust Company, at Traders Bank Building 702, 67 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M5E 1J8, by email at <u>proxy@odysseytrust.com</u> or by fax at 1-800-517-4553, not less than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays in the Province of Alberta, preceding the Meeting or an adjournment or postponement thereof; provided that the Chairperson of the Meeting may, in his or her sole discretion, at the Meeting, elect to waive the requirement that proxies be deposited prior to the aforementioned time and accept any and all proxies deposited at or before the time of the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

A Registered Shareholder may also vote by internet voting at <u>https://login.odysseytrust.com/pxlogin</u>. Votes by internet must be received not later than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays, preceding the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. **The internet may also be used to appoint a proxyholder to attend and vote at the Meeting on the Registered Shareholder's behalf and to convey a Registered Shareholder's voting instructions.** 

An instrument of proxy may be revoked at any time prior to the exercise thereof. In addition to revocation in any other manner permitted by law, a Registered Shareholder may revoke a proxy by:

(i) depositing an instrument in writing executed by the Registered Shareholder or by the Registered Shareholder's attorney authorized in writing or, if the Registered Shareholder is a corporation, by a duly authorized officer or attorney of the corporation:

- (a) at the offices of the registrar and transfer agent of the Corporation, Odyssey Trust Company, Traders Bank Building 702, 67 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M5E 1J8, Canada, at any time, not less than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays, preceding the Meeting, or an adjournment or postponement of the Meeting, at which the proxy is to be used;
  - (b) at the registered office of the Corporation, Suite 700-838 West Hastings St., Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 0A6, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the Meeting, or any adjournment or postponement of the Meeting, at which the proxy is to be used; or
- (c) with the Chairperson of the Meeting before the Meeting begins or, if the Meeting is adjourned or postponed, before the adjourned or postponed Meeting begins;
- (ii) completing and signing another proxy form with a later date and delivering it to the registrar and transfer agent of the Corporation not less than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays, preceding the Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof; or
- (iii) personally attending at the Meeting and voting the Common Shares represented by the proxy or, if the Registered Shareholder is a corporation, by a duly authorized officer or attorney of such corporation attending at the Meeting and voting such Common Shares.

Only Registered Shareholders have the right to revoke a proxy. Beneficial Shareholders who wish to change their vote must arrange for their respective Intermediary to revoke the proxy on their behalf in accordance with any requirements of the Intermediaries.

# **Voting of Proxies**

All Common Shares represented at the Meeting by properly executed proxies will be voted and where a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon has been specified in the Form of Proxy, the Common Shares represented by the proxy will be voted in accordance with such specifications. In the absence of any such specifications, the management designees, if named as proxy, will vote in favour of all the matters set out herein.

The Form of Proxy confers discretionary authority upon the management designees, or other persons named as proxy, with respect to amendments to or variations of matters identified in the Notice of Meeting and any other matters that may properly come before the Meeting. At the date of this Information Circular, the Corporation is not aware of any amendments to, or variations of, or other matters that may come before the Meeting. In the event that other matters come before the Meeting, then the management designees intend to vote in accordance with the judgment of the management of the Corporation.

Advice to Beneficial Shareholders on Voting Their Common Shares

The information set forth in this section is of significant importance to many Shareholders, as a substantial number of Shareholders do not hold their Common Shares in their own name. Shareholders who do not hold their Common Shares in their own name. Shareholders who do not hold their Common Shares in their own name (referred to in this Information Circular as "Beneficial Shareholders") should note that only Shareholders whose names appear on the records of the Corporation as the registered holders of Common Shares or their proxyholders are permitted to vote at the Meeting. If Common Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a Shareholder by a broker, then, in almost all cases, those shares will not be registered in the Shareholder's name on the records of that broker. In Canada, the vast majority of such shares are registered under the name of CDS & Co. (the nominee of The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, which acts as depositary for many Canadian brokerage firms). Common Shares held by brokers or their agents or

nominees can only be voted (for or against resolutions) upon the instructions of the Beneficial Shareholder. Without specific instructions, a broker and its agents and nominees are prohibited from voting shares for the broker's clients. Therefore, Beneficial Shareholders should ensure that instructions respecting the voting of their Common Shares are communicated to the appropriate person.

Applicable regulatory rules require Intermediaries to seek voting instructions from Beneficial Shareholders in advance of Shareholders' meetings. Every Intermediary has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions to clients, which should be carefully followed by Beneficial Shareholders in order to ensure that their Common Shares are voted at the Meeting. The majority of brokers now delegate responsibility for obtaining instructions from clients to Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("**Broadridge**"). Broadridge typically provides a scannable voting instruction form or applies a special sticker to the proxy forms, mails those forms to the Beneficial Shareholders and asks Beneficial Shareholders to return the voting instruction forms to Broadridge. Often Beneficial Shareholders are alternatively provided with a toll-free telephone number to vote their shares or a website address where shares can be voted. Broadridge then tabulates the results of all instructions received and provides appropriate instructions from or a proxy with a Broadridge sticker on it cannot use that voting instruction form or proxy to vote Common Shares directly at the Meeting. The voting instruction form or proxy must be returned to Broadridge well in advance of the Meeting in order to have the Common Shares voted at the Meeting. **If you have any questions respecting the voting of Common Shares held through an Intermediary, please contact that Intermediary for assistance.** 

Although a Beneficial Shareholder may not be recognized directly at the Meeting for the purposes of voting Common Shares registered in the name of their Intermediary (or an agent of the Intermediary), a Beneficial Shareholder may attend at the Meeting as proxyholder for the Registered Shareholder and vote the Common Shares in that capacity. Beneficial Shareholders who wish to attend the Meeting and indirectly vote their Common Shares as proxyholder for the Registered Shareholder should enter their own names in the blank space on the proxy form or voting instruction form provided to them and return the same to their Intermediary (or the agent of the Intermediary) in accordance with the instructions provided by such Intermediary (or agent), well in advance of the Meeting. Beneficial Shareholders should follow the instructions on the forms that they receive and contact their Intermediaries promptly if they require assistance.

Beneficial Shareholders who have not objected to their Intermediary disclosing certain ownership information about themselves to the Corporation are referred to as non-objecting beneficial owners or "**NOBOs**". Those Beneficial Shareholders who have objected to their Intermediary disclosing ownership information about themselves to the Corporation are referred to as objecting beneficial owners or "**OBOs**".

Pursuant to NI 54-101, the Corporation has decided to use notice-and-access to deliver the Meeting Materials and accordingly, the Corporation will only be mailing the Notice-and-Access Notification and Proxy to Beneficial Shareholders as set out above.

# VOTING COMMON SHARES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

The Corporation is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Common Shares and an unlimited number of preferred shares, of which **158,726,961** Common Shares and nil preferred shares are issued and outstanding.

The holders of Common Shares of record at the close of business on the record date, set by the directors of the Corporation to be September 20, 2024 (the "**Record Date**"), are entitled to vote such Common Shares at the Meeting on the basis of one (1) vote for each Common Share held, except to the extent that:

1. such person transfers his, her or its Common Shares after the Record Date; and

2. the transferee of those Common Shares produces properly endorsed share certificates or otherwise establishes his, her or its ownership of the Common Shares,

and makes a demand to the registrar and transfer agent of the Corporation, not later than ten (10) days before the Meeting, that his, her or its name be included on the Shareholders list for the Meeting.

The articles of the Corporation provide that two (2) person present and representing in person or by proxy not less than five percent (5%) of the outstanding Common Shares entitled to vote at the Meeting, constitutes a quorum for the Meeting.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Corporation, as of the date hereof, no person or company (other than securities depositories) beneficially owns, or controls or directs, directly or indirectly, Common Shares carrying 10% or more of the voting rights attached to all outstanding Common Shares.

# PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Management of Trillion knows of no amendment, variation or other matter to come before the Meeting other than the matters referred to in the accompanying Notice of Meeting. However, if any other matter properly comes before the Meeting, the management designees, if named as proxy, will vote on such matter in accordance with the best judgment of the person or persons voting the proxy.

## I. Receipt of Financial Statements

The directors will place before the Meeting the audited financial statements of the Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2023 together with the auditors' report thereon. Shareholder approval is not required in relation to these financial statements. The financial statements have been sent to applicable Shareholders in accordance with applicable securities laws and are also available on the Corporation's profile on the SEDAR+ website at www.sedarplus.ca.

# II. Fix Number of Directors

The board of directors of the Corporation (the "**Board**") presently consists of four (4) directors. It is proposed that the number of directors for the ensuing year be set at four (4), and that the persons named below under "*Election of Directors*" will be nominated at the Meeting. Each director elected at the Meeting will hold office until the next annual meeting of the Shareholders or until his or her successor is elected or appointed in accordance with the constating documents of the Corporation and the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) (the "BCBCA"), unless his or her office is earlier vacated. Unless otherwise directed, the management designees, if named as proxy, intend to vote the Common Shares represented by any such proxy FOR the resolution setting the number of directors to be elected at the meeting at four (4) members.

# III. Election of Directors

The directors of the Corporation are elected annually and hold office until the next annual general meeting of the shareholders or until their successors are elected or appointed. The management of the Corporation proposes to nominate the persons listed below for election as directors of the Corporation to serve until their successors are elected or appointed. In the absence of instructions to the contrary, Proxies given pursuant to the solicitation by the management will be voted for the nominees listed in this Circular. Management does not contemplate that any of the nominees will be unable to serve as a director.

Shareholders should note that, as a result of the majority voting policy, a "withhold" vote is effectively the same as a vote against a director nominee in an uncontested election.

The following table sets out the names and places of residence of the persons proposed to be nominated by management for election as directors of the Corporation; all positions and offices in the Corporation held by them; their current principal occupation; the periods during which they have served as a director of the Corporation; and the number of Common Shares beneficially owned, or controlled or directed, directly or indirectly, by them, as of the date hereof. Each director elected at the Meeting will hold office until the next annual meeting of the Shareholders or until his or her successor is elected or appointed in accordance with the constating documents of the Corporation and the BCBCA, unless his or her office is earlier vacated.

Name, Place of Residence and Position(s) with the Corporation	Principal Occupation	Director Since	Number of Common Shares Beneficially Owned, or Controlled or Directed, Directly or Indirectly <sup>(1)</sup>
Arthur Halleran <sup>(3)(3)</sup> President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director Fort St. James, British Columbia, Canada	- President and Chief Executive Officer of Trillion since August 2017 and a director of Trillion since 2011	October 2011	2,330,000 2.02%
<b>David M. Thompson</b> <sup>(2)(3)</sup> Director Pembroke, Bermuda	<ul> <li>Managing director of AMS Limited, a Bermuda based management company since 1990</li> <li>Chief Financial Officer of Trillion from September 2017 until August 2022; re-appointed as Chief Financial Officer on March 8, 2024.</li> </ul>	October 2013	828,400 0.72%
Sean Stofer <sup>(2) (2) (2)</sup> Director Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada	<ul> <li>President of Westpeak Projects Inc. since 2010</li> <li>Chief Executive Officer and director of Takhini Power Corp. since June 2019</li> <li>Chief Operating Officer of Green Data Real Estate Inc. since May 2019</li> </ul>	August 2022	1,900,000 0.49%
<b>Jay Park, K.C.</b> <sup>(3)</sup> Director London, United Kingdom	<ul> <li>Managing Partner of Park Energy Law, a energy focused law firm with offices in Canada and the UK, since 2014.</li> <li>Executive Chairman of MCF Energy Ltd, a TSXV listed issuer. Previously the CEO and Chairman of ReconAfrica.</li> </ul>	December 2023	333,333 0.21%

#### Notes:

The information as to the number of Common Shares beneficially owned, or controlled or directed, directly or indirectly, by the nominees, not being within the knowledge of the Corporation, has been provided to the Corporation by the nominees.
 Member of the qudit committee, of which David Theoremson is the Chair.

(2) Member of the audit committee, of which David Thompson is the Chair.

(3) Member of the compensation and corporate governance committee, of which David Thompson is the Chair.

(4) Member of the Reserves, Health, Safety and Environment Committee of which Arthur Halleran is the Chair.

Unless otherwise directed, the management designees, if named as proxy, intend to vote the Common Shares represented by any such proxy FOR the election of each of the nominees specified above as directors of the Corporation.

## **Director Nominee Biographies**

Dr. Arthur HalleranIPresident, CEO, Directort

Dr. Halleran has served as a director of Trillion Energy since October 4, 2011 and the CEO since 2017. He has a Ph.D. in Geology from the University of Calgary and 43 years of petroleum exploration and development experience. His international experience includes countries such as Canada, Colombia, Egypt, India, Guinea,

	Sierra Leone, Sudan, Suriname, Chile, Brazil, Bulgaria, Turkiye, Pakistan, Peru, Tunisia, Trinidad Tobago, Argentina, Ecuador and Guyana. Dr. Halleran has worked for Petro-Canada, Chevron, Rally Energy, Canacol Energy and United Hydrocarbon International Corp. In 2007, Dr. Halleran founded Canacol Energy Ltd., a company with petroleum and natural gas exploration and development activities in Colombia, Brazil and Guyana which made a billion-dollar natural gas discovery in Colombia.
<b>David Thompson</b> Director	Mr. Thompson has 35 years of financial experience in the oil and gas industry. He successfully founded an oil trading company in Bermuda, with offices in the U.S. and Europe, and was responsible for the company's Turkmenistan production operations in the Lhamov and Zhdanoy oil fields (offshore Caspian Sea — part of the Turkmenistan project), which discovered producing reserves of 365M barrels oil and 2 TCF gas and successfully raised over \$100M in equity. He is Managing Director of AMS Limited, a Bermuda based Management Company. He has served as Founder, President and CEO of Sea Dragon Energy Inc. (AIM: SDX), Financial Director of Forum Energy Plc (AIM) and SVP at Larmag Group of Companies. Mr. Thompson is a Certified Management Accountant since 1998.
<b>Jay Park</b> Director	Mr. Park is a renowned energy lawyer with a particular focus on upstream oil and gas transactions. He has worked on energy projects in more than fifty countries, including Turkey. He has advised international energy companies, including oil and gas explorers, producers, marketers, pipeline companies, state oil companies, governments, banks and multilateral agencies such as the World Bank. Mr. Park was formerly CEO (April 2018- September 2020) and then Chairman (September 2020-January 2022) of ReconAfrica (TSXV: RECO) exploring for oil & gas in Namibia and Botswana. During this period ReconAfrica was twice named to the TSX Venture 50 and was the top performing 2021 TSX Venture 50 company from the energy sector. Mr. Park is currently Executive Chairman of MCF Energy Ltd. (TSX.V: MCF) exploring for gas in Europe
Sean Stofer Director	Sean Stofer has over 20 years of renewable energy experience. Mr. Stofer is a graduate of the University of British Columbia in Engineering and is a registered Engineer in California. He is a founder of several successful renewable energy companies including for the arctic's largest solar array; 250 MW of solar in the USA; 200+MW of wind projects and over 300MW of hydroelectric projects. He is COO of Green Data Center Real Estate, which uses renewable energy to power data centers. Sean is leading a project of over 500 MW using wind, solar and hydropower. Sean has worked closely with Government to guide policy and has consulted to a wide range of companies. Sean was awarded the Top 40 Under 40 in Vancouver, Canada for his business achievements.

# Cease Trade Orders

To the knowledge of the Corporation, no proposed director of the Corporation is, as at the date hereof, or has been, within 10 years before the date hereof, a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer of any company (including the Corporation) that:

(a) was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of

more than 30 consecutive days, that was issued while the proposed director was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer; or

(b) was subject to a cease trade order, an order similar to a cease trade order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, that was in effect for a period of more than 30 consecutive days, that was issued after the proposed director ceased to be a director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer and which resulted from an event that occurred while that person was acting in the capacity as director, chief executive officer or chief financial officer.

## **Bankruptcy**

To the knowledge of the Corporation, no proposed director of the Corporation is, as at the date hereof, or has been within 10 years before the date hereof, a director or executive officer of a company (including the Corporation) that, while that person was acting in that capacity, or within a year of that person ceasing to act in that capacity, became bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency or was subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold its assets.

## Personal Bankruptcy

To the knowledge of the Corporation, no proposed director of the Corporation has, within the 10 years before the date hereof, become bankrupt, made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or become subject to or instituted any proceedings, arrangement or compromise with creditors, or had a receiver, receiver manager or trustee appointed to hold the assets of that person.

## **Penalties and Sanctions**

To the knowledge of the Corporation, no proposed director of the Corporation has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority or has entered into a settlement agreement with a securities regulatory authority, or has been subject to any other penalties or sanctions imposed by a court or regulatory body that would likely be considered important to a reasonable securityholder in deciding whether to vote for a proposed director.

## **IV.** Appointment of Auditors

The current auditors of the Corporation are MNP LLP ("MNP").

MNP were appointed as auditors for the Corporation on December 12, 2022, following the resignation of Harbouside CPA ("**Harbourside**") on its own initiative having decided to stop operations effective on or about August 25, 2022. At the Meeting, the Shareholders will be asked to re-appoint MNP as auditors of the Corporation to serve until the close of the next annual meeting of Shareholders and to authorize the directors to fix their remuneration.

Unless otherwise directed, the management designees, if named as proxy, intend to vote the Common Shares represented by any such proxy FOR the appointment of MNP as auditors of the Corporation at remuneration to be fixed by the Board.

## STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

## **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

For the purpose of this section, a "**CEO**" or "**CFO**" or "**COO**" means each individual who acted as Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer or Chief Operating Officer, respectively, of the Corporation or acted in a similar capacity, for any part of the most recently completed financial year. A "**Named Executive Officer**" or "**NEO**" means (a) each CEO; (b) each CFO; (C) each COO (D) each of the three (3) most highly compensated executive officers of the Corporation, including any subsidiary, or the three (3) most highly compensated individuals acting in a similar capacity, other than the CEO and CFO and COO, at the end of the most recently completed financial year and whose total compensation was, individually, more than \$150,000; and (d) each individual who would be an NEO under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was neither an executive officer of the Corporation or its subsidiaries, nor acting in a similar capacity, at the end of the most recently completed financial year end.

# **Compensation Objectives and Philosophy**

The Corporation's executive compensation program is comprised of the following three (3) components: (i) base salary; (ii) short-term incentives; and (iii) long-term incentives. Together, these components support the Corporation's long-term growth strategy and objectives, including:

- (a) to align executive compensation with Shareholders' interests;
- (b) to attract and retain qualified executives; and
- (c) to motivate the short-term and long-term performance of these executives.

The Corporation's executive compensation is intended to be consistent with the Corporation's business plans, strategies and goals while taking into account various factors and criteria, including competitive factors, the Corporation's performance and comparative compensation of executive officers of companies of similar size, activities and performance. The Corporation's executive compensation is intended to provide an appropriate overall compensation package that permits the Corporation to attract and retain highly qualified and experienced senior executives and to encourage superior performance by the Corporation. The Corporation's compensation policies are intended to motivate individuals to achieve and to award compensation based on corporate and individual results. Named Executive Officers are compensated for their progress in executing the Corporation's long-term growth strategy and for delivering strong total Shareholder return performance.

# **Components of Compensation**

## **Base Salaries**

The base salary component is intended to provide a fixed level of competitive pay that reflects each NEO's primary duties and responsibilities in fulfilling his or her role. It also provides a foundation upon which performance-based incentive compensation elements are addressed and established. The foregoing compensation philosophy, as well as the financial performance of the Corporation as a whole, is considered in any review of base salaries. The salary review for a NEO is based on an assessment of factors such as current market conditions and particular skills, including leadership ability and management effectiveness, experience, responsibility and proven or expected performance. Base salaries for the Corporation are stipulated by contract, and which include a predefined increase upon the successful completion of the first seven wells at the SASB gas field.

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## Bonuses and Milestone Incentive Compensation

In addition to base salary, the Corporation may award executives with short term incentive awards in the form of an annual bonus or milestone bonuses, based on hitting predefined objectives, such as completion of a work program, spudding of wells or achieving certain financial milestones. Such bonuses are intended to provide incentives to executives and to reward them for their yearly individual contribution and performance of personal objectives in the context of overall annual corporate performance and profitability. A discretionary bonus amount is not pre-established and is at the discretion of the Board. There is a target amount for an annual bonus, although the Board may review similar factors as those discussed above in relation to base salary. A milestone bonus is where a predefined objective is achieved, which triggers a predefined amount paid.

In 2023, a bonus was paid to CEO on the anniversary of the spudding of the first well at SASB as well as an annual bonus and a bonus for raising. No other short-term or milestone incentives have been paid to the named executive officers by the Corporation in 2023.

# Stock Incentive Compensation – Options, RSUs

The Corporation believes that encouraging its executives and employees to become shareholders is the best way of aligning their interests with those of its Shareholders. Restricted Stock Units "RSUs" Options are granted to provide an incentive to the directors, executives, employees and consultants of the Corporation to achieve the longer-term objectives of the Corporation. The purpose of the Plan is to give suitable recognition to the ability and industry of such persons who contribute materially to the success of the Corporation and to attract and retain persons of experience and ability by providing them with the opportunity to acquire an increased proprietary interest in the Corporation. RSUs and Options are also used as a means to promote the long-term retention of individuals. The Corporation awards new grants of RSUs and Options to its executive officers, management and consultants based upon the provisions of executive contracts and the recommendation of the Board, which recommendation is based upon the Board's review of proposals from the Chief Executive Officer. Previous grants of RSUs and Options are taken into account when considering new grants as well as relevant contractual provisions. Implementation of long-term incentive plans and amendments are the responsibility of the Board.

In 2023 an RSU bonus was paid or accrued to the Director who had served in office in accordance in accordance with the February 2023 new compensation plan, which was approved by the Corporation's shareholders at the annual general and special meeting held on August 10, 2023 and forms part of the information circular of the Corporation dated July 13, 2023 which is available on the Corporation's profile on www.sedarplus.ca.

# Compensation Policies and Risk Management

As part of its review of the Corporation's compensation policies and practices, the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee considers the implications of risks associated with the Corporation's compensation policies and practices. The Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee keeps itself apprised of the current compensation policies of other investment companies and also draws upon the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee members' backgrounds as executives of other issuers to help identify and mitigate compensation policies and practices that could encourage a Named Executive Officer or individual at a principal business unit or division to take inappropriate or excessive risks. As of the date hereof, the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee is not aware of any material risks arising from the Corporation's current compensation policies or practices that would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Corporation.

The Corporation does not currently have any policies in place that would prevent Named Executive Officers or directors from purchasing financial instruments, including prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps,

collars, or units of exchange funds, that might be designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by Named Executive Officers or directors.

## **Compensation Governance**

## Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee

The Corporation's executive compensation program is administered by the Board and the Corporation's Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee. Currently, and during the year ended December 31, 2023, the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee was comprised of David Thompson, Sean Stofer and Jay Park. David Thompson is not independent as he is the CFO of the Corporation. Sean Stofer and Jay Park are independent within the meaning of National Instrument 58-101 *Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices* ("**NI 58-101**").

All of the members of the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee have direct experience that is relevant to their responsibilities regarding the executive compensation of the Corporation. The members have extensive managerial and executive experience dealing with employee performance and compensation. Each member has worked in excess of 20 years across various industries, and in a number of different roles. Each member has knowledge of relevant compensation practices and trends. Given their wealth of experience and the resources available to them, they are well positioned to make decisions with respect to the Corporation's compensation policies and practices.

## Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee Charter

The Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee's mandate, as set out in its charter, includes, among other things: (a) establishing an overall compensation policy for the Corporation and monitoring its implementation, with special attention devoted to the senior officers of the Corporation, including the "Named Executive Officers" who are identified in the Summary Compensation Table below; (b) reviewing and making recommendations to the Board periodically regarding the Corporation's remuneration and compensation policies, including short and long-term incentive compensation plans and equity-based plans, bonus plans, pension plans, executive stock option plans and grants and benefit plans (including the group life and health program); and (c) reviewing and approving periodically all compensation arrangements with the CEO and the CFO. The Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee meets at least once annually to fulfill its mandate.

In making compensation recommendations, the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee considers each executive's performance and other relevant factors, including the scope of each executive's position and responsibilities, the achievement of corporate goals, the current business environment and anticipated changes, and executive retention and recruitment considerations. The Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee also relies upon comparisons to other listed companies with similar market capitalization in making compensation decisions. Please refer to "*Compensation Discussion and Analysis*" above for a discussion of the Corporation's compensation program.

In fulfilling this mandate, the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee:

- periodically reviews the assessment of the performance of senior officers as provided to the committee by the Chief Executive Officer;
- establishes an overall compensation policy for the Corporation and monitor its implementation, with special attention devoted to the executive group;

- reviews and makes recommendations to the Board regarding the Corporation's remuneration and compensation policies, including short and long-term incentive compensation plans and equity- based plans, bonus plans, pension plans, executive stock option plans and grants and benefit plans (including the group life and health program); and
- reviews and approves all compensation arrangements with the senior executives of the Corporation.

## **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth a summary of compensation paid to or earned by the NEOs during the financial years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 in Canadian Dollars.

Name and Principal Position	Year Ended Dec. 31	Salary ('000\$)	Share- Based Awards <sup>(5)</sup> (\$'000)	Option- Based Awards (1) (\$'000)	Non-Equit Plan Com	y Incentive pensation	Pension Value (\$'000)	All Other Compensation (\$'000) <sup>(4)</sup>	Total Compensation (\$'000)
					Annual Incentive Plans	Long- Term Incentive Plans			
Arthur Halleran	2023	324	1,347	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	32	1,703
President and Chief Executive Officer	2022	420	512	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	23	955
	2021	196	56	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	23	274
David Thompson <sup>(2)</sup> Chief Financial	2023	0	0	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	119	119
Officer	2022	119	71	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	23	213
	2021	150	51	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	23	224
Ozge Karalli <sup>(3)</sup> Chief Financial	2023	3733	123	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	0	496
Officer	2022	104	Nil	176	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	280
	2021	N/A	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	N/A
Kubilay Yildirim Chief Operating Officer	2023	550	135	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	9	694
	2022	226	261	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	9	498
	2021	N/A	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	N/A

Notes:

(1) Value is based on the grant date fair value of the Options calculated using the Black-Scholes methodology based on the following key assumptions and estimates for 2023: a risk-free interest rate of 3.05% (2022 – 3.05%); an expected annual dividend of \$nil (2022 - \$nil); an expected life of 2 years (2022 – 3 years); and expected share price volatility of % (2022 – 175%). This methodology was selected due to its acceptance as an appropriate evaluation model used for similar listed companies and is consistent with the Corporation's financial reporting under International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

(2) Mr. Thompson resigned as Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation on August 19, 2022 and was re-appointed as Chief Financial Officer on March 8, 2024.

(3) Ms. Karalli was appointed as Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation on August 19, 2022 and resigned on 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.

(4) Represents directors' fees paid during the financial year

(5) Value is based on the fair value of RSU's vested.

(6) Mr. Yildirim was appointed as Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022, and resigned on 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

## **Incentive Plan Awards**

### **Outstanding Share-based Awards and Option-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth the share-based and option-based awards granted to the Named Executive Officers that are outstanding at the end of the financial year ended December 31, 2023.

		Option	-based Awards	Share-based Awards			
Name	Number of securities underlying unexercise d options (#)	Option exercise price (\$)	Option expiration date	Value of unexercis ed in-the- money options <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Number of shares or units of shares that have not vested (#)	Market or Payout value of share- based awards that have not vested (\$)	Market or payout value of vested share- based awards not paid out or distributed (\$)
Arthur Halleran	240,000	0.65	September 19, 2024	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
David Thompson	160,000	0.65	September 19, 2024	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ozge Karalli <sup>(2)</sup>	40,000	0.65	September 19, 2024	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
	164,000	0.30	July 31, 2025	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
	200,000	1.50	July 26, 2025	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kubilay Yildirim (2)	60,000	0.625	September 6, 2024	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	134,000	0.30	July 31, 2025	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	262,000	1.50	July 25, 2025	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note:

(1) Calculated based on the difference between the respective exercise prices of the Options and the closing price of the Common Shares on December 29, 2023, the last day on which the Common Shares traded during the 2023 financial year.

(2) Options to Ozge Karalli and Kubilay Yildirim were cancelled in March 2024

(3) Shares were consolidated in September 2023 on a 5 to 1 basis.

## Value Vested or Earned during the Year

The following table sets forth the value vested or earned, during the financial year ended December 31, 2023, of option-based awards, share-based awards and non-equity incentive plan compensation granted to Named Executive Officers.

Name	Option-based awards Value vested during the year <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Share-based awards Value vested during the year <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation Value earned during the year (\$)
Arthur Halleran	Nil	949,050	Nil
David Thompson	Nil	96,000	Nil
Ozge Karalli	Nil	87,500	Nil
Kubilay Yildirim	Nil	132,550	Nil

Note:

(1) Calculated based upon the difference between the exercise price of the Options and the market price of the Common Shares on the date such Options vested.

(2) Value is based on the fair value of RSU's vested.

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## **Pension Plan Benefits**

The Corporation does not have a pension plan that provides for payments or benefits at, following, or in connection with retirement. The Corporation does not have a defined contribution plan or deferred compensation plans.

## **Termination and Change of Control Benefits**

The Corporation is a party to agreements, that provides for payments to a certain Named Executive Officers in connection with any termination (whether voluntary, involuntary or constructive), resignation, retirement, a change in control of the Corporation, its subsidiaries or affiliates or a change in a Named Executive Officer's responsibilities. Upon termination of the CEO's employment without cause or upon a change of control where the CEO does not continue to be employed at a level of responsibility at least commensurate with his level of responsibility immediately prior to the Change of Control, the Corporation is liable for a termination payment, meaning a lump sum severance payment equal to two years of the annual base salary, plus an amount equal to the average amount of the annual bonus payments, if any, paid to CEO by the Corporation for the two calendar years prior to the termination date.

## **Directors Compensation**

Cash compensation is paid to directors of the Corporation in their roles as directors. Non-Executive Independent Directors are paid USD \$7,800 per quarter and Executive directors are paid USD \$6,000 per quarter. Options and RSUs are granted to provide an incentive to the directors of the Corporation to achieve the longer-term objectives of the Corporation. Non-Executive Independent Directors are paid 30,000 RSUs per quarter and Executive directors are paid 24,000 RSUs per quarter. The RSU are convertible into shares immediately and vest monthly. The purpose of the Plan is to recognize the time and effort of such persons who contribute materially to the success of the Corporation.

# Directors Compensation Table

The following table sets forth the value of all compensation provided to directors of the Corporation, not including the director who was also a Named Executive Officer, during the financial year ended December 31, 2023.

Name <sup>(1)</sup>	Fees earned (\$'000)	Share- based awards <sup>(3)</sup> (\$'000)	Option- based awards <sup>(2)</sup> (\$'000)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation (\$'000)	Pension value (\$'000)	All other Compensation (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)
Dr. Barry Wood <sup>(4)</sup>	39	96	0	0	0	0	135
Sean Stofer	42	96	0	0	0	0	138
Jay Park	4	0	0	0	0	0	4

Notes:

 Information regarding the compensation received by Arthur Halleran and David Thompson, who were directors and Named Executive Officers of the Corporation during the financial year ended December 31, 2023, may be found under the heading "Summary Compensation Table".

(2) There were no options given during 2023.

(3) Value is based on the fair value of RSU's vested

(4) Mr. Wood resigned on December 5, 2023.

## Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance

The Corporation provides, at its expense, insurance for the directors and officers as well as the directors and officers of some of the Corporation's affiliates and subsidiaries. The insurance is for liability incurred by any of them in their capacity as a director or officer of the Corporation. This insurance policy provides coverage of up to \$5,000,000 for the directors and officers of the Corporation in aggregate. Each loss or claim is subject to a

\$25,000 retention pursuant to the specific type of claim. The by-laws of the Corporation and indemnification agreements also provide indemnification of the directors and officers, subject to certain limitations. The most recent annual premium for the directors' and officers' liability policy was CAD \$77,025.

## **Outstanding Share-Based Awards and Option-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth the share-base and option-based awards granted to directors of the Corporation, not including the director who was also a Named Executive Officer, that were outstanding as at the end of the financial year ended December 31, 2023.

	Option-based Awards				Share-based Awards			
Name	Number of securities underlying unexercised options (#)	Option exercise price (\$)	Option expiration date	Value of unexercised in-the- money options <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Number of shares or units of shares that have not vested (#)	Market or Payout value of share- based awards that have not vested (\$)	Market or payout value of vested share- based awards not paid out or distributed (\$)	
Dr. Barry Wood	60,000	0.65	September 20, 2024	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	64,000	0.41	July 31, 2025	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Sean Stofer	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Jay Park	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Note:

Calculated based on the difference between the respective exercise prices of the Options and \$0.255, being the closing price of the Common Shares on December 29, 2023, the last day on which the Common Shares traded during the 2023 financial year.

(2) Options to Kubilay Yildirim were cancelled on February 29, 2024

## Value Vested or Earned during the Year

The following table sets forth the value vested or earned, during the financial year ended December 31, 2023, of option-based awards, share-based awards and non-equity incentive plan compensation granted to directors of the Corporation, not including the director who was also a Named Executive Officer.

Name	Option-based awards - Value vested during the year <sup>(1)</sup> (\$)	Share-based awards - Value vested during the year <sup>(2)</sup> (\$)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation - Value earned during the year (\$)
Dr. Barry Wood	0	96,000	0
Sean Stofer	0	96,000	0
Jay Park	0	0	0

Note:

(1) Calculated based upon the difference between the exercise price of the Options and the market price of the Common Shares on the date such Options vested.

(2) Value is based on the fair value of RSU's vested

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## EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION

The following table sets forth certain information pertaining to the Corporation's equity compensation plan as at December 31, 2023:

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options (a)	Weighted-Average Exercise Price of Outstanding Options (b)	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by securityholders	1,636,000	\$0.66	9,889,081
Equity compensation plans not approved by securityholders	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	1,636,000		9,889,081

Note:

(1) The number of authorized but unissued Common Shares that may be issued upon exercise of Options and RSUs granted under the Plan at any time may not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares from time to time. Based on 115,250,810 Common Shares issued and outstanding as at December 31, 2023, the Corporation would have been able issue a maximum of 9,889,081 Awards pursuant to the Long Term Incentive Plan.

# MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Management functions of the Corporation are performed by the directors and executive officers of the Corporation. Each of the CEO, COO and CFO have executive employment contracts with the Corporation. Directors' compensation is set annually by resolution at the beginning of each year.

## **INDEBTEDNESS OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

There is no indebtedness outstanding of any current or former director, executive officer or employee of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries which is owing to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries or to another entity which is the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, entered into in connection with a purchase of securities or otherwise.

No individual is, or at any time during the most recently completed financial year of the Corporation was, a director or executive officer of the Corporation, and no proposed nominee for election as a director of the Corporation, or any associate of any such director, executive officer or proposed nominee: (a) is or at any time since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year of the Corporation has been, indebted to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries; or (b) whose indebtedness to another entity is, or at any time since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year of the Corporation has been, the subject of a guarantee, support agreement, letter of credit or other similar arrangement or understanding provided by the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries.

# INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

Other than as set forth in this Information Circular, the management of the Corporation is not aware of any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, of any person who has been a director or executive officer at any time since the beginning of the Corporation's last financial year or any proposed nominee for election as a director, or any associate or affiliate of any of the foregoing persons, in any matter to be acted upon at the Meeting other than the election of directors or the appointment of auditors. All of the directors and officers have received options and may receive additional options pursuant to the Plan.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCLOSURE

The audit committee (the "Audit Committee") is a committee of the Board established for the purpose of overseeing the accounting and financial reporting process of the Corporation and annual external audits of the financial statements. The Audit Committee has set out its responsibilities and composition requirements in fulfilling its oversight in relation to the Corporation's internal accounting standards and practices, financial information, accounting systems and procedures, which procedures are set out in the Corporation's audit committee mandate.

## **Audit Committee Charter**

The Board has developed a written audit committee charter (the "**Charter**"). A copy of the Charter is attached hereto as Schedule "A" to this Information Circular.

## **Composition of the Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee consists of David Thompson (Chairman), Sean Stofer, and Jay Park, all of whom are financially literate within the meaning of National Instrument 52-110 *Audit Committees* ("**NI 52-110**"). Mr. Stofer and Mr. Park are considered to be independent within the meaning of NI 52-110. Mr. Thompson is not considered to be independent as he is the CFO of the Corporation.

## **Relevant Education and Experience of Audit Committee Members**

*David Thompson* - Mr. Thompson has 35 years of financial experience in the oil and gas industry. He successfully founded an oil trading company in Bermuda with offices in the U.S. and Europe (Geneva, Moscow and Amsterdam). He was responsible for that company's production operations in Turkmenistan. Mr. Thompson also negotiated the farm-out of a number of company assets. Mr. Thompson is Managing Director of AMS Limited, a Bermuda based Management Company. In the past he served as Director of United Hydrocarbon International Corp, Founder, President and CEO of Sea Dragon Energy Inc. (TSX:V), Chief Financial Officer of Aurado Energy, Chief Financial Officer of Forum Energy Corporation (OTC), Financial Director of Forum Energy Plc (AIM) and Senior Vice President at Larmag Group of Companies. Mr. Thompson is a Certified Management Accountant (1998).

*Jay Park* - Mr. Park is a renowned energy lawyer with a particular focus on upstream oil and gas transactions. He has worked on energy projects in more than fifty countries, including Turkey. He has advised international energy companies, including oil and gas explorers, producers, marketers, pipeline companies, state oil companies, governments, banks and multilateral agencies such as the World Bank. Mr. Park was formerly CEO (April 2018-September 2020) and then Chairman (September 2020-January 2022) of ReconAfrica (TSXV: RECO) exploring for oil & gas in Namibia and Botswana. During this period ReconAfrica was twice named to the TSX Venture 50 and was the top performing 2021 TSX Venture 50 company from the energy sector. Mr. Park is currently Executive Chairman of MCF Energy Ltd. (TSX.V: MCF) exploring for gas in Europe.

*Sean Stofer* - Sean Stofer brings over 20 years of renewable energy experience to the Board. Mr. Stofer is a graduate of the University of British Columbia in Engineering and became a registered Engineer in California. He is a founder and executive of several successful renewable energy companies with a project list including the arctic's largest solar array; 250 MW of solar in the USA; 200+MW of wind projects and over 300MW of hydroelectric projects. He is COO of Green Data Center Real Estate, a company which uses renewable energy to power data centers where Sean is leading a project pipeline of over 500 MW using wind, solar and hydropower. Sean has worked closely with Government to guide policy and has consulted to a wide range of companies on business, finance, and public market strategies. Sean was awarded the Top 40 Under 40 in Vancouver, Canada for his business achievements.

## Audit Committee Oversight

At no time since the commencement of the Corporation's fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 was a recommendation of the Audit Committee to nominate or compensate an external auditor not adopted by the Board.

# **Reliance on Certain Exemptions**

At no time since the commencement of the Corporation's most recently completed financial year has the Corporation relied on the exemption in Section 2.4 of NI 52-110 (*De Minimis Non-audit Services*), in subsection 6.1.1(4) of NI 52-110 (*Circumstance Affecting the Business or Operations of the Venture Issuer*), in subsection 6.1.1(5) of NI 52-110 (*Events Outside Control of Member*), in subsection 6.1.1(6) of NI 52-110 (*Death, Incapacity or Resignation*), or an exemption from NI 52-110, in whole or in part, granted under Part 8 of NI 52-110 (*Exemption*).

Trillion is classified as a "venture issuer" within the meaning of applicable securities laws and, accordingly, is relying upon the exemption contained in section 6.1 of NI 52-110 from the requirements of Parts 3 (*Composition of the Audit Committee*) and 5 (*Reporting Obligations*) of NI 52-110.

# **Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures**

The Audit Committee has adopted specific policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services as described in the Charter under the heading "*Approval of Audit and Remitted Non-Audit Services Provided by External Auditors*".

# External Auditor Service Fees (By Category)

The following table provides information about the fees billed or quoted to the Corporation for professional services rendered by MNP LLP for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023:

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Audit Fees <sup>(1)</sup>	\$293	\$238
Audit-Related Fees <sup>(2)</sup>	\$34	\$20
Tax Fees <sup>(3)</sup>		
All other Fees <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-
Total <sup>(5)</sup>	\$327	\$258

#### Notes:

(1) Audit fees were for professional services rendered by the auditors for the audit of the Corporation's annual consolidated financial statements as well as services provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings.

(2) Audit-related fees were for services related to performance of limited procedures performed by the Corporation's auditors related to the review of interim financial statements.

(3) Tax fees are for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning.

(4) All other fees for services performed by the Corporation's auditors.

(5) These fees only represent professional services rendered and do not include any out-of-pocket disbursements or fees associated with filings made on the Corporation's behalf.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURE

## **Board Mandate**

The Board believes that good corporate governance improves corporate performance and benefits all Shareholders. Corporate governance relates to the activities of the Board, the members of which are elected by and are accountable to the Shareholders, and takes into account the role of the individual members of management who are appointed by the Board and who are charged with the day to day management of the Corporation. The Board is committed to sound corporate governance practices which are both in the interest of its Shareholders and contribute to effective and efficient decision making.

The Canadian Securities Administrators (the "**CSA**") have adopted National Policy 58-201 *Corporate Governance Guidelines*, which provides non-prescriptive guidelines on corporate governance practices for reporting issuers such as the Corporation. In addition, the CSA have implemented NI 58-101, which prescribes certain disclosure by the Corporation of its corporate governance practices. This disclosure is presented below.

# Board

The Board is currently comprised of five (5) members. The current non-independent members of the Board are Arthur Halleran and David Thompson. Arthur Halleran has been determined not to be independent under NI 58-101 as a result of being Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation; David Thompson has been determined to not be independent under NI 58-101 as a result of being the Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation. The current independent members of the Board are Messrs. Stofer and Park.

An "independent" director is a director who has no direct or indirect material relationship with the Corporation. A material relationship is a relationship which could, in the view of the Board, reasonably interfere with the exercise of a director's independent judgement. The independent judgement of the Board in carrying out its responsibilities is the responsibility of all directors. The Board facilitates independent supervision of management through meetings of the Board and through informal discussions among members of the Board and management. In addition, the Board have free access to the Corporation's external auditors, legal counsel and to any of the Corporation's officers.

# Directorships

Other than as set forth below, none of the directors hold directorships in other reporting issuers (or the equivalent) in jurisdictions in Canada or a foreign jurisdiction.

Director	Other Reporting Issuers
David Thompson	Bocana Resources Corp.
	Madeira Minerals Ltd.

Jay Park

MCF Energy Ltd.

# **Orientation and Continuing Education of Board Members**

While the Corporation currently has no formal orientation and education program for new Board members, sufficient information (such as policies, recent financial statements, prospectuses, proxy solicitation materials, marketing and business plans and various other operating, financial and budget reports) will be provided to any new Board member to ensure that new directors are familiarized with the Corporation's business and the procedures of the Board. In addition, new directors will be encouraged to visit and meet with management on a

regular basis and are given the opportunity to meet with counsel to the Corporation to discuss their legal obligations. The Corporation will also encourage continuing education of its directors and officers where appropriate in order to ensure that they have the necessary skills and knowledge to meet their respective obligations to the Corporation.

Board meetings are combined where necessary with presentations by the Corporation's management to give the Board additional insight into the Corporation's business. In addition, management of the Corporation makes itself available throughout the year for discussion with all Board members.

## **Nomination of Board Members**

The Board determines new nominees to the Board, although a formal process has not been adopted. The identification of nominees is generally the result of recruitment efforts by existing members of the Board, including both formal and informal discussions among directors and the CEO. The Board does not have a nominating committee composed entirely of independent directors, but instead the entire Board, takes responsibility for nominating new directors and assessing current directors to ensure an objective nomination process. Proposed directors' credentials are reviewed with one or more members of the Board prior to the proposed director's nomination.

## **Determination of Compensation of Directors and Officers**

The current members of the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee are David Thompson, Sean Stofer and Jay Park. David Thompson is chairman.

The responsibilities of the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee in respect of compensation matters include reviewing and recommending to the Board the compensation policies and guidelines for supervisory management and personnel, corporate benefits, bonuses and other incentives, reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to Chief Executive Officer compensation; non-CEO officer and director compensation; the review of executive compensation disclosure; succession plans for officers and for key employees; and material changes and trends in human resources policy, procedure, compensation and benefits. The responsibilities of the Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee in respect of corporate governance matters include addressing all governance issues identified by securities regulators and any additional issues as they arise by virtue of the operations and growth of the Corporation as being emerging progressive issues of corporate governance.

The Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee has unrestricted access to the Corporation's personnel and documents and is provided with the resources necessary, including, as required, the engagement and compensation of outside advisors, to carry out its responsibilities.

Please refer to the "Compensation Governance" section for a discussion of the Corporation's compensation governance.

## **Reserves, Health, Safety and Environment Committee**

The members of the Reserves, Health, Safety and Environment Committee are Messrs. Arthur Halleran and Sean Stofer. Mr. Arthur Halleran is the Chairman of the Reserves, Health, Safety and Environment Committee. The Reserves, Health, Safety and Environment Committee's responsibilities include, but are not limited to: (a) reviewing management's recommendations for the appointment of independent engineers; (b) reviewing the independent engineering reports and considering the principal assumptions upon which such reports are based; (c) reviewing management's input into the independent engineering report and key assumptions used; (d) reviewing the reserve additions and reserve revisions which occur from one report to the next and seeking the

independent engineer's input and management's input with respect to why these revisions have occurred; (e) reviewing the information supplied to the independent engineers with respect to the constant price case, operating costs, royalty burdens, required capital expenditures, recovery rates, decline rates and other matters; (f) annually reviewing the appropriateness of, and updating, the Corporation's environmental policies, management systems and programs and reporting to the Board thereon; (g) ensuring that the Corporation has the necessary tools to measure its business units' environmental performance and compliance with applicable regulatory standards; (h) reviewing the environmental performance and, whenever relevant, any non-compliance situation of the Corporation's business units, to recommend the required corrective measures; (i) ensuring that environmental risk management procedures and emergency response measures are in place and are periodically updated and distributed within the Corporation; (j) assessing the environmental risks and emergency situations brought to its attention to recommend the required corrective measures; (k) immediately communicating any incident giving rise to significant environmental risks to the Board; (1) recommending to the Board that the Corporation exercise due diligence with respect to non-compliance situations, environmental risks or emergency situations brought to its attention; (m) reviewing and reporting to the Board on all legal notices or civil, penal and/or criminal prosecutions brought to its attention; (n) recommending to the Board measures, including necessary investments, taking into account available technologies and economic and financial restraints, to ensure compliance with regulatory standards and the Corporation's environmental policies and programs; (o) analyzing all environmental matters brought to its attention and deemed relevant or that the Board specifically asks the committee to review; and (p) reporting to the Board on the Corporation's environmental policies, programs and situation and make appropriate recommendations.

# **Other Board Committees**

The Corporation has no standing committees at this time, other than the Audit Committee, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee and Reserves Committee, discussed above.

## Assessment of Directors, the Board and Board Committees

The Board have not implemented a formal process for assessing its effectiveness or the effectiveness of its individual members or its committees. As a result of the Corporation's size, its stage of development and the limited number of individuals on the Board, the Board consider a formal assessment process to be unnecessary at this time. The Board plans to continue evaluating its own effectiveness on an ad hoc basis.

## INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

To the knowledge of the Corporation, no director or officer of the Corporation, nor any proposed nominee for election as a director of the Corporation, nor any other insider of the Corporation, nor any associate or affiliate of any one of them has or has had, at any time since the beginning of the year ended December 31, 2023, any material interest, direct or indirect, in any transaction or proposed transaction that has materially affected or would materially affect the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries.

## LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company and its subsidiary PPE Turkey is defending an action brought by the same drilling contractor in Europe to which it has advanced an arbitration claim, for drilling services and lost profits seeking \$5 million. As no document disclosure has occurred at this time, and the litigation is at its inception, legal counsel has been unable to provide an opinion on the merits of the action or defenses.

In accordance with guidance for contingent assets and liabilities, no provision for any potential recovery of the Trillion Losses will be made until recovery is virtually certain. If the Company's claim is successful, the award will exceed the amount, if any, that is payable to the drilling contractor in its claim, notwithstanding the same, the

Company has evaluated the two competing actions separately. As such, the Company has recorded an amount in accounts payable and accrued liabilities for the disputed drilling services for \$3 million, and has not yet recorded, due to the status of its arbitration claim, any asset amount for its \$20.3 million claim against the drilling contractor. Once legal opinion as to the likely outcome has been obtained, the Company intends to revise the contingent amounts.

## Maturity date of TR1 Master Fund loans

The Company has two loan agreements dated July 1, 2023 with TR1 Master Fund whereby the Company owes \$2,822,250 in principal and accrued interest as at December 31, 2023 (Note 10). An agent for the receiver of TR1 Master Fund has demanded payment of the loans as the loans indicate that they were due on December 31, 2023. The Company is claiming that the principal of TR1 Master Fund agreed to extend the loans to December 31, 2024. Negotiations on repayment of the loans with the agent of the receiver for TR1 Master Fund are ongoing.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information relating to the Corporation may be found on SEDAR+ at <u>www.sedarplus.ca</u>. Financial information regarding the Corporation is provided in the Corporation's comparative financial statements and management's discussion and analysis for its most recently completed financial year. Securityholders of the Corporation may contact the Corporation at <u>info@trillionenergy.com</u> to request copies of the Corporation's discussion and analysis.

## GENERAL

Each matter referred to herein for approval by the Shareholders requires a majority of the votes cast by Shareholders, in person or by proxy, in respect of such matter at the Meeting.

The Board has approved the contents of this Information Circular and the sending of the Information Circular to the Shareholders.

Unless otherwise stated, the information contained herein is given as of October 1, 2024.

# SCHEDULE "A"

## TRILLION ENERGY INTERNATIONAL INC.

## (the "Corporation")

# **AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER**

### **OVERALL ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY**

The Audit Committee shall:

1.1 Assist the board of directors of the Corporation (the "**Board of Directors**") in its oversight role with respect to:

- (a) the quality and integrity of financial information;
- (b) the independent auditor's performance, qualifications and independence;
- (c) the performance of the Corporation's internal audit function, if applicable; and
- (d) the Corporation's compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.

1.2 Prepare such reports of the Audit Committee required to be included in the information/proxy circular of the Corporation in accordance with applicable laws or the rules of applicable securities regulatory authorities.

### **MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS**

The Audit Committee shall consist of three (3) or more Directors appointed by the Board of Directors, the majority of whom shall not be officers or employees of the Corporation or any of the Corporation's affiliates. Each of the members of the Audit Committee shall satisfy the applicable independence and experience requirements of the laws governing the Corporation, and applicable securities regulatory authorities.

The Board of Directors shall designate one (1) member of the Audit Committee as the Audit Committee Chair. Each member of the Audit Committee shall be financially literate as such qualification is interpreted by the Board of Directors in its business judgment. The Board of Directors shall determine whether and how many members of the Audit Committee qualify as a financial expert as defined by applicable law.

## STRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS

The affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Audit Committee participating in any meeting of the Audit Committee is necessary for the adoption of any resolution.

The Audit Committee shall meet as often as it determines, but not less frequently than quarterly. The Committee shall report to the Board of Directors on its activities after each of its meetings at which time minutes of the prior Committee meeting shall be tabled for the Board of Directors.

The Audit Committee shall review and assess the adequacy of this Charter periodically and, where necessary, will recommend changes to the Board of Directors for its approval.

The Audit Committee is expected to establish and maintain free and open communication with management and the independent auditor and shall periodically meet separately with each of them.

## SPECIFIC DUTIES

### **Oversight of the Independent Auditor**

- Make recommendations to the Board of Directors for the appointment and replacement of the independent auditor.
- Responsibility for the compensation and oversight of the work of the independent auditor (including resolution of disagreements between management and the independent auditor regarding financial reporting) for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or related work. The independent auditor shall report directly to the Audit Committee.
- Authority to pre-approve all audit services and permitted non-audit services (including the fees, terms and conditions for the performance of such services) to be performed by the independent auditor.
- Evaluate the qualifications, performance and independence of the independent auditor, including: (i) reviewing and evaluating the lead partner on the independent auditor's engagement with the Corporation, and (ii) considering whether the auditor's quality controls are adequate and the provision of permitted non-audit services is compatible with maintaining the auditor's independence.
- Obtain from the independent auditor and review the independent auditor's report regarding the management internal control report of the Corporation to be included in the Corporation's annual information/proxy circular, as required by applicable law.
- Ensure the rotation of the lead (or coordinating) audit partner having primary responsibility for the audit and the audit partner responsible for reviewing the audit as required by law (currently at least every five years).

## **Financial Reporting**

- Review and discuss with management and the independent auditor:
  - o prior to the annual audit the scope, planning and staffing of the annual audit;
  - the annual audited financial statements;
  - o the Corporation's annual and quarterly disclosures made in management's discussion and analysis;
  - approve any reports for inclusion in the Corporation's Annual Report, if any, as required by applicable legislation;
  - the Corporation's quarterly financial statements, including the results of the independent auditor's review of the quarterly financial statements and any matters required to be communicated by the independent auditor under applicable review standards;
  - significant financial reporting issues and judgments made in connection with the preparation of the Corporation's financial statements;
  - any significant changes in the Corporation's selection or application of accounting principles;
  - any major issues as to the adequacy of the Corporation's internal controls and any special steps adopted in light of material control deficiencies; and
  - other material written communications between the independent auditor and management, such as any management letter or schedule of unadjusted differences.

• Discuss with the independent auditor matters relating to the conduct of the audit, including any difficulties encountered in the course of the audit work, any restrictions on the scope of activities or access to requested information and any significant disagreements with management.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE'S ROLE

The Audit Committee has the oversight role set out in this Charter. Management, the Board of Directors, the independent auditor and the internal auditor all play important roles in respect of compliance and the preparation and presentation of financial information. Management is responsible for compliance and the preparation of financial statements and periodic reports. Management is responsible for ensuring the Corporation's financial statements and disclosures are complete, accurate, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and applicable laws. The Board of Directors in its oversight role is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities. The independent auditor, following the completion of its annual audit, opines on the presentation, in all material respects, of the financial position and results of operations of the Corporation in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

# FUNDING FOR THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR AND RETENTION OF OTHER INDEPENDENT ADVISORS

The Corporation shall provide for appropriate funding, as determined by the Audit Committee, for payment of compensation to the independent auditor for the purpose of issuing an audit report and to any advisors retained by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee shall also have the authority to retain such other independent advisors as it may from time to time deem necessary or advisable for its purposes and the payment of compensation therefor shall also be funded by the Corporation.

# <u>APPROVAL OF AUDIT AND REMITTED NON-AUDIT SERVICES PROVIDED BY EXTERNAL</u> <u>AUDITORS</u>

Over the course of any year there will be two levels of approvals that will be provided. The first is the existing annual Audit Committee approval of the audit engagement and identifiable permitted non-audit services for the coming year. The second is in-year Audit Committee pre-approvals of proposed audit and permitted non-audit services as they arise.

Any proposed audit and permitted non-audit services to be provided by the External Auditor to the Corporation or its subsidiaries must receive prior approval from the Audit Committee, in accordance with this protocol. The Chief Financial Officer shall act as the primary contact to receive and assess any proposed engagements from the External Auditor.

Following receipt and initial review for eligibility by the primary contacts, a proposal would then be forwarded to the Audit Committee for review and confirmation that a proposed engagement is permitted.

In the majority of such instances, proposals may be received and considered by the Chair of the Audit Committee (or such other member of the Audit Committee who may be delegated authority to approve audit and permitted non-audit services), for approval of the proposal on behalf of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee Chair will then inform the Audit Committee of any approvals granted at the next scheduled meeting.