

NOTICE OF ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

FOR THE

ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

TO BE HELD

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023 10:00 A.M. (VANCOUVER TIME) SUITE 1305, 1090 WEST GEORGIA STREET VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

COVID-19 GUIDELINE

In the context of the effort to mitigate potential risk to the health and safety associated with COVID-19, shareholders are encouraged to vote on the matters in advance of the Meeting by submitting completed form of proxies (or voting instruction form) prior to the Meeting by one of the means described in this Information Circular and not to attend the Meeting in person. Shareholders wishing to attend the Meeting in person must call the Corporate Secretary of the Company at 1.604.685.9316 at least 48 hours prior to the date of the Meeting for further instructions.

EAST WEST PETROLEUM CORP.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

The annual and special meeting of Shareholders of East West Petroleum Corp. (the "**Company**") will be held at Suite 1305, 1090West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, on Friday, April 28, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time) (the "**Meeting**") for the following purposes:

- (a) to table the audited financial statements of the Company for its two fiscal years ended March 31, 2022 and March 31, 2021, respectively, the reports of the auditor thereon and each of the related management discussion and analyses;
- (b) to set the number of directors for election to the Company's Board of Directors at three (3);
- (c) to elect directors of the Company for the ensuing year;
- (d) to appoint Davidson & Company LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as the auditor of the Company for the ensuing year; and
- (e) to consider and, if thought fit, to pass an ordinary resolution to approve the adoption of a new 10% rolling stock option plan of the Company, as more particularly described in the Management Information Circular.

No other matters are contemplated for the Meeting; however, any permitted amendment to or variation of any matter identified in this Notice may properly be considered at the Meeting. The Meeting may also consider the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

An Information Circular accompanies this Notice, which contains details of the matters to be considered at the Meeting. In addition to the Notice and Circular is a form of proxy (the "**Proxy**") for use at the Meeting. Any meeting resulting from an adjournment of the Meeting will be held at a time and place to be specified at the Meeting.

Shareholders who are unable to attend the Meeting in person and who wish to ensure their Common Shares are voted at the Meeting are asked to complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy or complete another suitable form of proxy and deliver it in accordance with the instructions set out in the form of proxy and in the Circular.

Unregistered shareholders ("Beneficial Shareholders") who plan to attend the Meeting must follow the instructions set out in the form of proxy or voting instruction form to ensure their Common Shares are voted at the Meeting. If you hold your Common Shares in a brokerage account, you are a Beneficial Shareholder.

COVID-19 GUIDANCE: In light of ongoing concerns related to the spread of COVID-19, and in order to mitigate the potential risks to the health and safety associated with COVID-19, shareholders are strongly encouraged to vote on the matters before the Meeting by proxy rather than attend the meeting in person.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, March 23, 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

"Nick DeMare"

Nick DeMare Interim CEO and Director

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INFORMATION CIRCULAR

(with information as at March 23, 2023, except as otherwise indicated)

This Information Circular (the "Circular") is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the management of East West Petroleum Corp. (the "Company" or "East West") for use at the annual and special meeting (the "Meeting") of the Company (and any adjournment thereof) to be held on April 28, 2023 at the time and place and for the purposes set forth in the accompanying Notice of Meeting.

This Circular describes the matters that need to be dealt with at the Meeting of the Company, pertaining to annual corporate matter requirements, which are detailed below.

In this Circular, references to the "**Company**", "**East West**", "we" and "our" refer to East West Petroleum Corp. "**Common Shares**" means common shares without par value in the capital of the Company. "**Beneficial Shareholders**" means shareholders who do not hold Common Shares in their own name and "intermediaries" refers to brokers, investment firms, clearing houses and similar entities that own securities on behalf of the Beneficial Shareholders. Unless otherwise stated, all dollar ("\$") amounts disclosed herein are reported in **Canadian currency**. US currency is represented as "US\$".

GENERAL PROXY INFORMATION

Solicitation of Proxies

The solicitation of proxies will be primarily by mail, but proxies may be solicited personally or by telephone by directors, officers and regular employees of the Company. The Company will bear all costs of this solicitation. We have arranged for intermediaries to forward the meeting materials to beneficial owners of the Common Shares held of record by those intermediaries and we may reimburse the intermediaries for their reasonable fees and disbursements in that regard.

Covid-19

In the context of the effort to mitigate potential risk to the health and safety associated with COVID-19, shareholders are encouraged to vote on the matters in advance of the Meeting by submitting completed form of proxies (or voting instruction form) prior to the Meeting by one of the means described in this Information Circular and not to attend the Meeting in person. Shareholders wishing to attend the Meeting in person must call the Corporate Secretary of the Company at 1.604.685.9316 at least 48 hours prior to the date of the Meeting for further instructions.

Appointment of Proxyholders

The individuals named in the accompanying form of proxy (the "Proxy") are officers and/or directors of the Company. If you are a shareholder entitled to vote at the Meeting, you have the right to appoint a person or company other than either of the persons designated in the Proxy, who need not be a shareholder, to attend and act for you and on your behalf at the Meeting. You may do so either by inserting the name of that other person in the blank space provided in the Proxy or by completing and delivering another suitable form of proxy.

Voting by Proxyholder

The persons named in the Proxy will vote or withhold from voting the Common Shares represented thereby in accordance with your instructions on any ballot that may be called for. If you specify a choice with respect to any matter to be acted upon, your Common Shares will be voted accordingly. The Proxy confers discretionary authority on the persons named therein with respect to:

- (a) each matter or group of matters identified therein, for which a choice is not specified, other than the appointment of an auditor and the election of directors,
- (b) any amendment to or variation of any matter identified therein, and
- (c) any other matter that properly comes before the Meeting.

In respect of a matter for which a choice is not specified in the Proxy, the persons named in the Proxy will vote the Common Shares represented by the Proxy for the approval of such matter.

Registered Shareholders

If you are a registered shareholder, you may wish to vote by proxy whether or not you are able to attend the Meeting in person. To submit a proxy you may do so using one of the following methods:

- (a) complete, date and sign the enclosed form of proxy and return it to the Company's transfer agent, Computershare Trust Company of Canada ("Computershare"), by fax within North America at 1-866-249-7775, outside North America at 1-416-263-9524, or by mail to the 8th Floor, 100 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2Y1 or;
- (b) use a touch-tone phone to transmit voting choices to a toll-free number. Registered shareholders must follow the instructions of the voice response system and refer to the enclosed proxy form for the toll-free number, the holder's account number and the proxy access number; or
- (c) log on to Computershare's internet voting website at www.investorvote.com. Registered Shareholders must follow the instructions provided at the site and refer to the enclosed proxy form for the holder's account number and the proxy access number.

Be sure that the proxy is received at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the Meeting or the adjournment thereof at which the proxy is to be used.

Beneficial Shareholders

The following information is of significant importance to shareholders who do not hold East West Common Shares in their own name. Beneficial Shareholders should note that the only proxies that can be recognized and acted upon at the Meeting are those deposited by registered shareholders (those whose names appear on the records of the Company as the registered holders of East West Common Shares) or as set out in the following disclosure.

If East West Common Shares are listed in an account statement provided to a shareholder by a broker, then in almost all cases those East West Common Shares will not be registered in the shareholder's name on the records of the Company. Such East West Common Shares will more likely be registered under the names of intermediaries. In Canada the vast majority of such East West Common Shares are registered under the name of CDS & Co. (the registration name for The Canadian Depository for Securities Limited, which acts as nominee for many Canadian brokerage firms), and in the United States, under the name of Cede & Co. as nominee for The Depository Trust Company (which acts as depositary for many U.S. brokerage firms and custodian banks).

Intermediaries are required to seek voting instructions from Beneficial Shareholders in advance of meetings of shareholders. Every intermediary has its own mailing procedures and provides its own return instructions to clients.

There are two kinds of Beneficial Shareholders: Non-Objecting Beneficial Owners ("**NOBOs**") do not object to the issuers of the securities they own knowing who they are; and Objecting Beneficial Owners ("**OBOs**") do object to their name being made known to the issuers of securities which they own.

These securityholder materials are being sent to both registered and non-registered (beneficial) owners of the securities of the Company. If you are a non-registered (beneficial) owner, and if the Company or its agent has sent these materials directly to you, your name, address and information about your holdings of securities, were obtained in accordance with applicable securities regulatory requirements from the intermediary holding on your behalf.

Beneficial Shareholders who are OBOs should follow the instructions of their intermediary carefully to ensure that their East West Common Shares are voted at the Meeting.

The proxy form supplied to you by your broker will be similar to the proxy provided to registered shareholders by the Company. However, its purpose is limited to instructing the intermediary on how to vote your East West Common Shares on your behalf. Most brokers delegate responsibility for obtaining instructions from clients to Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge") in Canada and in the United States. Broadridge mails a voting instruction form ("VIF") in lieu of the proxy provided by the Company. The VIF will name the same persons as the Company's Proxy to represent your East West Common Shares at the Meeting. You have the right to appoint a person (who need not be a Beneficial Shareholder of the Company), who is different from any of the persons designated in the VIF, to represent your East West Common Shares at the Meeting and that person may be you. To exercise this right, insert the name of the desired representative, which may be you, in the blank space provided in the VIF. The completed VIF must then be returned to Broadridge in accordance with Broadridge's instructions. Broadridge then tabulates the results of all instructions received and provides appropriate instructions respecting the voting of East West Common Shares to be represented at the Meeting and the appointment of any shareholder's representative. If you receive a VIF from Broadridge, the VIF must be completed and returned to Broadridge, in accordance with its instructions, well in advance of the Meeting in order to have your East West Common Shares voted or to have an alternate representative duly appointed to attend the Meeting and vote your East West Common Shares at the Meeting.

Notice to Shareholders in the United States

The solicitation of proxies involves securities of an issuer located in Canada and is being effected in accordance with the corporate laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada and securities laws of the provinces of Canada. The proxy solicitation rules under the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are not applicable to the Company or this solicitation, and this solicitation has been prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the securities laws of the provinces of Canada. Shareholders should be aware that disclosure requirements under the securities laws of the provinces of Canada differ from the disclosure requirements under United States securities laws.

The enforcement by Shareholders of civil liabilities under United States federal securities laws may be affected adversely by the fact that the Company is incorporated under the Business Corporations Act (British Columbia), certain of its directors and its executive officers are residents of Canada and a substantial portion of its assets and the assets of such persons are located outside the United States. Shareholders may not be able to sue a foreign company or its officers or directors in a foreign court for violations of United States federal securities laws. It may be difficult to compel a foreign company and its officers and directors to subject themselves to a judgment by a United States court.

Revocation of Proxies

In addition to revocation in any other manner permitted by law, a registered shareholder who has given a proxy may revoke it by:

- (a) executing a proxy bearing a later date or by executing a valid notice of revocation, either of the foregoing to be executed by the registered shareholder or the registered shareholder's authorized attorney in writing, or, if the registered shareholder is a company, under its corporate seal by an officer or attorney duly authorized, and by delivering the proxy bearing a later date to Computershare or at the registered office address of the Company, 1305 1090 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia Canada, V6E 3V7 (the "Registered Office") at any time up to and including the last business day that precedes the day of the Meeting or, if the Meeting is adjourned, the last business day that precedes any reconvening thereof, or to the chairman of the Meeting on the day of the Meeting or any reconvening thereof, or in any other manner provided by law, or
- (b) personally attending the Meeting and voting the registered shareholder's East West Common Shares.

A revocation of a proxy will not affect a matter on which a vote is taken before the revocation.

INTEREST OF CERTAIN PERSONS OR COMPANIES IN MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

No director or executive officer of the Company, or any person who has held such a position since the beginning of the Company's financial year ended March 31, 2022, nor any associate or affiliate of the foregoing persons, has any substantial or material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any matter to be acted on at the Meeting other than as may be set out herein.

VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS OF VOTING SECURITIES

The Board of Directors of the Company (the "**Board**") has fixed March 23, 2023 as the record date (the "**Record Date**") for determining persons entitled to receive notice of the Meeting. Only shareholders of record at the close of business on the Record Date who either attend the Meeting personally or complete, sign and deliver a form of proxy in the manner and subject to the provisions described above will be entitled to vote or to have their Common Shares voted at the Meeting.

The Common Shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange (the "**TSXV**"). The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Common Shares. As of March 23, 2023, there were 89,585,665 Common Shares, without par value, issued and outstanding, each carrying the right to one vote. No group of shareholders has the right to elect a specified number of directors, nor are there cumulative or similar voting rights attached to the Common Shares.

To the knowledge of the directors and executive officers of the Company, no person or company beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or exercised control or direction over, Common Shares carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to all outstanding shares as at March 23, 2023.

VOTES NECESSARY TO PASS RESOLUTIONS

A simple majority of affirmative votes cast at the Meeting is required to pass the ordinary resolutions concerning the Company's annual business of setting the number of directors, the election of directors, appointment of auditor and approval of the new stock option plan, as described herein. If there are more nominees for election as director or appointment of the Corporation's auditor than there are vacancies to fill, those nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected or appointed, as the case may be, until all such vacancies have been filled. If the number of nominees for election or appointment is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled all such nominees will be declared elected or appointed by acclamation.

Conflicts of Interest

Conflicts of interest may arise from the fact that certain directors of the Company may also hold positions as directors or officers of other companies. Some of the directors of the Company have been and will continue to be engaged in the identification and evaluation of assets, businesses and companies on their own behalf and on behalf of other companies, and situations may arise where the directors and officers of the Company are involved with companies in direct competition with the Company. Conflicts, if any, are currently subject to the procedures and remedies provided under the Act. Currently, any directors who are in a position of conflict abstain from voting on any matters, which may relate in any way to the matter in conflict.

INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

An informed person is one who, generally speaking, is a director or executive officer or a 10% shareholder of the Company. To the knowledge of management of the Company, no informed person or any associate or affiliate of any informed person has any interest in any proposed transaction, which has materially affected or would materially affect the Company or any of its subsidiaries, except as disclosed in this Circular.

PARTICULARS OF MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON

A. <u>ELECTION OF DIRECTORS</u>

The directors of the Company are elected annually and hold office until the next annual general meeting of the shareholders or until their successors are elected or appointed. Management of the Company proposes to nominate the persons listed below for election as directors of the Company to serve until their successors are elected or

appointed. In the absence of instructions to the contrary, Proxies given pursuant to the solicitation by 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.

Number of Directors

Pursuant to the Articles of the Company, the number of directors of the Company was set at four at the Company's last annual general meeting. At the Meeting the Company will present an ordinary resolution for shareholder approval to reduce the number of director positions for the ensuing year and set the number of directors to be elected to the Board at three (3).

In the absence of instructions to the contrary, the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy intend to vote the Common Shares represented thereby in favour of passing this resolution. The Board recommends you vote in favour of the above resolution.

Advance Notice Policy

On May 21, 2013, the Board adopted an advance notice policy (the "Advance Notice Policy") with immediate effect, a copy of which was posted under the Company's SEDAR profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u> on May 23, 2013, and which Advance Notice Policy was ratified, confirmed and approved at the Company's annual general meeting held June 26, 2013. The Advance Notice Policy stipulates advance notice must be provided to the Company in circumstances where nominations of persons for election to the Board are made by shareholders of the Company other than pursuant to (i) a requisition of a meeting made pursuant to the provisions of the Act or (ii) a shareholder proposal made pursuant to the provisions of the Act. Pursuant to the Advance Notice Policy any additional nominations for election as director at the Meeting must be received by the Company in compliance with the Advance Notice Policy no later than the close of business on February 22, 2023. No such nominations were received by the Company prior to printing this Circular. Accordingly, management's nominees for election as directors are set forth below.

Director Nominees

The following table sets out the names of the nominees for election as director, the offices each nominee holds within the Company, their occupations (for the five preceding years for new director nominees), the length of time they have served as directors of the Company, and the number of shares of the Company that each nominee beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, or over which control or direction is exercised, as of the date of this Circular.

Name, province or state and country of residence and position, if any, held in the Company	Principal occupation	Served as director of the Company since	Number of common shares of the Company beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or controlled or directed at present(1)
Nick DeMare ⁽³⁾ British Columbia, Canada Interim Chief Executive Officer (" CEO ") and Director	Chartered Professional Accountant; President and Principal of Chase Management Ltd., a private company providing administrative, management and financial services to private and public companies.	December 7, 2009	332,258 ⁽²⁾
Mark T. Brown ⁽³⁾ British Columbia, Canada Director	Chartered Professional Accountant (since Sep 1993); President, Pacific Opportunity Capital Ltd., a private company investing and providing financial services to public and private companies (since Dec. 1996).	April 2, 2019	Nil
Kevin William Haney ⁽³⁾ Manitoba, Canada Director	President and owner of Haney Resources Ltd., a private company, since 2014.	December 12, 2019	1,200,000

Notes:

- (1) The information as to Common Shares beneficially owned or controlled has been provided by the director nominees.
- (2) Of these Common Shares 217,258 are held by DNG Capital Corp., a private company owned by Mr. DeMare, and 15,000 are held by 888 Corp., a private company 50% owned by Mr. DeMare.
- (3) A member of the Audit Committee.

No proposed director is being elected under any arrangement or understanding between the proposed director and any other person or company.

In the absence of instructions to the contrary, the persons named in the enclosed form of proxy intend to vote the Common Shares represented thereby in favour of electing the above director nominees to the Board. The Board recommends you vote in favour of the above director nominees.

Corporate Cease Trade Orders or Bankruptcies

Other than as disclosed below, no director or proposed director of the Company is, or within the ten years prior to the date of this Circular has been, a director or executive officer of any company, including the Company, that while that person was acting in that capacity:

- (a) was the subject of a cease trade order or similar order or an order that denied the company access to any exemption under securities legislation for a period of more than 30 consecutive days; or
- (b) was subject to an event that resulted, after the director ceased to be a director or executive officer of the company being the subject of a cease trade order or similar order or an order that denied the relevant company access to any exemption under securities legislation, for a period of more than 30 consecutive days; or
- (c) 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.

Mark Brown, a director of the Corporation, was formerly a director of Sutter Gold Mining Inc. ("SGM"), a company listed on the TSX Venture Exchange. Mr. Brown resigned as a director of SGM on May 21, 2019. On May 6, 2019, SGM received a cease trade order issued by the British Columbia Securities Commission for failure to file audited financial statements and Management's Discussion & Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2018. SGM's listing on the TSX Venture Exchange remains suspended until SGM meets TSX Venture Exchange's requirements and upon the revocation of the cease trade order. Pursuant to an order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia dated May 17, 2019, a receiver was appointed over all of the assets, undertakings and properties of SGM, and the assets were subsequently purchased by an Australian mining group.

From August 9, 2018 until February 13, 2019, Mark Brown was a director of Ascent Industries Corp. ("Ascent"), a company listed on the Canadian Securities Exchange. On March 1, 2019, the Supreme Court of British Columbia issued an order granting Ascent's application for creditor protection under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (Canada) to address near term liquidity issues. In March 2020, Ascent was discharged from CCAA protection and resumed trading on the Canadian Securities Exchange in May 2020 under the new name Luff Enterprises Ltd.

Individual Bankruptcies

No director or proposed director of the Company has, within the ten years prior to the date of this Circular, become bankrupt or made a proposal under any legislation relating to bankruptcy or insolvency, or been 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 individual.

Penalties or Sanctions

No director or proposed director of the Company has been subject to any penalties or sanctions imposed by a court relating to securities legislation or by a securities regulatory authority, 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 be likely to be considered important to a reasonable security holder making a decision about whether to vote for the proposed director.

B. <u>APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR</u>

At the Meeting Management will nominate Davidson & Company LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, of Vancouver, British Columbia, for appointment as auditor of the Company for the ensuing year. Proxies given pursuant to this solicitation will, on any poll, be voted as directed. If there is no direction, a proxy will be voted FOR the appointment of Davidson & Company LLP, Chartered Professional Accountants, as the auditor of the Company to hold office for the ensuing year.

The Board recommends you vote in favour of the above resolution.

C. <u>APPROVAL OF THE 2023 STOCK OPTION PLAN</u>

At the Meeting, Shareholders will be asked to approve the adoption of a new 10% rolling incentive stock option plan (the "**2023 Option Plan**"). The 2023 Option Plan was approved by the Board on March 23, 2023 and has been conditionally accepted by the Exchange. The 2023 Option Plan shall become effective upon the receipt of approval of the Shareholders and the final acceptance of the Exchange (the "**Effective Date**") and will replace the existing option plan (the "**Option Plan**"). All of the stock options outstanding (the "**Outstanding Options**") under the Option Plan on the Effective Date will remain outstanding and in full force and effect in accordance with their terms after the Effective Date. However, following the Effective Date, no additional grants shall be made pursuant to the Option Plan, and the Option Plan will terminate on the date upon which no Outstanding Options remain outstanding. There are 2,290,000 Outstanding Options as of the date hereof.

The purpose of the 2023 Option Plan is to, among other things: (i) provide the Company with a mechanism to attract, retain and motivate qualified directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries; (ii) reward directors, officers, employees and consultants that have been granted stock options (each, an "**Option**") under the 2023 Option Plan for their contributions toward the long-term goals and success of the Company; and (iii) enable and encourage such directors, officers, employees and consultants to acquire common shares (the "**Shares**") of the Company as long-term investments and proprietary interests in the Company. The approval of the 2023 Option Plan by the Shareholders and to the final acceptance of the Exchange.

A summary of certain provisions of the 2023 Option Plan is set out below, and a full copy of the 2023 Option Plan is attached hereto as Schedule "A". This summary is qualified in its entirety to the full copy of the 2023 Option Plan.

Summary of the 2023 Option Plan

Eligibility

The 2023 Option Plan allows the Company to grant Options to attract, retain and motivate qualified directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Option Plan Participants**").

Number of Shares Issuable

The aggregate number of Shares that may be issued to Option Plan Participants under the 2023 Option Plan will be that number of Shares equal to 10% of the issued and outstanding Shares on the particular date of grant of the Option, inclusive of any Outstanding Options.

Limits on Participation

The 2023 Option Plan provides for the following limits on grants, for so long as the Company is subject to the requirements of the Exchange, unless disinterested Shareholder approval is obtained or unless permitted otherwise pursuant to the policies of the Exchange:

(i) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to any one Option Plan Participant (and where permitted pursuant to the policies of the Exchange, any company that is wholly-owned by the Option Plan Participant)

under the 2023 Option Plan, together with any other security based compensation arrangements, within a 12month period, may not exceed 5% of the issued Shares calculated on the date of grant;

- (ii) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to insiders collectively under the 2023 Option Plan, together with any other security based compensation arrangements, within a 12-month period, may not exceed 10% of the issued Shares calculated on the date of grant; and
- (iii) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to insiders collectively under the 2023 Option Plan, together with any other security based compensation arrangements, may not exceed 10% of the issued Shares at any time.

For so long as such limitation is required by the Exchange, the maximum number of Options which may be granted within any 12-month period to Option Plan Participants who perform investor relations activities must not exceed 2% of the issued and outstanding Shares, and such Options must vest in stages over 12 months with no more than 25% vesting in any three month period. In addition, the maximum number of Shares that may be granted to any one consultant under the 2023 Option Plan, together with any other security based compensation arrangements, within a 12-month period, may not exceed 2% of the issued Shares calculated on the date of grant.

Administration

The plan administrator of the 2023 Option Plan (the "**Option Plan Administrator**") will be the Board or a committee of the Board, if delegated. The Option Plan Administrator will, among other things, determine which directors, officers, employees or consultants are eligible to receive Options under the 2023 Option Plan; determine conditions under which Options may be granted, vested or exercised, including the expiry date, exercise price and vesting schedule of the Options; establish the form of option certificate ("**Option Certificate**"); interpret the 2023 Option Plan; and make all other determinations and take all other actions necessary or advisable for the implementation and administration of the 2023 Option Plan.

Subject to any required regulatory or Shareholder approvals, the Option Plan Administrator may also, from time to time, without notice to or without approval of the Shareholders or the Option Plan Participants, amend, modify, change, suspend or terminate the Options granted pursuant thereto as it, in its discretion, determines appropriate, provided that no such amendment, modification, change, suspension or termination of the 2023 Option Plan or any Option granted pursuant thereto may materially impair any rights of an Option Plan Participant or materially increase any obligations of an Option Plan Participant under the 2023 Option Plan without the consent of such Option Plan Participant, unless the Option Plan Administrator determines such adjustment is required or desirable in order to comply with any applicable securities laws or stock exchange requirements or as otherwise permitted pursuant to the 2023 Option Plan.

All of the Options are subject to the conditions, limitations, restrictions, vesting, exercise and forfeiture provisions determined by the Option Plan Administrator, in its sole discretion, subject to such limitations provided in the 2023 Option Plan, and will be evidenced by an Option Certificate. In addition, subject to the limitations provided in the 2023 Option Plan and in accordance with applicable law, the Option Plan Administrator may accelerate the vesting of Options, cancel or modify outstanding Options and waive any condition imposed with respect to Options or Shares issued pursuant to Options.

Exercise of Options

Options shall be exercisable as determined by the Option Plan Administrator at the time of grant, provided that no Option shall have a term exceeding 10 years so long as the Shares are listed on the Exchange.

Subject to all applicable regulatory rules, the vesting schedule for an Option, if any, shall be determined by the Option Plan Administrator. The Option Plan Administrator may elect, at any time, to accelerate the vesting schedule of an Option, and such acceleration will not be considered an amendment to such Option and will not require the consent of the Option Plan Participant in question. However, no acceleration to the vesting schedule of an Option granted to an Option Plan Participant performing investor relations services may be made without prior acceptance of the Exchange.

The exercise price of an Option shall be determined by the Option Plan Administrator and cannot be lower than the greater of: (i) the minimum price required by the Exchange; and (ii) the market value of the Shares on the applicable grant date.

An Option Plan Participant may exercise the Options in whole or in part through any one of the following forms of consideration, subject to applicable laws, prior to the expiry date of such Options, as determined by the Option Plan Administrator:

- the Option Plan Participant may send a wire transfer, certified cheque or bank draft payable to the Company in an amount equal to the aggregate exercise price of the Shares being purchased pursuant to the exercise of the Options;
- subject to approval from the Option Plan Administrator and the Shares being traded on the Exchange, a brokerage firm may be engaged to loan money to the Option Plan Participant in order for the Option Plan Participant to exercise the Options to acquire the Shares, subsequent to which the brokerage firm shall sell a sufficient number of Shares to cover the exercise price of such Options to satisfy the loan. The brokerage firm shall receive an equivalent number of Shares from the exercise of the Options, and the Option Plan Participant shall receive the balance of the Shares or cash proceeds from the balance of such Shares; and
- subject to approval from the Option Plan Administrator and the Shares being traded on the Exchange, consideration may be paid by reducing the number of Shares otherwise issuable under the Options, in lieu of a cash payment to the Company, an Option Plan Participant, excluding those providing investor relations services, only receives the number of Shares that is equal to the quotient obtained by dividing: (i) the product of the number of Options being exercised multiplied by the difference between the volume-weighted average trading price of the Shares and the exercise price of the Options, by (ii) the volume-weighted average trading price of the Shares. The number of Shares delivered to the Option Plan Participant may be further reduced to satisfy applicable tax withholding obligations.

If an exercise date for an Option occurs during a trading black-out period imposed by the Company to restrict trades in its securities, then, notwithstanding any other provision of the 2023 Option Plan, the Option shall be exercised no more than ten business days after the trading black-out period is lifted by the Company, subject to certain exceptions.

Termination of Employment or Services and Change in Control

The following describes the impact of certain events that may, unless otherwise determined by the Option Plan Administrator or as set forth in an Option Certificate, lead to the early expiry of Options granted under the 2023 Option Plan.

Termination by the Company for cause:	Forfeiture of all unvested Options. The Option Plan Administrator may determine that all vested Options shall be forfeited, failing which all vested Options shall be exercised in accordance with the 2023 Option Plan.
Voluntary resignation of an Option Plan Participant:	Forfeiture of all unvested Options. Exercise of vested Options in accordance with the 2023 Option Plan.
Termination by the Company other than for cause:	Acceleration of vesting of a portion of unvested Options in accordance with a prescribed formula as set out in the 2023 Option Plan. Forfeiture of the remaining unvested Options. Exercise of vested Options in accordance with the 2023 Option Plan.
Death or disability of an Option Plan Participant:	Acceleration of vesting of all unvested Options. Exercise of vested Options in accordance with the 2023 Option Plan.
Termination or voluntary resignation for good reason within 12 months of a change in control:	Acceleration of vesting of all unvested Options. Exercise of vested Options in accordance with the 2023 Option Plan.

Any Options granted to an Option Plan Participant under the 2023 Option Plan shall terminate at a date no later than 12 months from the date such Option Plan Participant ceases to be an Option Plan Participant.

In the event of a triggering event, which includes a change in control, dissolution or winding-up of the Company, a material alteration of the capital structure of the Company and a disposition of substantially all of the Company's assets, the Option Plan Administrator may, without the consent of the Option Plan Participant, cause all or a portion of the Options granted to terminate upon the occurrence of such event.

Amendment or Termination of the 2023 Option Plan

Subject to any necessary regulatory approvals, the 2023 Option Plan may be suspended or terminated at any time by the Option Plan Administrator, provided that no such suspension or termination shall alter or impact any rights or obligations under an Option previously granted without the consent of the Option Plan Participant.

The following limitations apply to the 2023 Option Plan and all Options thereunder as long as such limitations are required by the Exchange:

- any adjustment to Options, other than in connection with a security consolidation or security split, is subject to prior Exchange acceptance;
- any amendment to the 2023 Option Plan is subject to prior Exchange acceptance, except for amendments to reduce the number of Shares issuable under the 2023 Option Plan, to increase the exercise price of Options or to cancel Options;
- any amendments made to the 2023 Option Plan shall require regulatory and Shareholder approval, except for amendments to: (i) fix typographical errors; and (ii) clarify existing provisions of the 2023 Option Plan and which do not have the effect of altering the scope, nature and intent of such provisions; and
- the exercise price of an Option previously granted to an insider must not be reduced, or the extension of the expiry date of an Option held by an insider may not be extended, unless the Company has obtained disinterested Shareholder approval to do so in accordance with Exchange policies.

Subject to the foregoing limitations and any necessary regulatory approvals, the Option Plan Administrator may amend any existing Options or the 2023 Option Plan or the terms and conditions of any Option granted thereafter, although the Option Plan Administrator must obtain written consent of the Option Plan Participant (unless otherwise excepted out by a provision of the 2023 Option Plan) where such amendment would materially decrease the rights or benefits accruing to an Option Plan Participant or materially increase the obligations of an Option Plan Participant.

Company 2023 Option Plan Resolution

At the Meeting, the Shareholders of the Company will be asked to consider and approve an ordinary resolution, in substantially the following form, in order to approve the 2023 Option Plan, which resolution requires approval of greater than 50% of the votes cast by the Shareholders who, being entitled to do so, vote, in person or by proxy, on the ordinary resolution at the Meeting:

"BE IT RESOLVED, AS AN ORDINARY RESOLUTION, THAT:

- (a) subject to final acceptance of the TSX Venture Exchange (the "**Exchange**"), the Company's new stock option plan (the "**2023 Option Plan**"), substantially in the form attached as Schedule "A" to the management information circular of East West Petroleum Corp. (the "**Company**") dated March 23rd, 2023, is hereby approved;
- (b) the directors of the Company or any committee of the board of directors of the Company are hereby authorized to grant stock options (each, an "**Option**") pursuant to the 2023 Option Plan to those eligible to receive Options thereunder;
- (c) any one director or officer of the Company is hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Company all such documents and instruments and to do all such other acts and things as in such

director's opinion may be necessary to give effect to the matters contemplated by these resolutions; and

(d) notwithstanding that this resolution be passed by the Shareholders of the Company, the adoption of the proposed 2023 Option Plan is conditional upon receipt of final approval of the Exchange, and the directors of the Company are hereby authorized and empowered to revoke this resolution, without any further approval of the Shareholders of the Company, at any time if such revocation is considered necessary or desirable to the directors."

An ordinary resolution is a resolution passed by a majority of greater than 50% of the votes cast by those Shareholders, who being entitled to do so, vote in person or by proxy at the Meeting.

Recommendation of the Board

The Board has determined that the 2023 Option Plan is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders and unanimously recommends that the Shareholders vote in favour of approving the 2023 Option Plan. In the absence of any contrary directions, it is the intention of management to vote proxies in the accompanying form FOR the foregoing resolution.

The Board reserves the right to amend any terms of the 2023 Option Plan or not to proceed with the 2023 Option Plan at any time prior to the Meeting if the Board determines that it would be in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders and to do so in light of any subsequent event or development occurring after the date of the Information Circular.

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The following disclosure regarding executive compensation is provided pursuant to National Instrument 51-102 *Continuous Disclosure* and in accordance with Form 51-102F6V for venture issuers. Unless otherwise stated, all dollar amounts disclosed herein are reported in Canadian Dollars.

General

For the purposes of this Information Circular, a "**Named Executive Officer**", or "**NEO**", means each of the following individuals:

- (a) any individual who acted as chief executive officer ("CEO") of the company, or acted in a similar capacity, for any part of the most recently completed financial year;
- (b) any individual who acted as chief financial officer ("CFO") of the company, or acted in a similar capacity, for any part of the most recently completed financial year;
- (c) each of the three most highly compensated executive officers of the Company, including any of its subsidiaries, or the three most highly compensated individuals acting in a similar capacity, other than the CEO and CFO, at the end of the most recently completed financial year whose total compensation was, individually, more than \$150,000, as determined in accordance with subsection 1.3(6) of Form 51-102F6 Statement of Executive Compensation, for that financial year; and
- (d) each individual who would be a Named Executive Officer under paragraph (c) but for the fact that the individual was neither an executive officer of the Company or its subsidiaries, nor acting in a similar capacity, at the end of that financial year.

During the financial years ended March 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company had one NEO, namely: Mr. Nick DeMare, CFO and interim CEO of the Company. On February 2, 2023, Mr. DeMare resigned as CFO and Mr. Harvey Lim was appointed interim CFO.

Director and NEO Compensation, Excluding Options and Compensation Securities

The following table of compensation, excluding options and compensation securities, provides a summary of the compensation paid by the Company to each NEO and director of the Company for the completed financial years ended March 31, 2022 and 2021. Options and compensation securities are disclosed under the heading "*Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities and Instruments*" below.

Table of Compensation, Excluding Compensation Securities							
Name and position	Year ⁽¹⁾	Salary, consulting fee, retainer or commission (\$) ⁽²⁾	Bonus (\$) ⁽²⁾	Committee or meeting fees (\$) ⁽²⁾	Value of perquisites (\$) ⁽²⁾	Value of all other compensation (\$) ⁽²⁾	Total compensation (\$) ⁽²⁾
Nick DeMare ⁽³⁾ Interim CEO, former CFO, Corporate Secretary and Director	2022 2021	18,000 18,000	7,000	-	-	36,800 ⁽⁴⁾ 38,100 ⁽⁴⁾	54,800 63,100
Mark T. Brown Director	2022 2021	12,000 12,000	-	-	-	-	12,000 12,000
Kevin William Haney Director	2022 2021	12,000 12,000	-	- -	-	-	12,000 12,000
Ross McElroy ⁽⁵⁾ Former Director	2022 2021	N/A 4,000	N/A	N/A -	N/A -	N/A -	N/A 4,000

NOTES:

- (1) Financial years ended March 31.
- (2) All amounts shown were paid in Canadian currency, the reporting currency of the Company.
- (3) Mr. Nick DeMare resigned as CFO on February 2, 2023.
- (4) Paid to Chase Management Ltd. ("Chase"), a company wholly-owned by Mr. DeMare, for administrative and accounting services provided by Chase personnel, exclusive of Mr. DeMare.
- (5) Mr. Ross McElroy served as director of the Company from November 14, 2016 to August 11, 2020.

Stock Options and Other Compensation Securities and Instruments

Compensation Securities of NEOs and Directors

The following table of compensation securities provides a summary of all compensation securities granted or issued by the Company to each NEO and director of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2022, for services provided or to be provided, directly or indirectly, to the Company or any of its subsidiaries:

Compensation Securities							
Name	Type of compensation security	Number of compensation securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class	Date of issue or grant	Issue, conversion or exercise price (\$)	Closing price of security or underlying security on date of grant (\$)	Closing price of security or underlying security at year end ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Expiry Date
Nick DeMare ⁽²⁾	N/A	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Name	Type of compensation security	Number of compensation securities, number of underlying securities, and percentage of class	Date of issue or grant	Issue, conversion or exercise price (\$)	Closing price of security or underlying security on date of grant (\$)	Closing price of security or underlying security at year end ⁽¹⁾ (\$)	Expiry Date
Mark T. Brown ⁽³⁾	N/A	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kevin William Haney ⁽⁴⁾	N/A	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

NOTES:

- (1) The closing trade price on March 31, 2022, being the last trading day during the Company's March 31, 2022 year end.
- As at March 31, 2022, Mr. DeMare held 500,000 stock options of the Company entitling him to acquire, upon exercise, 500,000 common shares in the capital of the Company. All of these stock options were vested as at March 31, 2022.
 As at March 31, 2022, Mr. Brown held 600,000 stock options of the Company entitling him to acquire, upon exercise,
- 600,000 common shares in the capital of the Company. All of these stock options were vested as at March 31, 2022.
 (4) As at March 31, 2022, Mr. Haney held 400,000 stock options of the Company entitling him to acquire, upon exercise,
- 400,000 common shares in the capital of the Company. All of these stock options were vested as at March 31, 2022.

Exercise of Compensation Securities by NEOs and Directors

No compensation securities were exercised by the NEOs and directors of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2022.

Stock Option Plans and Other Incentive Plans

The Company has no other incentive plans other than its 10% rolling stock option plan (the "**Plan**") whereby the maximum number of common shares that may be reserved for issuance pursuant to such plan will not exceed 10% of the issued shares of the Company at the time of the stock option grant.

The purpose of the Plan is to allow the Company to grant Options to directors, officers, employees and consultants, as additional compensation, and as an opportunity to participate in the success of the Company. The grant of Options is intended to align the interests of such persons with that of the Shareholders. The following information is intended to be a brief description of the Plan:

Terms of the Plan

<u>Number of Common Shares Reserved.</u> The Plan provides that, subject to the requirements of any exchange on which the Common Shares are currently listed, the aggregate number of securities reserved for issuance pursuant to the Plan may not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company at the time of grant of Options (including all Options granted by the Company to date). The number of Common Shares which may be reserved in any 12 month period for issuance to any one individual upon exercise of all Options held by that individual may not exceed 5% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company at the time of the grant. The number of Common Shares which may be reserved in any 12 month period for issuance to any 12 month period for issuance to any one shares and the maximum number of Common Shares which may be reserved in any 12 month period for issuance to all persons engaged in investor relations activities may not exceed 2% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Company. The Plan provides that Options granted to any person engaged in investor relations activities will vest in stages over 12 months with no more than ¼ of the Options vesting in any three month period.

<u>Exercise Price</u>. The exercise price of any Options granted under the Plan shall be determined by the Board, but may not be less than the market price of the Common Shares on the exchange, provided the Common Shares are then listed for trading on an exchange, on the date of the grant (less any discount permissible under the current stock exchange rules).

<u>Maximum Term of Options</u>. The Board shall determine the term of Options granted under the Plan at the time of grant but, subject to earlier termination in the event of termination or in the event of death, the term of Options granted under the Plan may not exceed ten years. Options granted pursuant to the Plan are not to be transferable or assignable other than by will or other testamentary instrument or pursuant to the laws of succession.

<u>Termination.</u> Subject to certain exceptions, in the event that a director or officer ceases to hold office, Options granted under the Plan to such director or officer will expire 90 days after such director or officer ceases to hold office. Subject to certain exceptions, in the event that an employee, or consultant ceases to act in that capacity in relation to the Company, Options granted to such employee, consultant or management company employee under the Plan will expire 90 days after such individual or entity ceases to act in that capacity in relation to the Company. Options granted to an optione engaged in investor relations activities on behalf of the Company expire 90 days after such optione ceases to perform such investor relations activities for the Company. In the event of death of an Option holder, Options granted under the Plan expire one year from the date of death of the Option holder.

<u>Administration</u>. The Plan will be administered by the Board or a special committee of directors, either of which will have full and final authority with respect to the grant of all Options thereunder. Options may be granted under the Plan to such directors, officers, employees or consultants of the Company, as the Board may from time to time designate.

As at the date of this information circular, the Company had 89,585,665 Shares issued and outstanding so that a maximum of 8,958,566 Shares would be available for issuance pursuant to the stock options granted under the Plan. There are currently 2,290,000 stock options outstanding leaving 6,668,567 Shares available for grant of options under the Plan.

On March 23, 2023, the Board has adopted an updated form of stock option plan (the '**2023 Option Plan**"), which is in line with the current polices of the Exchange, and is asking Shareholders to approve the 2023 Option Plan. For a description of the 2023 Option Plan, see "*Particulars of Other Matters to be Acted Upon – Approval of the 2023 Option Plan*".

Employment, Consulting and Management Agreements

No management functions of the Company are, to any substantial degree, performed by a person or company other than the directors or NEOs of the Company.

Oversight and Description of Director and NEO Compensation

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

The Board compensation program is designed to provide competitive levels of compensation, a significant portion of which is dependent upon individual and corporate performance and contribution to increasing shareholder value. The Board recognizes the need to provide a total compensation package that will attract and retain qualified and experienced executives as well as align the compensation level of each executive to that executive's level of responsibility. In general, a NEO's compensation is comprised of contractor payments and stock option grants.

The objectives and reasons for this system of compensation are generally to allow the Company to remain competitive compared to its peers in attracting and retaining experienced personnel. The Board determines and fixes compensation for its directors and officers. All salaries and/or consulting fees are to be set on a basis of a review and comparison of compensation paid to executives at similar companies.

Although the Board has not made a formal evaluation of the implications of the risks associated with the Company's compensation policies and practices, risk management is a consideration of the Board when implementing its compensation program. The Board believes the Company's compensation program does not result in unnecessary or inappropriate risk taking; nor are there any risks taken that are likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company.

Share-Based and Option-Based Awards

The Company does not grant share-based awards. The Board is responsible for granting options to the NEOs. Stock option grants are designed to reward the NEOs for success on a similar basis as the shareholders of the Company, but these rewards are highly dependent upon the volatile stock market, much of which is beyond the control of the NEOs.

When new options are granted, the Board takes previous option grants into account as well as the number of stock options currently held, the individual's position, overall individual performance, anticipated contribution to the Company's future success and the individual's ability to influence corporate and business performance. The purpose of granting such stock options is to assist the Company in compensating, attracting, retaining and motivating the Company's officers, directors and employees and to align the personal interests of such persons with the interests of the shareholders.

The exercise price of the stock options granted is generally determined by the market price at the time of grant, less any allowable discount.

Compensation Governance

The Board monitors remuneration of the executive officers of the Company and meets as often as it deems necessary, but no less than two times per year. The CEO may not be present during the deliberations or voting on CEO compensation.

The following is a summary description of the Board responsibilities concerning NEO compensation:

- (a) to review and approve corporate goals and objectives relevant to NEO compensation, including the evaluation and performance of the CEO in light of those corporate goals and objectives, and to make recommendations to the Board with respect to NEO compensation levels (including the award of any cash bonuses or share ownership opportunities) based on various factors as the Board deems relevant, such as the Company's performance and the value of similar awards given to NEOs at comparable companies in past years;
- (b) to consider the implementation of short and long-term incentive plans, including equity-based plans, proposed by management, to make recommendations to the Board with respect to these plans and to annually review such plans after their implementation; and
- (c) to review annually any other benefit plans proposed by management and make recommendations to the Board with respect to their implementation.

All Board members have direct experience relevant to their responsibilities relating to director and NEO compensation. All members are or have held senior executive roles within public companies, and therefore have a good understanding of compensation programs. They also have good financial understanding, which allows them to assess the costs versus benefits of compensation plans. The Board members' combined experience in the resource sector provides them with an understanding of the Company's success and risk factors, which is very important when determining metrics for measuring success.

Company Prohibits Hedging

The Company's NEOs and directors are not permitted to purchase financial instruments, including for greater certainty, prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars or units of exchange funds designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of equity securities granted as compensation or held, directly or indirectly, by a NEO or a director of the Company.

Termination and Change of Control Benefits

During the financial year ended March 31, 2022, the Company did not have any contracts, agreements, plans or arrangements in place with any NEO that provides for payment following or in connection with any termination, resignation, retirement, a change of control of the Company or a change in a NEO's responsibilities.

Pension

The Company does not have a pension plan that provides for payments or benefits to the NEOs or directors at, following, or in connection with retirement.

None of the current or former directors, executive officers, employees of the Company, the proposed nominees for election to the Board, or their respective associates or affiliates, are or have been indebted to the Company since the beginning of the most recently completed financial year of the Company to the date hereof.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Other than as disclosed herein, no management functions of the Company are to any substantial degree performed by a person or company other than the directors or NEOs of the Company. The services of Nick DeMare, interim CEO and corporate secretary were and continue to be provided through his company, Chase Management Ltd. The services of Mark Brown are provided through his company, Pacific Opportunity Capital Ltd.

EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION

The following table sets out those securities of the Company which have been authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans as at the March 31, 2022 financial year end when there were 89,585,665 Common Shares issued and outstanding:

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted- average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (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 the securityholders	2,790,000	0.08	6,168,566
Equity compensation plans approved by the securityholders	-	-	-
Total	2,790,000	0.08	6,168,566

INTEREST OF INFORMED PERSONS IN MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

None of the persons who were directors or executive officers of the Company or a subsidiary at any time during either of the Company's financial year ended March 31, 2022, the proposed nominees for election to the Board, any person or company who beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, or who exercises control or direction over (or a combination of both) more than 10% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares, nor the associates or affiliates of those persons, has any material interest, direct or indirect, by way of beneficial ownership of securities or otherwise, in any transaction or proposed transaction, which has materially affected or would materially affect the Company.

AUDIT COMMITTEE AND RELATIONSHIP WITH AUDITOR

National Instrument 52-110 – Audit Committees ("**NI 52-110**") requires the Company, as a venture issuer, to disclose annually in its information circular certain information concerning the constitution of its audit committee and its relationship with its independent auditor. Such disclosure is set forth below.

The Audit Committee's Charter

The Audit Committee has a charter, a copy of which is attached as Schedule "A" to the information circular prepared for the Company's 2017 annual general meeting, which was filed under the Company's SEDAR profile on October 23, 2017 at <u>www.sedar.com</u>.

Composition of Audit Committee and Independence

The Company's Audit Committee currently consists of Messrs. Nick DeMare (chairperson), Mark Brown and Kevin William Haney.

NI 52-110 provides that a member of an audit committee is "independent" if the member has no direct or indirect material relationship with the Company, which could, in the view of the Board, reasonably interfere with the exercise of the member's independent judgment. Of the Company's current Audit Committee members, Messrs. Brown and Haney are "independent" within the meaning of NI 52-110. Mr. DeMare is not "independent" as he is also the interim CEO and is the CFO of the Company.

NI 52-110 provides that an individual is "financially literate" if he or she has the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements. All of the members of the Audit Committee are "financially literate" as that term is defined. The following sets out the Audit Committee members' education and experience that is relevant to the performance of his responsibilities as an audit committee member.

Relevant Education and Experience

Mr. Nick DeMare is a Chartered Professional Accountant and has been the President of Chase Management Ltd. since 1991, providing accounting, management, securities regulatory compliance and corporate secretarial services to companies listed on the TSXV and the TSX and has served on the audit committee of many of these companies. He also serves as a director and officer of a number of public companies listed on the TSXV and the TSX. Mr. DeMare holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of British Columbia and is a member in good standing of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in British Columbia.

Mr. Mark T. Brown B. Comm. CPA, CA, is the President of Pacific Opportunity Capital Ltd., in Vancouver B.C. Mr. Brown has assisted in the successful establishment of several private and public companies. In the public company sector, Mr. Brown has played key roles in the success of several companies, which his team at Pacific Opportunity have listed on the TSXV, the TSX and the NYSE Mkt Exchanges. His corporate focus is on merger and acquisition transactions, financing, strategic corporate planning, and corporate development. One of the companies founded and run by the team at Pacific Opportunity was built into a plus \$500 million market capitalization entity and they have had many other successes over the past 20 years.

Mr. Kevin William Haney is a successful entrepreneur with over 20 years of experience in the oil and gas industry. With many years of knowledge both in conventional and shale development in Canada and the USA. He is the President of his own private oil company.

As a result of their respective business experience and educational background, each member of the audit committee (i) has an understanding of the accounting principles used by the Company to prepare its financial statements, (ii) has the ability to assess the general application of such accounting principles in connection with the accounting for estimates, accruals and reserves, (iii) has experience in analyzing and evaluating financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to issues that can reasonably be expected to be raised by the Company's financial statements, and (iv) has an understanding of internal controls and procedures for financial reporting.

Audit Committee Oversight

Since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year ended March 31, 2022, the Audit Committee has not made any recommendations to nominate or compensate an external auditor, which were not adopted by the Board.

Reliance on Certain Exemptions

Since the commencement of the Company's most recently completed financial year ended March 31, 2022 the Company has not relied on:

- (a) the exemption in section 2.4 (De Minimis Non-audit Services) of NI 52-110; or
- (b) an exemption from NI 52-110, in whole or in part, granted under Part 8 (Exemptions).

Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures

Formal policies and procedures for the engagement of non-audit services have not been formulated or adopted by the Committee. Subject to the requirements of NI 52-110, the engagement of non-audit services is considered by the Board, and where applicable by the Committee, on a case-by-case basis.

Audit Fees

The following table sets forth the fees paid by the Company and its subsidiaries to its external auditors for services rendered in the three most recent fiscal years:

Financial Year Ending	Audit Fees ⁽¹⁾	Audit Related Fees ⁽²⁾	Tax Fees ⁽³⁾	All Other Fees ⁽⁴⁾
March 31, 2022	\$42,000	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$42,000
March 31, 2021	\$54,490	\$Nil	\$4,212	\$58,702

NOTES:

- (1) "Audit fees" include aggregate fees billed by the Company's external auditor in each of the last two fiscal years for audit fees.
- (2) "Audit related fees" include the aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for assurance and related services by the Company's external auditor that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of the Company's financial statements and are not reported under "Audit fees" above. The services provided include employee benefit audits, due diligence assistance, accounting consultations on proposed transactions, internal control reviews and audit or attest services not required by legislation or regulation.
- (3) "Tax fees" include the aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for professional services rendered by the Company's external auditor for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning. The services provided include tax planning and tax advice includes assistance with tax audits and appeals, tax advice related to mergers and acquisitions, and requests for rulings or technical advice from tax authorities.
- (4) "All other fees" include the aggregate fees billed in each of the last two fiscal years for products and services provided by the Company's external auditor, other than "Audit fees", "Audit related fees" and "Tax fees" above.

Exemption in Section 6.1

The Company is a "venture issuer" as defined in NI 52-110 and, as such, relies on the exemption set out in section 6.1 of NI 52-110 with respect to Part 3 (Composition of the Audit Committee) and Part 5 (Reporting Obligations).

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURE

National Instrument 58-101 – Disclosure of Corporate Governance Practices, requires all reporting issuers to provide certain annual disclosure of their corporate governance practices with respect to the corporate governance guidelines (the "Guidelines") adopted in National Policy 58-201 – Corporate Governance Guidelines. The Guidelines are not prescriptive, but have been used by the Company in adopting its corporate governance practices. The Board and Management consider good corporate governance to be an integral part of the effective and efficient operation of Canadian corporations. The Company's approach to corporate governance is set out below.

Board of Directors

Management is nominating three individuals to the Board, all of whom are current directors of the Company.

The Guidelines suggest that the board of directors of every reporting issuer should be constituted with a majority of individuals who qualify as "independent" directors under NI 52-110, which provides that a director is independent if he or she has no direct or indirect "material relationship" with the Company. A "material relationship" is defined as a relationship, which could, in the view of the Company's Board, reasonably interfere with the exercise of a director's

independent judgment. The current members of the Board are considered "independent" within the meaning of NI 52-110, except for Nick DeMare, who is the current interim CEO of the Company.

The Board has a stewardship responsibility to supervise the management of and oversee the conduct of the business of the Company, provide leadership and direction to Management, evaluate Management, set policies appropriate for the business of the Company and approve corporate strategies and goals. The day-to-day management of the business and affairs of the Company is delegated by the Board to the CEO. The Board gives direction and guidance through the CEO to Management and keeps Management informed of its evaluation of the senior officers in achieving and complying with goals and policies established by the Board.

The Board recommends nominees to the shareholders for election as directors, and immediately following each annual general meeting appoints an Audit Committee. The Board establishes and periodically reviews and updates the Audit Committee mandate, duties and responsibilities, elects a chairperson of the Board and establishes his or her duties and responsibilities, appoints the CEO and CFO of the Company and establishes the duties and responsibilities of those positions, and on the recommendation of the CEO, appoints the senior officers of the Company and approves the senior management structure of the Company.

The Board exercises its independent supervision over management through its policies that (a) periodic meetings of the Board be held to obtain an update on significant corporate activities and plans; and (b) all material transactions of the Company are subject to prior approval of the Board. The Board endeavours to call and hold regularly scheduled meetings, and endeavours to hold at least one meeting in each fiscal quarter. The Board will also meet at any other time at the call of the CEO, or subject to the Articles of the Company, of any director.

The mandate of the Board, as prescribed by the Act, is to manage or supervise management of the business and affairs of the Company and to act with a view to the best interests of the Company. In doing so, the Board oversees management of the Company's affairs directly and through its Audit Committee.

Directorships

As of the date of this information circular, certain directors of the Company are also serving as directors of other reporting issuers, details of which are as follows:

Nick DeMare:	Auscan Resources Inc. (formerly American Helium Inc.), Cliffmont Resources Ltd., Hannan Metals Ltd., Kingsmen Resources Ltd., Mirasol Resources Ltd., Rochester Resources Ltd., Salazar Resources Limited, T2 Metals Corp. (formerly Aguila Copper Corp.), Tinka Resources Limited and Tribeca Resources Corporation (formerly Hansa Resources Limited)
<u>Mark T. Brown</u> :	Alianza Minerals Ltd., Au Gold Corp., Avrupa Minerals Ltd., Copper Fox Metals Inc., EGR Exploration Ltd., Mich Resources Ltd., and Mountain Boy Minerals Ltd.
Kevin William Haney:	N/A

Orientation and Continuing Education

The Board's practice is to recruit for the Board only persons with extensive experience in the oil and gas business and in public company matters. Prospective new board members are provided with a reasonably detailed level of background information, verbal and documentary, on the Company's affairs and plans prior to obtaining their consent to act as a director.

The Board provides training courses to the directors as needed, to ensure that the Board is complying with current legislative and business requirements.

Ethical Business Conduct

The Board has found that the fiduciary duties placed on individual directors by the Company's governing corporate legislation and the common law and the restrictions placed by applicable corporate legislation on an individual director's participation in decisions of the Board in which the director has an interest have been sufficient to ensure that the Board operates independently of management and in the best interests of the Company.

Under the corporate legislation, a director is required to act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company and exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances, and disclose to the board the nature and extent of any interest of the director in any material contract or material transaction, whether made or proposed, if the director is a party to the contract or transaction, is a director or officer (or an individual acting in a similar capacity) of a party to the contract or transaction or has a material interest in a party to the contract or transaction. The director must then abstain from voting on the contract or transaction unless the contract or transaction (i) relates primarily to their remuneration as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company or an affiliate of the Company, (ii) is for indemnity or insurance for the benefit of the director in connection with the Company, or (iii) is with an affiliate of the Company. If the director abstains from voting after disclosure of their interest, the directors approve the contract or transaction and the contract or transaction was reasonable and fair to the Company at the time it was entered into, the contract or transaction. Otherwise, the director must have acted honestly and in good faith, the contract or transaction must have been reasonable and fair to the Company for any profit realized from the contract or transaction. Otherwise, the director must have acted honestly and in good faith, the contract or transaction must have been reasonable and fair to the Company and in good faith, the contract or transaction must have been reasonable and fair to the Company for the director or transaction being invalid.

Nomination of Directors

The Board identifies new candidates for board nomination by an informal process of discussion and consensusbuilding on the need for additional directors, the specific attributes being sought, likely prospects, and timing. Prospective directors are not approached until consensus is reached. This process takes place among the Chairman and a majority of the non-executive directors.

Compensation

The Board does not currently have a compensation committee. Instead, it is the plenary Board that oversees executive compensation to enable the Company to ensure conformity between compensation and other corporate objectives and to consider, all compensation packages, both present and future, for the Company's management and directors (including annual retainer, meeting fees, bonuses and option grants) and any severance packages.

The Board oversees the proper functioning of the Board and management of the Company to ensure the proper discharge of duties, to schedule meetings and to ensure timely reporting to the shareholders. The Board meets as often as may be necessary or appropriate in its members' discretion and judgment, and not less than four times each year.

The Board sets the standards for compensation of directors and officers based on industry data and with the goal to attract, retain and motivate key persons to ensure the long-term success of the Company. Compensation generally includes the three following components: base salary, annual bonus based on performance and grant of stock options. The Board takes into account the North American context of the activities of the Company and increased competition in the market for its key personnel while also taking into account the performance and objectives set forth for the Company.

Other Board Committees

There is currently one committee of the Board, being the Audit Committee.

Assessments

The Board annually reviews its own performance and effectiveness as well as the effectiveness and performance of the Audit Committee. Effectiveness is subjectively measured by comparing actual corporate results with stated objectives. The contributions of individual directors are informally monitored by other Board members, bearing in mind the business strengths of each individual and the purpose of originally nominating the individual to the Board. The Board monitors the adequacy of information given to directors, communication between Board and Management and the strategic direction and processes of the Board and the Audit Committee.

The Board believes its corporate governance practices are appropriate and effective for the Company, given its size and operations. The Company's corporate governance practices allow the Company to operate efficiently, with checks

and balances that control and monitor Management and corporate functions without an excessive administration burden.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to the Company is available under the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com. Financial information about the Company is provided in the Company's comparative annual financial statements to March 31, 2022 and to March 31, 2021, copies of which, together with the related Management's Discussion and Analysis for each financial year, can be found under the Company's SEDAR profile at <u>www.sedar.com</u>. Additional financial information concerning the Company may be obtained by any securityholder of the Company free of charge by contacting the Company, at 604-685-9316.

OTHER MATTERS

As of the date of this Circular, management of the Company is not aware of any other matters which may come before the Meeting other than as set forth in the Notice of Meeting that accompanies this Circular. If any other matter properly comes before the Meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the enclosed Proxy to vote the Common Shares represented thereby in accordance with their best judgement on such matter.

APPROVAL OF MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

The contents of this Circular and the distribution to shareholders have been approved by the Board.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, March 23, 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(signed) "*Nick DeMare*" Nick DeMare Interim CEO and Director Schedule "A"

EAST WEST PETROLEUM CORP.

STOCK OPTION PLAN

Effective Date: [•]

Approved by the Board of Directors on March 23, 2023.

Approved by the Shareholders on \bullet .

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STOCK OPTION PLAN

ARTICLE 1 PURPOSE

1.1 **Purpose**

The purpose of the Plan is to provide the Corporation with a share-related mechanism to attract, retain and motivate qualified Executives, Employees and Consultants of the Corporation and its Subsidiaries, to reward such of those Executives, Employees and Consultants as may be granted Options under the Plan by the Board from time to time for their contributions toward the long term goals and success of the Corporation and to enable and encourage such Executives, Employees and Consultants to acquire Shares as long term investments and proprietary interests in the Corporation.

ARTICLE 2 INTERPRETATION

2.1 **Definitions**

When used herein, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms have the indicated meanings:

"Applicable Laws" means the applicable laws and regulations and the requirements or policies of any governmental, regulatory authority, securities commission and stock exchange having authority over the Corporation or the Plan;

"**Black-Out**" means a restriction formally imposed by the Corporation, pursuant to its internal trading policies as a result of the bona fide existence of undisclosed material information, on all or any of its Participants whereby such Participants are prohibited from exercising, redeeming or settling their Options;

"Board" means the board of directors of the Corporation;

"Business Day" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which the principal commercial banks in the City of Vancouver are open for commercial business during normal banking hours;

"Cause" means:

- (a) unless the applicable Option Certificate states otherwise, with respect to any Employee, Officer or Consultant:
 - (i) if such Employee, Officer or Consultant is a party to an employment or service agreement with the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries and such agreement provides for a definition of Cause, the definition contained therein; or
 - (ii) if no such agreement exists, or if such agreement does not define Cause, any act or omission that would entitle the Corporation to terminate the employment or service agreement of such Employee, Officer or Consultant, without notice or compensation under the common law for just cause, including, without in any way limiting its meaning under the common law: (A) the failure of the Employee, Officer or Consultant to carry out its duties properly or to comply with the rules, policies and practices of the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries, as applicable;
 (B) a material breach of any agreement with the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries, as applicable, or a material violation of any written policy of the

Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries, as applicable; (C) the indictment for or conviction of an indictable offence or any summary offence involving material dishonesty or moral turpitude; (D) a material fiduciary breach with respect to the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries, as applicable; (E) fraud, embezzlement or similar conduct that results in or is reasonably likely to result in harm to the reputation or business of the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries; or (F) gross negligence or willful misconduct with respect to the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries; and

- (b) with respect to any Director, a determination by a majority of the disinterested Board members that the Director has engaged in any of the following:
 - (i) gross misconduct or neglect;
 - (ii) willful conversion of corporate funds;
 - (iii) false or fraudulent misrepresentation inducing the Director's appointment; or
 - (iv) repeated failure to participate in Board meetings on a regular basis despite having received proper notice of the meetings in advance;

"Change of Business" has the meaning attributed thereto in Policy 5.2 – *Change of Business and Reverse Takeovers*, as amended from time to time, of the TSXV Manual;

"Change in Control" means, unless otherwise defined in the Participant's employment or service agreement or in the applicable Option Certificate, the occurrence of any one or more of the following events:

- (a) the direct or indirect acquisition or conversion from time to time of more than 50% of the issued and outstanding Shares, in aggregate, by a Person or group of Persons acting in concert, other than through an employee share purchase plan or employee share ownership plan;
- (b) a change in the composition of the Board which results in the majority of the directors of the Corporation not being individuals nominated by the Corporation's then incumbent directors; or
- (c) a merger, amalgamation, arrangement or reorganization of the Corporation with one or more corporations as a result of which, immediately following such event, the shareholders of the Corporation as a group, as they were immediately prior to such event, hold less than a majority of the outstanding Voting Shares of the surviving corporation;

"Committee" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2;

"**Company**" means a corporation, incorporated association or organization, body corporate, partnership, trust, association or other entity other than an individual;

"Consultant" means:

- (a) a Person (other than an Executive or Employee) that:
 - (i) is engaged to provide on an ongoing bona fide basis, consulting, technical, management or other services to the Corporation or to any of its Subsidiaries, other

than services provided in relation to a distribution of securities (as defined under Applicable Laws);

- (ii) provides the services under a written contract between the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries and the individual or the Company, as the case may be; and
- (iii) in the reasonable opinion of the Corporation, spends or will spend a significant amount of time and attention on the affairs and business of the Corporation or of any of its Subsidiaries, or
- (b) an individual (other than a Director, Officer or Employee) employed by a Company providing management services to the Corporation, which services are required for the ongoing successful operation of the business enterprise of the Corporation;

"Corporate Policies" means any of the policies of the Corporation;

"Corporation" means East West Petroleum Corp.

"**Date of Grant**" means, for any Option, the date specified by the Plan Administrator at the time it grants the Option (which, for greater certainty, shall be no earlier than the date on which the Board meets or otherwise acts for the purpose of granting such Option) or if no such date is specified, the date upon which the Option was granted;

"Director" means a director of the Corporation or of any of its Subsidiaries;

"**Disabled**" or "**Disability**" means a physical injury or mental incapacity of a nature which the Plan Administrator determines prevents or would prevent the Participant from satisfactorily performing the substantial and material duties of his or her position with the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries;

"Effective Date" means the date the Plan becomes effective, which shall be upon receipt of all shareholder and regulatory approvals;

"Employee" means an individual who:

- (a) is considered an employee of the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries under the Tax Act and for whom income tax, employment insurance and Canada Pension Plan deductions must be made at source;
- (b) works full-time for the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Corporation or of a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, but for whom income tax deductions are not made at source; or
- (c) works for the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries on a continuing and regular basis for a minimum amount of time per week providing services normally provided by an employee and who is subject to the same control and direction by the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries over the details and methods of work as an employee of the Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries;

"Exercise Notice" means the written notice of the exercise of an Option, in the form set out in the Option Certificate (or in such other form as may be approved by the Plan Administrator, duly executed by the Participant; "Exercise Period" means the period during which a particular Option may be exercised and is the period from and including the Grant Date through to and including the Expiry Time on the Expiry Date provided, however, that no Option can be exercised unless and until all necessary Regulatory Approvals have been obtained;

"Exercise Price" means the price at which an Option is exercisable as determined in accordance with Section 4.5;

"Expiry Date" means the date the Option expires as set out in the Option Certificate or as otherwise determined in accordance with Sections 4.10, 5.1, 7.2, or Article 6;

"**Expiry Time**" means the time the Option expires on the Expiry Date, which is 5:00 p.m. local time in Vancouver, British Columbia on the Expiry Date;

"Exchange" means the TSXV and any other exchange on which the Shares are or may be listed from time to time;

"Executive" means an individual who is a Director or Officer;

"Good Reason" means any one or more of the following events occurring following a Change in Control and without the Participant's written consent:

- (a) the Participant is placed in a position of lesser stature than its current position and, is assigned duties that would result in a material change in the nature or scope of powers, authority, functions or duties inherent in such a position immediately prior to the Change in Control;
- (b) a material decrease in the Participant's base salary or a material decrease in the Participant's short-term incentive grants, long-term incentive grants, benefits, vacation or other compensation;
- (c) a requirement that the Participant relocate to a location greater than 40 kilometers from the Participant's primary work location immediately prior to the Change in Control; or
- (d) any action or event that would constitute constructive dismissal of the Participant at common law;

"Insider" means:

- (a) a Director or senior officer of the Corporation;
- (b) a Director or senior officer of a Company that is an Insider or a Subsidiary of the Corporation;
- (c) a Person that beneficially owns or controls, directly or indirectly, Voting Shares of the Corporation carrying more than 10% of the voting rights attached to the Voting Shares of the Corporation; or
- (d) the Corporation itself if it holds any of its own securities;

"Investor Relations Service Providers" has the meaning attributed thereto in Policy 4.4 – *Security Based Compensation*, as amended from time to time, of the TSXV Manual;

"Market Price" means the market value of the Shares as determined in accordance with Section 4.5;

"Officer" means an officer of the Corporation or of any of its Subsidiaries;

"**Option**" means an incentive share purchase option granted pursuant to the Plan entitling a Participant to purchase Shares of the Corporation;

"**Option Certificate**" means a certificate issued by the Corporation in the form or any one of the forms approved by the Plan Administrator, evidencing the terms and conditions on which an Option has been granted under the Plan and which need not be identical to any other such certificates;

"Outstanding Options" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 3.7;

"**Participant**" means an Executive, Employee or Consultant to whom an Option has been granted under the Plan;

"**Person**" includes an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, unincorporated association, unincorporated syndicate, unincorporated organization, trust, body corporate, and a natural person in his or her capacity as trustee, executor, administrator or other legal representative;

"**Personal Representative**" means: (i) in the case of a deceased Participant, the executor or administrator of the deceased duly appointed by a court or public authority having jurisdiction to do so; and (ii) in the case of a Participant who, for any reason, is unable to manage his or her affairs, the Person entitled by law to act on behalf of such Participant;

"Plan" means this Option Plan, as may be amended from time to time;

"**Plan Administrator**" means the Board, or if the administration of the Plan has been delegated by the Board to the Committee pursuant to Section 3.2, the Committee;

"Prior Plan" means the Corporation's prior stock option plan;

"**Regulatory Approvals**" means any necessary approvals of the Regulatory Authorities as may be required from time to time for the implementation, operation or amendment of the Plan or for the Options granted from time to time hereunder;

"**Regulatory Authorities**" means all Exchanges and all securities commissions or similar securities regulatory bodies having jurisdiction over the Corporation, the Plan or the Options granted from time to time hereunder;

"**Reorganization**" has the meaning attributed thereto in Policy 5.3 – *Acquisitions and Dispositions of Non-Cash Assets*, as amended from time to time, of the TSXV Manual;

"**Reverse Takeover**" has the meaning attributed thereto in Policy 5.2 – *Change of Business and Reverse Takeovers*, as amended from time to time, of the TSXV Manual;

"RRIF" means a registered retirement income fund as defined in the Tax Act;

"RRSP" means a registered retirement savings plan as defined in the Tax Act;

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act (British Columbia, RSBC 1996, c. 418 as from time to time amended;

"Security Based Compensation Arrangement" for the purposes of the Plan means any option, share option plan, share incentive plan, employee share purchase plan where the Corporation provides any financial assistance or matching mechanism, stock appreciation right or any other compensation or incentive mechanism involving the issuance or potential issuance of securities from the Corporation's treasury to Executives, Employees or Consultants, including a share purchase from treasury which is financially assisted by the Corporation by way of a loan guarantee or otherwise, but for greater certainty does not involve compensation arrangements which do not involve the issuance or potential issuance of securities from the Corporation's treasury or arrangements under which compensation arrangements are settled solely in cash and/or securities purchased on the secondary market;

"Share" means one (1) common share in the capital of the Corporation as constituted on the Effective Date or after an adjustment contemplated by Article 7, such other shares or securities to which the holder of an Option may be entitled as a result of such adjustment;

"Shareholder Approval" means approval by the Corporation's shareholders in accordance with the polices of the Exchange;

"Subsidiary" has the meaning attributed thereto in the Securities Act;

"Tax Act" means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and its regulations thereunder, as amended from time to time;

"**Termination Date**" means (i) the date designated by the Participant and the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation in a written employment agreement, or other written agreement between the Participant and Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, or (ii) if no written agreement exists, the date designated by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, on which a Participant ceases to be an employee of the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, provide services to the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, provided that, in the case of termination of employment or termination of services by voluntary resignation by the Participant, such date shall not be earlier than the date notice of resignation was given, and "Termination Date" specifically does not mean the date of termination of any period of reasonable notice that the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation was given, and "Termination or a Subsidiary of the Corporation was given, and "Termination Date" specifically does not mean the date of termination of any period of reasonable notice that the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation was given, and "Termination Date" specifically does not mean the date of termination of any period of reasonable notice that the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as applicable, may be required by law to provide to the Participant;

"Triggering Event" means:

- (a) the proposed dissolution, liquidation or wind-up of the Corporation;
- (b) a proposed Change in Control;
- (c) the proposed sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation; or
- (d) a proposed material alteration of the capital structure of the Corporation which, in the opinion of the Plan Administrator, is of such a nature that it is not practical or feasible to make adjustments to the Plan or to the Options granted hereunder to permit the Plan and Options granted hereunder to stay in effect;

"TSXV" means the TSX Venture Exchange;

"TSXV Manual" means the TSXV Corporate Finance Manual;

"Vested" means a portion of the Option granted to the Participant which is available to be exercised by such Participant at any time and from time to time;

"Voting Share" means a security of a Company that:

- (a) is not a debt security; and
- (b) carries a voting right either under all circumstances or under some circumstances that have occurred and are continuing; and

"**VWAP**" means the volume-weighted average trading price of the Shares on the TSXV calculated by dividing the total value by the total volume of the Shares traded for the five trading days immediately preceding the exercise of the subject Option, provided that the TSXV may exclude internal crosses and certain other special terms trades from the calculation.

2.2 Interpretation

- (a) Whenever the Plan Administrator exercises discretion in the administration of the Plan, the term "discretion" means the sole and absolute discretion of the Plan Administrator.
- (b) As used herein, the terms "Article", "Section" and "clause" mean and refer to the specified Article, Section and clause of the Plan, respectively.
- (c) Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing any gender include any other gender.
- (d) Unless otherwise specified, time periods within or following which any payment is to be made or act is to be done shall be calculated by excluding the day on which the period begins, including the day on which the period ends, and abridging the period to the immediately preceding Business Day in the event that the last day of the period is not a Business Day. In the event an action is required to be taken or a payment is required to be made on a day which is not a Business Day such action shall be taken or such payment shall be made by the immediately preceding Business Day.
- (e) Unless otherwise specified, all references to money amounts are to Canadian currency.
- (f) The headings used herein are for convenience only and are not to affect the interpretation of the Plan.

ARTICLE 3 ADMINISTRATION

3.1 Administration

Subject to and consistent with the terms of the Plan, Applicable Laws and the provisions of any charter adopted by the Board with respect to the powers, authority and operation of the Committee (as amended from time to time), the Plan will be administered by the Plan Administrator, and the Plan Administrator has sole and complete authority, in its discretion, without limitation, to:

- (a) determine the Persons who are eligible to be Participants in accordance with Section 3.4;
- (b) make grants of Options under the Plan relating to the issuance of Shares in such amounts, to such Participants and, subject to the provisions of the Plan, on such terms and conditions as it determines including without limitation:

- (i) the time or times at which Options may be granted, including the applicable Date of Grant
- (ii) the conditions under which an Option or any portion thereof may be granted to a Participant including, without limitation, the Expiry Date, Exercise Price and vesting schedule (which need not be identical with the terms of any other Option):
- (iii) the consequences of a termination with respect to an Option;
- (iv) the number of Shares subject to each Option;
- (v) whether restrictions or limitations are to be imposed on the Shares issuable pursuant to grants of any Option, and the nature of such restrictions or limitations, if any; and
- (vi) any acceleration of exercisability or vesting, or waiver of termination regarding any Option, based on such factors as the Plan Administrator may determine;
- (c) establish the form or forms of the Option Certificate and Exercise Notice;
- (d) amend the terms of any Option, subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan;
- (e) cancel, amend, adjust or otherwise change any Option under such circumstances as the Plan Administrator may consider appropriate in accordance with the provisions of the Plan, including but not limited to:
 - allowing non-Vested Options to be treated as Vested upon termination of employment or service of a Participant, as to any or all of termination, death or Disability;
 - (ii) providing that the Options with respect to certain classes, types or groups of Participants will have different acceleration, forfeiture, termination, continuation or other terms than other classes, types or groups of Participants;
 - (iii) providing for the continuation of any Option for such period which is not longer than 12 months from the Termination Date or 12 months from the date of death or Disability of the Participant, and upon such terms and conditions as are determined by the Plan Administrator in the event that a Participant ceases to be an Executive, Employee or Consultant, as the case may be;
 - (iv) providing that Vested Options may be exercised for periods longer or different from those set forth in the Plan, subject to the applicable rules of the Exchange; and
 - (v) setting any other terms for the exercise or termination of an Option upon termination of employment or service;
- (f) construe and interpret the Plan and all Option Certificates;
- (g) determine all questions arising in connection with the administration, interpretation and application of the Plan, including all questions relating to the Market Price of the Shares;

- (h) correct any defect, supply any information or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan in such manner and to such extent as shall be deemed necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of the Plan;
- (i) determine whether, to what extent, and under what circumstances an Option may be exercised in cash, through a cashless exercise or through net exercise pursuant to Section 4.8;
- (j) determine the duration and purposes of leaves of absence from employment or engagement by the Corporation which may be granted to Participants without constituting a termination of employment or engagement for purposes of the Plan;
- (k) authorize Persons to execute such documents and instruments as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the Plan and grants of Options from time to time hereunder;
- (1) prescribe, amend, and rescind rules and regulations relating to the administration of the Plan; and
- (m) make all other determinations and take all other actions necessary or advisable for the implementation and administration of the Plan.

3.2 **Delegation to Committee**

- (a) The initial Plan Administrator shall be the Board.
- (b) To the extent permitted by Applicable Law, the Board may, from time to time, delegate to a committee of the Corporation (the "**Committee**"), consisting of not less than two of its members, all or any of the powers conferred on the Plan Administrator pursuant to the Plan, including the power to sub-delegate to any specified Directors or Officers all or any of the powers delegated by the Board. From time to time, the Board may increase the size of the Committee and appoint additional members, remove members (with or without cause) and appoint new members in their place, fill vacancies however caused ,or remove all members of the Committee and thereafter directly administer the Plan.
- (c) In the event the Board delegates to the Committee all or any of the powers conferred on the Plan Administrator pursuant to the Plan, the Committee or any sub-delegate will exercise the powers delegated to it in the manner and on the terms authorized by the delegating party. Any decision made or action taken by the Committee or any sub-delegate arising out of or in connection with the administration or interpretation of the Plan in this context is final and conclusive and binding on the Corporation and all affiliates of the Corporation, all Participants and all other Persons.

3.3 **Determinations Binding**

Any decision made or action taken by the Board, the Committee or any sub-delegate to whom authority has been delegated pursuant to Section 3.2 arising out of or in connection with the administration interpretation of the Plan is final, conclusive and binding on all affected Persons, including the Corporation and any of its Subsidiaries, the affected Participants and their Personal Representatives, any shareholder of the Corporation and all other Persons.

3.4 Eligibility

Subject to the discretion of the Plan Administrator, all Executives, Employees and Consultants are eligible to participate in the Plan. Participation in the Plan is voluntary and eligibility to participate does not confer upon any Executive, Employee or Consultant any right to receive any grant of an Option pursuant to the Plan. In addition, in order to be eligible to receive Options, in the case of Employees and Consultants, the Option Certificate to which they are a party must contain a representation of the Corporation and of such Employee or Consultant, as the case may be, that such Employee or Consultant is a bona fide Employee or Consultant of the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be.

3.5 **Board Requirements**

Any Option granted under the Plan shall be subject to the requirement that, if at any time the Corporation shall determine that the listing, registration or qualification of the Shares issuable pursuant to such Option upon any securities exchange or under any Applicable Laws of any jurisdiction, or the consent or approval of the Exchange and any securities commissions or similar securities regulatory bodies having jurisdiction over the Corporation is necessary as a condition of, or in connection with, the grant or exercise of such Option or the issuance or purchase of Shares thereunder, such Option may not be accepted or exercised in whole or in part unless such listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval shall have been effected or obtained on conditions acceptable to the Board. Nothing herein shall be deemed to require the Corporation to apply for or to obtain such listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval. Participants shall, to the extent applicable, cooperate with the Corporation in complying with such legislation, rules, regulations and policies.

3.6 Liability Limitation and Indemnification

No member of the Board or the Committee shall be liable for any action or determination taken or made in good faith in the administration, interpretation, construction or application of the Plan or any Option Certificate or any Option granted hereunder.

3.7 **Total Shares Subject to Options**

Subject to adjustment pursuant to Article 7, the number of Shares hereby reserved for issuance to Participants under the Plan shall not exceed 10% of the number of Shares which are issued and outstanding on the particular date of grant of Options. There are 2,290,000 Options (the "**Outstanding Options**") outstanding on the date hereof which were granted under the Prior Plan, which will remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms. The number of Shares issuable upon exercise of the Outstanding Options shall be included in the calculation of the maximum number of Shares issuable pursuant to Options. Any Shares subject to an Option which has been granted under the Plan and which has been cancelled, terminated, surrendered, forfeited or expired without having been exercised as provided for in the Plan shall again be available under the Plan.

3.8 Limits on Options

Notwithstanding anything in the Plan, if the Corporation is listed on the TSXV, the following limitations shall apply to the Plan and all Options thereunder so long as such limitations are required by the TSXV:

- (a) unless disinterested Shareholder Approval is obtained in accordance with the policies of the TSXV (or unless permitted otherwise by the policies of the TSXV):
 - (i) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to any one Participant (and where permitted pursuant to the policies of the TSXV, any Company that is wholly-owned by the Participant) under the Plan, together with all of the Corporation's other Security

Based Compensation Arrangements, within a 12-month period, may not exceed 5% of the issued Shares calculated on the Date of Grant;

- (ii) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to Insiders (as a group) under the Plan, together with all of the Corporation's other Security Based Compensation Arrangements, within a 12-month period, may not exceed 10% of the issued Shares calculated on the Date of Grant; and
- (iii) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to Insiders (as a group) under the Plan, together with all of the Corporation's other Security Based Compensation Arrangements, may not exceed 10% of the issued Shares at any time;
- (b) the maximum number of Shares that may be issued to any one Consultant under the Plan, together with all of the Corporation's other Security Based Compensation Arrangements, within a 12-month period, may not exceed 2% of the issued Shares calculated on the Date of Grant;
- (c) the maximum number of Shares issuable pursuant to Options which may be granted within any 12-month period to Investor Relations Service Providers (as a group) must not exceed 2% of the issued Shares calculated on the Date of Grant;
- (d) Options granted to Investor Relations Service Providers must vest in stages over 12 months with no more than 25% of the Options vesting in any three month period; and
- (e) any Options granted to a Participant who ceases to be a Participant under the Plan for any reason whatsoever shall terminate at a date no later than 12 months from the date such Participant ceases to be a Participant under the Plan.

3.9 **Option Certificates**

Each Option under the Plan will be evidenced by an Option Certificate. Each Option Certificate will be subject to the applicable provisions of the Plan and will contain such provisions as are required by the Plan and any other provisions that the Plan Administrator may direct.

3.10 Non-transferability of Options

Except to the extent that certain rights may pass to a beneficiary or Personal Representative upon death of a Participant by will or as required by law, no Option is assignable or transferable.

3.11 **Resale Restrictions**

Any Shares issued by the Corporation upon exercise or settlement of an Option are subject to any resale and trading restrictions in effect pursuant to Applicable Laws and the policies of the Exchange, and the Corporation shall be entitled to place any restriction or legend on any certificates representing such Shares accordingly. Any Option Certificate will bear the following legend, if required pursuant to the policies of the TSXV:

"Without prior written approval of the TSX Venture Exchange and compliance with all applicable securities legislation, the securities represented by this certificate, and any securities issued upon exercise hereof, may not be sold, transferred, hypothecated or otherwise traded on or through the facilities of the TSX Venture Exchange or otherwise in Canada or to or for the benefit of a Canadian resident until [NTD: The date that is four months and one day after the date of the grant of the Option will be inserted]."

Any certificate representing Shares issued pursuant to an exercise of an Option before the date that is four month and one day after the date of grant of an Option will bear the following legend, if required pursuant to the policies of the TSXV:

"Without prior written approval of the TSX Venture Exchange and compliance with all applicable securities legislation, the securities represented by this certificate may not be sold, transferred, hypothecated or otherwise traded on or through the facilities of the TSX Venture Exchange or otherwise in Canada or to or for the benefit of a Canadian resident until [NTD: The date that is four months and one day after the date of the grant of the Option will be inserted]."

ARTICLE 4 OPTIONS

4.1 **Granting of Options**

The Plan Administrator may, from time to time, subject to Corporate Policies, the provisions of the Plan and such other terms and conditions as the Plan Administrator may determine, grant Options to any Participant, and in doing so, may, without limitation, in its discretion, (a) designate the Participants who may receive Options under the Plan, (b) fix the number of Options to be granted to each Participant and the date or dates on which such Options shall be granted, and (c) determine the relevant conditions and vesting schedules in respect of any Options.

4.2 **Options Account**

All Options received by a Participant shall be credited to an account maintained for the Participant on the books of the Corporation as of the Date of Grant. The terms and conditions of each Option grant shall be evidenced by an Option Certificate.

4.3 **Exercise Period of Options**

Subject to Sections 4.10, 5.1, and 7.4 and Article 6, the Date of Grant and the Expiry Date of an Option shall be the dates fixed by the Plan Administrator at the time the Option is granted and shall be set out in the Option Certificate issued in respect of such Option, provided that the duration of such Option will not exceed the maximum term permitted by each organized trading facility on which the Shares are listed, being 10 years for the TSXV from the Date of Grant of such Option (subject to extension where the Expiry Date is within a Black-Out period pursuant to Section 5.1).

4.4 Number of Shares under an Option

The number of Shares which may be purchased pursuant to an Option shall be determined by the Plan Administrator and shall be set out in the Option Certificate issued in respect of the Option.

4.5 **Exercise Price of an Option**

The Exercise Price at which a Participant may purchase a Share upon the exercise of an Option shall be determined by the Plan Administrator and shall be set out in the Option Certificate issued in respect of the Option. The Exercise Price shall not be less than the Market Price of the Shares as of the Date of Grant. The Market Price of the Shares for a particular Date of Grant shall be determined as follows:

- (a) for each organized trading facility on which the Shares are listed, Market Price will be:
 - (i) the closing trading price of the Shares on the day immediately preceding the issuance of the news release announcing the grant of the Option, or
 - (ii) if, in accordance with the policies of the TSXV, the Corporation is not required to issue a news release to announce the grant and exercise price of the Option, the closing trading price of the Shares on the day immediately preceding the Date of Grant,

and may be less than this price if it is within the discounts permitted by the applicable Regulatory Authorities;

- (b) if the Shares are listed on more than one organized trading facility, the Market Price shall be the Market Price as determined in accordance with subparagraph (a) above for the primary organized trading facility on which the Shares are listed, as determined by the Plan Administrator, subject to any adjustments as may be required to secure all necessary Regulatory Approvals;
- (c) if the Shares are listed on one or more organized trading facilities but have not traded during the ten trading days immediately preceding the Grant Date, then the Market Price will be, subject to any adjustments as may be required to secure all necessary Regulatory Approvals, such value as is determined by the Plan Administrator; and
- (d) if the Shares are not listed on any organized trading facility, then the Market Price will be, subject to any adjustments as may be required to secure all necessary Regulatory Approvals, such value as is determined by the Plan Administrator to be the fair value of the Shares, taking into consideration all factors that the Plan Administrator deems appropriate, including, without limitation, recent sale and offer prices of the Shares in private transactions negotiated at arms' length.

Notwithstanding anything else contained herein, in no case will the Market Price be less than the minimum prescribed by each of the organized trading facilities that would apply to the Corporation on the Date of Grant in question.

4.6 **Vesting of Options and Acceleration**

Subject to the limitations in Section 3.8 and all applicable Regulatory Rules, the vesting schedule for an Option, if any, shall be determined by the Plan Administrator and shall be set out in the Option Certificate issued in respect of the Option. The Plan Administrator may elect, at any time, to accelerate the vesting schedule of one or more Options including, without limitation, on a Triggering Event, and such acceleration will not be considered an amendment to the Option in question requiring the consent of the Plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Corporation is listed on the TSXV, no acceleration to the vesting schedule of one or more Options granted to an Investor Relations Service Provider can be made without the prior written acceptance of the TSXV.

4.7 Additional Terms

Subject to all applicable Regulatory Rules and all necessary Regulatory Approvals, the Plan Administrator may attach additional terms and conditions to the grant of a particular Option, such terms and conditions to be set out in a the Option Certificate. The Option Certificates will be issued for convenience only, and in

the case of a dispute with regard to any matter in respect thereof, the provisions of the Plan and the records of the Corporation shall prevail over the terms and conditions in the Option Certificate.

4.8 **Exercise of Options**

An Option may be exercised only by the Participant or the Personal Representative of any Participant. A Participant or the Personal Representative of any Participant may exercise an Option in whole or in part at any time and from time to time during the Exercise Period up to the Expiry Time on the Expiry Date by delivering to the Plan Administrator the required Exercise Notice, the applicable Option Certificate and one of following forms of consideration, subject to Applicable Laws:

- (a) *Cash Exercise* Consideration may be paid by a Participant sending a wire transfer, certified cheque or bank draft payable to the Corporation in an amount equal to the aggregate Exercise Price of the Shares then being purchased pursuant to the exercise of the Option.
- (b) Cashless Exercise Subject to approval from the Plan Administrator and further subject to the Shares being traded on the Exchange, consideration may be paid by a Participant as follows: (i) a brokerage firm loans money to the Participant in order for the Participant to exercise Options to acquire the underlying Shares (the "Loan"); (ii) the brokerage firm then sells a sufficient number of Shares to cover the Exercise Price of the Options that were exercised by the Participant in order to repay the Loan; and (iii) the brokerage firm receives an equivalent number of Shares from the exercise of the Options and the Participant receives the balance of the Shares or the cash proceeds from the balance of such Shares.
- (c) *Net Exercise* Subject to approval from the Plan Administrator and further subject to the Shares being traded on the Exchange, consideration may be paid by reducing the number of Shares otherwise issuable under the Options such that, in lieu of a cash payment to the Corporation, a Participant, excluding Investor Relations Service Providers, only receives the number of Shares that is equal to the quotient obtained by dividing: (i) the product of the number of Options being exercised multiplied by the difference between the VWAP of the underlying Shares and the Exercise Price of the subject Options, by (ii) the VWAP of the underlying Shares. The number of Shares delivered to the Participant may be further reduced to satisfy applicable tax withholding obligations pursuant to Section 5.2.

4.9 Issue of Share Certificates or Direct Registration Statements

As soon as reasonably practicable following the receipt of the Exercise Notice, the Plan Administrator shall cause to be delivered to the Participant a certificate or direct registration statement for the Shares so purchased. If the number of Shares so purchased is less than the number of Shares subject to the Option Certificate surrendered, the Plan Administrator shall also provide a new Option Certificate for the balance of Shares available under the Option to the Participant concurrent with delivery of the certificate or direct registration statement for the Shares.

4.10 **Termination of Options**

Subject to such other terms or conditions that may be attached to Options granted hereunder, a Participant may exercise an Option in whole or in part at any time and from time to time during the Exercise Period. Any Option or part thereof not exercised within the Exercise Period shall terminate and become null, void and of no effect as of the Expiry Time on the Expiry Date. The Expiry Date of an Option shall be the earlier of the date so fixed by the Plan Administrator at the time the Option is granted as set out in the Option Certificate and the date established, if applicable, pursuant to Article 6.

ARTICLE 5 ADDITIONAL OPTION TERMS

5.1 Black-Out Period

If the Expiry Date for an Option occurs during the Black-Out period, then, notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the Option shall be extended no more than ten Business Days after the date the Black-Out is lifted by the Corporation, unless the delayed expiration would result in tax penalties or the Participant or the Corporation is subject to a cease trade order in respect of the Corporation's securities.

5.2 Withholding Taxes

The granting, vesting or exercise of each Option under the Plan is subject to the condition that if at any time the Plan Administrator determines, in its discretion, that the satisfaction of withholding tax or other withholding liabilities is necessary or desirable in respect of such grant, vesting or exercise, such action is not effective unless such withholding has been effected to the satisfaction of the Plan Administrator. In such circumstances, the Plan Administrator may require that a Participant pay to the Corporation the minimum amount as the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation is obliged to remit to the relevant taxing authority in respect of the granting, vesting or exercise of the Option. Any such additional payment is due no later than the date on which such amount with respect to the Option is required to be remitted to the relevant tax authority by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be. Alternatively, and subject to any requirements or limitations under applicable law, the Corporation may (a) withhold such amount from any remuneration or other amount payable by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation to the Participant, (b) require the sale of a number of Shares issued upon exercise or vesting of such Option and the remittance to the Corporation of the net proceeds from such sale sufficient to satisfy such amount or (c) enter into any other suitable arrangements for the receipt of such amount.

Participants (or their beneficiaries) shall be responsible for all taxes with respect to any Options granted under the Plan, whether arising as a result of the grant or payment in respect of the Option or otherwise. The Corporation, the Plan Administrator and the Board make no guarantees to any Person regarding the tax treatment of an Option or issuances of Shares and none of the Corporation, the Board, the Plan Administrator or any of the Executives, Employees, Consultants, agents, advisors or representatives of the Corporation or the Subsidiary of the Corporation shall have any liability to a Participant with respect thereto.

5.3 **Recoupment**

Notwithstanding any other terms of the Plan, Options may be subject to potential cancellation, recoupment, rescission, payback or other action in accordance with the terms of any clawback, recoupment or similar policy adopted by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation and in effect at the Date of Grant of the Option, or as otherwise required by law or the rules of the Exchange. The Plan Administrator may at any time waive the application of this Section 5.3 to any Participant or category of Participants.

5.4 **No Other Benefit**

- (a) No amount will be paid to, or in respect of, a Participant under the Plan to compensate for a downward fluctuation in the price of a Share or the value of any Option granted, nor will any other form of benefit be conferred upon, or in respect of, a Participant for such purpose.
- (b) The Corporation makes no representations or warranties to Participants with respect to the Plan or any Options whatsoever. Participants are expressly advised that the value of any Options issued pursuant to the Plan will fluctuate as the trading price of the Shares fluctuates.

(c) In seeking the benefits of participation in the Plan, the Participant shall exclusively accept all risks associated with a decline in the trading price of the Shares and all other risks associated with the holding of any Options.

ARTICLE 6 TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICES

6.1 **Termination of Participant**

Subject to Article 7 and unless otherwise determined by the Plan Administrator or as set forth in an Option Certificate:

- (a) where a Participant's employment or services are terminated by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation for Cause, then each Option held by the Participant that has not Vested as of the Termination Date is immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination Date. The Plan Administrator, in its discretion, shall determine the effect of all matters and questions relating to whether a Participant has been discharged for Cause. In addition, where a Participant's employment or services are terminated by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation for Cause, the Plan Administrator may, in its discretion, determine that all Options held by the Participant that have Vested as of the Termination Date shall immediately become forfeited, cancelled, null and void, failing which, all Options held by the Participant that have Vested as of the terminates on the earlier of: (i) the Expiry Date; (ii) a date determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion; and (iii) the first anniversary of the Termination Date. Any Option that remains unexercised shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period;
- (b) where a Participant ceases to hold office or his or her position, as applicable, by reason of voluntary resignation by the Participant, then each Option held by the Participant that has not Vested as of the Termination Date is immediately forfeited and cancelled as of the Termination Date. All Options held by the Participant that have Vested as of the Termination Date shall be exercisable in accordance with Section 4.8 at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (i) the Expiry Date; (ii) a date determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion; and (iii) the first anniversary of the Termination Date. Any Option that remains unexercised shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period;
- (c) where a Participant's employment or services are terminated by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation without Cause (whether such termination occurs with or without any or adequate reasonable notice, or with or without any or adequate compensation in lieu of such reasonable notice); then:
 - (i) a portion of any Options held by the Participant that are not yet Vested shall immediately vest, with such portion to be equal to the number of unvested Options multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of days between the Date of Grant and the Termination Date and the denominator of which is the number of days between the Date of Grant and the date the unvested Options were originally scheduled to vest. For clarity and by way of example, if a Participant's employment is terminated 400 days following the Date of Grant and unvested Options were originally scheduled to vest 600 days from the Date of Grant, twothirds of the unvested Options will immediately vest;

- (ii) subject to Section 6.1(c)(i), any Options held by the Participant that are not yet Vested at the Termination Date after the application of Section 6.1(c)(i) shall be immediately forfeited to the Corporation; and
- (iii) any Options held by the Participant that have Vested as of the Termination Date or Vested pursuant to Section 6.1(c)(i) shall be settled in accordance with Section 4.8 at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (i) the Expiry Date;
 (ii) a date determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion; and (iii) the first anniversary of the Termination Date. Any Option that remains unexercised shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period;
- (d) notwithstanding that such date may be prior to the Termination Date, a Participant's eligibility to receive further grants of Options under the Plan ceases as of the date that: (i) the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, provides the Participant with written notification that the Participant's employment or services are terminated in the circumstances contemplated by this Section 6.1, or (ii) the Participant provides the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as the case may be, with written notification of the Participant's voluntary resignation;
- (e) unless the Plan Administrator, in its discretion, otherwise determines, at any time and from time to time, Options shall not be affected by a change of employment agreement or arrangement, or directorship within or among the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation for so long as the Participant continues to be an Executive, Employee or Consultant, as applicable, of the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation.

6.2 Leave of Absence

If a Participant is on sick leave or other bona fide leave of absence, such Participant shall continue to be deemed a "Participant" for the purposes of an outstanding Option during the period of such leave, provided that it does not exceed 90 days (or such longer period as may be determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion). If the period of leave exceeds 90 days (or such longer period as may be determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion), the relationship shall be deemed to have been terminated by the Plan Administrator of the 91st day (or the first day immediately following any period of leave in excess of 90 days as approved by the Plan Administrator) of such leave, unless the Participant's right to reemployment or reengagement of services with the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation, as applicable, is guaranteed by statute or contract.

6.3 **Death or Disability**

Where a Participant's employment or services are terminated by reason of the death of the Participant or the Participant becomes Disabled, then each Option held by the Participant that has not Vested as of the date of the death or Disability, as applicable, of such Participant shall vest on such date, and be exercisable in accordance with Section 4.8 at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (i) the Expiry Date; and (ii) first anniversary of the date of the death or Disability of the Participant. Any Option that remains unexercised shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period. A Participant's eligibility to receive further grants of Options under the Plan ceases as of the date of the death or Disability of the Participant.

6.4 **Discretion to Permit Acceleration**

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article 6, subject to Section 3.8(d) and any necessary Regulatory Approvals, the Plan Administrator may, in its discretion, at any time prior to, or following the events contemplated in

Article 6, permit the acceleration of vesting of any or all Options, all in the manner and on the terms as may be authorized by the Plan Administrator, and if such discretion is taken and the vesting of any or all Options occurs, then such Options will be exercised in accordance with Section 4.8.

ARTICLE 7 EVENTS AFFECTING THE CORPORATION

7.1 **Change in Control**

Except as may be set forth in an employment agreement or other written agreement between the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation and the Participant and subject to any necessary Regulatory Approvals:

- (a) Unless determined otherwise by the Plan Administrator, if within 12 months following the completion of a transaction resulting in a Change in Control, (i) a Participant's employment or directorship is terminated by the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation without Cause or (ii) a Participant resigns for Good Reason, without any action by the Plan Administrator, the vesting of all Options held by such Participant shall immediately accelerate and vest on the date of such Participant's termination or resignation for Good Reason and the Options shall be exercisable in accordance with Section 4.8 at any time during the period that terminates on the earlier of: (i) the Expiry Date; (ii) a date determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion; and (iii) the first anniversary of the Termination Date. Any Option that remains unexercised shall be immediately forfeited upon the termination of such period.
- (b) Notwithstanding Section 7.1(a), the Plan Administrator may, without the consent of any Participant, and subject to prior TSXV acceptance pursuant to Section 8.2(a), as applicable, take such steps as it deems necessary or desirable in connection with a Change in Control, including, without limitation, to cause: (i) the conversion or exchange of any outstanding Options into or for, rights or other securities of substantially equivalent value (or greater value), as determined by the Plan Administrator in its discretion, in any entity participating in or resulting from a Change in Control; (ii) outstanding Options to vest and become realizable, or payable; (iii) restrictions applicable to an Option to lapse, in whole or in part prior to or upon consummation of such Change in Control, and, to the extent the Plan Administrator determines, terminate upon or immediately prior to the effectiveness of such Change in Control; (iv) the termination of an Option in exchange for an amount of cash and/or property, if any, equal to the amount that would have been attained upon the settlement of such Option or realization of the Participant's rights as of the date of the occurrence of the transaction (and, for the avoidance of doubt, if as of the date of the occurrence of the transaction the Plan Administrator determines in good faith that no amount would have been attained upon the settlement of such Option or realization of the Participant's rights, then such Option may be terminated by the Corporation without payment); (v) the replacement of such Option with other rights or property selected by the Board in its discretion; or (vi) any combination of the foregoing. In taking any of the actions permitted under this Section 7.1(a), the Plan Administrator will not be required to treat all Options similarly in the transaction.

7.2 Triggering Events

Subject to any necessary Regulatory Approvals and notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan or any Option Certificate, the Plan Administrator may, without the consent of the Participant in question cause all or a portion of any of the Options granted under the Plan to terminate upon the occurrence of a Triggering Event, provided that the Corporation must give written notice to the Participant in question not less than 10

days prior to the consummation of a Triggering Event so as to permit the Participant the opportunity to exercise the Vested portion of the Options prior to such termination. Upon the giving of such notice and subject to any necessary Regulatory Approvals, all Options or portions thereof granted under the Plan which the Corporation proposes to terminate shall become immediately exercisable notwithstanding any contingent vesting provision to which such Options may have otherwise been subject.

7.3 **Reorganization of Corporation's Capital**

Should the Corporation effect a subdivision or consolidation of Shares or any similar capital reorganization or a payment of a stock dividend (other than a stock dividend that is in lieu of a cash dividend), or should any other change be made in the capitalization of the Corporation that does not constitute a Change in Control, or in the event of an amalgamation, combination, arrangement, merger or other transaction or reorganization involving the Corporation and occurring by exchange of Shares, by sale or lease of assets or otherwise, that does not constitute a Change in Control, that would warrant the amendment or replacement of any existing Options in order to adjust the number of Shares that may be acquired on the vesting of outstanding Options and/or the terms of any Option in order to preserve proportionately the rights and obligations of the Participants holding such Options, the Plan Administrator may, subject to the prior approval of the Exchange, if required, authorize such steps to be taken as it may consider to be equitable and appropriate to that end, including, but not limited to, permitting the immediate vesting of any unvested Options and amending the Exercise Price payable per Share.

7.4 Assumptions of Options in Acquisitions

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, in connection with a Reverse Takeover, a Change of Business, a Reorganization or an acquisition pursuant to Policy 5.3 - Acquisitions and Dispositions of Non-Cash Assets of the TSXV Manual, subject to prior TSXV acceptance, security based compensation of a target Company may be cancelled and replaced with substantially equivalent Options under the Plan without shareholder approval, provided that the rules of the TSXV are complied with.

7.5 No Restriction on Action

The existence of the Plan and of any Options granted hereunder shall not affect, limit or restrict in any way the right or power of the Corporation, the Board or the Corporation's shareholders to make or authorize any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the Corporation's capital structure or its business, or any amalgamation, combination, merger or consolidation involving the Corporation or to create or issue any bonds, debentures, shares or other securities of the Corporation or the rights and conditions attaching thereto or to affect the dissolution or liquidation of the Corporation or any sale or transfer of all or any part of its assets or business, or any other corporate act or proceeding, whether of a similar nature or otherwise. No Participant or any other Person shall have any claim against any member of the Committee or the Corporation or any Employees, Officers or agents of the Corporation as a result of any such action.

7.6 **Issue by Corporation of Additional Shares**

Except as expressly provided in this Article 7, neither the issue by the Corporation of shares of any class or securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of any class, nor the conversion or exchange of such shares or securities, affects, and no adjustment by reason thereof is to be made with respect to the number of Shares that may be acquired as a result of a grant of Options.

7.7 Fractions

No fractional Shares will be issued pursuant to an Option. Accordingly, if, as a result of any adjustment under this Article 7, a Participant would become entitled to a fractional Share, the Participant has the right

to acquire only the adjusted number of full Shares (rounded down to the nearest whole number) and no payment or other adjustment will be made with respect to the fractional Shares, which shall be disregarded.

ARTICLE 8 AMENDMENT, SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF THE PLAN

8.1 **Discretion of the Plan Administrator**

Subject to any Regulatory Approvals, including, where required, the approval of the TSXV and to Section 8.2, the Plan Administrator may, from time to time, without notice to or approval of the Participants or of the shareholders of the Corporation, amend, modify, change, suspend or terminate the Plan or any Options granted pursuant to the Plan as it, in its discretion, determines appropriate, provided, however, that, no such amendment, modification, change, suspension or termination of the Plan or any Options granted hereunder may materially impair any rights of a Participant or materially increase any obligations of a Participant under the Plan without the consent of the Participant, unless the Plan Administrator determines such adjustment is required or desirable in order to comply with any Applicable Laws or Exchange requirements or as otherwise set out in the Plan.

8.2 **Amendment of Option or Plan**

Notwithstanding Section 8.1 and subject to any rules of the Exchange, if the Corporation is listed on the TSXV, the following limitations shall apply to the Plan and all Options thereunder so long as such limitations are required by the TSXV:

- (a) any adjustment to Options, other than in connection with a security consolidation or security split, is subject to the prior acceptance of the TSXV;
- (b) any amendment to the Plan is subject to the prior acceptance of the TSXV, except for amendments to: (i) reduce the number of Shares that may be issued under the Plan, (ii) increase the Exercise Price of Options, or (iii) cancel Options;
- (c) subject to any rules of the TSXV, approval of shareholders of the Corporation shall be required for any amendment to the Plan except for amendments to: (i) fix typographical errors, and (ii) clarify existing provisions of the Plan and which do not have the effect of altering the scope, nature and intent of such provisions; and
- (d) any reduction in the Exercise Price of an Option, or extension to the Expiry Date of an Option, held by an Insider at the time of the proposed amendment is subject to disinterested shareholder approval in accordance with the policies of the TSXV.

ARTICLE 9 MISCELLANEOUS

9.1 Legal Requirement

The Corporation is not obligated to grant any Options, issue any Shares or other securities, make any payments or take any other action if, in the opinion of the Plan Administrator, in its discretion, such action would constitute a violation by a Participant or the Corporation of any provision of any applicable statutory or regulatory enactment of any government or government agency or the requirements of any Exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed.

9.2 **Rights of Participant**

No Participant has any claim or right to be granted an Option and the granting of any Option is not to be construed as giving a Participant a right to remain as an Executive, Employee or Consultant of the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation. Neither the Participant nor such Participant's Personal Representatives shall have any rights whatsoever as a shareholder of the Corporation in respect of Shares issuable pursuant to any Option until the allotment and issuance to such Participant or the liquidator, executor or administrator, as the case may be, of the estate of such Participant, of certificates representing such Shares (or in the case of Shares issued in uncertificated form, receipt of evidence of a book position on the register of the shareholders of the Corporation maintained by the transfer agent and registrar of the Corporation).

9.3 **Conflict**

In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Plan and the provisions of an Option Certificate, an employment agreement or another written agreement between the Corporation or a Subsidiary of the Corporation and a Participant, the provisions of the Plan shall govern.

9.4 Anti-Hedging Policy

By accepting the Option, each Participant acknowledges that he or she is restricted from purchasing financial instruments such as prepaid variable forward contracts, equity swaps, collars, or units of exchange funds that are designed to hedge or offset a decrease in market value of Options.

9.5 No Guarantee of Tax Consequences

Neither the Plan Administrator nor the Corporation makes any commitment or guarantee that any specific tax treatment will apply or be available to the Participants.

9.6 **Participant Information**

Each Participant shall provide the Corporation with all information (including personal information) required by the Corporation in order to administer the Plan. Each Participant acknowledges that information required by the Corporation in order to administer the Plan may be disclosed to any custodian appointed in respect of the Plan and other third parties, and may be disclosed to such Persons (including Persons located in jurisdictions other than the Participant's jurisdiction of residence), in connection with the administration of the Plan. Each Participant consents to such disclosure and authorizes the Corporation to make such disclosure on the Participant's behalf.

9.7 **Participation in the Plan**

The participation of any Participant in the Plan is entirely voluntary and not obligatory and shall not be interpreted as conferring upon such Participant any rights or privileges other than those rights and privileges expressly provided in the Plan. In particular, participation in the Plan does not constitute a condition of employment or engagement nor a commitment on the part of the Corporation to ensure the continued employment or engagement of such Participant.

9.8 Successors and Assigns

The Plan shall be binding on all successors and assigns of the Corporation and its affiliates.

9.9 Severability

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of the Plan shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision and any invalid or unenforceable provision shall be severed from the Plan.

9.10 Notices

All written notices to be given by the Participant to the Corporation shall be delivered by (a) hand or courier, with all fees and postage prepaid, addressed using the information specified below, or designated otherwise by the Corporation in writing; or (b) email to the email address that the parties regularly use to correspond with one another or to any other email address specified by the Corporation in writing to the Participant:

EAST WEST PETROLEUM CORP. 1305 – 1090 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC, V6E 3V7

Attention: Chief Executive Officer

Such notices are, if delivered by hand or by courier, deemed to have been given by the sender and received by the addressee at the time of delivery. Any notice sent by email will be deemed to have been given by the sender and received by the addressee on the first Business Day after it was transmitted. Any notice given by either the Participant or the Corporation is not binding on the recipient thereof until received.

9.11 Effective Date and Replacement

The Plan shall become effective upon the receipt of all required shareholder and regulatory approvals, being the Effective Date, and will replace the Prior Plan. All awards granted under the Prior Plan and which remain outstanding at the Effective Date will remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms; however, following the Effective Date, no additional grants shall be made under the Prior Plan, and the Prior Plan will terminate on the date upon which no further Outstanding Options remain outstanding.

9.12 Governing Law

The Plan and all matters to which reference is made herein shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.

9.13 **Submission to Jurisdiction**

The Corporation and each Participant irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of competent jurisdiction in the Province of British Columbia in respect of any action or proceeding relating in any way to the Plan, including with respect to the grant of Options and any issuance of Shares made in accordance with the Plan.