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## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT NOTICE TO MEMBERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

At the Annual General meeting in November, 2016, Directors discussed with Members present the intent to make available Options over fully paid shares of the Company.

These Options were regarded as a means of reflecting the risk attached to uncertainty of tenure currently prevailing in Victoria.

NOTICE is given that APPLICATION FOR OPTIONS MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED AS AND FROM CLOSE OF BUSINESS, E.S.T., 10 MARCH, 2017.

## **Explanation -**

Two portions of granted EL 5492, in the Clunes District, had been abandoned prior to the Meeting.

One of those abandoned areas had been re-applied for, as application for EL 6406, made 18 October, 2016.

In the months since, the Directors chose to fund the costs of completing the application process for EL 6406, through any requests for Options.

Costs include related items, such as pre-payment of Public Liability Insurance.

Thank you to those Members who provided support during the time these Government procedures came to be better understood by all.

The period since application has coincided with useful changes by Government. A summary of events is given in this speech to Parliament -

http://www.gayletierney.com.au/traditional-owner-settlement-amendment-bill-2016/ The new laws were given assent on 15 November, 2016.

The definition of a natural resource was amended by the *Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2016* - as specifically to not include gold, silver, metal and other minerals.

So far as Directors are aware, the last step in procedures for EL 6406 is the lodging of a formal Letter of Consent to enter a LUAA.

This formality enables the Department to include in a licence document those terms and conditions pertaining to use of Crown lands for 'routine activities' as defined by law.

The Letter of Consent posted **1 March 2017**, has been received by the Native Title Co-Ordinator. Directors understand this concludes the procedures required of applicants.

EL 6406 was made as a strata application.

The amended laws indicate *strata* represents the correct way to use fact geology to resolve unnecessary concerns about future exploration activity under Crown lands.

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