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**STERLING PLANTATIONS LIMITED**

**ACN 119 880 492**

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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**TIME:** 10.00 am (WST)

**DATE:** 14 November 2017

**PLACE:** Ground Floor, Suite 1, 437 Roberts Road, Subiaco WA 6008

*This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.*

*Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on (+61 8) 6380 2555.*

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**TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING AND HOW TO VOTE**

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**VENUE**

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The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders to which this Notice of Meeting relates will be held at 10:00 am (WST) on 14 November 2017 at:

The Company's office, Ground Floor, Suite 1, 437 Roberts Road, Subiaco WA 6008.

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT**

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The business of the Annual General Meeting affects your shareholding and your vote is important.

**VOTING ELIGIBILITY**

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The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 10:00 am on 12 November 2017.

**VOTING IN PERSON**

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To vote in person, attend the Annual General Meeting on the date and at the place set out above.

**VOTING BY PROXY**

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

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

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

New sections 250BB and 250BC of the Corporations Act came into effect on 1 August 2012 and apply to voting by proxy on or after that date. Shareholders and their proxies should be aware of these changes to the Corporations Act, as they will apply to this Annual General Meeting. Broadly, the changes mean that:

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

Further details on these changes are set out below.

#### **Proxy vote if appointment specifies way to vote**

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

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

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

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

- an appointment of a proxy specifies the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution at a meeting of the Company's members; and
- the appointed proxy is not the chair of the meeting; and
- at the meeting, a poll is duly demanded on the resolution; and
- either of the following applies:
  - the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting;
  - the proxy does not vote on the resolution,

the chair of the meeting is taken, before voting on the resolution closes, to have been appointed as the proxy for the purposes of voting on the resolution at the meeting.

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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### AGENDA

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#### ORDINARY BUSINESS

##### Financial Statements and Reports

To receive and consider the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 together with the declaration of the directors, the directors' report, the remuneration report and the auditor's report.

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#### RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

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

*“That, for the purpose of Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the remuneration report as contained in the Company's annual financial report for the financial year ended 30 June 2017.”*

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

##### Voting Prohibition Statement:

A vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of any of the following persons:

- (a) a member of the Key Management Personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or
- (b) a Closely Related Party of such a member.

However, a person (the **voter**) described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:

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

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**RESOLUTION 2 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – DATO' CRS PARAGASH**

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

*“That, for the purpose of rule 8.1(d) of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Dato' CRS Paragash, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director.”*

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**RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – ERIC P JOHN**

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

*“That, for the purpose of rule 8.1(d) of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Eric P John, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director.”*

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**RESOLUTION 4 – ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – DHANESH A/L GUNARATNAM**

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

*“That for the purposes of rule 8.1(c) of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Dhanesh A/L Gunaratnam, a director who was appointed on 19 September 2017, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director.”*

**DATED: 27 SEPTEMBER 2017  
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD**

**STERLING PLANTATIONS LIMITED  
MR SHAUN MENEZES  
COMPANY SECRETARY**

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## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of the Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 10:00 am (WST) on 14 November 2017 at Ground Floor, Suite 1, 437 Roberts Road, Subiaco WA 6008.

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

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### 1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Constitution, the business of the Annual General Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 together with the declaration of the directors, the directors' report, the remuneration report and the auditor's report.

The Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless specifically requested to do so. The Company's annual financial report is available on its website at [www.sterlingplantations.com](http://www.sterlingplantations.com).

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### 2 RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

#### 2.1 General

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

The Remuneration Report sets out the Company's remuneration arrangements for the Directors and senior management of the Company. The remuneration report is part of the Directors' report contained in the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ending 30 June 2017.

The chair of the meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for its shareholders to ask questions about or make comments on the remuneration report at the Annual General Meeting.

#### 2.2 Voting consequences

Under changes to the Corporations Act which came into effect on 1 July 2011, a Company is required to put to its shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of another meeting of shareholders to consider the appointment of Directors of the Company (**Spill Resolution**) if, at consecutive annual general meetings, at least 25% of the votes cast on a remuneration report resolution are voted against adoption of the remuneration report and at the first of those annual general meetings a Spill Resolution was not put to the vote. If required, the Spill Resolution must be put to vote at the second of those annual general meetings.

If more than 50% of the votes cast are in favour of the Spill Resolution, the Company must convene a shareholder meeting (**Spill Meeting**) within 90 days of the second annual general meeting.

All of the directors of the company who were in office when the Directors' report (as included in the company's annual financial report for the previous financial year) was approved, other than the managing director of the company, will cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting but may stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

Following the Spill Meeting those persons whose election or re-election as Directors of the Company is approved will be the Directors of the Company.

### 2.3 Previous voting results

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

### 2.4 Proxy voting Restrictions

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

**If you appoint a member of the Key Management Personnel (other than the Chair) whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of such a member as your proxy:**

**You must direct your proxy** how to vote on this Resolution. Undirected proxies granted to these persons will not be voted and will not be counted in calculating the required majority if a poll is called on this Resolution.

**If you appoint the Chair as your proxy (where he/she is also a member of the Key Management Personnel whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report, or a Closely Related Party of such a member):**

**You do not need to direct your proxy** how to vote on this Resolution.

**If you appoint any other person as your proxy:**

You **do not need** to direct your proxy how to vote on this Resolution, and you **do not need** to mark any further acknowledgement on the Proxy Form.

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## 3 RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and rule 8.1(d) of the Constitution, at every Annual General Meeting, after excluding the Managing Director (or equivalent), one-third of the remaining directors or, if their number is not a multiple of 3 then the greater of 1 or the whole number nearest to but not exceeding one-third, must retire from office and are eligible for re-election. The Directors to retire are those who have been longest in office since their appointment or, if the Directors have been in office for an equal length of time, by agreement. Dato' CRS Paragash is required to retire and being eligible for re-election, offers himself for re-election.

A brief profile of Dato' CRS Paragash can be found in the Directors Report in the Annual Report.

The board unanimously supports the re-election of Dato' CRS Paragash.

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A brief profile of Eric P John can be found in the Directors Report in the Annual Report.

The board unanimously supports the re-election of Eric P John.

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**5 RESOLUTION 4 – ELECTION OF DIRECTOR**

Rule 8.1(b) of the Constitution allows the Directors to appoint at any time a person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Directors, but only where the total number of Directors does not at any time exceed the maximum number specified by the Constitution.

Pursuant to rule 8.1(c) of the Constitution, any Director so appointed holds office only until the next following annual general meeting and is then eligible for election by Shareholders but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at that meeting.

In accordance with rule 8.1(c) of the Constitution, Mr Dhanesh A/L Gunaratnam having been appointed on 19 September 2017 holds office until the next annual general meeting and being eligible, seeks election from Shareholders.

A brief profile of Mr Dhanesh A/L Gunaratnam can be found in the Directors Report in the Annual Report.

The board unanimously supports the re-election of Mr Dhanesh A/L Gunaratnam.

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**6 ENQUIRIES**

Shareholders are required to contact Mr Shaun Menezes on (+ 61 8) 6380 2555 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.



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## GLOSSARY

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\$ means Australian dollars.

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

**ASIC** means the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

**ASX** means ASX Limited.

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

**Board** means the current board of directors of the Company.

**Business Day** means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

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

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

**Company** means STERLING PLANTATIONS LIMITED (ACN 119 880 492).

**Constitution** means the Company's constitution.

**Corporations Act** means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Directors** means the current directors of the Company.

**Explanatory Statement** means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice of Meeting.

**Key Management Personnel** has the same meaning as in the accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of an entity within the consolidated group.

**Notice of Meeting** or **Notice of Annual General Meeting** means this Notice of Annual General Meeting including the Explanatory Statement.

**Ordinary Securities** has the meaning set out in the ASX Listing Rules.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report set out in the Director's report section of the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2017.

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

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

**Shareholder** means a holder of a Share.

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

# PROXY FORM

**APPOINTMENT OF PROXY  
STERLING PLANTATIONS LIMITED  
ACN 119 880 492**

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

I/We   
of   
being a Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting, hereby  
appoint

Name of proxy

OR  the Chair of the Meeting as my/our proxy

or failing the person so named or, if no person is named, the Chair of the Meeting, or the Chair's nominee, to vote in accordance with the following directions, or, if no directions have been given, and subject to the relevant laws as the proxy sees fit, at the Meeting to be held at 10:00 am (WST), on 14 November 2017 at Ground floor, Suite 1, 437 Roberts Road, Subiaco WA 6008 and at any adjournment thereof.

**The Chair intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of all Resolutions in which the Chair is entitled to vote Voting on Business of the Meeting**

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 2 – Re-election of Director – Dato' CRS Paragash	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 3 – Re-election of Director – Eric P John	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 4 – Election of Director – Dhanesh A/L Gunaratnam	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

### Important for Resolution 1

If you have not directed your proxy how to vote as your proxy in respect of Resolution 1 and the Chair is, or may by default be, appointed your proxy, you must mark the box below.

I/we direct the Chair to vote in accordance with his/her voting intentions (as set out above) on Resolution 1 (except where I/we have indicated a different voting intention above) and expressly authorise that the Chair may exercise my/our proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel and acknowledge that the Chair may exercise my/our proxy even if the Chair has an interest in the outcome of Resolution 1 and that votes cast by the Chair for Resolution 1, other than as proxy holder, will be disregarded because of that interest.

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

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

Signature of Member(s):

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual or Member 1

Member 2

Member 3

Sole Director/Company Secretary

Director

Director/Company Secretary

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Ph (daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

**STERLING PLANTATIONS LIMITED**  
**ACN 119 880 492**

**Instructions for Completing 'Appointment of Proxy' Form**

1. **(Appointing a Proxy):** A Shareholder entitled to attend and cast a vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on their behalf at the Meeting. If a Shareholder is entitled to cast 2 or more votes at the Meeting, the Shareholder may appoint a second proxy to attend and vote on their behalf at the Meeting. However, where both proxies attend the Meeting, voting may only be exercised on a poll. The appointment of a second proxy must be done on a separate copy of the Proxy Form. A Shareholder who appoints 2 proxies may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If a Shareholder appoints 2 proxies and the appointments do not specify the proportion or number of the Shareholder's votes each proxy is appointed to exercise, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes. Any fractions of votes resulting from the application of these principles will be disregarded. A duly appointed proxy need not be a Shareholder.
2. **(Direction to Vote):** A Shareholder may direct a proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. The direction may specify the proportion or number of votes that the proxy may exercise by writing the percentage or number of Shares next to the box marked for the relevant item of business. Where a box is not marked the proxy may vote as they choose subject to the relevant laws. Where more than one box is marked on an item the vote will be invalid on that item.
3. **(Signing Instructions):**
  - **(Individual):** Where the holding is in one name, the member must sign.
  - **(Joint Holding):** Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the members must sign.
  - **(Power of Attorney):** If you have not already provided the Power of Attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.
  - **(Companies):** Where the Company has a sole director who is also the sole Company Secretary, that person must sign. Where the Company (pursuant to Section 204A of the Corporations Act) does not have a Company Secretary, a sole director can also sign alone. Otherwise, a director jointly with either another director or a Company Secretary must sign. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. In addition, if a representative of a company is appointed pursuant to Section 250D of the Corporations Act to attend the Meeting, the documentation evidencing such appointment should be produced prior to admission to the Meeting. A form of a certificate evidencing the appointment may be obtained from the Company.
4. **(Attending the Meeting):** Completion of a Proxy Form will not prevent individual Shareholders from attending the Meeting in person if they wish. Where a Shareholder completes and lodges a valid Proxy Form and attends the Meeting in person, then the proxy's authority to speak and vote for that member is suspended while the Shareholder is present at the Meeting.
5. **(Return of Proxy Form):** To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by:
  - a) post to STERLING PLANTATIONS LIMITED, PO Box 2138 SUBIACO WA 6904; or
  - b) facsimile to the Company on facsimile number (+61 8) 9381 1122, or
  - c) email the Company Secretary at cosec@sterlingplantations.comso that it is received not later than 10:00 am (WST) on 12 November 2017.

**Proxy forms received later than this time will be invalid.**