

# DEL MONTE PACIFIC LIMITED

(INCORPORATED IN THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS WITH LIMITED LIABILITY ON 27 MAY 1999)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting ("**AGM**") of Del Monte Pacific Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3 Orchard Hotel, 442 Orchard Road, Singapore 238879, on Tuesday, 29 August 2023 at 10.00 a.m., for the following purposes:

# AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Statement and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company, together with the Auditors' Report thereon, for the financial year ended 30 April 2023.

[Resolution 1]

2. To re-elect the following Directors retiring pursuant to Article 88 of the Company's Articles of Association and Rule 720(5) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("**SGX-ST**"):

(i)	Mr Rolando C Gapud	(Retiring under Article 88 and Rule 720(5) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST)	[Resolution 2]
(ii)	Mr Benedict Kwek Gim Song	(Retiring under Article 88 and Rule 720(5) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST)	[Resolution 3]

*Mr* Rolando C Gapud will, upon re-election as a Director, remain as Board Executive Chairman of the Company, and as a member of the Nominating and Governance Committee.

*Mr* Benedict Kwek Gim Song will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, remain as Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee, and as a member of the Nominating and Governance Committee, and the Remuneration and Share Option Committee, and will be considered independent. [See Explanatory Note (i)]

3. To transact any other ordinary business which may be transacted at an AGM.

# AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 4. To approve the payment of Directors' fees of up to US\$621,000/- for the financial year ending 30 April 2024 ("**FY2024**") (FY2023: US\$621,000/-), to be paid quarterly in arrears, computed based on the fee structure set out below:
  - Board Chairman: US\$99,000 per annum
  - Directors: US\$54,000 per annum
  - Audit and Risk Committee Chairman: US\$24,750 per annum
  - Remuneration and Share Option Committee Chairman: US\$12,375 per annum
  - Nominating and Governance Committee Chairman: US\$12,375 per annum
  - Audit and Risk Committee Members: US\$13,500 per annum
  - Remuneration and Share Option Committee Members: US\$6,750 per annum
  - Nominating and Governance Committee Members: US\$6,750 per annum [See Explanatory Note (ii)]

#### [Resolution 4]

To authorise the Directors of the Company to fix, increase or vary the emoluments of Directors of up to US\$100,000/- with respect to services to be rendered in any capacity to the Company.
[See Explanatory Note (iii)]

6. To re-appoint Ernst & Young LLP as the Auditors of the Group and to authorise the Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration.

# [Resolution 6]

7. To re-appoint Sycip Gorres Velayo & Co (Ernst & Young Philippines) as the Philippine Auditors of the Group and to authorise the Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration.

# [Resolution 7]

# 8. Authority to Issue Shares

That pursuant to Article 15(2) of the Company's Articles of Association and Rule 806 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, the Directors of the Company be authorised and empowered to:

- (a) (i) issue shares in the Company ("**Shares**") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
  - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "**Instruments**") that might or would require Shares to be issued, including, but not limited to, the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) options, warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into Shares,

at any time and upon such terms and conditions, and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors of the Company may in their absolute discretion deem fit; and

(b) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue Shares in pursuance of any Instruments made or granted by the Directors of the Company while this Resolution was in force,

provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of Shares (including Shares to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) to be issued pursuant to this Resolution shall not exceed 50% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of Shares to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to Shareholders of the Company shall not exceed 15% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company (as calculated other than on a pro rata basis to Shareholders of the Company shall not exceed 15% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
- (2) (subject to such manner of calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of Shares that may be issued under sub-paragraph (1) above, the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) shall be based on the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company at the time of the passing of this Resolution, after adjusting for:
  - (a) new Shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities;
  - (b) new Shares arising from the exercise of share options which are outstanding or subsisting at the time of the passing of this Resolution; and
  - (c) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of Shares;
- (3) in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Articles of Association of the Company; and
- (4) unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, such authority shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier.

[See Explanatory Note (iv)]

#### [Resolution 8]

#### 9. Authority to Allot and Issue Shares under the Del Monte Pacific Executive Share Option Plan 2016

That approval be and is hereby granted to the Directors of the Company, acting through its Remuneration and Share Option Committee, to allot and issue from time to time such Shares as may be allotted and issued pursuant to the exercise of the Del Monte Pacific Executive Share Option Plan 2016 ("ESOP"), provided always that the aggregate number of Shares to be allotted and issued pursuant to the ESOP shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company from time to time and that such authority shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier. [Resolution 9] [See Explanatory Note (v)]

#### 10. Renewal of Shareholders' Mandate for Interested Person Transactions

That for the purposes of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST:

- (a) approval be given for the renewal of the mandate for the Company, its subsidiaries and target associated companies or any of them to enter into any of the transactions falling within the types of Interested Person Transactions as set out on page 5 of the Company's information memorandum ("Information Memorandum") with any party who is of the class of Interested Persons described in the Information Memorandum, provided that such transactions are carried out in the normal course of business, at arm's length and on commercial terms, and in accordance with the guidelines of the Company for Interested Person Transactions, as set out in the Information Memorandum (the "IPT Mandate");
- (b) the IPT Mandate shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company; and
- (c) authority be given to the Directors to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing all such documents as may be required) as they may consider necessary, desirable or expedient to give effect to the IPT Mandate as they may think fit. [See Explanatory Note (vi)]

[Resolution 10]

By Order of the Board

Antonio E S Ungson **Company Secretary** 3 August 2023

### Explanatory Notes to Resolutions to be passed -

(i) The bio-data of Directors seeking re-election are appended for Shareholders' information:

#### Mr Rolando C Gapud, Executive Chairman, 81

(Appointed on 20 January 2006 and last re-elected on 17 September 2020)

In line with Provision 4.4 of the 2018 Code of Corporate Governance: (a) there are no relationships or business relationships which Mr Gapud, his immediate family member, or an organisation in which Mr Gapud or his immediate family member is a substantial shareholder, partner (with 5% or more stake), executive officer or director in has with the Company or any of its related corporations, and (b) Mr Gapud does not hold directorships in other listed companies.

Mr Rolando C Gapud is the Chairman of the Board of Del Monte Foods, Inc, DMPL's US subsidiary, and Chairman of Del Monte Philippines, Inc, DMPL's Philippine subsidiary. He is also a Director of Del Monte Foods Private Ltd, a joint venture of DMPL with the Bharti Group of India. He has almost 50 years of experience in banking, finance and general management, having worked as CEO of several Philippine companies, notably Security Bank and Trust Company, Oriental Petroleum and Minerals Corp and Greenfield Development Corp. He was also the COO of the joint venture operations of Bankers Trust and American Express in the Philippines. He has served

in the Boards of various major Philippine companies, including the Development Bank of the Philippines, the development finance arm of the Philippine Government. He holds a Master of Science in Industrial Management degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a member of the Asian Executive Board of the Sloan School of MIT and the Board of Governors of the Asia School of Business, a joint venture between the Sloan School of MIT and Bank Negara, the Central Bank of Malaysia.

Additional information on Mr Rolando C Gapud as required to be furnished pursuant to Rule 720(6) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST is found in the FY2023 Annual Report, under the "Board of Directors" section.

#### Mr Benedict Kwek Gin Song, Lead Independent Director, 76

(Appointed on 30 April 2007 and last re-elected on 17 September 2020) (Appointed as Lead Independent Director on 11 September 2013)

In line with Provision 4.4 of the 2018 Code of Corporate Governance: (a) there are no relationships or business relationships which Mr Kwek, his immediate family member, or an organisation in which Mr Kwek or his immediate family member is a substantial shareholder, partner (with 5% or more stake), executive officer or director in has with the Company or any of its related corporations, and (b) Mr Kwek does not hold directorships in other listed companies.

Mr Benedict Kwek Gim Song is DMPL's Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee and is a Director of Del Monte Foods, Inc, DMPL's US subsidiary. Mr Kwek was Chairman of previously SGX-listed Pacific Shipping Trust from 2008 to 2012. He was also a Director and Chairman of the Audit Committee of listed companies including Ascendas REIT. He has over 30 years of banking experience, having served as the President and CEO of Keppel TatLee Bank. He has held various key positions at Citibank in the Philippines, Hong Kong, New York and Singapore. He holds a Bachelor of Social Science (Economics) degree from the then University of Singapore and attended a management development programme at Columbia University in the United States.

Additional information on Mr Kwek as required to be furnished pursuant to Rule 720(6) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST is found in the FY2023 Annual Report, under the "Board of Directors" section.

(ii) The Ordinary Resolution 4 above is to approve the payment of Directors' fees for FY2024, to be paid quarterly in arrears in accordance with the proposed fee structure. The fee structure is based on guidelines recommended by the Singapore Institute of Directors and disclosed in the Corporate Governance Report in the Annual Report. The proposed Directors' fees for FY2024 are commensurate with the onerous responsibilities placed on the Directors.

The Ordinary Resolution 4 if passed, will authorise the payment of Directors' fees for FY2024, in accordance with the fee structure, amounting up to US\$621,000/- and there is no change from prior year on a per Director basis.

- (iii) The Ordinary Resolution 5 proposed above, if passed, will also authorise the Directors of the Company to fix, increase or vary the emoluments of Directors of up to US\$100,000/- with respect of services to be rendered in any capacity to the Company. This would provide flexibility for the Company to engage or procure the specialist services of Directors as appropriate and as may be required by the Company. In particular, this resolution is meant for the specialist services of Dr Emil Q Javier, for his services rendered to the Company at the plantation and for chairing the Group's Plantation Oversight Committee.
- (iv) The Ordinary Resolution 8 proposed above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, effective until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company, or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held or such authority is varied or revoked by the Company in a general meeting, whichever is the earlier, to issue Shares, make or grant Instruments convertible into Shares and to issue Shares pursuant to such Instruments, up to a number not exceeding, in total, 50% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company, of which up to 15% may be issued other than on a pro rata basis to Shareholders. For determining the aggregate number of Shares that may be issued, the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) will be calculated based on the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company at the time this Ordinary Resolution is passed, after adjusting for new Shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options which are outstanding or subsisting at the time when this Ordinary Resolution is passed, and any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of Shares.

- (v) The Ordinary Resolution 9 proposed above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company, effective until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company, or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held or such authority is varied or revoked by the Company in a general meeting, whichever is the earlier, to allot and issue from time to time such number of fully-paid Shares in the capital of the Company, as may be required to be issued pursuant to the exercise of options under the ESOP. The aggregate number of Shares which may be issued pursuant to the ESOP and any other share option plan(s)/ share plan(s) which the Company may have in place shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings in each class) in the capital of the Company from time to time.
- (vi) The Ordinary Resolution 10 proposed above, if passed, will authorise the Interested Person Transactions, as described in the Information Memorandum accompanying the FY2023 Annual Report and recurring in the year; and will empower the Directors to do all acts necessary to give effect to the IPT Mandate. This authority will, unless previously revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company.

### (vii) Dividend Policy for Ordinary Shares

The Company's dividend payment policy is to distribute a minimum of 33% of full year profit but remains subject to review by the Board.

The dividend payout was 75% from FY2006 to 2012, 50% for 2013, 2016, 2017 and 2019, 37% for 2021, 33% for 2022 and 15% for 2023. The payout was lower in 2023 in light of the high leverage of the Company.

#### Important Information

The AGM will be held by way of physical meeting in Singapore and proceedings of the AGM in Singapore will be made available to Shareholders in the Philippines via a videoconference facility at the 1st Floor, JY Campos Centre, 9th Avenue corner 30th Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, Metro Manila Philippines.

#### Access to Documents

Printed copies of this Notice and the accompanying proxy form will be sent by post to Shareholders. These documents along with the FY2023 Annual Report and Information Memorandum in relation to Renewal of Shareholders' Mandate for Interested Person Transactions will also be published on the Company's website at the URL <u>https://www.delmontepacific.com</u>, the SGX website at the URL <u>https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements</u> and PSE website at the URL <u>https://edge.pse.com.ph/announcements/form.do</u>. Shareholders may also request for a printed copy of the Annual Report through <u>jluy@delmontepacific.com</u>.

#### Submission of Questions

- 1. Shareholders, including CPF and SRS investors, may submit questions related to the resolutions to be tabled for approval at the Meeting in advance of the Meeting:
  - (a) if submitted by post, be deposited at Registered Office of the Company's Singapore Share Registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte Ltd, 1 Harbourfront Avenue, #14-07 Keppel Bay Tower, Singapore 098632; or
  - (b) if submitted electronically, be sent via email to <u>delmonteagm@boardroomlimited.com</u>

When submitting questions by post or via email, shareholders should also provide the following details: (i) the shareholder's full name; (ii) the shareholder's address; and (iii) the manner in which the shareholder holds shares in the Company (e.g., via CDP, CPF, SRS and/or scrip), for verification purposes.

All questions must be received by 21 August 2023.

2. The Company will address all substantial and relevant questions received from members by publishing its responses to such questions on the SGX website and the Company's website at the URL <u>https://www.delmontepacific.com</u> by 25 August 2023. The Company will respond to questions or follow-up questions submitted after the 21 August 2023 deadline at the Meeting itself. Where substantially similar questions are received, the Company will consolidate such questions and consequently not all questions may be individually addressed.

## A. Notes for Shareholders in Singapore:

- 1. A Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint not more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company.
- 2. If a Depositor wishes to appoint a proxy/proxies to attend the AGM, then he/she must complete and deposit the Depositor proxy form at the office of the Share Transfer Agent in Singapore, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte Ltd, 1 Harbourfront Avenue, #14-07 Keppel Bay Tower, Singapore 098632, or email to <u>delmonteagm@boardroomlimited.com</u> at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the AGM.
- 3. If the Depositor is a corporation, the instrument appointing a proxy must be executed under seal or the hand of its duly authorised officer or attorney.

# B. Notes for Shareholders in the Philippines:

- 1. Only Shareholders at record date at the close of business of 23 August 2023 are entitled to attend and vote at the AGM.
- 2. While electronic poll voting is not available to Shareholders in the Philippines who are unable to attend the AGM in Singapore, they will still be able to vote by manual poll voting in Manila. Shareholders in the Philippines who wish to attend the AGM in Singapore will be able to participate in the electronic poll voting. To facilitate registration, please bring a valid government-issued ID.
- 3. Shareholders in the Philippines who wish to vote but cannot attend either the AGM in Singapore or the videoconference in the Philippines may still do so by appointing a proxy to attend the meeting in Singapore or in Manila. He/she must complete the enclosed proxy form and submit the same by 26 August 2023 at 12:00 p.m. to the Company's Philippine Stock Transfer Agent, BDO Unibank, Inc Trust and Investments Group Securities Services (Stock Transfer), at its office address in 46th Floor BDO Corporate Center, Ortigas, East Tower, 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, Philippines, for the attention of Ms. Concepcion "Jeng" Foronda and Gesan Tesiorna or email to <u>bdo-stocktransferteam2@bdo.com.ph</u>.
- 4. Shareholders in the Philippines may also be entitled to appoint not more than two (2) proxies to attend in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a Member or Shareholder of the Company.
- 5. Validation of proxies shall be held on 28 August 2023 at 12.00 p.m. at the office of the Company's Philippine Stock Transfer Agent, BDO Unibank, Inc Trust and Investments Group Securities Services (Stock Transfer).

# **PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY:**

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the AGM and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxies and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"), (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.