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## Information Memorandum and Notice of Meeting

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Please find attached a copy of the Information Memorandum including Notice of Meeting that will be mailed to Shareholders with the 2003 Annual Report.

For and on behalf of  
Norwest Energy NL

Peter L Munachen  
Company Secretary

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## Information Memorandum

including

Notice of Meeting  
Explanatory Statement  
Proxy Form

To assist Shareholders in their consideration of resolutions to be put to the Annual General Meeting of shareholders of the Company to be held at The Pavilion Room, The Sebel of Perth Hotel, 37 Pier Street, Perth, Western Australia on Friday 28 November 2003 at 11.30am.

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## Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at The Pavilion Room, The Sebel of Perth, 37 Pier Street, Perth on Friday 28 November 2003 at 11:30 am.

### BUSINESS

#### Annual Financial Statements

To receive and consider the Annual Financial Statements, the Directors' Report and Auditor's Reports of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2003.

### BY ORDINARY RESOLUTION

To consider and if thought fit to pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

#### 1. Election of Director

To elect Mr Henry David Kennedy, who retires by rotation in accordance with the Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election as a director.

#### 2. Ratification of past placements

"That, for the purposes of Rule 7.4 of the Listing Rules and all other purposes, the Company ratifies and confirms the issue of an aggregate of (25,000,000) fully paid ordinary shares in the Company at an issue price of 8 cents (\$0.08) each, to parties unrelated to the company.

#### 3. Ratification of past placements

"That, for the purposes of Rule 7.4 of the Listing Rules and all other purposes, the Company ratifies and confirms the issue of an aggregate of (16,003,125) fully paid ordinary shares in the Company at an issue price of 8 cents (\$0.08) each, to parties unrelated to the company.

#### 4. Placement

That, for the purposes of Rule 7.1 of the Listing Rules and all other purposes, the Directors be authorised to issue, not later than three months after the date of this meeting, up to 40,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company, at an issue price of not less than 80% of the average market price on the ASX calculated over the last 5 days on which sales in the Company's ordinary shares were recorded before the day on which the issue is made.

#### 5. Issue of Options to Directors

That, for the purposes of Rule 10.11 of the Listing Rules and section 208 of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, the Company be authorized to issue free options to subscribe for Shares, within one month of the date of the meeting to the following Directors (or their nominees) at an exercise price of 8 cents (\$0.08) each, the terms and conditions of which are set out in Section 2 of the Explanatory Statement which accompanies the Notice of Meeting:

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## Schedule

Name of director	No. of options
A I R Burgess	1,500,000
H D Kennedy	300,000
C Crabb	900,000
A K Svalbe	<u>300,000</u>
	<u>3,000,000</u>

Pursuant to the Listing Rules and the Corporations Act a director may not participate in an issue of securities unless prior approval is received from shareholders.

In respect of the directors of the Company listed above, the following information is supplied for the purposes of Rule 10.13 of the Listing Rules and the Corporations Act:

- a) the total number of Options to be issued is 3,000,000, and the maximum number to be issued to each Director is set out above;
- b) each Option will be issued free;
- c) the exercise price of each Option will be 8 cents;
- d) the Options will expire on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

Dated at Perth this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 2003

By Order of the Board

Peter L Munachen  
Secretary

## NOTES

These notes form part of the Notice of Annual General Meeting. The notice of general meeting should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Explanatory Statement.

Defined words and phrases used in this Notice of Annual General Meeting are defined in section 3 of the accompanying Explanatory Statement.

## Section 1109N determination

In accordance with section 1109N of the Corporations Act 2001, the Company determines that ordinary shares held as at 11.30am (WST) on 27 November 2003 will be taken, for the purposes of the general meeting, to be held by the persons who held them at that time. Accordingly, transactions registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the meeting.

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## Voting exclusion statements

Under Rule 14.11 of the Listing Rules the Company will disregard any votes cast on resolutions 2, 3, 4 and 5 by the following persons:

RESOLUTION	PERSONS EXCLUDED FROM VOTING
Resolution 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Any person who participated in the issue (see further the accompanying Explanatory Statement).</li><li>Any person who is an associate of a person referred to in item 1 above.</li></ol>
Resolution 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Any person who participated in the issue (see further the accompanying Explanatory Statement).</li><li>Any person who is an associate of a person referred to in item 1 above</li></ol>
Resolution 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Any person who may participate in the proposed issue and any person who might obtain a benefit if resolution 4 is passed (except a benefit solely in the capacity of a security holder).</li><li>Any person who is an associate of a person referred to in item 1 above.</li></ol>
Resolution 5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>H.D.Kennedy, AIR Burgess, C.Crabb and A.K. Svalbe.</li><li>Any person who is an associate of a person referred to in item 1 above</li></ol>

However, the Company need not disregard a vote if:

- it is cast by a person as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with the directions on the proxy form; or
- it is cast by the person chairing the meeting as proxy for a person who is entitled to vote, in accordance with a direction on the proxy form to vote as the proxy decides.

## Proxies

A proxy form is attached to the end of the Explanatory Statement.

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 himself or herself be a member of the Company;
- a member who is entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If no proportion or number is specified, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise half of the votes.

In accordance with section 250BA of the Corporations Act, the Company specifies the following information for the purposes of receipt of proxy appointments:

By mail and by hand during office hours.	100 Stirling Street, Perth, Western Australia 6000	By Facsimile:	+ 61 8 9227 9079
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Each member entitled to vote at the general meeting has the right to appoint a proxy to attend and vote at the meeting on his behalf. The member may specify the way in which the proxy is to vote on each resolution or may allow the proxy to vote at his discretion. The instrument appointing the proxy must be received by the Company at the address specified above at least 48 hours before the time notified for the meeting (proxy forms can be lodged by facsimile). If signing under a power of attorney, the power of attorney must be deposited at the Company's registered office for inspection and return, when the proxy is lodged.

## Bodies corporate

A body corporate may appoint an individual as its representative to exercise any of the powers the body may exercise at meetings of a company's shareholders. The appointment may be a standing one. Unless the appointment states otherwise, the representative may exercise all of the powers that the appointing body could exercise at a meeting or in voting on a resolution.

# Explanatory Statement to Shareholders to Accompany Notice of Meeting

This Statement has been prepared for the information of shareholders in Norwest Energy NL in connection with the resolutions to be put to members at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 28 November 2003 other than those relating to the ordinary business of receiving accounts and election of directors.

## **Section 1: The Resolutions**

### **Resolution 2. Ratification Of Share Placements**

This resolution ratifies a placement of 25,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares to parties unrelated to the company. The placement was announced by the Company on 4 October 2002 and was completed on 29 October 2002

The following additional information is provided to shareholders in accordance with Listing Rule 7.5 to assist in assessing resolution 2:

- a) The number of securities allotted was 25,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares.
- b) The price at which the shares were issued was \$0.08 cents per share.
- c) The terms of the shares are the same as those governing the current issued ordinary shares in the Company.
- d) The name of the allottees were as listed in the resolution.
- e) The funds raised (\$2,000,000) were used to fund further exploration expenditures and for the day to day operating expenses of the Company.
- f) The shares were quoted on ASX on 23 October, 29 October and 4 November 2002.

This resolution is an ordinary resolution requiring a simple majority of Shareholders present and voting.

### **Resolution 3. Ratification Of Share Placements**

This resolution ratifies a placement of 16,003,125 fully paid ordinary shares to parties unrelated to the company. The placement was announced by the Company on 11 December 2002 and was completed on 8 January 2003.

The following additional information is provided to shareholders in accordance with Listing Rule 7.5 to assist in assessing resolution 3:

- a) The number of securities allotted was 16,003,125 fully paid ordinary shares.
- b) The price at which the shares were issued was \$0.08 cents per share.
- c) The terms of the shares are the same as those governing the current issued ordinary shares in the Company.
- d) The name of the allottees were as listed in the resolution.
- e) The funds raised (\$1,280,250) were used to fund further exploration expenditures and for the day to day operating expenses of the Company.
- f) The shares were quoted on ASX on 19 December 2002 and 13 January 2003.

This resolution is an ordinary resolution requiring a simple majority of Shareholders present and voting.

### **Resolution 4. Share Placement**

This resolution gives authority to directors to place, no later than three months after the date of this meeting, up to 40,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares at an issue price of not less than 80% of the average market price on the ASX over the last 5 days prior to the placement.

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The following additional information is provided to shareholders in accordance with Listing Rule 7.5 to assist in assessing resolution 4:

- a) The number of securities to be allotted is up to 40,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares.
- b) The price at which the shares will be issued is not less than 80% of the average market price on the ASX on the five days prior to the date of the placement.
- c) The terms of the shares are the same as those governing the current issued ordinary shares in the Company.
- d) The name of the allottees are not yet available. The basis upon which the allottees will be determined will be at the discretion of the directors.
- e) The funds to be raised will be used to fund further exploration expenditures on the Company's existing exploration projects, fund new opportunities and provide general working capital to meet corporate and other administrative costs including the salary of the CEO. More specific details of expenditures will be included in an offer document that will be issued at the time it is proposed to issue any securities approved under this Resolution, at which stage more precise information will be available based on activities or proposed activities at that time.
- f) The Company will apply to have the shares quoted on ASX.

This resolution is an ordinary resolution requiring a simple majority of Shareholders present and voting.

## **Resolution 5. Issue of Options to Directors**

Shareholders will be asked at the meeting to approve the issue to Directors of options to acquire fully paid ordinary shares at an exercise price of 8 cents (\$0.08) each on the terms and conditions set out in Section 2 of this Explanatory Statement.

Rule 10.11 of the Listing Rules and section 208 of the Corporations Act prohibit the Company from issuing options to Directors without the prior approval of shareholders. As approval is being sought from shareholders for the issue of shares pursuant to Listing Rule 10.11 approval is not also required pursuant to Listing Rule 7.1.

The Options are to be issued to the Directors in recognition of their services to the Company and as an incentive for future performance.

The Company currently has 162,471,872 fully paid ordinary shares on issue, together with 46,420,643 listed 31 December 2004 options. In addition there are on issue 3,600,000 Directors and 1,150,000 Staff Unlisted 28 November 2007 options exercisable at 20 cents each. These unlisted options have been issued to the Directors and Staff pursuant to previous shareholder approval.

The total number of Options to be issued under resolution 5 is 3,000,000. If all these Options were to be exercised, this would represent approximately 1.8% of the issued capital of the Company [on an undiluted basis], assuming no other shares were issued in the meantime.

The Company will incur no liabilities or costs in respect of the issue of the Options to Directors other than:

- the cost of holding the Meeting, estimated at \$5,000 (which would be payable regardless of whether or not any options are issued to directors); and
- the fees payable to ASX for quotation of the shares issued on exercise of the directors' options. At current rates this would be approximately \$1,740.

This is an ordinary resolution requiring a simple majority of shareholders present and voting.

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## Section 2: Terms and Conditions of the Options

- a) No monies are payable for the issue of the Options.
- b) Each Option carries the right in favour of the Option holder to subscribe for one Share.
- c) Subject to the Listing Rules, Shares subscribed for on exercise of the Options are issued at the Exercise Price of 8 cents each and are payable in full on exercise of the Options.
- d) Unless otherwise approved by resolution of Shareholders the Options are exercisable as follows:
  - i. 50% may be converted to Shares after a period of six months has elapsed from the date of issue;
  - ii. 100% may be converted to Shares after a period of twelve months has elapsed from the date of issue;
- e) The Options issued must be exercised on or before 31 December 2008.
- f) Notwithstanding paragraph (d) an Option holder may exercise any of the Options during a Takeover Period.
- g) Subject to the Listing Rules, an Option holder may not sell, transfer, assign, give or otherwise dispose of, in equity or in law, the benefit of the Options, other than to an Eligible Nominee of that Option holder.
- h) The Options cannot be listed for official quotation on ASX nor on any other official stock exchange in any other country.
- i) The Options are exercisable by the delivery to the Company of the Option exercise form appearing on the reverse of the option certificate stating the intention of the Option holder to exercise all or a specified number of the Options held by the Option holder accompanied by the option certificate and a cheque made payable to the Company for the Exercise Price for each of the Options to be exercised. An exercise of only some of the Options does not affect the rights of the Option holder to the balance of the Options held by the Option holder.
- j) The Company must allot the resultant Shares and dispatch the holding statements within five business days of the exercise of the Options.
- k) Shares allotted pursuant to an exercise of Options rank, from the date of allotment, equally with existing Shares of the Company in all respects.
- l) The Company must within 3 business days of allotment make application to have Shares allotted pursuant to an exercise of the Options listed for official quotation by ASX and any other stock exchange on which the Shares are quoted from time to time.
- m) There are no participating rights or entitlements inherent in the Options and holders are not entitled to participate in new issues of capital offered to shareholders during the currency of the Options. However, the Company will ensure that for the purposes of determining entitlements to any such issue, the record date will be at least 10 business days after the issue is announced. This will give Option holders the opportunity to exercise their Options prior to the date for determining entitlements to participate in any such issue.
- n) There will be no change to the exercise price of the Option or the number of Shares over which the Option is exercisable in the event of the Company making a pro rata issue of Shares or other securities to the holders of Shares (other than a bonus issue).
- o) If there is a bonus share issue (**Bonus Issue**) to the holders of Shares, the number of Shares over which the Options are exercisable will be increased by the number of Shares which the Option holder would have received if the Options had been exercised before the record date for the bonus issue (**Bonus Shares**). The Bonus Shares must be paid up by the Company out of the profits or reserves (as the case may be) in the same manner as was applied in the Bonus Issue and upon issue rank equally in all respects with the other shares of that class on issue at the date of issue of the Bonus Shares.
- p) In the event of a re-organisation of the issued capital of the Company the Options must be re-organised in accordance with the Listing Rules.

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## Section 3: Glossary of Defined Terms

The following terms and abbreviations used in this Explanatory Statement and Notice of Meeting have the following meanings:

### Term Meaning

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

**ASX** means Australian Stock Exchange Limited.

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

**Business Day** means a day on which trading takes place on the stock market of the ASX.

**Company** or **Norwest** means Norwest Energy NL (ABN 95 078 310 505).

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

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

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

**Dollar** or **\$** means Australian dollars unless otherwise indicated.

**Eligible Nominee** means a spouse of a Director, a body corporate in which a Director is beneficially entitled to not less than 50% of the issued voting share capital, or a trustee of a family trust established for the benefit of the family of the Director, in their capacity as trustee.

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

**Options** means the free 31 December 2008 options to be issued under resolution 5.

**Participating Organisation** has the meaning given to that term in the Listing Rules.

**Share** means an ordinary fully paid share in the Company.

**Shareholder** means the holder of one or more Shares.

**Takeover Period**, in relation to a takeover bid in respect of shares in the Company, means the period referred to in section 624 of the Corporations Act as extended under the Corporations Act, provided that where a takeover bid is publicly announced prior to the service of a Part A Statement on the Company in relation to that takeover bid, the Takeover Period is deemed to have commenced at the time of that announcement.

**WST** means Australian Western Standard Time

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## PROXY FORM

I .....of.....  
being a member of Norwest Energy NL hereby appoint

.....of.....  
or failing him

.....of.....

or failing them, the Chairman of the meeting as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2003 and at any adjournment thereof.

If no person is named above or if the person named does not attend the meeting or is not a legally effective choice the Chairman of the meeting will be my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the meeting or any adjournment of the meeting. I/we understand that the Chairman intends to vote in favour of resolutions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

If you do not wish to direct your proxy how to vote, please place a mark in the box. By marking this box, you acknowledge that the Chairman may exercise your proxy even if he has an interest in the outcome of resolutions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and votes cast by him other than as a proxy holder will be disregarded because of that interest.

**I/we understand that if I/we have not directed my/our proxy how to vote, my/our proxy may vote or abstain from voting as he or she thinks fit.**

### RESOLUTIONS

		FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
1	Election of Director - Mr H D Kennedy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Ratification of past placement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Ratification of past placement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Placement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Issue of options to Directors:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	a) A.I.R. Burgess	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	b) H.D.Kennedy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	c) C.Crabb	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	d) A.K.Svalbe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Dated this.....day of.....2003

**If the member is a company, it must affix its Common Seal or sign by a duly authorised officer.**

**Please sign on the reverse of this form**

Proxy forms (and power of attorney, if any, under which the proxy form is signed) must be:  
sent by mail or delivered to 100 Stirling Street ,Perth, Western Australia, 6000 or  
by fax to: +61 8 9227 9079

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If the member is a company;

EXECUTED by )  
)  
ACN )  
in accordance with section 127 of the )  
Corporations Law )

.....  
Director/Company Secretary\*

.....  
Director/Sole Director and Sole Company  
Secretary\*

.....  
Name of Director/Company Secretary\*  
(BLOCK LETTERS)

.....  
Name of Director/Sole Director and Sole  
Company Secretary\* (BLOCK LETTERS)

\*Delete whichever is not applicable  
**OR**

.....  
Signature

.....  
(Insert capacity in which duly authorised officer  
is signing for a member which is a company)

**If the member is an individual or joint holders:**

.....  
Signature

.....  
Signature

## Instructions for appointment of proxy

1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the General Meeting convened by the above Notice is entitled to appoint not more than 2 proxies to vote on the member's behalf.
2. Where 2 proxies are appointed and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes each proxy may exercise half of the member's voting rights.
3. A proxy need not be a member.
4. Proxy forms (and the power of attorney, if any, under which the proxy form is signed) must be received at 100 Stirling Street, Perth, Western Australia, fax number (08) 9227 9079 no later than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting.
5. Appointment of a proxy by a member being a natural person must be under the hand of the member or of an attorney appointed in writing by the member.
6. Appointment of a proxy by a member being a body corporate must be under the common seal of the body corporate or under the hand of an attorney appointed in writing by the body corporate.
7. If signing under a power of attorney, the power of attorney must be deposited at the Company's registered office for inspection and return, when the proxy is lodged.
8. The proxy appointment may be a standing appointment for all general meetings until it is revoked.

As permitted by the Corporations Act, the Company has determined that all securities of the Company registered as at 24 hours before the time appointed for the meeting will be taken for purposes of the meeting, to be held by the persons who are the registered holders. Accordingly, transactions registered after that time will be disregarded in determining entitlements to attend and vote at the meeting.

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