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# RESULTS OF THE BHP GROUP SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS IN CONNECTION WITH UNIFICATION

#### **BHP Shareholders approve Unification Resolutions**

On 2 December 2021, BHP announced a final Board decision to unify BHP's corporate structure under its existing Australian parent company, BHP Group Limited. BHP is pleased to announce that BHP Shareholders have approved each of the unification resolutions at the BHP Group Limited General Meeting, the BHP Group Plc Scheme Meeting and the BHP Group Plc General Meeting.

Attached are the results of the business conducted at the BHP Group Limited General Meeting, held virtually in Australia on 20 January 2022, and both the BHP Group Plc Scheme Meeting and the BHP Group Plc General Meeting that were held in London, United Kingdom on 20 January 2022. A poll was conducted on each of the proposed resolutions and the poll results for each meeting are attached.

The final proxy position for each meeting is detailed in Appendix 1. The additional information required by the United Kingdom Companies Act 2006 in respect of the BHP Group Plc Scheme Meeting and the BHP Group Plc General Meeting is provided in Appendix 2.

Copies of the resolutions approved at each of the meetings have been submitted to the FCA National Storage Mechanism and will shortly be available for inspection at: <a href="https://data.fca.org.uk/#/nsm/nationalstoragemechanism">https://data.fca.org.uk/#/nsm/nationalstoragemechanism</a>. A copy of the proposed amendments to the BHP Group Plc articles of association together with a copy of the BHP Group Plc articles of association adopted at the BHP Group Plc General Meeting are also available for inspection on the FCA National Storage Mechanism.

#### Next steps and expected timetable of events

Unification involves a scheme of arrangement and still requires the UK Court's sanction of the Plc Scheme. The Court Sanction Hearing is expected to take place on 25 January 2022. The dates and times in the detailed timetable as set out in the Shareholder Circular published by BHP on 8 December 2021 remain unchanged.

Authorised for lodgement by: Stefanie Wilkinson Group Company Secretary

## The poll results for the BHP Group Limited general meeting are as follows:

	<u>Business</u>	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>%*</u>	<u>Votes</u> <u>Against</u>	<u>%*</u>	Total Votes Cast	Abstentions**	Result
1	To approve the amendments to the Constitution of BHP Group Limited	1,384,096,213	97.63	33,567,895	2.37	1,417,664,108	3,408,584	Carried
2	To approve the terms of the Limited Special Voting Share Buyback Agreement	1,383,908,921	97.61	33,946,024	2.39	1,417,854,945	3,216,466	Carried
3	To approve the terms of the DLC Dividend Share Buy-back Agreement	1,383,947,661	97.61	33,881,125	2.39	1,417,828,786	3,242,625	Carried
4	To approve the Class Rights Actions in connection with the Plc Special Voting Share Buy- back	1,383,581,955	97.60	34,037,763	2.40	1,417,619,718	3,448,963	Carried
5	To approve the Class Rights Action in connection with the change in status of BHP Group Plc from a public listed company to a private limited company	1,383,561,376	97.61	33,807,442	2.39	1,417,368,818	3,702,593	Carried

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded to two decimal places

<sup>\*\*</sup>A vote abstained is not counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes for and against each resolution.

## The poll results for the BHP Group Plc scheme meeting are as follows:

	<u>Business</u>	Results of the Court Meeting	Scheme Shares voted		Sche Sharehold vote	ers who	No. of Scheme Shares voted as a % of the Scheme Shares eligible to be
			Number	%*	Number	%*	voted at the Court  Meeting*
1	To approve the Plc Scheme proposed to be made between BHP Group Plc and the Scheme Shareholders	<u>For</u>	1,365,986,837	96.12	1,180	83.99	64.68
		<u>Against</u>	55,108,121	3.88	225	16.01	2.61
		Total	1,421,094,958	100	1,405	100	67.28

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded to two decimal places

<sup>\*\*</sup>Where a Scheme Shareholder has cast come of their votes "for" and some of their votes "against" the resolution, such Scheme Shareholder has been counted as having voted both "for" and "against" the resolution for the purposes of determining the number of Scheme Shareholders who voted as set out in this column

## The poll results for the BHP Group PIc general meeting are as follows:

	<u>Business</u>	Votes For	<u>%*</u>	Votes Against	<u>%*</u>	<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>Votes</u>	Result
						<u>Cast</u>	withheld**	
1	To approve that the directors of BHP Group Plc be authorised to take all such action as they may consider necessary or appropriate for carrying the Plc Scheme and Unification into effect	1,374,794,713	97.17	40,065,268	2.83	1,414,859,981	2,151,451	Carried
2	To approve the terms of the Plc Special Voting Share Buyback Agreement	1,373,958,053	97.15	40,244,570	2.85	1,414,202,623	2,134,680	Carried
3	To approve the Class Rights Actions in connection with the Plc Special Voting Share Buy-back	1,373,938,613	97.15	40,244,632	2.85	1,414,183,245	2,154,058	Carried
4	To approve the amendments to the articles of association of BHP Group Plc	1,374,300,175	97.18	39,855,970	2.82	1,414,156,145	2,181,158	Carried
5	To approve the Class Rights Action in connection with the change in status of BHP Group Plc from a public listed company to a private limited company	1,374,258,391	97.18	39,894,522	2.82	1,414,152,913	2,184,390	Carried

<sup>\*</sup>Rounded to two decimal places

<sup>\*\*</sup>A vote withheld is not a vote in law and is not counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes for and against each resolution.

## **APPENDIX 1**

## BHP Group Limited general meeting – Final Proxy Position

1	To approve the amendments to the Constitution of BHP Group Limited	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,416,951,053
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	<u>1,371,737,763</u>
-	was to vote against the resolution	33,567,633
-	was to abstain on the resolution	3,101,056
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	11,645,657
2	To approve the terms of the Limited Special Voting Share Buy-back Agreement	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	<u>1,417,147,588</u>
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,371,501,002
-	was to vote against the resolution	33,946,009
-	was to abstain on the resolution	2,904,521
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	11,700,577
3	To approve the terms of the DLC Dividend Share Buy-back Agreement	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	<u>1,417,121,429</u>
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	<u>1,371,529,378</u>
-	was to vote against the resolution	33,880,963
-	was to abstain on the resolution	2,930,680
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	11,711,088

4	To approve the Class Rights Actions in connection with the Plc Special Voting Share Buy-back	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,416,913,608
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	<u>1,371,177,778</u>
-	was to vote against the resolution	34,037,748
-	was to abstain on the resolution	3,136,771
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	11,698,082
5	To approve the Class Rights Action in connection with the change in status of BHP Group Plc from a public listed company to a private limited company	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	<u>1,416,661,476</u>
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	<u>1,371,151,781</u>
-	was to vote against the resolution	33,807,442
-	was to abstain on the resolution	3,390,633
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	11,702,253

## BHP Group Plc scheme meeting – Final Proxy Position

1	To approve the Plc Scheme proposed to be made between BHP Group Plc and the Scheme Shareholders	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,421,093,519
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,365,976,697
-	was to vote against the resolution	55,106,681
_	may vote at the proxy's discretion	10,141

## BHP Group Plc general meeting – Final Proxy Position

1	To approve that the directors of BHP Group Plc be authorised to take all such action as they may consider necessary or appropriate for carrying the Plc Scheme and Unification into effect	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,417,011,439
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,374,769,785
-	was to vote against the resolution	40,065,268
-	was to withhold voting on the resolution	<u>2,151,451</u>
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	<u>24,935</u>
2	To approve the terms of the Plc Special Voting Share Buy-back Agreement	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,416,337,310
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,373,932,710
-	was to vote against the resolution	40,244,570
-	was to withhold voting on the resolution	<u>2,134,680</u>
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	<u>25,350</u>
3	To approve the Class Rights Actions in connection with the Plc Special Voting Share Buy-back	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,416,337,310
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,373,913,270
-	was to vote against the resolution	40,244,632
-	was to withhold voting on the resolution	<u>2,154,058</u>
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	<u>25,350</u>

4	To approve the amendments to the articles of association of BHP Group Plc	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,416,337,310
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,374,274,268
-	was to vote against the resolution	39,855,970
-	was to withhold voting on the resolution	<u>2,181,158</u>
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	<u>25,914</u>
5	To approve the Class Rights Action in connection with the change in status of BHP Group Plc from a public listed company to a private limited company	
*	Total number of votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,416,337,310
*	Total number of votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -	
-	was to vote for the resolution	1,374,230,559
-	was to vote against the resolution	39,894,522
-	was to withhold voting on the resolution	2,184,390
-	may vote at the proxy's discretion	<u>27,839</u>

#### **APPENDIX 2**

### Additional Information – BHP Group PIc scheme meeting

For the purposes of section 341 of the United Kingdom's Companies Act 2006 and in respect of

BHP Group Plc, the votes validly cast as a percentage of the company's total issued share capital (as at the close of the BHP Group Plc scheme meeting on 20 January 2022) are:

<u>Item of Business</u> <u>Votes Cast %</u>

To approve the Plc Scheme proposed to be made between BHP Group Plc and the Scheme Shareholders

67.28

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	Item of Business	Votes Cast %
1	To approve that the directors of BHP Group Plc be authorised to take all such action as they may consider necessary or appropriate for carrying the Plc Scheme and Unification into effect	66.99
2	To approve the terms of the Plc Special Voting Share Buy-back Agreement	66.96
3	To approve the Class Rights Actions in connection with the Plc Special Voting Share Buy-back	66.96
4	To approve the amendments to the articles of association of BHP Group Plc	66.96
5	To approve the Class Rights Action in connection with the change in status of BHP Group Plc from a public listed company to a private limited company	66.96

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