

# AG GROWTH INTERNATIONAL INC. HUMAN RESOURCES & COMPENSATION COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Compensation & Human Resources Committee (the "Committee") is established by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Ag Growth International Inc. (the "Corporation") to assist the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities relating to compensation and human resources matters for the Corporation.

#### 1. COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEE

The Committee shall consist of as many members as the Board shall determine, but in any event not fewer than three directors. Each member of the Committee shall be determined by the Board to be independent as defined by applicable securities laws, rules and regulations and the requirements of any applicable stock exchange.

#### 2. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board annually at the time of each annual meeting of shareholders, and shall hold office until the next annual meeting, or until they are removed by the Board or until they cease to be directors of the Corporation.

#### **COMMITTEE PROCEDURES**

#### 3. VACANCIES

Where a vacancy occurs at any time in the membership of the Committee, it may be filled by the Board.

#### 4. COMMITTEE CHAIR

The Board shall appoint a chair for the Committee (the "Chair"). The Chair may be removed and replaced by the Board.

#### 5. ABSENCE OF CHAIR

If the Chair is not present at any meeting of the Committee, one of the other members of the Committee present at the meeting shall be chosen by the Committee to preside at the meeting.

#### 6. SECRETARY OF COMMITTEE

The Committee shall appoint a secretary who need not be a director of the Corporation.

## 7. REGULAR MEETINGS

The Chair, in consultation with the Committee members, shall determine the schedule and frequency of the Committee meetings, provided that the Committee shall meet at least four times per year.

#### 8. SPECIAL MEETINGS

The Chair, any two members of the Committee, or the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation (the "CEO") may call a special meeting of the Committee.

#### 9. QUORUM

A majority of the members of the Committee, present in person or by telephone or other telecommunication device that permits all persons participating in the meeting to speak to and hear each other, shall constitute a quorum.

#### 10. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice of the time and place of every meeting shall be given in writing or by e-mail or facsimile communication to each member of the Committee at least 24 hours prior to the time fixed for such meeting; provided, however, that a member may in any manner waive a notice of a meeting and attendance of a member at a meeting is a waiver of notice of the meeting, except where a member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the grounds that the meeting is not lawfully called.

#### 11. AGENDA

The Chair shall develop and set the Committee's agenda, in consultation with other members of the Committee, the Board and management of the Corporation. The agenda and information concerning the business to be conducted at each Committee meeting shall, to the extent practical, be communicated to the members of the Committee sufficiently in advance of each meeting to permit meaningful review.

#### 12. DELEGATION

The Committee shall have the power to delegate its authority and duties to subcommittees or individual members of the Committee as it considers appropriate.

#### 13. ACCESS

In discharging its responsibilities, the Committee shall have full access to all books, records, facilities and personnel of the Corporation and its subsidiaries.

#### 14. ATTENDANCE OF OFFICERS AT A MEETING

At the invitation of the Chair, one or more officers or employees of the Corporation and its subsidiaries may, and if required by the Committee shall, attend a meeting of the Committee.

#### 15. PROCEDURE, RECORDS AND REPORTING

The Committee shall fix its own procedure at meetings, keep records of its proceedings and report to the Board when the Committee may deem appropriate (but not later than the next meeting of the Board).

#### 16. OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS OR ADVISORS

The Committee, when it considers it necessary or advisable, may retain, at the Corporation's expense, outside consultants, advisors or legal counsel including compensation consultants and executive search firms to assist or advise the Committee independently on any matter within its mandate. The Committee shall have the sole authority to retain and terminate any such consultants, advisors or legal counsel, including sole authority to approve the fees and other retention terms for such persons.

### **COMMITTEE MANDATE**

#### 17. DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

The Committee shall review and make recommendations to the Board with respect to the compensation of the Corporation's directors to ensure that the compensation is appropriate and adequately reflects their responsibilities.

#### 18. COMPENSATION GUIDELINES AND AGREEMENTS

The Committee shall review and recommend to the Board a comprehensive statement of compensation philosophy, strategy, and principles for the Corporation's senior management and administer the executive compensation and benefits program in accordance with the statement approved by the Board. The statement shall take into account all applicable laws, rules and guidelines regarding executive compensation and accountability.

To assist in assessing the adequacy and competitiveness of the Corporation's compensation practices for the CEO, the Corporation's other senior management and directors, the Committee may from time to time select or revise and recommend to the Board a comparator group of companies for pay comparison purposes.

The Committee shall also be responsible for reviewing and recommending to the Board certain matters relating to all employees, including annual salary and incentive policies and programs, and material new benefit programs, or material changes to existing benefit programs.

The Committee shall review and approve and, when appropriate, recommend to the Board for approval, any employment agreements and any severance arrangements or plans, including any benefits to be provided in connection with a change in control, for the CEO and other executive officers of the Corporation.

#### 19. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER EVALUATION AND COMPENSATION

The Committee shall review and approve the use of corporate goals and objectives relevant to the total compensation package of the CEO, recommend a performance evaluation process for the CEO, evaluate the performance of the CEO in light of these goals and objectives and using this process, and determine and approve, and recommend to the Board for approval, the CEO's compensation level based on this evaluation.

In determining the long-term incentive component of the compensation of the CEO, the Committee shall consider such factors as it determines appropriate in the circumstances.

#### 20. OTHER EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AND OVERSIGHT

In consultation with the CEO, the Committee shall oversee the evaluation of the Corporation's senior management (including executive officers) other than the CEO and shall make recommendations to the Board with respect to the total compensation package for the senior management other than the CEO.

## 21. EQUITY COMPENSATION REVIEW

The Committee shall review periodically, and make recommendations to the Board regarding, incentive compensation or equity plans, programs or similar arrangements that the Corporation establishes for, or makes available to, its employees and consultants, including the designation of the employees and consultants who may participate, the share and option availability and the administration of share purchases.

In addition, the Committee shall review periodically the extent to which these forms of compensation are meeting their intended objectives, and shall make recommendations to the Board regarding modifications that will more accurately relate such compensation to employee performance.

# 22. MANAGEMENT RESOURCES AND PLANS FOR EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT

The Committee shall review existing management resources and plans, including recruitment, training and evaluations, to ensure that qualified personnel will be available for succession to senior management positions at the Corporation. The Committee shall also periodically discuss

with the CEO his or her views as to a successor for the position of CEO. The Committee shall report on this matter to the Board at least once a year including recommending to the Board the CEO emergency succession plan.

#### 23. DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The Committee shall oversee and annually review the Corporation's programs for diversity and inclusion as well as for human capital management.

#### 24. RETIREMENT MATTERS

The Committee shall:

- a) review and recommend for approval by the Board any material changes in the Corporation's retirement plans;
- b) where appropriate, give direction concerning retirement program matters to the management committee that supervises the Corporation's retirement programs; and
- c) where appropriate, receive reports from management on any retirement program matters that may be of concern to the Board and report to the Board on such matters.

#### 25. PENSION PLANS

The Committee shall:

- a) receive periodic reports from management on compliance with applicable pension legislation;
- b) review and evaluate recommendations from management on the appointment and termination of service providers respecting the pension plans; and
- c) approve material changes to the pension plans.

#### 26. SAY ON PAY

The Committee shall review and recommend to the Board for approval the frequency with which the Corporation will conduct Say on Pay Votes; and review and approve the proposals regarding the Say on Pay Vote and the frequency of the Say on Pay Vote to be included in the Corporation's management information circular.

#### 27. COMPENSATION RISK

The Committee shall review the Corporation's incentive compensation policies and practices to determine whether they involve risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the Corporation; review and discuss at least annually the relationship between risk

management policies and practices and compensation; and evaluate compensation policies and practices that could mitigate any such risk.

#### 28. SHARE OWNERSHIP GUIDELINES

The Committee shall determine share ownership guidelines for the CEO, other executive officers and directors and monitor compliance with such guidelines.

#### 29. OTHER

The Committee shall perform any other activities as are consistent with these terms of reference, the Corporation's bylaws, applicable legislation, guidelines and practices as the Committee or the Board deems necessary or appropriate for the fulfilment of the Committee's duties and responsibilities.

### 30. COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee shall review and approve the Statement of Executive Compensation (including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis) required to be included in the Corporation's management information circular for its annual meeting of shareholders by applicable securities laws, rules and regulations.

#### 31. EVALUATION

In conjunction with the Governance & Sustainability Committee, the Committee shall:

- a) review and assess these terms of reference annually, or otherwise as it deems appropriate, and report to the Board annually on the adequacy of its terms of reference; and
- b) at least annually, review the Committee's effectiveness in fulfilling its responsibilities and duties as set out in these terms of reference.

#### 32. STANDARDS OF LIABILITY

Nothing contained in these terms of reference is intended to expand applicable standards of liability under statutory, regulatory or other legal requirements for the Board or members of the Committee. The purposes and responsibilities outlined in these terms of reference are meant to serve as guidelines rather than inflexible rules and, subject to applicable law and the articles and bylaws of the Corporation, the Committee may adopt such additional procedures and standards, as it deems necessary from time to time to fulfill its responsibilities.

# **TERMS OF REFERENCE AND CALENDAR**

# 33. REVIEW

The Committee shall develop a calendar of activities to be undertaken by the Committee for each ensuing year and shall submit any recommended changes to these terms of reference and the calendar to the Board.

Dated: May ●, 2023



# HUMAN RESOURCES & COMPENSATION COMMITTEE CALENDAR OF ANNUAL ACTIVITIES

	DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY	JAN (virtual)	MAR	MAY	AUG	NOV	<b>DEC</b> (virtual)	Recommend to Board for Approval?			
HUMAN CAPITAL											
1.	Review talent review process and materials as well as succession planning for CEO, CFO and senior management				Х						
2.	Review and approve CEO emergency succession plan				Х			✓			
3.	Review Diversity & Inclusion strategy			Χ							
4.	Review other human resources & compensation-related updates (as relevant)		Х	Х	Х	Х					
COMPENSATION											
5.	Review current year's variable short-term & long-term incentives performance			Х	Х	Х					
6.	Review and discuss management proposals on company compensation programs & budgets for next year					Х					
7.	Review and approve management's proposed targets for variable short-term (incl. strategic objectives) & long-term incentive plan for the new year (as presented in the January strategy and budget meeting)	х						<b>✓</b>			
8.	Review and approve variable short-term & long-term incentive results and payouts for the prior year:  Jan: Committee provisional approval to enable STIP payout in Feb, subject to Audit Committee review and claw back in event of difference  Mar: Committee final approval post Audit Committee review and recommendation to board for approval	х	х					<b>√</b>			
9.	Review equity pool and approve increase if/when appropriate	Х						✓			
10.	Review new hire and other LTIP grants		Х	Х	Х	Х		✓			
11.	Review share ownership guidelines and compliance				Х						
12.	Review and approve peer comparator group refresh			Х				<b>√</b>			
13.	Review CEO & CFO compensation benchmarking along with straw model comp proposal (as presented by Compensation Consultant)				Х						
14.	Review and approve CEO compensation (in camera):  Nov/Dec: Committee approval & recommendation to board  Jan: Board approval and review with CEO	х				Х	(X)	<b>✓</b>			



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COMPENSATION (continued)										
15.	Review and approve compensation for senior management (including executive officers):  Nov/Dec: Committee approval & recommendation to board  Jan: Board approval	X				x	(X)	<b>✓</b>		
16.	Perform CEO performance review:  Dec: CEO performs self-assessment; HRC Chair sends to board, then collects and compiles board inputs  Jan: Committee review of inputs in committee, share with board and review with CEO	X					х			
17.	Review trends in executive compensation (Say-on-Pay, regulatory, peer practices), and review compensation practices for risks				Х					
18.	Review and approve changes in non-executive directors' compensation (every other year—last reviewed in 2022)				Х			<b>✓</b>		
	ADMINISTRATION / GOV	ERNAN	ICE							
19.	Approve minutes of last meeting	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Х	Х			
20.	Review and approve compensation philosophy					Х		✓		
21.	Review and approve the executive compensation disclosures to be included in the proxy circular		Х							
22.	Review and approve new or changes to CEO and executive officer employment agreements, if any		X	Х	Х	Х		✓		
23.	Review and approve pension plans:  May: Investment and participant performance  Aug: Material changes			Х	Х					
24.	Review and approve material changes to as well as new retirement and benefit programs (medical, dental, etc.):  Aug: Preliminary changes  Nov: Final changes				х	х		<b>✓</b>		
25.	Benchmark HRC best practices		Х							
26.	Review HRC Terms of Reference and Calendar					Х		✓		
27.	Conduct HRC Committee self-assessment					Х				
28.	Conduct In Camera Session		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ				

(X): Optional call if needed