Adnyamathanha Traditional Lands Association (Aboriginal Corporation) RNTBC ICN 3743 ABN 14 146 238 567 (special administrator appointed)

NEWSLETTER 1 :: April 2021

DEAR MEMBERS, TRADITIONAL OWNERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PEOPLE,

My name is Peter McQuoid and on 17 April 2021 the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations, Selwyn Button, appointed me as the special administrator for Adnyamathanha Traditional Lands Association (Aboriginal Corporation) RNTBC (ATLA) until Wednesday 30 June 2021.

This is my first newsletter as the special administrator for ATLA. While I am in this role, I'll send regular newsletters to let you know what I'm doing to help get your corporation ready to handback to member control.

Why was the special administration extended?

ORIC determined that there were too many risks for ATLA to be handed back safely to its members at this time. It would be unfair to the incoming board to start their new role facing all the existing risks.

What I'll be doing

Both I and ORIC are highly motivated to solve the remaining issues and get ATLA back under membership control.

My job is to take over from all of the good work done by the previous special administrators, Bevan Mailman and Brian Bero. They made significant progress and I have been brought in to:

- complete the appointment of member and specialist directors
- deal with some old legal issues
- finalise arrangements with royalty payments

- seek member feedback and consult common law holders to finalise the corporation's rule book
- finalise the handback of the corporation to member control.

As part of this process, I will work closely with the ATLA advisory group (potential future directors) to ensure new governance arrangements are in place. The extension of the special administration to 30 June 2021 will allow the advisory group to meet an additional 3 times before handing the corporation back to member control and to finalise remaining issues.

I expect the advisory group will be effectively managing the corporation's business during this final stage of the special administration with me providing support and oversight where needed.

Keith Mackay from PDMC will also assist me with the handback of ATLA to member control. Both our contact details are at the end of this newsletter. We will be working closely with the advisory group to finalise the issues mentioned above.

What's happened so far

On Tuesday 20 April I met with most people who are on the advisory group at meetings held in Port Augusta and Adelaide. The purpose of the meetings was to inform the advisory group members of the extension of the special administration and to discuss some of the risks and outstanding issues.

Next steps

I intend to hold another meeting of the advisory group during the next three weeks and I will report on the outcome of that meeting in a newsletter to members.

My first priority is to ensure that ATLA is financially sound and has ongoing money coming into its bank account.

We will also be looking closely at the rule book and will seek feedback from the advisory group on this. I will send to you details of any proposed changes in our newsletters.

Members: update your contact details

We know the register of members needs to be updated because a lot of members do not have their postal address listed.

If you're a member it's your responsibility to ensure your contact details on the register of members are correct. If your contact details are out of date you could be missing out on information about what's happening at the corporation and notices of meetings. The corporation sends information to members through newsletters via post, email or SMS.

Members, please send your postal address, email and mobile phone number to atla@moore-australia.com.au or call George Treloar at Moore on 08 8224 3300.



To: atla@moore-australia.com.au Subject: ATLA member contact details

Dear George

I am a member of ATLA. My contact details for the register of members are below.

Member's name:

Postal address:

Email:

Mobile phone (for SMS):

Thank you

Call for advisory group nominations ...your pathway to an ATLA board position

The former special administrators have made progress in creating an advisory group. I would like to hear from additional people who feel they have the skills to contribute to the commercial oversight of ATLA.

The advisory group will work with me during the special administration to make sound decisions for the welfare and governance of the corporation. Advisory group members will be considered in future for a position on the ATLA board and should have the skills required to guide and strengthen the corporation's governance, leadership, business and strategic development. This is a significant and important role in a registered native title body corporate.

If you would like to nominate to be considered, please fill out and return the attached **Advisory Group Nomination Form**. I will accept nominations for the advisory group well into the special administration but encourage you to express your interest as soon as possible. Keith Mackay from PDM Consultancy will help me select people with the best range of skills.

More about special administrations

See ORIC's fact sheet *Special administrations: what members and directors need to know,* and other fact sheets on corporate governance at oric.gov.au.

You can find out more about special administrations by visiting **oric.gov.au** or by calling the Registrar's office on **1800 622 431**.

Many thanks, Peter



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NOMINATION TO BE IN THE ADVISORY GROUP

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nominate myself for the special adm	ninistrator's advisory group.	
My relevant background and	l experience	
My contact details		
Email:	Phone:	
Signature:	Date:	

Please return your form to Keith Mackay by email to k.mackay@pdmc.net.au

For more information, call Keith Mackay on 07 3289 6071