

NSX MARKET INSIGHTS

UPDATE 4/20 – JANUARY 2021

1. ISSUER UPDATES

New Listings

2nd December 2020 – Environmental and Energy Solutions company, Aobo Environmental Technology Limited ([AB9.NSX](#)), listed on the National Stock Exchange of Australia with an initial market capitalization of \$48.308 million. Aobo manufactures and sells air treatment solutions for industrial application and battery energy storage systems.

2. NOMINATED ADVISER UPDATES

One financial advisory firm has been admitted as NSX nominated adviser

[Auspac Financial Advisory](#) – Auspac is a fund management and corporate financial advisory firm to wholesale investors. Its service offering covers early stage, private equity and IPO fund, corporate finance, corporate secretary and investor relations.

3. COVID-19 RELATED MATTERS

NSX recognises the challenges relating to disclosure for listed entities arising from the continually evolving and unprecedented situation surrounding the coronavirus pandemic ('COVID-19') and that different listed entities are being affected in varying ways by COVID-19.

It's noted that a listed entity's continuous disclosure obligations do not extend to predicting the unpredictable.

NSX does not expect listed entities to announce information that comprises matters of supposition or that is insufficiently definite to necessitate disclosure nor does NSX expect listed entities to make forward-looking statements to the market unless they have a clear and reasonable basis for doing so.

Practical Guidance on Disclosure Obligations

- *Material operational decisions*: an entity that makes an operational decision that is likely to have a material effect on the price or value of its securities should immediately announce that

decision to the market. This might include, for example, a decision to stand down a material number of employees or to close or suspend certain operations or facilities.

- *Capital raisings*: an entity that is proposing a capital raising to restore its financial position will need to announce it to the market as soon as it is committed to proceeding with the capital raising.
- *Entities in financial difficulty*: a listed entity in financial difficulty are subject to the same disclosure standards as any other entity. If there is an adverse development affecting the financial condition or prospects of an entity that a reasonable person would expect information about that development to have a material effect on the price or value of its securities, the listed entity must immediately disclose that information.

Misleading COVID-19 Announcements

The Treasurer issued [Corporations \(Coronavirus Economic Response\) Determination \(No. 4\) 2020 on 22 September 2020](#) to ensure that [Corporations \(Coronavirus Economic Response\) Determination \(No. 2\) 2020](#) will continue in force for a further period. [Corporations \(Coronavirus Economic Response\) Determination \(No. 2\) 2020](#) temporarily amends the continuous disclosure provisions that apply to the companies and their officers' to enable them to more confidently provide guidance to the market during the Coronavirus crisis.

Announcements concerning new or revised business cases related to or including COVID-19 treatments, detection, preventative solutions, or inventions should have regard to the disclosure principles set out in the [Code of Best Practice for Reporting by Life Sciences Companies, Second Edition](#).

Where NSX has concerns relating to a COVID-19-related announcement, NSX is likely to immediately suspend trading in the entity's securities pending further enquiries by NSX to establish that the announcement meets the requirements of the listing rules.

ASIC Guidance on Financial Reporting

- [ASIC Corporations \(Extended Reporting and Lodgment Deadlines—Listed Entities\) Instrument 2020/451](#)

- [20-276MR ASIC to further extend financial reporting deadlines for listed and unlisted entities and amends 'no action' position for AGMs](#)

For balance dates 31 December 2019 to 7 January 2021, ASIC has extended the deadline to lodge financial reports under Chapters 2M and 7 of the Corporations Act by one month.

hold its General Meeting to obtain shareholder approval to delist from ASX and relist on the NSX.

To commence the listing application the relevant forms are available on [NSX's website](#).

4. NSX UPDATES

Trade Acceptance Service (TAS)

National Stock Exchange of Australia (NSX) is pleased to advise that the Trade Acceptance Service (TAS) went live on 23 November 2020. NSX trades are now registered, novated, cleared and settled through CHES on the same basis as trades executed through the ASX and Chi-X markets.

TAS represents a significant enhancement to the NSX Market. It brings post-trade automation to the back office by adopting current market practice through CHES. This enables participants to reduce operational overhead through consistent processes across all markets.

A new version of NSX Business Rules that now apply after 23 November 2020 can be found [here](#). The changes apply to Part D and will allow trades of CHES approved securities to be cleared by the clearing service provider (ASX Clear).

Participants can also refer to Practice Note 23 Trade Acceptance Service [here](#). PN23 explains the TAS regulatory framework, clearing and settlement message flows, as well as NSX expectations of participant readiness. Participants are encouraged to send any queries to the contact detail specified at the end of PN23.

NSX Fast Track Listings

NSX offers a Fast Track listing migration service for companies currently listed on ASX, where those companies satisfy NSX's listing and suitability requirements, allowing for the low cost and seamless migration of listings from ASX to NSX.

The listing application fee for Fast Track listings is \$2,200 (GST exclusive).

NSX will process the listing application within 4 weeks, matching the required time the company will need to