

### **Market Release**

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# Veda shareholders vote in favour of Scheme of Arrangement

Veda Group Limited (**Veda**) (ASX: VED) is pleased to announce that at the shareholder meeting held in Sydney today, Veda shareholders voted overwhelmingly in favour of the scheme of arrangement, under which Equifax Inc. will acquire 100% of the shares in Veda (**Scheme**).

# **Voting results**

Veda advises that the resolution to approve the Scheme, as set out in the Notice of Meeting dated 11 December 2015, was passed by the requisite majorities of Veda shareholders, with:

- 99.95% of votes cast in favour of the resolution; and
- 94.83% of Veda shareholders present and voting (either in person or by proxy) in favour of the resolution.

## The results of the poll were as follows:

	For	Against	Total votes	Abstain <sup>(1)</sup>
Votes	537,755,771	244,000	537,999,771	70,150
Holders	899	49	948	7
Percentage of votes	99.95%	0.05%	100%	-
Percentage of holders	94.83%	5.17%	100%	-

<sup>(1)</sup> Note that votes relating to a shareholder who abstains from voting are not counted in determining the requisite majorities.

## The proxies received were as follows:

	For	Open	Against	Total votes
Votes	536,427,449	657,631	224,000	537,309,080
Holders	701	98	47	846
Percentage of votes	99.84%	0.12%	0.04%	100%
Percentage of holders	82.86%	16.67%	0.47%	100%

### Implementation of the Scheme

The Scheme remains subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent, including Court approval, in order to be implemented. Veda has applied to the Federal Court of Australia for approval of the Scheme at a hearing scheduled for Wednesday, 10 February 2016.

If the Scheme is approved by the Federal Court of Australia and all remaining conditions precedent are satisfied, Veda shareholders who hold shares on the Scheme Record Date (which is expected to be 18 February 2016) will receive a cash payment of A\$2.825 per Veda share on the Implementation Date (which is expected to be 25 February 2016).



#### **Timetable**

Key dates for the implementation of the Scheme are as follows:

Event	Date	
Second Court Date (for approval of the Scheme)	10 February 2016	
Outcome of the Second Court Hearing announced to ASX	10 February 2016	
Effective Date (Federal Court order lodged with ASIC and announcement by Veda to ASX)	11 February 2016	
Veda Shares suspended from trading on ASX	Close of trading on 11 February 2016	
Scheme Record Date (for determining entitlements to Scheme Consideration)	18 February 2016	
Implementation Date (for transfer of Scheme Shares to Equifax Australia and sending Scheme Consideration to Scheme Shareholders)	25 February 2016	
Scheme Consideration sent to Scheme Shareholders (by either cheque or electronic funds transfer into the nominated bank accounts used for dividend payments)	25 February 2016	

All dates in the above timetable are indicative only and are subject to change. The actual timetable will depend on factors outside the control of Veda including approval from the Federal Court of Australia. Any changes will be announced by Veda on ASX and published on Veda's website at <a href="http://investors.veda.com.au/Investor-Relations/">http://investors.veda.com.au/Investor-Relations/</a>.

#### **Shareholder Information Line**

Veda shareholders requiring further information should contact the Veda Shareholder Information Line on 1300 180 103 (within Australia) or +61 1300 180 103 (outside Australia) Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5.30pm (AEDT).

### **Further information**

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### **About Veda**

Veda (ASX:VED) is a data analytics company and the leading provider of credit information and analysis in Australia and New Zealand. From its core credit bureau business established in 1967, Veda has expanded to deliver a suite of credit and other analytical products targeted to specific industry segments.



Veda is built on the largest, most comprehensive and current data source in Australia and New Zealand with information on around 20 million credit active people and 5.7 million commercial entities. The breadth and depth of our data, and the knowledge it delivers help customers take a proactive and informed approach in making decisions.

Veda's customers use data intelligence provided by Veda to make decisions on credit risk, verify identity and employee background, reduce identity theft and fraud, and undertake digital marketing strategies. For further information, please visit our website at www.veda.com.au.