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Nominations for AWI Board confirmed

Six candidates have nominated for three positions on the Australian Wool Innovation Limited (AWI) Board of Directors, to be elected at the company's Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 19 November.

Nominations for the Director positions closed last Friday, 8 October.

In accordance with the constitution, three Directors - Brian van Rooyen, David Boyd and Hugh Nivison - will retire at the AGM to create the vacancies to be contested.

All three have re-nominated and are seeking re-election.

In addition, nominations have been received from Wal Merriman, Martin Oppenheimer and Kathy Walker-Shaw.

AWI Chairman Ian McLachlan welcomed the six nominations and urged all shareholders to vote.

"Constitutional changes made at the 2003 AGM have made it easier to nominate candidates for election to the AWI Board and this ensures the future of the company remains in the hands of shareholders," he said.

Previously, candidates needed to be nominated by five per cent or more of all AWI shareholders - the equivalent of about 1,500 shareholders - where as now a person can be nominated by just 100 shareholders.

AWI shareholders will be sent the AGM Notice of Meeting and voting papers with the Annual Report in late October.

The AGM is being held at the Bell Tower Inn in Ballarat, Victoria at 2pm on Friday 19 November 2004.

Shareholders unable to attend in person will be able to vote by proxy via post, fax or the Internet.

For more information on voting at the AGM, shareholders should phone ASX Perpetual tollfree on 1800 113 373.

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