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## Opening of Non-Renounceable Entitlement Offer to Raise ~\$13 million

Further to its announcement on 17 October 2024, Astron Corporation Limited (ASX:ATR) (**Astron or Company**) wishes to advise that the pro rata non-renounceable entitlement offer (**Entitlement Offer**), to raise approximately \$10 million, was opened as 9.00am (AEDT) today, 24 October 2024.

In conjunction with the opening of the Entitlement Offer, the Company has dispatched the Entitlement Offer Booklet, and personalised Entitlement and Acceptance Forms, to securityholders who are eligible to participate in the Entitlement Offer.

Eligible securityholders are invited to subscribe for 1 new Chess Depository Interest (**CDI**) for every 12 CDIs held at 7:00pm AEDT on Tuesday, 22 October 2024 (**Record Date**), at an offer price of \$0.66 per new CDI. Fractional entitlements to new CDIs will be rounded up to the nearest whole number of new CDIs.

Securityholders who are eligible to participate in the Entitlement Offer (Eligible Securityholders) are those who:

- are registered as a holder of fully paid CDIs in Astron at the Record Date;
- are recorded as having an address on the Astron security register in Australia, New Zealand, China or Hong Kong; and
- are not located in the United States of America (**United States**) and are not a person (including a nominee or custodian) acting for the account or benefit of a person in the United States.

A letter to ineligible securityholders notifying them of the Entitlement Offer and their ineligibility to participate (**Ineligible Securityholder Letter**) has also been dispatched today. An electronic version of the Entitlement Offer Booklet can be viewed online on Astron's website at [www.astronlimited.com](http://www.astronlimited.com).

### Entitlement Offer

The Entitlement Offer, to raise up to approximately \$10 million, is expected to close at 5.00pm Australian Eastern Daylight Savings Time (AEDT) on Tuesday, 19 November 2024. The Entitlement Offer is not underwritten. However all of the Company's directors (including Mr. Tiger Brown, the Company's Managing Director and largest securityholder), and the Company's second largest securityholder, Mr. Tan Ruiqing, have provided firm indications that they will take up their full rights under the Entitlement Offer. This represents a commitment of approximately \$7.3 million.

The Entitlement Offer is non-renounceable and entitlements will not be tradeable on the ASX or otherwise transferable. Securityholders who do not take up their entitlement in full will not receive any value in respect of entitlements not taken up.

Eligible Securityholders who take up their full entitlement may also apply to receive any New CDIs not subscribed for by other Eligible Securityholders in accordance with the Entitlement Offer. New CDIs will only be offered if the Entitlement Offer is undersubscribed and will only be issued to the extent necessary to make up any shortfall in subscriptions received in accordance with the Entitlement Offer.

Full details of the Entitlement Offer, including the timetable and details for how to accept the Entitlement Offer, are set out in the Entitlement Offer Booklet and the personalised application form accompanying the Entitlement Offer Booklet. Eligible Securityholders should read the Entitlement Offer Booklet in its entirety and consult with their stockbroker, accountant or other professional adviser before making any decision as to whether to subscribe for New CDI.

If you are an Eligible Securityholder and you have questions about the offer, please contact the Astron Corporation Limited Information Line on 1300 850 505 (for calls within Australia) and +61 3 9415 4000 (for calls from outside Australia) between 8:30am and 5:00pm (AEDT) Monday to Friday during the Offer Period for further information. The Information Line will open on Thursday, 24 October 2024.

This announcement has been authorised for lodgement to ASX by the Managing Director of Astron.

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**About Donald Rare Earths and Mineral Sands Project**

The Donald Project, located in the Wimmera Region of Victoria, Australia, has the potential to become a globally significant, long-life supplier of critical rare earth elements (REE), including neodymium, praseodymium, dysprosium, and terbium as well as zirconium, hafnium and titanium minerals. It contains over 2.6 billion tonnes of Mineral Resources at 4.4% HM grade and comprises two adjoining deposits, the Donald Deposit (which constitutes the area covered by MIN5532 and RL2002 and is the subject of a Joint Venture between Energy Fuels Inc. and Astron) and the Jackson Deposit (RL2003).

**About Astron**

Astron Corporation Limited (ASX: ATR) is an Australian-based company listed on the ASX. With over 35 years of operating history, Astron has been involved in mineral sands processing, downstream product development, and the marketing and sales of zirconium and titanium related products. Astron's prime focus is the development of its large, long-life Donald Rare Earths and Mineral Sands Project in regional Victoria, Australia. In addition to its Australian assets, the company also conducts a mineral sands trading operation based in Shenyang, China and owns and operates a zircon and titanium chemicals research facility, which includes a mineral separation facility processing mineral concentrate products into final products, in Yingkou, China.

## Important notices

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