

AVALON ADVANCED MATERIALS INC.
Audit Committee Charter

1. PURPOSE

- (a) The Audit Committee (“Committee”) is a committee of the board of directors (the “Board”) of Avalon Advanced Materials Inc. (the “Company”). Its primary function shall be to assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to:
 - (i) the financial reporting process and the quality, transparency and integrity of the Company’s financial statements and other related public disclosures;
 - (ii) the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting;
 - (iii) the Company’s compliance with legal and regulatory requirements relevant to the financial statements and financial reporting;
 - (iv) ensuring that there is an appropriate standard of corporate conduct for senior financial personnel and employees including, if necessary, adopting a corporate code of ethics;
 - (v) the external auditors’ qualifications and independence; and
 - (vi) the performance of the internal audit function (if any) and the external auditors.
- (b) The function of the Committee is oversight. The members of the Committee are not full-time employees of the Company. The Company’s management is responsible for the preparation of the Company’s financial statements in accordance with applicable accounting standards and applicable laws and regulations. The Company’s external auditors are responsible for the audit or review, as applicable, of the Company’s financial statements in accordance with applicable auditing standards and laws and regulations.

2. COMPOSITION

- (a) The Committee shall be appointed by the Board annually on the recommendation of the Compensation, Governance and Nominating Committee and shall be comprised of a minimum of three directors. If an appointment of members of the Committee is not made as prescribed, the members shall continue as such until their successors are appointed. The Board may remove a member of the Committee at any time in its sole discretion by resolution of the Board.
- (b) All members of the Committee shall be directors whom the Board has determined are independent and “financially literate”, taking into account the applicable rules and regulations of securities regulatory authorities and/or stock exchanges.
- (c) The Chair of the Committee will be designated by the Board from among the members of the Board appointed to the Committee. Such Chair shall serve as a liaison between members and senior management. If for any reason a Chair of the

Committee is not appointed by the full Board, members of the Committee may designate a Chair of the Committee by majority vote of the full membership of the Committee.

3. MEETINGS

- (a) The Committee shall have a minimum of four meetings per year, to coincide with the Company's financial reporting cycle. Additional meetings will be scheduled as considered necessary or appropriate, including considering specific matters at the request of the external auditors or the head of internal audit.
- (b) The time and place of the meetings of the Committee, the calling of meetings and the procedure in all things at such meetings shall be determined by the Chair of the Committee. A meeting of the Committee may be called by notice, which may be given by written notice, telephone, facsimile, email or other communication equipment, given at least 48 hours prior to the time of the meeting provided that no notice of a meeting will be necessary if all of the members are present either in person or by means of conference telephone or if those absent waive notice or otherwise signify their consent to the holding of such meeting.
- (c) A majority of members of the Committee will constitute a quorum at each meeting.
- (d) The Committee will hold an in-camera session without any senior officers present at each meeting, as required.
- (e) The Committee will keep minutes of its meetings, which shall be available for review by the Board.
- (f) The Committee may appoint any individual, who need not be a member, to act as the secretary at any meeting.
- (g) The Committee may invite such directors, senior officers and other employees of the Company and such other advisors and persons as is considered appropriate to attend any meeting of the Committee.
- (h) Any matter to be determined by the Committee will be decided by a majority of the votes cast at a meeting of the Committee called for such purpose. Each Member will have one vote and decisions of the Committee will be made by an affirmative vote of the majority. The Chair will not have a deciding or casting vote in the case of an equality of votes. Any action of the Committee may be taken by an instrument or instruments in writing signed by all of the members of the Committee (including in counterpart) and any such action will be as effective as if it had been decided by a majority of the votes cast at a meeting of the Committee called for such purpose.
- (i) The Committee will report its determinations and recommendations to the Board.

4. RESOURCES AND AUTHORITY

- (a) The Committee has the authority to:
 - (i) engage, at the expense of the Company, independent counsel, accounting and other experts or advisors as considered advisable in its sole discretion which shall provide adequate funding for such purposes;
 - (ii) determine and pay the compensation for any independent counsel, accounting and other experts or advisors retained by the Committee;
 - (iii) conduct any investigation in the Company's business or affairs that it considers appropriate; and
 - (iv) request unrestricted access to the books and records of the Company, management, the external auditors and the head of internal audit, including private meetings, as it considers necessary or appropriate to discharge its duties and responsibilities.

5. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) The responsibilities of a member of the Committee shall be in addition to such Member's duties as a member of the Board.

Financial Reporting and Disclosure

- (b) The Committee has the duty to determine whether the Company's financial disclosures are complete, accurate, are in accordance with applicable generally accepted accounting principles and auditing standards, including international financial reporting standards, and fairly present the financial position and risks of the organization. The Committee should, where it deems appropriate, resolve disagreements, if any, between management and the external auditor, and review compliance with laws and regulations and the Company's own policies.
- (c) Review and discuss with management and the external auditor at the completion of the annual examination:
 - (i) the Company's audited financial statements and related notes;
 - (ii) the external auditor's audit of the annual financial statements and their report thereon;
 - (iii) any significant changes required in the external auditor's audit plan;
 - (iv) any serious difficulties or disputes with management encountered during the course of the audit; and
 - (v) other matters related to the conduct of the audit, which are to be communicated to the Committee under generally accepted auditing standards.

- (d) Review and discuss with management and, where authorized by the Board, the external auditor at the completion of any review engagement or other examination of the Company's quarterly unaudited financial statements:
 - (i) the Company's unaudited financial statements and related notes;
 - (ii) any significant changes required in the external auditor's audit plan resulting from the preparation of the unaudited financial statements;
 - (iii) any serious difficulties or disputes with management encountered during the course of the preparation of the unaudited financial statements; and
 - (iv) other matters related to the preparation of the unaudited financial statements, which are to be communicated to the Committee.
- (e) Make recommendations to the Board regarding the approval of the unaudited financial statements and the notes thereto and the Company's management discussion and analysis with respect to such financial statements.
- (f) Review and discuss with management the annual reports, the quarterly reports, the related Management Discussion and Analysis, the annual information form, any prospectus and other disclosures and, if thought advisable, recommend the acceptance of such documents to the Board for approval.
- (g) Review disclosure respecting the activities of the Committee included in the Company's annual filings.
- (h) Review and discuss with management any guidance being provided to shareholders on the expected future results and financial performance of the Company and provide their recommendations on such documents to the Board.
- (i) Inquire of the auditors the quality and acceptability of the Company's accounting principles, including the clarity of financial disclosure and the degree of conservatism or aggressiveness of the accounting policies and estimates.
- (j) Meet independently with the external auditor and management in separate executive sessions, as necessary or appropriate.
- (k) Ensure that management has the proper systems in place so that the Company's financial statements, financial reports and other financial information satisfy legal and regulatory requirements. Based upon discussions with the external auditor and the financial statement review, if it deems appropriate, provide the Board with such recommendations and reports with respect to the financial disclosures of the Company.
- (l) Review and approve any significant amendments to the Company's Disclosure Policy and periodically assess the procedures in place for the review of public disclosure of financial information extracted or derived from the issuer's financial statements.

- (m) Review and if appropriate, ratify the mandate of the Disclosure Committee.

External Auditor

- (n) Retaining and terminating, and/or making recommendations to the Board and the shareholders with respect to the retention or termination of, an external auditing firm to conduct review engagements on a quarterly basis and an annual audit of the Company's financial statements.
- (o) Communicating to the external auditors that they are ultimately accountable to the Board and the Committee as representatives of the shareholders and that they must report directly to the Committee.
- (p) Obtaining and reviewing an annual report prepared by the external auditors describing: the firm's internal quality-control procedures; any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality-control review, or peer review, of the firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities, within the preceding five years, respecting one or more independent audits carried out by the firm, and any steps taken to deal with any such issues.
- (q) Evaluating the independence of the external auditor and any potential conflicts of interest and (to assess the auditors' independence) all relationships between the external auditors and the Company, including obtaining and reviewing an annual report prepared by the external auditors describing all relationships between the external auditors and the Company.
- (r) Approving, or recommending to the Board for approval, all audit engagement fees and terms, as well as pre-approving all non-audit engagements of the external auditors prior to the commencement of the engagement.
- (s) Reviewing with the external auditors the plan and scope of the quarterly review and annual audit engagements.
- (t) Setting hiring policies with respect to the employment of current or former employees and partners of the current or former external auditors.

Internal Controls and Audit

- (u) Reviewing and discussing with management, the external auditors and the head of internal audit (if any) the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls over financial reporting, including reviewing and discussing any significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls, and any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.
- (v) Discussing the Company's process with respect to risk assessment (including fraud risk), risk management and the Company's major financial risks and financial

reporting exposures, all as they relate to internal controls over financial reporting, and the steps management has taken to monitor and control such risks.

- (w) Reviewing and discussing with management the Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and anti-fraud program (if any) and the actions taken to monitor and enforce compliance.
- (x) Establishing procedures for:
 - (i) the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints regarding accounting, internal controls or auditing matters, including reviewing and discussing Whistleblower Policy with management; and
 - (ii) the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Company of concerns regarding questionable accounting, internal controls or auditing matters.
- (y) Reviewing and discussing with management, the external auditors and the head of internal audit (if any) the responsibilities and effectiveness of the Company's internal audit function (if any), including reviewing the internal audit mandate, independence, organizational structure, internal audit plans and adequacy of resources, receiving periodic internal audit reports and meeting privately with the head of internal audit on a periodic basis.
- (z) Approving in advance the retention and dismissal of the head of internal audit.

Other

- (aa) Reporting regularly to the Board, as applicable.
- (bb) Reviewing and assessing its mandate and recommending any proposed changes to the Compensation, Governance and Nominating Committee of the Board on an annual basis.
- (cc) Evaluating the functioning of the Committee on an annual basis, including with reference to the discharge of its mandate, with the results to be reported to the Compensation, Governance and Nominating Committee, which shall report to the Board.
- (dd) Review periodically, together with the Compensation, Governance and Nominating Committee, the directors' and officers' liability insurance and indemnities of the Company and consider the adequacy of such coverage.

Approved by the Board of Directors on October 21, 2020