

FORM 62-103F1
REQUIRED DISCLOSURE UNDER THE EARLY WARNING REQUIREMENTS

Item 1 - Security and Reporting Issuer

- 1.1 State the designation of securities to which this report relates and the name and address of the head office of the issuer of the securities.**

Securities: This report relates to the common shares (the "**Common Shares**") in the capital of Vital Energy Inc.

Issuer: Vital Energy Inc. ("**Vital**" or the "**Issuer**")
940-6th Avenue SW, Suite 888, Calgary, Alberta T2P 3T1

- 1.2 State the name of the market in which the transaction or other occurrence that triggered the requirement to file this report took place.**

The transaction giving rise to this report was the conversion of a debenture in the principal amount of \$1,950,000 at a conversion price of \$0.10 on December 17, 2018, into 19,500,000 Common Shares.

Item 2 - Identity of the Acquiror

- 2.1 State the name and address of the acquiror.**

Hai Zhou (the "**Acquiror**")
206 - Lane 900, Sanxinbei Road, Songjiang District, Shanghai China

- 2.2 State the date of the transaction or other occurrence that triggered the requirement to file this report and briefly describe the transaction or other occurrence.**

On December 17, 2018, Weiyi Investment Ltd., a company wholly-owned by the Acquiror, acquired 19,500,000 Common Shares (representing 23.71% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Issuer). The Common Shares were acquired pursuant to the conversion of a debenture of the Issuer.

- 2.3 State the names of any joint actors.**

Weiyi Investment Ltd., a company wholly-owned by the Acquiror. See item 2.2.

Item 3 - Interest in Securities of the Reporting Issuer

- 3.1 State the designation and number or principal amount of securities acquired or disposed of that triggered the requirement to file the report and the change in the acquiror's securityholding percentage in the class of securities.**

See item 2.2. The Acquiror acquired control of 19,500,000 Common Shares of Vital, upon the conversion of a debenture at a conversion price of \$0.10 per Common Share.

- 3.2 State whether the acquiror acquired or disposed ownership of, or acquired or ceased to have control over, the securities that triggered the requirement to file the report.**

The Acquiror acquired control over the 19,500,000 Common Shares.

- 3.3 If the transaction involved a securities lending arrangement, state that fact.**

Not applicable.

3.4 State the designation and number or principal amount of securities and the acquiror's securityholding percentage in the class of securities, immediately before and after the transaction or other occurrence that triggered the requirement to file this report.

Prior to the acquisition of the 19,500,000 Common Shares, the Acquiror held a debenture of Vital in the principal amount of \$1,950,000, 32,858,879 Common Shares and stock options to acquire 450,000 Common Shares. The Acquiror now controls 52,358,879 Common Shares, or approximately 63.66% of the total issued and outstanding Common Shares, and stock options to acquire 450,000 Common Shares. Upon exercise of the stock options, the Acquiror would control 52,808,879 Common Shares, representing 63.86% of the issued and outstanding Common Shares of the Issuer.

3.5 State the designation and number or principal amount of securities and the acquiror's securityholding percentage in the class of securities referred to in Item 3.4 over which

(a) the acquiror, either alone or together with any joint actors, has ownership and control,

The Acquiror owns and controls the 52,358,879 Common Shares and stock options to acquire 450,000 Common Shares.

(b) the acquiror, either alone or together with any joint actors, has ownership but control is held by persons or companies other than the acquiror or any joint actor, and

Not applicable.

(c) the acquiror, either alone or together with any joint actors, has exclusive or shared control but does not have ownership.

Not applicable.

3.6 If the acquiror or any of its joint actors has an interest in, or right or obligation associated with, a related financial instrument involving a security of the class of securities in respect of which disclosure is required under this item, describe the material terms of the related financial instrument and its impact on the acquiror's securityholdings.

Not applicable.

3.7 If the acquiror or any of its joint actors is a party to a securities lending arrangement involving a security of the class of securities in respect of which disclosure is required under this item, describe the material terms of the arrangement including the duration of the arrangement, the number or principal amount of securities involved and any right to recall the securities or identical securities that have been transferred or lent under the arrangement. State if the securities lending arrangement is subject to the exception provided in section 5.7 of NI 62-104.

Not applicable.

3.8 If the acquiror or any of its joint actors is a party to an agreement, arrangement or understanding that has the effect of altering, directly or indirectly, the acquiror's economic exposure to the security of the class of securities to which this report relates, describe the material terms of the agreement, arrangement or understanding.

Not applicable.

Item 4 - Consideration Paid

4.1 State the value, in Canadian dollars, of any consideration paid or received per security and in total.

See item 2.2. The Acquiror acquired control of 19,500,000 Common Shares of Vital upon the conversion of a debenture at a conversion price of \$0.10 per Common Share.

4.2 In the case of a transaction or other occurrence that did not take place on a stock exchange or other market that represents a published market for the securities, including an issuance from treasury, disclose the nature and value, in Canadian dollars, of the consideration paid or received by the acquiror.

See item 4.1.

4.3 If the securities were acquired or disposed of other than by purchase or sale, describe the method of acquisition or disposition.

See item 2.2. The Common Shares were acquired by the Acquiror pursuant to the conversion of a debenture of Vital.

Item 5 - Purpose of the Transaction

State the purpose or purposes of the acquiror and any joint actors for the acquisition or disposition of securities of the reporting issuer. Describe any plans or future intentions which the acquiror and any joint actors may have which relate to or would result in any of the following:

- (a) the acquisition of additional securities of the reporting issuer, or the disposition of securities of the reporting issuer;**
- (b) a corporate transaction, such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation, involving the reporting issuer or any of its subsidiaries;**
- (c) a sale or transfer of a material amount of the assets of the reporting issuer or any of its subsidiaries;**
- (d) a change in the board of directors or management of the reporting issuer, including any plans or intentions to change the number or term of directors or to fill any existing vacancy on the board;**
- (e) a material change in the present capitalization or dividend policy of the reporting issuer;**
- (f) a material change in the reporting issuer's business or corporate structure;**
- (g) a change in the reporting issuer's charter, bylaws or similar instruments or another action which might impede the acquisition of control of the reporting issuer by any person or company;**
- (h) a class of securities of the reporting issuer being delisted from, or ceasing to be authorized to be quoted on, a marketplace;**
- (i) the issuer ceasing to be a reporting issuer in any jurisdiction of Canada;**
- (j) a solicitation of proxies from securityholders;**
- (k) an action similar to any of those enumerated above.**

The Acquiror acquired the Common Shares for investment purposes. Presently, the Acquiror has no intention of acquiring any further securities of the Issuer. The Acquiror may acquire ownership of or control over further securities of the Issuer in the future depending upon market circumstances. Increase or decrease in ownership of securities of the Issuer will depend on numerous conditions, including the price of the Common Shares and general market conditions.

Item 6 - Agreements, Arrangements, Commitments or Understandings With Respect to Securities of the Reporting Issuer

Describe the material terms of any agreements, arrangements, commitments or understandings between the acquiror and a joint actor and among those persons and any person with respect to securities of the class of securities to which this report relates, including but not limited to the transfer or the voting of any of the securities, finder's fees, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, guarantees of profits, division of profits or loss, or the giving or withholding of proxies. Include such information for any of the securities that are pledged or otherwise subject to a contingency, the occurrence of which would give another person voting power or investment power over such securities, except that disclosure of standard default and similar provisions contained in loan agreements need not be included.

The Common Shares were acquired by the Acquiror pursuant to the conversion of a debenture of Vital.

Item 7 - Change in material fact

If applicable, describe any change in a material fact set out in a previous report filed by the acquiror under the early warning requirements or Part 4 in respect of the reporting issuer's securities.

Not applicable.

Item 8 - Exemption

If the acquiror relies on an exemption from requirements in securities legislation applicable to formal bids for the transaction, state the exemption being relied on and describe the facts supporting that reliance.

Not applicable.

Item 9 - Certification

The acquiror must certify that the information is true and complete in every respect. In the case of an agent, the certification is based on the agent's best knowledge, information and belief but the acquiror is still responsible for ensuring that the information filed by the agent is true and complete.

This report must be signed by each person on whose behalf the report is filed or his authorized representative.

It is an offence to submit information that, in a material respect and at the time and in the light of the circumstances in which it is submitted, is misleading or untrue.

CERTIFICATE

I, as the acquiror, certify, or I, as the agent filing the report on behalf of an acquiror, certify to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, that the statements made in this report are true and complete in every respect.

DATED as of the 19th day of December, 2018.

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