## **Appendix 4G**

# Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of	entity:		
Cauldr	on Energy Limited		
ABN / AF	RBN:		Financial year ended:
ABN 10	02 912 783		30 June 2021
	orate governance statement <sup>2</sup> for the a These pages of our annual report: This URL on our website:	Corporate Governance	
The Corp board.	oorate Governance Statement is accur	ate and up to date as at 29 (	October 2021 and has been approved by the
The anne	exure includes a key to where our corp	orate governance disclosure	es can be located.
Date:		29 October 2021	
Name of lodgem	of Director or Secretary authorising ent:	Michael Fry, Company Se	cretary

Under Listing Rule 4.7.4, if an entity chooses to include its corporate governance statement on its website rather than in its annual report, it must lodge a copy of the corporate governance statement with ASX at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The corporate governance statement must be current as at the effective date specified in that statement for the purposes of rule 4.10.3.

Throughout this form, where you are given two or more options to select, you can, if you wish, delete any option which is not applicable and just retain the option that is applicable. If you select an option that includes "<u>OR</u>" at the end of the selection and you delete the other options, you can also, if you wish, delete the "OR" at the end of the selection.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under Listing Rule 4.7.3, an entity must lodge with ASX a completed Appendix 4G at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. Listing Rule 4.10.3 requires an entity that is included in the official list as an ASX Listing to include in its annual report either a corporate governance statement that meets the requirements of that rule or the URL of the page on its website where such a statement is located. The corporate governance statement must disclose the extent to which the entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during the reporting period. If the entity has not followed a recommendation for any part of the reporting period, its corporate governance statement must separately identify that recommendation and the period during which it was not followed and state its reasons for not following the recommendation and what (if any) alternative governance practices it adopted in lieu of the recommendation during that period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Corporate governance statement" is defined in Listing Rule 19.12 to mean the statement referred to in Listing Rule 4.10.3 which discloses the extent to which an entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during a particular reporting period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Mark whichever option is correct and then complete the page number(s) of the annual report, or the URL of the web page, where the entity's corporate governance statement can be found. You can, if you wish, delete the option which is not applicable.

#### ANNEXURE – KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES

Corpo	rate Governance Council recommendation	We have followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed	 ave NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole e period above. We have disclosed4
PRINC	IPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OVE	RSIGHT	
1.1	A listed entity should disclose:  (a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and  (b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]  and information about the respective roles and responsibilities of our board and management (including those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management):  ☑ at Board Charter	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
1.2	A listed entity should:     (a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a person, or putting forward to security holders a candidate for election, as a director; and     (b) provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a director.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
1.3	A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
1.4	The company secretary of a listed entity should be accountable directly to the board, through the chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the board.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> If you have followed all of the Council's recommendations in full for the whole of the period above, you can, if you wish, delete this column from the form and re-format it.

Corpo	rate Governance Council recommendation	We have followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed	We have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed $\ldots^4$
1.5	<ul> <li>A listed entity should: <ul> <li>(a) have a diversity policy which includes requirements for the board or a relevant committee of the board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and to assess annually both the objectives and the entity's progress in achieving them;</li> <li>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it; and</li> <li>(c) disclose as at the end of each reporting period the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with the entity's diversity policy and its progress towards achieving them and either:</li> <li>(1) the respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole organisation (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or</li> <li>(2) if the entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act, the entity's most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in and published under that Act.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	the fact that we have a diversity policy that complies with paragraph (a):  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location] and a copy of our diversity policy or a summary of it: ☐ at Diversity Policy and the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with our diversity policy and our progress towards achieving them: ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR ☐ at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (c)(1) or (2): ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR ☐ at [insert location] ☐ at [insert location]	<ul> <li>□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</li> <li>□ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</li> </ul>
1.6	A listed entity should:         (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and         (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.	the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a):  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]  and the information referred to in paragraph (b):  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	<ul> <li>□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u></li> <li>□ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</li> </ul>
1.7	A listed entity should:  (a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives; and  (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.	the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a):  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]  and the information referred to in paragraph (b):  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	<ul> <li>□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u></li> <li>□ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</li> </ul>

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PRINCIP	PLE 2 - STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO ADD VALUE		
2.1	The board of a listed entity should:  (a) have a nomination committee which:  (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and  (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:  (3) the charter of the committee;  (4) the members of the committee; and  (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or  (b) if it does not have a nomination committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively.	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have a nomination committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2):  □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: □ at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have a nomination committee and the processes we employ to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively: □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location]	□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
2.2	A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills and diversity that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.	our board skills matrix:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	<ul> <li>□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</li> <li>□ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</li> </ul>

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2.3	A listed entity should disclose:  (a) the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors;  (b) if a director has an interest, position, association or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 but the board is of the opinion that it does not compromise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position, association or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and  (c) the length of service of each director.	the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]  and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b):  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]  and the length of service of each director:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  □ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
2.5	The chair of the board of a listed entity should be an independent director and, in particular, should not be the same person as the CEO of the entity.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
2.6	A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and provide appropriate professional development opportunities for directors to develop and maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCIPLE 3 – ACT ETHICALLY AND RESPONSIBLY			
3.1	A listed entity should:  (a) have a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and  (b) disclose that code or a summary of it.	our code of conduct or a summary of it:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	LE 4 – SAFEGUARD INTEGRITY IN CORPORATE REPORTING		
4.1	The board of a listed entity should:  (a) have an audit committee which:  (1) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and  (2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board, and disclose:  (3) the charter of the committee;  (4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and  (5) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or  (b) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of its corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner.	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have an audit committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2):  □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: □ at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have an audit committee and the processes we employ that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of our corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner: □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
4.2	The board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO a declaration that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained and that the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity and that the opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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4.3	A listed entity that has an AGM should ensure that its external auditor attends its AGM and is available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☐ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an annual general meeting and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCIPI	.E 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE		
5.1	A listed entity should:  (a) have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rules; and  (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.	our continuous disclosure compliance policy or a summary of it:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at Market Disclosure Policy	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCIPI	E 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS		
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	information about us and our governance on our website:  at <a href="https://www.vdmgroup.com.au/">www.vdmgroup.com.au/</a> and <a href="https://www.vdmgroup.com.au/">Corporate Governance</a>	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.3	A listed entity should disclose the policies and processes it has in place to facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders.	our policies and processes for facilitating and encouraging participation at meetings of security holders:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at Communications Policy	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity that does not hold periodic meetings of security holders and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
6.4	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	the fact that we follow this recommendation:  ☑ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  ☐ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	LE 7 – RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK		
7.1	The board of a listed entity should:  (a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:  (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and  (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:  (3) the charter of the committee;  (4) the members of the committee; and  (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or  (b) if it does not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework.	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have a committee or committees to oversee risk that comply with paragraphs (1) and (2):  □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: □ at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) and the processes we employ for overseeing our risk management framework: □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
7.2	The board or a committee of the board should:  (a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and  (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.	in our Corporate Governance Statement OR     at [insert location]      the fact that board or a committee of the board reviews the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound:     in our Corporate Governance Statement OR     at [insert location]     and that such a review has taken place in the reporting period covered by this Appendix 4G:     in our Corporate Governance Statement OR     at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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7.3	A listed entity should disclose:     (a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or     (b) if it does not have an internal audit function, that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of its risk management and internal control processes.	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] how our internal audit function is structured and what role it performs:  □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have an internal audit function and the processes we employ for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of our risk management and internal control processes: □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
7.4	A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	whether we have any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks:    in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	LE 8 – REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY		
8.1	The board of a listed entity should:  (a) have a remuneration committee which:  (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and  (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:  (3) the charter of the committee;  (4) the members of the committee; and  (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or  (b) if it does not have a remuneration committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive.	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] the fact that we have a remuneration committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2):  □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] and a copy of the charter of the committee: □ at [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5): □ in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ at [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] the fact that we do not have a remuneration committee and the processes we employ for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive: □ at [insert location] □ at [insert location]	□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
8.2	A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives.	separately our remuneration policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	<ul> <li>□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u></li> <li>□ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</li> </ul>
8.3	A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:     (a) have a policy on whether participants are permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme; and     (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.	our policy on this issue or a summary of it:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	<ul> <li>□ an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</li> <li>□ we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable OR</li> <li>□ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</li> </ul>

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ADDITIO	NAL DISCLOSURES APPLICABLE TO EXTERNALLY MANAGED	LISTED ENTITIES	
-	Alternative to Recommendation 1.1 for externally managed listed entities:  The responsible entity of an externally managed listed entity should disclose:  (a) the arrangements between the responsible entity and the listed entity for managing the affairs of the listed entity;  (b) the role and responsibility of the board of the responsible entity for overseeing those arrangements.	the information referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b):  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
-	Alternative to Recommendations 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 for externally managed listed entities:  An externally managed listed entity should clearly disclose the terms governing the remuneration of the manager.	the terms governing our remuneration as manager of the entity:  in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  at [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement



### **CAULDRON ENERGY LTD**

ACN 102 912 783

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

The Board of Directors of Cauldron Energy Ltd (**Cauldron** or the **Company**) is committed to maintaining a high standard of corporate governance in accordance with the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (4<sup>th</sup> Edition) (**Recommendations**).

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 4.10.3, this corporate governance report discloses the extent to which the Company has adopted the Recommendations. Cauldron is pleased to advise that the Company's practices are largely consistent with the Recommendations however, in areas where they do not comply, the Company is working towards compliance or does not consider that the practices are appropriate for the current size and scale of operations.

The following table sets out the Company's position with regards to adoption of the Recommendation for the year ended 30 June 2021. The current corporate governance policies are posted in a dedicated corporate governance information section of the Company's website at <a href="https://www.cauldronenergy.com.au">www.cauldronenergy.com.au</a>.

	ASX Recommendation	Comply
Princ	iple 1 – Lay solid foundations for management and oversight	
1.1	A listed entity should disclose:	✓
	a. The respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and	
	b. Those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management.	
1.2	A listed entity should:	✓
	<ul> <li>Undertake appropriate checks before appointing a person, or putting forward to security holders a candidate for election, as a director; and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a director.</li> </ul>	
1.3	A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	✓
1.4	The company secretary of a listed entity should be accountable directly to the board, through the chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the board.	✓
1.5	A listed entity should:	✓
	<ul> <li>Have a diversity policy which includes requirements for the board or a relevant committee of the board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and to assess annually both the objectives and the entity's progress in achieving them;</li> </ul>	
	b. Disclose that policy or a summary of it; and	
	c. Disclose as at the end of each reporting period the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with the entity's diversity policy and its progress towards achieving them, and either:	
	<ul> <li>The respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole organisation (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>ii. If the entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality         Act, the entity's most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in             and published under that Act.     </li> </ul>	
1.6	A listed entity should:	✓
	<ul> <li>Have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.</li> </ul>	



	ASX Recommendation	Comply
1.7	A listed entity should:	✓
	<ul> <li>a. Have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives; and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.</li> </ul>	
Princ	ciple 2 – Structure the Board to add value	
2.1	The board of a listed entity should:	
	a. Have a nomination committee which:	
	<ul> <li>i. Has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</li> </ul>	
	ii. Is chaired by an independent director;	
	And disclose:	
	iii. The charter of the committee;	
	iv. The members of the committee; and	
	v. As at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or	
	b. If it does not have a nomination committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively.	✓
2.2	A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills and diversity that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.	✓
2.3	A listed entity should disclose:	✓
	a. The names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors;	
	b. If a director has an interest, position, association or relationship of the type described in box 2.3 but the board is of the opinion that it does not compromise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position, association or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and	
	c. The length of service of each director.	
2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	✓
2.5	The chair of the board of a listed entity should be an independent director and, in particular, should not be the same person as the CEO of the entity.	✓
2.6	A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and provide appropriate professional development opportunities for directors to develop and maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.	✓
Princ	ciple 3 – Act ethically and responsibly	
3.1	A listed entity should:	✓
	a. Have a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and	
	b. Disclose that code or a summary of it.	
Princ	ciple 4 – Safeguard integrity in corporate reporting	
4.1	The board of a listed entity should:	
	a. Have an audit committee which:	
	<ul> <li>Has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and</li> </ul>	
	ii. Is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board;	



	ASX Recommendation	Comply
	And disclose:	
	i. The charter of the committee;	
	ii. The relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and	
	iii. In relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or	
	b. If it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of its corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner.	<b>✓</b>
4.2	The board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO a declaration that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained and that the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity and that the opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.	<b>√</b>
4.3	A listed entity that has an AGM should ensure that its external auditor attends its AGM and is available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit.	✓
Princ	ciple 5 – Make timely and balanced disclosure	
5.1	A listed entity should:	✓
	a. Have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rules; and	
	b. Disclose that policy or a summary of it.	
Princ	ciple 6 – Respect the rights of shareholders	
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	✓
6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	✓
6.3	A listed entity should disclose the policies and processes it has in place to facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders.	✓
6.4	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	✓
Princ	ciple 7 – Recognise and manage risk	
7.1	The board of a listed entity should:	
	a. Have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:	
	<ul> <li>i. Has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</li> </ul>	
	ii. Is chaired by an independent director;	
	And disclose:	
	iii. The charter of the committee;	
	iv. The members of the committee; and	
	v. As at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or	
	<ul> <li>b. If it does not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework.</li> </ul>	✓



	ASX Recommendation	Comply			
7.2	The board or a committee of the board should:				
	<ul> <li>Review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Disclose, in relation to each reporting period whether such a review has taken place.</li> </ul>				
7.3	A listed entity should disclose:	✓			
	<ul> <li>If it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>If it does not have an internal audit function, that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of its risk management and internal control processes.</li> </ul>				
7.4	A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	<b>√</b>			
Princ	ciple 8 – Remunerate fairly and responsibly				
8.1	The board of a listed entity should:				
	a. Have a remuneration committee which:				
	<ul> <li>Has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</li> </ul>				
	ii. Is chaired by an independent director;				
	And disclose:				
	iii. The charter of the committee;				
	iv. The members of the committee; and				
	<ul> <li>As at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or</li> </ul>				
	b. If it does not have a remuneration committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive.	✓			
8.2	A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives.				
8.3	A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:	✓			
	a. Have a policy on whether participants are permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme; and				
	b. Disclose that policy or a summary of it.				



#### **Board**

#### The Board of Directors

The Board's role is to govern the Company rather than to manage it. In governing the Company, the Directors must act in the best interests of the Company as a whole. It is the role of senior management to manage the Company in accordance with the direction and delegations of the Board and it is the responsibility of the Board to oversee the activities of management in carrying out these delegated duties.

In carrying out its governance role, the primary role of the Board is the protection and enhancement of long-term shareholder value. The Board must also ensure that the Company complies with all of its contractual, statutory and any other legal obligations, including the requirements of any regulatory body. The Board has the final responsibility for the operations of the Company.

In general, the Board is responsible for, and has the authority to determine, all matters relating to the policies, practices, management and operations of the Company. It is required to do all things that may be necessary to be done in order to carry out the objectives of the Company. Full details of the Board's role and responsibilities are contained in the Board Charter, a copy of which is available on the Company's website.

The Board considers a diverse range of matters related to its role, including:

- Leadership;
- Strategy;
- · Shareholder Liaison;
- Risk Management;
- · Company Finances;
- Human Resources
- · Occupational Health and Safety; and
- Delegation of Authority.

#### Structure of the Board

The Board has been formed so that it has effective composition, size and commitment to adequately discharge its responsibilities and duties given its current size and scale of operations. The Company recognises the importance of Non-Executive Directors and the external perspective and advice that Non-Executive Directors can offer.

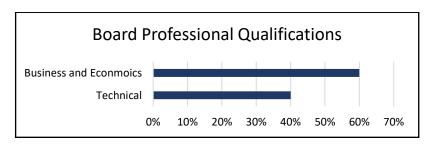
Members of the Board during the year were as follows:

Simon Youds (Non-Executive Independent Chairman) appointed 15 Mar 2019
Jess Oram\* (Executive Director & CEO) appointed 1 Jan 2018
Derong Qiu (Non-Executive Director) appointed 6 Nov 2009
Judy Li (Non-Executive Independent Director) appointed 16 Dec 2014
Chenchong Zhou (Non-Executive Independent Director) appointed 2 May 2017

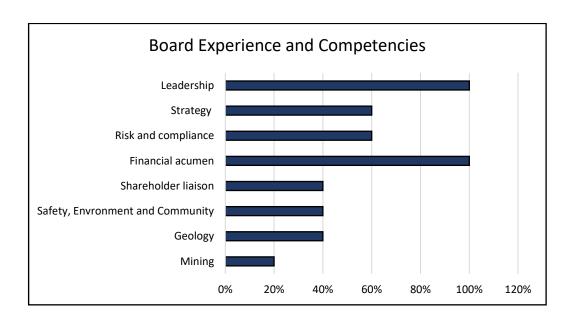
Jess Oram has resigned his executive role with the Company effective 15 July 2021 and has transitioned to a Non-Executive Director role from 16 July 2021.

#### **Director Skills, Experience and Attributes**

Directors are appointed based on the specific skills required by the Company and on other attributes such as their decision-making and judgment skills. The Company has established a Director Selection and Appointment Policy, a copy of which is published on the Company's website. A brief description of the Directors' qualifications and experience is included in the 2021 Annual Report.







#### **Chairman and Independent Directors**

Examples of interests, positions, associations and relationships that might cause doubts about the independence of a director include if the director:

- Is, or has been, employed in an executive capacity by the entity or any of its child entities and there has not been a period of at least three years between ceasing such employment and serving on the board;
- Is, or has within the last three years been, a partner, director or senior employee of a provider of material professional services to the entity or any of its child entities;
- Is, or has been within the last three years, in a material business relationship (e.g. as a supplier or customer) with the entity or any of its child entities, or an officer of, or otherwise associated with, someone with such a relationship:
- Is a substantial security holder of the entity or an officer of, or otherwise associated with, a substantial security holder of the entity;
- Has a material contractual relationship with the entity or its child entities other than as a director;
- Has close family ties with any person who falls within any of the categories described above; or
- Has been a director of the entity for such a period that his or her independence may have been compromised.

Mr Simon Youds was appointed Non-Executive Chairman of the Company on 15 March 2019 and was promoted to the position of Executive Director in May 2021. Mr Youds does not meet the Company's criteria for independence. The Board believes his experience and knowledge of the Company makes him an appropriate person to be an executive member of the Board.

Mr Jess Oram was appointed Executive Director and CEO of the Company on 1 January 2018 and does not meet the Company's criteria for independence. The Board believes his experience and knowledge of the Company makes him an appropriate person to be an executive member of the Board.

Mr Derong Qiu is a Non-Executive Director and does not meet the Company's criteria for independence by his standing as a substantial shareholder of the Company.

As at 30 June 2021, the Board consisted of two Executive and three Non-Executive Directors. Two of the five Board members are independent. The independence of the Board is subject to continual evaluation. The Board Charter established by the Company requires that the Board will consist of a mix of executive and non-executive directors with at least one being an independent director. Directors are appointed for terms not exceeding three years, however are eligible for reappointment. Whilst no condition is placed on a Board member's length of appointment, independence is considered within the context of this review.



#### **Company Secretary**

The Company Secretary is accountable to the Board, through the Chairman, on all governance matters. The Company Secretary attends all Board meetings and ensures that the business at Board meetings is accurately captured in minutes of these meetings.

#### **Board Meetings**

The following table sets out the number of directors' meetings held during the financial year ended 30 June 2021 and the number of meetings attended by each director.

	Board of Directors		
Director	Eligible to Attend	Attended	
Simon Youds	3	3	
Jess Oram	3	3	
Qiu Derong	3	3	
Judy Li	3	3	
Chenchong Zhou	3	3	

## **Board Committees**

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The role of a Remuneration Committee is to assist the Board in the effective discharge of its responsibilities, by advising and recommending to the Board matters relating to the remuneration of Directors and Senior Management of the Company. Due to the size of the Company, the Company has not deemed it necessary to form a separate remuneration committee, with the full Board focusing on these specific issues. The Board considers a diverse range of matters related to its role, as set out in the Board Charter including:

- Executive and Senior Management remuneration;
- Non-Executive Director remuneration;
- Short and long-term incentive plans; and
- Succession planning.

#### **Remuneration Policy**

The remuneration policy of the Company has been designed to align Director and Senior Management objectives with business objections and consequently shareholder returns. The Board of the Company believes the remuneration policy to be appropriate and effective in its ability to attract and retain appropriately skilled Directors to run and manage the Company.

#### 1. Executive Director Remuneration Policy

The Executive Director's remuneration is approved by the Board. The Executive Director receives a fixed salary. Options and performance incentives may also be issued to align the interests of the Executive Director with those of shareholders and increase Company performance.

#### 2. Non-Executive Directors Remuneration Policy

Non-Executive Director remuneration has been approved by the Board. The Board's policy is to remunerate Non-Executive Directors at market rates for comparable companies for time, commitment and responsibilities. The maximum aggregate amount of fees that can be paid to Non-Executive Directors is approved by shareholders.

#### 3. Senior Management Remuneration Policy

The Company is committed to remunerating its Senior Management in a manner that is market-competitive and consistent with best practice as well as supporting the interests of shareholders. Consequently, under the Performance Evaluation Policy, the remuneration of Senior Management may include but is not limited to, salary, superannuation, incentive awards, compensation payments, equity awards and service contracts. The Board may use its discretion with respect to the payment of bonuses, options and other incentive payments.

Full details regarding the remuneration of Directors and Senior Management is provided in the 2021 Annual Report.



#### **Audit and Risk Committee**

The role of an Audit and Risk Committee is to assist the Board in the effective discharge of its responsibilities, by advising and recommending to the Board matters relating to the effectiveness of the control environmental of the Company in areas of operational and balance sheet risk, legal and regulatory compliance and financial reporting. The Company has not formed an Audit and Risk Committee because The Board considers that it is more efficient for the full Board to focus on these specific issues.

The Board considers a diverse range of matters including:

- Financial controls and reporting;
- Internal controls and compliance procedures;
- External audit; and
- Risk management (economic, environmental and social sustainability).

The Board Charter and Risk Management Policy address these matters, copies of which are published on the Company's website.

Consideration as to the appointment and removal of external auditors is covered in the Company's Board Charter. The Company periodically obtains a written declaration of independence from its external auditors in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, a copy of which is included in the Company's Half Yearly and Annual Report. The external auditors' rotation rules require that an engagement partner or review partner may remain for a maximum of five years, and after that a 2 year rotation period applies.

#### **Internal Audit**

The role of an internal audit function is to independently review the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes. Given the size of Cauldron, the Company does not have an internal audit function because it is more efficient that the full Board carry out these specific functions. These functions are set out in the Board Charter, a copy of which is published on the Company's website.

#### **Attestations by Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer**

It is the Board's policy, that the Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer make the attestations per the Recommendations as to the Company's financial condition prior to the Board signing the Half Yearly and Annual Report. The certification required in accordance with section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001* is provided by the Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer prior to acceptance by the Board as a whole.

#### **Nominations Committee**

The role of a Nomination Committee is to help achieve a structured Board that adds value to the Company by ensuring an appropriate mix of skills are present in Directors on the Board at all times. As the whole Board consisted of six members during the year, the Company has not formed a nomination committee because it would not be a more efficient mechanism than the full Board for focusing the Company on these specific issues.

The responsibilities of a Nomination Committee would include devising criteria for Board membership, regularly reviewing the need for various skills and experience on the Board and identifying specific individuals for nomination as Directors for review by the Board. The Nomination Committee would also oversee Director and management succession plans and evaluate the Board's performance and make recommendations for the appointment and removal of Directors. Currently the Board as a whole performs this role.

The Board has established a Director Selection and Appointment Policy, a copy of which is published on the Company's website.



## **Company Policies**

The Company's Policies (summarised below) are published on the Company's website.

#### **Code of Conduct**

To assist the Board in carrying out its functions, it has developed a Code of Conduct to guide the Directors and Senior Management in the performance of their roles.

#### **Securities Trading Policy**

The Company has a Securities Trading Policy in place which complies with the ASX Listing Rules. The securities trading policy was recently reviewed.

Under the Company's Securities Trading Policy, a Director as well as officers, employees, contractors and consultants (collectively **Personnel**) must not trade in any securities of the Company at any time when they are in possession of unpublished, price-sensitive information in relation to those securities. Additionally, a Director and Personnel may not deal in the Company's securities 2 days preceding the release of annual results and half year results.

Before commencing to trade outside of those black-out periods, a Director and Personnel must notify the Chairman of their intention to do so and obtain confirmation from the Chairman that there is no impediment to the person in trading in the Company's securities.

As is required by the ASX Listing Rules, the Company notifies the ASX of any transaction conducted by a Director in the securities of the Company.

#### **Continuous Disclosure Policy**

Cauldron's Continuous Disclosure policy outlines how the Company manages its continuous disclosure obligations.

Cauldron publishes all of its ASX announcements on its website, including Notices of General Meetings, Investor Presentations, Quarterly, Half Yearly and Annual Reports. All announcements made to the ASX are available to shareholders by email notification when a shareholder subscribes to the Cauldron email alerts via the Company's website.

#### **Shareholder Communication Policy**

Cauldron respects the rights of its shareholders and is committed to communicating effectively with shareholders and the market. Cauldron's Shareholder Communication policy outlines how the Company communicates with shareholders and the financial markets and is designed to promote effective communication with shareholders and encourages their participation at general meetings. The Shareholder Communication Policy was recently reviewed.

Cauldron also has on its website, profiles of its Directors and Senior Management, a corporate governance section containing Cauldron's Constitution, Board Charter, Policies, and contact details of the Company's share registry. In addition, Cauldron has made available an e-mail address for shareholders and investors to make general enquires of the Company.

Cauldron encourages shareholder participation at general meetings with the Annual General Meeting (**AGM**) being the major forum for shareholders to ask questions about the performance of Cauldron. The Chairman allows reasonable opportunity for shareholders to ask questions at these meetings. The Chairman may respond directly to questions or, at his discretion may refer the question to another Director.

Cauldron's auditors are required to attend the AGM and shareholders are given reasonable opportunity to ask the auditor about the conduct of the audit, the preparation and content of the auditor's report, the accounting policies adopted by the Company and independence of the auditor. Shareholders are also invited to submit written questions to the Chairman before the meeting about the auditor's report or the conduct of the audit.

To encourage greater shareholder participation at general meetings, Cauldron provides the option for shareholders to vote by proxy electronically through its share registry.

#### **Director Selection and Appointment Policy**

Cauldron recognises the importance of having an appropriate mix of skills on the Board. The Company has established a Director Selection and Appointment Policy. This Director Selection and Appointment Policy was recently reviewed.



Directors are appointed based on the specific governance skills required by the Company. Given the size of the Company and the business that it operates, the Company aims at all times to have at least one Director with relevant industry experience. In addition, Directors should have the relevant blend of personal experience in accounting and financial management and Director-level business experience.

Directors are provided with a formal letter of appointment which sets out the terms and conditions of appointment including their duties, rights, responsibilities and expectations. Prior to the appointment of Directors, appropriate checks are undertaken into candidate's character, experience, education, criminal record and bankruptcy history.

The Company believes it is important that new Directors are able to contribute to the Board's decision making process at the earliest opportunity. An informal induction process exists and is facilitated by the Chairman. The process includes the new Director meeting with the other Board Members, Senior Management and the Company Secretary in order to gain an insight into the key issues and culture of the Company.

#### **Performance Evaluation Policy**

It is the policy of the Board to conduct annual reviews of its own performance and the performance of individual Directors (including the Executive Director). The performance of Senior Management is monitored by the Chairman with contributions from the Board.

The board performance evaluation process is conducted by way of annual questionnaire. A formal performance of the Board did not occur in the year, rather this was conducted informally.

Senior Management performance evaluation is conducted by way of an annual questionnaire which includes self-evaluation, manager evaluation and face to face meeting. A formal performance of Senior Management did not occur in the year, rather this was conducted informally.

In order to achieve continuing improvement in Board performance, all Directors are encouraged to undergo continual professional development. Specifically, Directors are provided with the resources and training to address skill gaps where they are identified.

#### **Risk Management Policy**

The Company manages its exposure it economic risk while it does not consider it has any material exposure to environmental or social sustainability risks. Cauldron recognises the importance of identifying and managing business risks and ensuring appropriate control measures are in place. The Company has established a Risk Management Policy and system for oversight and management of material business risk.

#### **Whistleblower Policy**

The Company encourages persons to raise any concerns and to report instances of any potential breach of law, any violations (or suspected violations) of the Company's Code of Conduct or any other legal or ethical concern without the fear of detriment.

#### **Diversity Policy**

The Company recognises that a talented and diverse workforce is a key competitive advantage and that an important contributor to the Company's success is the quality, diversity and skills of its people. The Company has established a Diversity Policy.

The Board is primarily responsible for setting achievable objectives on gender diversity and monitoring the progress of the Company towards them on an annual basis. Due to the size and scale of operations of the Company, the Board has determined that a long term gender diversity objective to meet or exceed an overall company-wide female rate of 35% each year is more appropriate.

The following table shows the representation of women in the Company as at 30 June 2021:

Personnel	Total Number	Women	% Women
Whole organisation	10	3	30%
Permanent technical personnel (excl. senior management)	1	1	100%
Permanent administration personnel (excl. senior			
management)	2	1	100%
Senior executives (excl. Executive Director)	2	1	50%
Board Members	5	1	20%