## **Appendix 4G**

## Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of entity

ABN/ARBN 70 625 645 338	Financial year ended:  30 JUNE 2024	
SOMERSET MINERALS LTD		

Our corporate governance statement<sup>1</sup> for the period above can be found at:<sup>2</sup>

☐ This URL on our website: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at 30 June 2024 and has been approved by the board.

The annexure includes a key to where our corporate governance disclosures can be located.3

Date: 30 September 2024

Name of authorised officer authorising lodgement:

Melanie Ross (Company Secretary)

Under Listing Rule 4.7.3, an entity must also lodge with ASX a completed Appendix 4G at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The Appendix 4G serves a dual purpose. It acts as a key designed to assist readers to locate the governance disclosures made by a listed entity under Listing Rule 4.10.3 and under the ASX Corporate Governance Council's recommendations. It also acts as a verification tool for listed entities to confirm that they have met the disclosure requirements of Listing Rule 4.10.3.

The Appendix 4G is not a substitute for, and is not to be confused with, the entity's corporate governance statement. They serve different purposes and an entity must produce each of them separately.

See notes 4 and 5 below for further instructions on how to complete this form.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</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.

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.

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 Listing Rule 4.10.3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Tick whichever option is correct and then complete the page number(s) of the annual report, or the URL of the web page, where your corporate governance statement can be found. You can, if you wish, delete the option which is not applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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 "OR" 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.

## ANNEXURE - KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES

Corpo	rate Governance Council recommendation	Where a box below is ticked, <sup>4</sup> we have followed the recommendation in <u>full</u> for the <u>whole</u> of the period above. We have disclosed this in our Corporate Governance Statement:	Where a box below is ticked, we have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Our reasons for not doing so are:5
PRINC	CIPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND O	/ERSIGHT	
1.1	A listed entity should have and disclose a board charter setting out:     (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.	and we have disclosed a copy of our board charter at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ 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 director or senior executive or putting someone forward 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.		□ set out 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.		□ set out 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.		set out 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> Tick the box in this column only if you have followed the relevant recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Where the recommendation has a disclosure obligation attached, you must insert the location where that disclosure has been made, where indicated by the line with "insert location" underneath. If the disclosure in question has been made in your corporate governance statement, you need only insert "our corporate governance statement". If the disclosure has been made in your annual report, you should insert the page number(s) of your annual report (eg "pages 10-12 of our annual report"). If the disclosure has been made on your website, you should insert the URL of the web page where the disclosure has been made or can be accessed (eg "www.entityname.com.au/corporate governance/charters/").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</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	Where a box below is ticked, <sup>4</sup> we have followed the recommendation <u>in full</u> for the <u>whole</u> of the period above. We have disclosed this in our Corporate Governance Statement:	Where a box below is ticked, we have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Our reasons for not doing so are:5
1.5	A listed entity should:  (a) have and disclose a diversity policy;  (b) through its board or a committee of the board set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board, senior executives and workforce generally; and  (c) disclose in relation to each reporting period:  (1) the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity;  (2) the entity's progress towards achieving those objectives; and  (3) either:  (A) the respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole workforce (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or  (B) 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.  If the entity was in the S&P / ASX 300 Index at the commencement of the reporting period, the measurable objective for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board should be to have not less than 30% of its directors of each gender within a specified period.	and we have disclosed a copy of our diversity policy at:  [insert location] and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraph (c) at:  [insert location] and if we were included in the S&P / ASX 300 Index at the commencement of the reporting period our measurable objective for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board of not less than 30% of its directors of each gender within a specified period.	set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period.	and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at:  https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/ and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process at:  https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/	<ul> <li>□ set out 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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1.7	evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period.	and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a> and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	<ul> <li>□ set out 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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PRINCI	PLE 2 - STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO BE EFFECTIVE AND 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	[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at:	set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
2.2	appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively.  A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.	[insert location]  and we have disclosed our board skills matrix at:  [insert location]	<ul> <li>         ⊠ set out 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>
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, affiliation 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 or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and  (c) the length of service of each director.		⊠ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.		set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR  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.		set out 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 for periodically reviewing whether there is a need for existing directors to undertake professional development to maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.		<ul> <li>□ set out 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>
PRINCIP	LE 3 – INSTIL A CULTURE OF ACTING LAWFULLY, ETHICALLY	AND RESPONSIBLY	
3.1	A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.		⊠ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
3.2	A listed entity should:  (a) have and disclose a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and  (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that code.	and we have disclosed our code of conduct at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
3.3	A listed entity should:  (a) have and disclose a whistleblower policy; and  (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy.	and we have disclosed our whistleblower policy at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
3.4	A listed entity should:  (a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and  (b) ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy.	and we have disclosed our anti-bribery and corruption policy at:  [insert location]	⊠ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCI	PLE 4 – SAFEGUARD THE INTEGRITY OF CORPORATE REPOR	TS .	
4.1	The board of a listed entity should:		
	(a) have an audit committee which:		
	<ol> <li>has at least three members, all of whom are non- executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and</li> </ol>		
	(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.		
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.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
4.3	A listed entity should disclose its process to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	PLE 5 - MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE		
5.1	A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1.	and we have disclosed our continuous disclosure compliance policy at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
5.2	A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
5.3	A listed entity that gives a new and substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of the presentation materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCIP	PLE 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.	and we have disclosed information about us and our governance on our website at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.2	A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.3	A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.	and we have disclosed how we facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders in notices of annual general meeting located at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/asx-announcements/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/asx-announcements/</a>	□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.4	A listed entity should ensure that all substantive resolutions at a meeting of security holders are decided by a poll rather than by a show of hands.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.5	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.		□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIP	PLE 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):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at:	set out 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 that the entity is operating with due regard to the risk appetite set by the board; and  (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.	and we have disclosed whether a review of the entity's risk management framework was undertaken during the reporting period at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	⊠ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
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 governance, risk management and internal control processes.		⊠ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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7.4	A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to environmental or social risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	and we have disclosed whether we have any material exposure to environmental and social risks at:  [insert location] and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks at:  [insert location]	⊠ set out 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):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: [insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed 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: [insert location]	set out 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.	and we have disclosed separately our remuneration policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives in the 2024 Annual Report located at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/asx-announcements/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/asx-announcements/</a>	<ul> <li>□ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</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.	and we have disclosed our policy on this issue or a summary of it at: <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	□ we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable



## Somerset Minerals Ltd Corporate Governance Statement 2024

The Board of Somerset Minerals Ltd ("SMM") ("the Company") is responsible for the corporate governance of the Company.

The Board has reviewed its current practices in light of the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations 4th Edition ("Recommendations") with a view to making amendments where applicable after considering the Company's size and the resources it has available.

As the Company's activities develop in size, nature and scope, the size of the Board and the implementation of any additional formal corporate governance committees will be given further consideration.

SMM's Corporate Governance Statement can also be found in the Corporate section of its website at <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>

The Board sets out below its "if not why not" report in relation to those matters of corporate governance where the Company's practices depart from the Recommendations.

	PRINCIPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MAI	NAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
1.1	A listed entity should disclose:  (a) respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and  (b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management	Adopted.  The Directors have adopted a Board Charter, which outlines the role of the Board. This is contained within their Corporate Governance Plan document, a copy of which is available on the Company's website:  https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/  Executive Service Agreements outline functions of the executive directors. Non-executive Director appointment letters outline the terms and conditions of non-executive director appointments. As the Company recruits additional management, the roles and responsibilities of these persons will be considered and documented.
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 reelect a Director  A listed entity should have a written	Adopted.  Material information in relation to a director up for election or re-election is provided in the Notice of Meeting for each AGM including background, other material directorships, term and the Board's consideration of them as independent director, and the Board statement as to whether it supports the election or re-election of the candidate.  Adopted.
1.5	agreement with each Director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	All directors, including Non-Executives have a written agreement with the Company setting out the terms of their appointments.
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.	Adopted.  The responsibilities of the Company Secretary are contained within the Board Charter.



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1.5	A listed entity should:  (a) Have a diversity Policy which includes requirements for Board/Committee to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and assess them and achieving them annually  (b) disclose that policy  (c) disclose at end of reporting period how objectives are being achieved via:  (i) respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole organisation (including how senior exec is defined); or  (ii) if entity is a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act, the entities most recent "Gender Equality	Partially Adopted.  The Company has adopted a Diversity Policy within its Corporate Governance Plan document. Although it contains objectives, they are general in nature and not considered measurable. There are no immediate plans to further develop these objectives to include measurable objectives.  The Company makes the following disclosures regarding the proportion of women employed in the organisation:  - Women on Board: 67%  - Women in Senior Management: 67%  - Women in whole organisation: 60%
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.	Adopted.  The Company has a performance evaluation policy, as detailed in Schedule 6 of its Corporate Governance Plan document providing for an annual review on the board, directors and management. An evaluation has not taken place within the financial year.
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.	Adopted.  As detailed above, the Company has a performance evaluation policy, which include the performance of executives. An evaluation did not take place this financial period.



	PRINCIPLE 2 – STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO ADD VAL	IE
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
2.1	The board of a listed entity should:  (a) Have a nomination committee which:  (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors; and  (ii) is chaired by a independent Director; and disclose:  (i) the charter of the committee; (ii) the members of the committee; and (iii) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met through 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 issue 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.	Not Adopted.  The Company does not have a separate nomination committee and the full board will consider the matters and issues arising that would usually fall to the nomination committee in accordance with the Nomination Committee Charter. The Company has adopted a Nomination Committee Charter setting out the board process to raise the issues that would otherwise be considered by the Nomination Committee. The Board consider that at this stage, no efficiencies or other benefits would be gained by establishing a separate nomination committee.  The Nomination Committee Charter is detailed in Schedule 5 of the Corporate Governance Plan document available on the Company's website  https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/
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.	Not Adopted.  The Company currently has a mixture of skills on the Board, including technical, financial, business, management and leadership.  No specific skills matrix is currently prepared and disclosed as the Company does not believe its current size and scale warrants that level of detail.
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 as described in Box 2.3 (Factors relevant to assessing independence) but the board is of the opinion that it doesn't compromise the independence of the Director, nature of the interest, position, association or relationship and an explanation as to why the board is of that opinion; and  (c) the length of service of each Director.	Not Adopted.  (a) N/A (b) N/A (c) Melanie Ross – appointed 18 April 2018, 6 years, 5 months Christopher Hansen – appointed 29 November 2023, 7 months Andrea Betti – appointed 29 November 2023, 7 months
2.4	A majority of the Board of a listed entity should be independent Directors.	Not Adopted.  Currently there are no members of the board who are considered independent directors as per box 2.3 of the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations.



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2.5	The Chair of a 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.	Partially Adopted.  The former Chairman, Mr Alexander Molyneux retired as a director of the Company on 29 November 2023. A Non-Executive Chairman was appointed subsequent to the financial year on 15 July 2024, Michael Edwards.  The former CEO, Mr Jason Bahnsen resigned during the financial year on 15 March 2024. Mr Christopher Hansen was appointed as Managing Director subsequent to the financial year on 1 July 2024.  The Chairman and Managing Director /CEO are not the same person and the Chairman is an independent Director.
2.6	A listed entity should have a program for	Adopted.
	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 Company Secretary currently completes the induction of new directors. All Directors have access to professional development opportunities to improve on their skills and knowledge to assist in their roles as directors.
	PRINCIPLE 3 – PROMOTE ETHICAL AND RESPONSIBL	E DECISION MAKING
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
3.1	A listed entity should articulate and disclose its	Not Adopted
	values.	The Company intends to develop and articulate its values within the short term.
3.2	A listed entity should:  (a) Have a code of conduct for its Directors, senior executives and employees; and  (b) disclose that code of conduct or a summary of it.	Adopted.  A copy of the Company's Code of Conduct is contained within the Company's Corporate Governance Plan which is published on the Company's website and available at <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a> The Board is informed of any material incidences
		under the policy.
3.3	A listed entity should:     (a) have and disclose a Whistleblower policy; and     (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy.	Adopted.  The Whistleblower Policy is on the Company's website and available at <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>
		The Board is informed of any material incidences under the policy.
3.4	A listed entity should:	Not Adopted.
	(a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and	



(b)	ensure that the board or a committee of
	the board is informed of any material
	incidents reported under that policy.

The Company mitigates material exposure to financial economic and social sustainability risks by ensuring it applies best practice procedures to ensure compliance with all relevant legal obligations.

	PRINCIPLE 4 – SAFEGUARD INTEGRITY IN FINANCIA	
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
4.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Not Adopted.
	<ul> <li>(a) have an audit committee which: <ul> <li>(i) has at least 3 members, all of whom are non-executive Directors and a majority of whom are independent Directors; and</li> <li>(ii) is chaired by an independent Director, who is not the chair of the board;</li> <li>And disclose:</li> <li>(iii) the charter of the committee</li> <li>(iv) the relevant qualifications and experience of the member of the committee; and</li> <li>(v) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the member at those meetings; or</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The Company does not have a separate audit and risk committee and the full board will consider the matters and issues arising that would usually fall to the audit and risk committee in accordance with the Audit and Risk Charter. The Company has adopted a Audit and Risk Charter setting out the board process to raise the issues that would otherwise be considered by the Audit and Risk Committee. The Board consider that at this stage, no efficiencies or other benefits would be gained by establishing a separate audit and risk committee.  The Audit and Risk Committee Charter is detailed in Schedule 3 of the Corporate Governance Plan document available on the Company's website  https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/
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.	Adopted.
4.3	A listed entity should disclose its process to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor.	Adopted.  The Interim Financial Statements are reviewed by the Company's Auditors. Each Quarterly Activities Report together with the Appendix 5B and Interim Financial Statements are reviewed and approved by the Board prior to their release.



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	In addition, under section 250RA of the
	Corporations Act 2001, the Company's auditor is
	required to attend the Company's annual general
	meeting at which the audit report is considered
	and must arrange to be represented at that meeting by a person who is a suitably qualified member of the audit team that conducted the audit and is in a position to answer questions about the audit.

	PRINCIPLE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISC	OSURE
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
5.1	A listed entity should:	Adopted.
	<ul> <li>(a) have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rules; and</li> <li>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it</li> </ul>	The Company has a Continuous Disclosure Policy which is published in the Company's Corporate Governance Plan document which is available on the Company's website. Refer <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>
5.2	A listed entity should ensure that its board receives a copy of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.	Adopted.
5.3	A listed entity that gives new substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of the presentation materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation.	Adopted.
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	PRINCIPLE 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SHAREHOLD Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	Adopted.  Refer to the Company's Corporate Governance page on its website <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-</a>
		governance/
6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	Adopted.  The Company has a Shareholder Communication strategy which is contained in the Company's Corporate Governance Plan document, which is published on its website – <a href="https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>
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.	Adopted.  The Company encourages participation at General Meetings upon the dispatch of its Notice of Meeting and advises security holders that they may submit questions they would like to be asked at the meeting to the Board and to the Company's auditors.



6.4	A listed entity should ensure that all substantive resolutions at a meeting of security holders are decided by a poll rather than a show of hands.	Adopted.
6.5	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	Adopted.  Welcome packs to all new shareholders provides these options to receive communications electronically. This option is also available to existing shareholders upon contacting the share registry.

	PRINCIPLE 7 – RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK	
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
7.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Not Adopted.
	<ul> <li>(a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:</li> <li>(i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors; and</li> <li>(ii) is chaired by an independent Director, And disclose:</li> <li>(iii) the charter of the committee;</li> <li>(iv) the members of the committee; and</li> <li>(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</li> <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>	The Company does not currently have a separate Risk Committee. The role of the risk committee is undertaken by the whole board. The Board follows the Audit and Risk Committee Charter and the Risk Management plan as contained within the Corporate Governance Plan document as published on the Company's website  https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/  Within the "Risk Management Policy" section of the Corporate Governance Plan, the Company undertakes regular risk management reviews.
7.2	The board or a committee of the board should:	Partially Adopted.
	<ul> <li>(a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and</li> <li>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Board reviews risk on a regular basis with following policies and procedures forming part of the Company's Risk Management Framework:</li> <li>Audit and Risk Committee Charter</li> <li>Risk Management Policy, as in Schedule 8 in the Corporate Governance document.</li> <li>A review has not taken place in the current</li> </ul>
		reporting period.
7.3	A listed entity should disclose:	Not Adopted
	(a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or	The Company does not have a structured formalised internal audit function, however historically the Board has reviewed the internal control systems and risk management policies on an annual basis.  Internal controls are reviewed on an annual basis.



	(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.	
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.	Not Adopted.  The Company does not have an Environmental, Social and Governance policy, but intends to review this in the short term.

	PRINCIPLE 8 – REMUNERATE FARILY AND RESPONSI	
	Recommendation	Somerset Minerals Ltd Current Practice
8.1	The board of a listed entity should:	Not Adopted.
	(a) have a remuneration committee which: (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent Directors;	The Company does not have a Remuneration Committee.
	and (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	The role of the remuneration committee is currently undertaken by the full board. The Company has adopted a Remuneration Committee Charter which is contained within the Company's Corporate Governance Plan document and published on the Company's website
	met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or	https://somersetminerals.com.au/corporate- governance/
	(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.	The Board follows the Remuneration Committee Charter which provides for dealing with board remuneration issues.
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.	Adopted.  This information is contained within the Remuneration Report of the Annual Report. Setting remuneration for executives is set out in the Remuneration Committee Charter.
8.3	A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:	Adopted.  The Company has an equity-based remuneration
	<ul> <li>(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</li> <li>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.</li> </ul>	scheme comprising an Employee Incentive Options Plan.

Corporate Governance Statement dated 30 June 2024

Approved by the Board 30 September 2024