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# **Appendix 4G and Corporate Governance Statement**

Please find attached Appendix 4G in accordance with Listing Rules 4.7.3 and 4.10.3 and a copy of the Company's Corporate Governance Statement.

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Krystel Kirou Joint Company Secretary

# **Appendix 4G**

# Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name	Name of entity:				
EZA	CORPORATION LIMITED				
ABN /	ARBN:	Financial year ended:			
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Our co	orporate governance statement <sup>2</sup> for the ab These pages of our annual report:	pove period above can be found at:3			
$\boxtimes$	This URL on our website:	http://www.ezacorp.com.au/assets/asx-announcements/Corporate-Governance-Statement.pdf			
The Coboard.	orporate Governance Statement is accura	ate and up to date as at 30 August 2016 and has been approved by the			
The ar	nnexure includes a key to where our corp	orate governance disclosures can be located.			
Date: 31 August 2016					
Kryst	el Kirou				
Joint	Company Secretary				

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 "<u>OR</u>" 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.

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.

<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

Corporate 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 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 [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>
1.2	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]	<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>
1.3	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]	<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>

<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.

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1.5	<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: <ul> <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]  at [insert location]  at [insert location]  at [insert location]  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         □ 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 <u>OR</u> at [insert location]  and the information referred to in paragraph (b):  in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> 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>
1.7	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	LE 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]	<ul> <li>         □ 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     </li> </ul>
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 <u>OR</u> 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 <u>OR</u> we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an annual general meeting and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCIPI	LE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE		пос аррисавіс
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 [insert location]	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCIPI	LE 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 ezacorp.com.au	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 [insert location]	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	[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):	an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
	(b) 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.	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  at [insert location]	
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.	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]	<ul> <li>         □ 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     </li> </ul>
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]	□ 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
8.3	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 <u>OR</u></li> <li>□ we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <u>OR</u></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

# **EZA CORPORATION LIMITED** ACN 151 155 734

# **Corporate Governance Statement**

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# 1 Principle 1 - Lay solid foundations for management and oversight

# Responsibilities of the Board

The Board is responsible for the following matters:

- ensuring the Company's conduct and activities are ethical and carried out for the benefit of all its stakeholders;
- development of corporate strategy, implementation of business plans and performance objectives;
- reviewing, ratifying and monitoring systems of risk management, codes of conduct, internal control system and legal and regulatory compliance;
- the appointment of the Company's Managing Director, Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent), Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary and other senior executives;
- monitoring senior executives' performance and implementation of strategy;
- determining appropriate remuneration policies;
- allocating resources and ensuring appropriate resources are available to management;
- approving and monitoring the annual budget, progress of major capital expenditure, capital management, and acquisitions and divestitures; and
- approving and monitoring financial and other reporting.

# Chairperson

The Chairperson is responsible for leadership of the Board and for the efficient organisation and conduct of the Board's business. The Chairperson should facilitate the effective contribution of all directors and promote constructive and respectful relations between directors and between the Board and management of the Company. The Chairperson is responsible for briefing directors on issues arising at Board meetings and ultimately is responsible for communications with shareholders and arranging Board performance evaluation. The person performing the role of Chairperson should be separate from the person performing the role of Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer.

# **Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer**

The Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer is responsible for running the affairs of the Company under delegated authority from the Board. In carrying out his or her responsibilities the Managing Director must report to the Board in a timely manner and ensure all reports to the Board present a true and fair view of the Company's financial condition and operational results.

# **Company Secretary**

The Company Secretary is responsible for monitoring the extent that Board policy and procedures are followed, advising the Board and its committees on governance matters and coordinating the timely completion and despatch of Board agendas and briefing material. All directors are to have access to the Company Secretary.

#### Agreements

All Directors, Executives and Employees, on their appointment, must sign an Employment agreements/Contract, as applicable prior to commencement with the Company. This agreement outlines the terms of each person's employment, a description of their position, duties, responsibilities, who they report to, remuneration, performance requirements, indemnity and insurance arrangements, confidentiality, access to information, termination provisions, entitlements and any other matters as appropriate.

#### Procedure for selection of new directors

The Company believes it is not of a size to justify having a Nomination Committee. If any vacancies arise on the Board, all directors are involved in the search and recruitment of a replacement. The Board believes corporate performance is enhanced when the Board has an appropriate mix of skills and experience.

In support of their candidature for directorship or re-election, non-executive directors should provide the Board with details of other commitments and an indication of time available for the Company. Prior to appointment or being submitted for re-election non-executive directors should specifically acknowledge to the Company that they will have sufficient time to meet what is expected of them. Re-appointment of directors is not automatic.

Where necessary, the Board will seek the advice of external advisers in connection with the suitability of applicants for board membership.

#### **Board Renewal**

The Board recognises that Board renewal is critical to performance and the impact of Board tenure on succession planning. Re-Appointment of directors is not automatic.

# **Informing Shareholders**

Shareholders shall be informed on the names of candidates submitted for election as directors. In order to enable shareholders to make an informed decisions regarding the election, the following information shall be supplied to shareholders:

- biographical details (including competencies and qualifications and information sufficient to enable an assessment of the independence of the candidate);
- details of relationships between the candidate and the Company; and the candidate and the directors of the Company;
- directorships held;
- particulars of other positions which involve significant time commitments;
- the term of office currently served by any directors subject to re-election; and
- any other particulars required by law.

#### **Performance Evaluation**

The Chairperson and/or the Managing Director are responsible for reviewing the performance of each executive at least once every calendar year with reference to the terms of their employment contract.

# Independent advice

To facilitate independent decision making, the Board and any committees it convenes from time to time may seek advice from independent experts whenever it is considered appropriate. With the consent of the Chairperson, individual directors may seek independent professional advice, at the expense of the Company, on any matter connected with the discharge of their responsibilities.

# **Access to information**

The Board has the right to obtain all information from within the Company which it needs to effectively discharge its responsibilities.

Senior executives are required on request from the Board to supply the Board with information in a form and timeframe, and of a quality that enables the Board to discharge its duties effectively. Directors are entitled to request additional information where they consider such information necessary to make informed decisions.

# Reportina

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 1.

# 2 Principle 2 - Structure the Board to add value

# Composition of the Board and Board Skills and Experience (Skills Matrix)

The Company will ensure that the Board will be of a size and composition that is conducive to making appropriate decisions and be large enough to incorporate a variety of perspectives and skills, and to represent the best interests of the Company as a whole rather than of individual shareholders or interest groups. It will not, however, be so large that effective decision-making is hindered.

Having an appropriate mix of skills and experience amongst our directors is a matter the Board reviews and plans for on a regular basis. The Skills Matrix identified the skills and experience of the current directors, and the skills and experience that the Board considers necessary and desirable for the future. The matrix considers professional skills, industry experience and diversity. The Board examines specific areas to ensure we have an appropriate balance of key competencies and perspectives.

# **Independent Directors**

The Company will regularly review whether each non-executive director is independent and each non-executive director should provide to the Board all information that may be relevant to this assessment. If a director's independence status changes this should be disclosed and explained to the market in a timely fashion.

The Company will endeavour to ensure that it has a majority of independent directors at all times, subject to the right of shareholders in general meeting to elect and remove directors.

# Chairperson

The Chairperson should be a non-executive director who is independent. The Chairperson should not be the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The Chairperson's other positions should not be such that they are likely to hinder the effective performance of their role of Chairperson of the Company.

#### Independent decision- making

All directors – whether independent or not - should bring an independent judgement to bear on Board decisions. Non-executive directors are encouraged to confer regularly without management present. Their discussions are to be facilitated by the Chairperson, if he or she is independent or the deputy Chairperson. Non-executive directors should inform the Chairperson before accepting any new appointments as directors.

#### Induction and education

The Board will implement an induction program to enable new directors to gain an understanding of:

- the Company's financial, strategic, operational and risk management position;
- the rights, duties and responsibilities of the directors;
- the roles and responsibilities of senior executives; and
- the role of any Board committees in operation.

Directors will have reasonable access to continuing education to update and enhance their skills and knowledge, including education concerning key developments in the Company and in the industries in which the Company's business is involved.

# Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 2.

# 3 Principle 3 - Promote ethical and responsible decision-making Code of conduct

The Board has adopted the Code of Conduct set out at Appendix A to promote ethical and responsible decision making by directors, management and employees. The Code embraces the values of honesty, integrity, enterprise, excellence, accountability, justice, independence and equality of stakeholder opportunity.

The Board is responsible for ensuring that training on the Code of Conduct is provided to staff and officers of the Company.

The Board is responsible for making advisers, consultants and contractors aware of the Company's expectations set out in the Code of Conduct.

# Policy for trading in Company securities

The Board has adopted a policy on trading in the Company's securities by directors, senior executives and employees.

The Board is responsible for ensuring that the policy is brought to the attention of all affected persons and for monitoring compliance with the policy.

# Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 3.

# 4 Principle 4 - Safeguard integrity in financial reporting

# **Audit and Risk Management**

The Company believes it is not of a size to justify having a separate Audit and Risk Management Committee. Ultimate responsibility for the integrity of the Company's financial reporting rests with the full Board. Given the small size of the Board, the directors believe an Audit Committee structure to be inefficient. All directors share responsibility for ensuring the integrity of the Company's financial reporting and appropriate Board processes must be implemented to perform the following audit and risk management functions:

#### External audit function:

- review the overall conduct of the external audit process including the independence of all parties to the process;
- review the performance of the external auditors;
- consider the reappointment and proposed fees of the external auditor; and
- where appropriate seek tenders for the audit and where a change of external auditor is recommended arrange submission to shareholders for shareholder approval;
- reviewing the quality and accuracy of published financial reports;
- reviewing the accounting function and ongoing application of appropriate accounting and business policies and procedures;
- reviewing and imposing variations to the risk management and internal control policies designed and implemented by Company management; and
- any other matters relevant to audit and risk management processes.

# **Verification of financial reports**

The Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) and Chief Financial Officer (or equivalent) are required by the Company to state the following in writing prior to the Board making a solvency declaration pursuant to section 295(4) of the Corporations Act:

 that the Company's financial reports contain a true and fair view, in all material respects, of the financial condition and operating performance of the Company and comply with relevant accounting standards; and  that the declaration provided in accordance with section 295A of the Corporations Act is founded on a sound system of risk management and that the system is operating effectively in all material respects in relation to financial reporting risks.

# **Annual General Meeting**

The Company ensures a representative from the Company's external auditors is present at the Annual General Meeting and available to answer questions from shareholders relevant to the audit.

# Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 4.

# 5 Principle 5 - Make timely and balanced disclosure

# **Disclosure Policy**

The Board has adopted a Disclosure Policy for ensuring timely and accurate disclosure of pricesensitive information to shareholders through the ASX set out in Appendix B.

The Disclosure Policy ensures that:

- all investors have equal and timely access to material information concerning the Company including its financial position, performance, ownership and governance; and
- Company announcements are subjected to a vetting and authorisation process designed to ensure they:
- are released in a timely manner;
- are factual:
- do not omit material information; and
- are expressed in a clear and objective manner that allows investors to assess the impact of the information when making investment decisions.

# Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 5.

# 6 Principle 6 - Respect the rights of shareholders

#### Investor Relations program

The Board aims to ensure that the shareholders are informed of all major developments affecting the Company and encourages effective two way communication with shareholders.

# **Communication with Shareholders**

The Board is committed to open and accessible communication with holders of the Company's shares and other securities. Disclosure of information and other communication will be made as appropriate by mail or email. Through the Share Registry, Shareholders are able to elect their preferred means of communication.

The Company's website will also be used to provide additional relevant information to security holders. The Board considers the following to be appropriate features for the Company's website:

- placing the full text of notices of meeting and explanatory material on the website;
- providing information about the last 2 years' press releases or announcements plus at least 2 years of financial data on the website:
- an overview of the Company's business;
- the Company's Constitution, Board Charter and key Corporate Governance documents.
- the names and brief biography details of the Board and Key executives; and
- providing information updates to security holders on request by email.

# **General Meetings**

The Company is committed to improving shareholder participation in general meetings. In order to achieve that objective, the Company has adopted guidelines of the ASX Corporate Governance Council for improving shareholder participation through the design and content of notices and through the conduct of the meeting itself.

# Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 6.

# 7 Principle 7 - Recognise and manage risk

# Creation and implementation of Company risk management policies

It is the responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) to create, maintain and implement risk management and internal control policies for the Company, subject to review by the Board.

The Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) must report to the Board on a half yearly basis regarding the design, implementation and progress of the risk management policies and internal control systems.

# **Audit and Risk Management**

As referenced with respect to Principle 4, the Board has not established an Audit and Risk Management Committee for the reasons given above. Additionally, the Board believes the Company is not of a size to justify the establishment of an Independent Internal Audit Function. This function is carried out by the full Board.

The principal areas of risk for the Company are in:

- occupational health and safety and work related safety risks; and
- financial risk in the areas of maintaining sufficient funding for the continuation of operations and risks related to fraud, misappropriation and errors.

The Company currently is not subject to material exposure to environmental and social sustainability risks.

#### Review by the Board

The Board will review the effectiveness of implementation of the risk management system and internal control system at least annually.

When reviewing risk management policies and internal control system the Board should take into account the Company's legal obligations and should also consider the reasonable expectations of the Company's stakeholders, including security holders, employees, customers, suppliers, creditors, consumers and the community.

#### **Chief Executive Officer**

The Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) is required annually to state in writing to the Board that the Company has a sound system of risk management, that internal compliance and control systems are in place to ensure the implementation of Board policies, and that those systems are operating efficiently and effectively in all material respects.

#### Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 7.

# 8 Principle 8 - Remunerate fairly and responsibly

# Director and senior executive remuneration policies

The Company's remuneration policy is structured for the purpose of:

- motivating senior executives to pursue the long-term growth and success of the Company;
   and
- demonstrating a clear relationship between senior executives' performance and remuneration.

The Board's responsibility is to set the level and structure of remuneration for officers (including but not limited to directors and secretaries) and executives, for the purpose of balancing the Company's competing interests of:

- attracting and retaining senior executives and directors; and
- not paying excessive remuneration.

Executive directors' remuneration should be structured to reflect short and long-term performance objectives appropriate to the Company's circumstances and goals.

Executive directors' and senior executives' remuneration packages should involve a balance between fixed and incentive-based pay, reflecting short and long-term performance objectives appropriate to the Company's circumstances and goals.

Non-executive directors' remuneration should be formulated with regard to the following guidelines:

- non-executive directors should normally be remunerated by way of fees, in the form of cash, non-cash benefits, superannuation contributions or equity, usually without participating in schemes designed for the remuneration of executives; and
- non-executive directors should not be provided with retirement benefits other than superannuation.

No director may be involved in setting their own remuneration or terms and conditions and in such a case relevant directors are required to be absent from the full Board discussion.

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The Company believes it is not of a size to justify having a Remuneration Committee and that it has Board processes in place which raise the issues which would otherwise be considered by a committee.

# **Equity Based Remuneration**

The Company seeks Shareholder approval for all proposed equity based remuneration, as and when such remuneration is proposed.

#### Reporting

The Company, will, in the corporate governance statement section of its Annual Report, include the recommended information set out in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles in relation to the Guide to reporting on Principle 8.

# **Appendix A - Code of Conduct**

#### Introduction

1 This Code of Conduct sets out the standards which the Board, management and employees of the Company are encouraged to comply with when dealing with each other, the Company's shareholders and the broader community.

# Responsibilities to shareholders

2 The Company aims:

- 2.1 to increase shareholder value within an appropriate framework which safeguards the rights and interests of shareholders; and
- 2.2 to comply with systems of control and accountability which the Company has in place as part of its corporate governance with openness and integrity.

Responsibilities to clients, employees, suppliers, creditors, customers and consumers 3 The Company will comply with all legislative and common law requirements which affect its business

# **Employment practices**

4 The Company will employ the best available staff with skills required to carry out the role for which they are employed. The Company will ensure a safe workplace and maintain proper occupational health and safety practices.

# Responsibility to the community

5 The Company will recognise, consider and respect environmental, native title and cultural heritage issues which arise in relation to the Company's activities and comply with all applicable legal requirements.

# Responsibility to the individual

6 The Company recognises and respects the rights of individuals and will comply with the applicable laws regarding privacy and confidential information.

# Obligations relative to fair trading and dealing

7 The Company will deal with others in a way that is fair and will not engage in deceptive practices.

# Business courtesies, bribes, facilitation payments, inducements and commissions

8 Corrupt practices are unacceptable to the Company. It is prohibited for the Company or its directors, managers or employees to directly or indirectly offer, pay, solicit or accept bribes or any other corrupt arrangements.

#### **Conflicts of interest**

9 The Board, management and employees must report any situations where there is a real or apparent conflict of interest between them as individuals and the interest of the Company. Where a real or apparent conflict of interest arises, the matter must be brought to the attention of the Chairperson in the case of a Board member, the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) in the case of a member of management and a supervisor in the case of an employee, so that it may be considered and dealt with in an appropriate manner.

#### **Compliance with the Code of Conduct**

10 Any breach of compliance with this Code of Conduct is to be reported directly to the Chairperson.

#### **Periodic review of Code**

11 The Company will monitor compliance with this Code of Conduct periodically by liaising with the Board, management and staff. Suggestions for improvements or amendments to this Code of Conduct can be made at any time to the Chairperson.

# **Appendix B - Disclosure Policy**

# **Disclosure Requirements**

1 The Company recognises its duties pursuant to the continuous disclosure rules of the ASX Listing Rules and Corporations Act to keep the market fully informed of information which may have a material affect on the price or value of the Company's securities.

2 Subject to certain exceptions (in ASX Listing Rule 3.1A), the Company is required to immediately release to the market information that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities.

# Responsibilities of directors, officers and employees

3 The Board as a whole is primarily responsible for ensuring that the Company complies with its disclosure obligations and for deciding what information will be disclosed. Subject to delegation, the Board is also responsible for authorising all ASX announcements and responses of the Company to ASX queries.

4 Every director, officer and employee of the Company is to be informed of the requirements of this policy and must advise the Managing Director, Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent), Chairperson or Company Secretary as soon as possible (and prior to disclosure to anyone else) of matters which they believe may be required to be disclosed.

#### **Authorised Disclosure Officer**

5 The Board has delegated its primary responsibilities to communicate with ASX to the following Authorised Disclosure Officer:

- 5.1 the Company Secretary or
- 5.2 in the absence of the Company Secretary, the Managing Director, Chief Executive Officer or a designated Executive Director who is authorised to act in that capacity by the Board.

# **Responsibilities of Authorised Disclosure Officer**

- 6 Subject to Board intervention on a particular matter, the Authorised Disclosure Officer is responsible for the following:
  - 6.1 monitoring information required to be disclosed to ASX and coordinating the Company's compliance with its disclosure obligations;
  - 6.2 ASX communication on behalf of the Company, authorising Company announcements and lodging documents with ASX;
  - 6.3 requesting a trading halt in order to prevent or correct a false market;
  - 6.4 providing education on these disclosure policies to the Company's directors, officers and employees; and
  - 6.5 ensuring there are vetting and authorisation processes designed to ensure that Company announcements:
    - i. 6.5.1 are made in a timely manner;
    - ii. 6.5.2 are factual;
    - iii. 6.5.3 do not omit material information;
    - iv. 6.5.4 are expressed in a clear and objective manner that allows investors to assess the impact of the information when making investment decisions.

7 An Authorised Disclosure Officer must be available to communicate with the ASX at all reasonable times, and are responsible for providing contact details and other information to ASX to ensure such availability.

#### Measures to avoid a false market

8 In the event that ASX requests information from the Company in order to correct or prevent a false market in the Company's securities, the Company will comply with that request. The extent

of information to be provided by the Company will depend on the circumstances of the ASX request.

9 If the Company is unable to give sufficient information to the ASX to correct or prevent a false market, the Company will request a trading halt.

10 If the full Board is available to consider the decision of whether to call a trading halt, only they may authorise it, but otherwise, the Authorised Disclosure Officer may do so.

#### **ASX Announcements**

- 11 Company announcements of price sensitive information are subjected to the following vetting and authorisation process to ensure their clarity, timely release, factual accuracy and inclusion of all material information:
  - 11.1 The Authorised Disclosure Officer must prepare ASX announcements when required to fulfil the Company's disclosure obligations.
  - 11.2 Proposed announcements must be approved by the Chairperson and Managing Director.
  - 11.3 Announcements must first be released to the ASX Announcements Platform before being disclosed to any other private or public party (such as the media). After release of the announcement, it must be displayed on the Company's website, following which the Company can then release such information to media and other information outlets.
  - 11.4 Wherever practical, all announcements must be provided to the directors, Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) and Company Secretary prior to release to the market for approval and comment.

# Confidentiality and unauthorised disclosure

12 The Company must safeguard the confidentiality of information which a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities. If such information is inadvertently disclosed, the Authorised Disclosure Officer must be informed of the same and must refer it to the Chairperson and Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) as soon as possible.

#### **External communications and Media Relations**

- 13 The Chairperson and Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) are authorised to communicate on behalf of the Company with the media, government and regulatory authorities, stock brokers, analysts and other interested parties or the public at large. No other person may do so unless specifically authorised by the Chairperson, Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent).
- 14 All requests for information from the Company must be referred to the Authorised Disclosure Officer for provision to the Chairperson and Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent).

# **Breach of Disclosure Policy**

15 Serious breaches of this disclosure policy may be treated with disciplinary action, including dismissal, at the discretion of the Board.

16 Where the breach is alleged against a member of the Board, that director will be excluded from the Board's consideration of the breach and any disciplinary action for the Company to take.