

# Appendix 4G

## Key to Disclosures

### Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of entity

Metgasco Ltd

ABN/ARBN

24 088 196 383

Financial year ended:

30 June 2021

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

- ☐ These pages of our annual report:
- ☒ This URL on our website: <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance>

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at *[insert effective date of statement]* and has been approved by the board.

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

Date: 20 October 2021

Name of authorised officer authorising  
lodgement: Paul Bird – Company Secretary

<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.

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.

<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>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.

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

**ANNEXURE – KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES**

Corporate Governance Council recommendation		Where a box below is ticked, <sup>4</sup> we have followed the recommendation <b>in full</b> for the <b>whole</b> of the period above. We have disclosed this in our Corporate Governance Statement:	Where a box below is ticked, we have <b>NOT</b> followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Our reasons for not doing so are: <sup>5</sup>
<b>PRINCIPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT</b>			
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed a copy of our board charter at: <a href="https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/board-charter">https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/board-charter</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable

<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>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.

## Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

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1.5	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a diversity policy;</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(c) disclose in relation to each reporting period:</p> <p>(1) the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity;</p> <p>(2) the entity's progress towards achieving those objectives; and</p> <p>(3) either:</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>If the entity was in the S&amp;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.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed a copy of our diversity policy at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>[insert location]</p> <p>and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraph (c) at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>[insert location]</p> <p>and if we were included in the S&amp;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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
1.6	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p>and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>

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1.7	<p>A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a process for evaluating the performance of its senior executives at least once every reporting period; and</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) in our Corporate Governance Statement and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>

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<b>PRINCIPLE 2 - STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO BE EFFECTIVE AND ADD VALUE</b>			
2.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a nomination committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed 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 at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
2.2	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.	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed our board skills matrix in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
2.3	<p>A listed entity should disclose:</p> <p>(a) the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors;</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(c) the length of service of each director.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p>and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b) in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p>and the length of service of each director in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
<b>PRINCIPLE 3 – INSTIL A CULTURE OF ACTING LAWFULLY, ETHICALLY AND RESPONSIBLY</b>			
3.1	A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed our code of conduct at: <a href="https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/values">https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/values</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed our code of conduct at: <a href="https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/code-conduct-policy">https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/code-conduct-policy</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed our whistleblower policy at: <a href="https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/whistleblower-policy">https://www.metgasco.com.au/information/whistleblower-policy</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed our whistleblower policy at: <a href="http://www.metgasco.com.au/information/anti-bribery-and-corruption-policy">http://www.metgasco.com.au/information/anti-bribery-and-corruption-policy</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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<b>PRINCIPLE 4 – SAFEGUARD THE INTEGRITY OF CORPORATE REPORTS</b>			
4.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have an audit committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board,</p> <p>and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p>and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed 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 at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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<b>PRINCIPLE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE</b>			
5.1	A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed our continuous disclosure compliance policy in our Corporate Governance Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
<b>PRINCIPLE 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS</b>			
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed information about us and our governance on our website at: <a href="http://www.metgasco.com.au/information/corporate-governance-statement">http://www.metgasco.com.au/information/corporate-governance-statement</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed how we facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders in our Corporate Governance Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement



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<b>PRINCIPLE 7 – RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK</b>			
7.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p>and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) in our Corporate Governance Statement</p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed 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 at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
7.2	<p>The board or a committee of the board should:</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed whether a review of the entity's risk management framework was undertaken during the reporting period in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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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 governance, risk management and internal control processes.	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</i> and we have disclosed how our internal audit function is structured and what role it performs at: ..... <i>[insert location]</i> <i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</i> and we have disclosed 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 at: ..... <i>[insert location]</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed whether we have any material exposure to environmental and social risks in our Corporate Governance Statement and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks in our Corporate Governance Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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<b>PRINCIPLE 8 – REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY</b>			
8.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a remuneration committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</i></p> <p>and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p> <p><i>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</i></p> <p>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:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
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.	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>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 at: <a href="http://www.metgasco.com.au/annual-reports">http://www.metgasco.com.au/annual-reports</a></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
8.3	<p>A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed our policy on this issue or a summary of it at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <b>OR</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>

## Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Corporate 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: <sup>5</sup>
<b>ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS THAT APPLY ONLY IN CERTAIN CASES</b>			
9.1	A listed entity with a director who does not speak the language in which board or security holder meetings are held or key corporate documents are written should disclose the processes it has in place to ensure the director understands and can contribute to the discussions at those meetings and understands and can discharge their obligations in relation to those documents.	<input type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed information about the processes in place at: ..... <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> we do not have a director in this position and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
9.2	A listed entity established outside Australia should ensure that meetings of security holders are held at a reasonable place and time.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> we are established in Australia and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
9.3	A listed entity established outside Australia, and an externally managed 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <b>OR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> we are established in Australia and not an externally managed listed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an AGM and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
<b>ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES APPLICABLE TO EXTERNALLY MANAGED LISTED ENTITIES</b>			
-	<i>Alternative to Recommendation 1.1 for externally managed listed entities:</i> 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; and (b) the role and responsibility of the board of the responsible entity for overseeing those arrangements.	<input type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) at: ..... <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement

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-	<p><i>Alternative to Recommendations 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 for externally managed listed entities:</i></p> <p>An externally managed listed entity should clearly disclose the terms governing the remuneration of the manager.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>and we have disclosed the terms governing our remuneration as manager of the entity at:</p> <p>.....</p> <p><i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

## Corporate Governance Statement

for the year ended 30 June 2021

as at 20 October 2021

Metgasco Ltd (**Metgasco** or the **Company**) and its Board of Directors are committed to maintaining and promoting good corporate governance practices within the Company for the benefit of stakeholders and the broader community.

Corporate Governance is the framework of rules, relationships, systems and processes within which and by which authority is exercised and controlled in corporations. Metgasco's board of directors (**Board**) is responsible for the corporate governance of the Company and has taken into account its size and activities in the development of its corporate governance framework.

Metgasco provides its **Corporate Governance Statement** with reference to the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX**) Corporate Governance Council's *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations – 4<sup>th</sup> Edition (Principles)*.

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

*Recommendation 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.*

The Board operates in accordance with its charter and the Company's **Constitution**. The Board takes responsibility for the performance of the Company and for developing and implementing corporate governance practices.

The Board has established a **Board Charter**, which describes the role of the Board and the role of management. The Charter sets out the composition, role and responsibilities of the Board. The minimum number of Directors is three and the maximum is nine. Appointments to the Board are based on merit, skills, expertise and experience. Metgasco's Board Charter can be found on its website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/charter>

The Board accepts that it is responsible for:

1. reviewing and approving Metgasco's strategic plans and performance objectives and the underlying assumptions and rationale;
2. reviewing and approving the risk management monitoring systems and systems of internal control;
3. reviewing and approving the Company's financial objectives and ensuring that the necessary financial and human resources are in place for the Company to meet its objectives;
4. ensuring that the performance of management is regularly assessed and monitored;
5. setting the Company's values and standards of conduct and ensuring that these are adhered to;
6. appointing and approving the terms and conditions of the appointment of the CEO and reviewing and providing feedback on the performance of the CEO and other officers and senior management;
7. reviewing the performance of the Board, individual directors and board committees;
8. endorsing the terms and conditions of senior executives through the Nomination and Remuneration Committee<sup>1</sup>;
9. monitoring compliance with legal and regulatory obligations and ethical standards including reviewing and ratifying codes of conduct and compliance systems;
10. approving and monitoring the annual budget and business plan, major operating and capital expenditure, capital management and material variations;
11. authorising expenditure approval limits for the executive officers of the Company and authorising expenditure in excess of these discretionary limits;
12. approving all mergers, acquisitions and disposals of projects and businesses;
13. authorising the issue of securities and instruments of the Company; and

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<sup>1</sup> The Board has currently suspended the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and any nomination or remuneration matters are dealt with directly by the Board.

14. ensuring that the Company conducts all its activities in an environmentally responsible and sustainable way by planning and managing all activities to ensure minimum environmental impact:
- a) determining and implementing policies and procedures to ensure that the ASX is promptly and adequately informed of all matters considered to be material, in accordance with the Company's continuous disclosure obligations; and
  - b) reviewing and recommending to shareholders the appointment, or if appropriate, the termination of the external auditor. Senior management is responsible for managing the Company and operates under direction and delegation from the Board. The day to day management of the Company is delegated to the CEO.

The Board has established one committee, namely the Audit and Risk Management Committee. As noted above The Board has currently suspended the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and any nomination or remuneration matters are dealt with directly by the Board.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee has its own charter describing its composition, structure and membership requirements. The Committee's Charter is reviewed on an annual basis.

The timetables for Board and Audit and Risk Management Committee meetings are agreed annually to ensure that the Board and individual directors dedicate sufficient and appropriate time to reviewing and overseeing Metgasco's business.

All directors operate under a letter of appointment and are parties to a **Deed of Access and Indemnity** with the Company. Directors are appointed by the Board subject to election by shareholders at the next Annual General Meeting (**AGM**) with one-third of the Board being subject to re-election at each subsequent AGM. The Chairman is elected by the Board. The performance of directors is reviewed on an ongoing basis.

*Recommendation 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.

Prior to appointing a director or recommending a person for election as a director, the Company undertakes appropriate background checks on their qualifications, experience, education, character, bankruptcy history and criminal record.

The following information is provided to security holders about a candidate standing for election or re-election:

- biographical details;
- details of other directorships held by the candidate;
- a statement as to the independence of the candidate;
- details of any adverse information revealed as part of the checks performed about the director;
- details of any interest, position association or relationship that might impact on the ability of the director to be independent;
- the term of office currently served by the director; and
- a statement by the board as to whether it support the election or re-election of the candidate.

*Recommendation 1.3: A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.*

In the case of a non-executive director, their Letter of Appointment sets out:

- the term of appointment;
- the time commitment envisaged, including any expectations regarding involvement with committee work and any other special duties attaching to the position;
- remuneration, including superannuation entitlements;
- the requirement to disclose directors' interests and any matters which may affect the director's independence;
- the requirement to comply with key corporate policies, including the Company's Code of Conduct and Securities Trading Policy;

- the Company's policy on when directors may seek independent professional advice at the expense of the Company (which generally should be whenever directors, especially non-executive directors, judge such advice necessary for them to discharge their responsibilities directors);
- the circumstances in which the director's office becomes vacant;
- indemnity and insurance arrangements;
- ongoing rights of access to corporate information; and
- ongoing confidentiality obligations.

In the case of an executive director or other senior executives, the agreement would set out the information above (to the extent applicable), as well as:

- a description of their position, duties and responsibilities;
- the person or body to whom they report;
- the circumstances in which their service may be terminated (with or without notice);
- any entitlements on termination; and
- any circumstances in which their remuneration may be clawed back.

*Recommendation 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 company secretary is accountable directly to the Board, through the Chairman, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the Board. The company secretary is also responsible for advising the Board, through the Chairman, on all governance matters, as well as helping to organise and facilitate the induction and professional development of directors, as required.

The decision to appoint or remove a company secretary is approved by the Board.

*Recommendation 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.*

The Board has adopted a **Diversity Policy** which requires that the Company embrace and promote diversity in the workplace. Metgasco aims to establish a corporate culture which is conducive to the appointment of well qualified persons and which embraces employee diversity which includes age, gender, ethnicity, physical appearance, values, lifestyle, religion, education and family responsibilities. Metgasco recognises the benefits that diversity brings to maximising corporate goals.

Metgasco's Diversity Policy can be found on its website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

As the Company only has two employees (two males), it has not been able to apply this recommendation.

The proportion of women represented at these levels in Metgasco as at the date of this report is as follows:

- Women represented on the Board: 0%
- Women represented in Senior Executive Positions: 0%
- Women represented in the Whole Organisation: 0%



*Recommendation 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.*

The Board undertakes ongoing self-assessment and review of its performance and of the performance of the Chairman and individual directors.

A performance review process was not conducted in the 2021 financial year (**FY2021**) due to the current circumstances of the Company.

*Recommendation 1.7: A listed entity should:*

*(a) have and disclose a process for evaluating the performance of its senior executives at least once every reporting period; 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.*

When appointed, all senior executives will have formal position descriptions and each year their key performance measures will be established in line with the Company's objectives and their roles and responsibilities.

All newly appointed senior executives will receive formal letters of appointment describing their terms of appointment, duties, rights and responsibilities.

The Company has two senior executives who are the CEO and CFO. Given the size and nature of the Company's operations, the performance of the CEO and CFO are monitored on an ongoing basis by the non-executive directors. During the reporting period a formal performance review took place.

## **Principle 2: Structure the Board to add value**

*Recommendation 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;*

*(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.*

The Board comprises of the managing director and four non-executive directors, three of whom are independent. As noted above, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee is currently suspended and did not meet during FY2021, and all nomination or remuneration matters are dealt with directly by the Board. When active, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee operated under a Charter which described its role, responsibilities, composition, structure and membership requirements.

*Recommendation 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.*

## Skills and experience

Leadership	8
Corporate Governance	8
Strategy	8
Operations	8
Health & Safety	7
Engineering	8
Sector Experience	7
Hydrocarbons	7
Finance & Risk	8
Commercial	8
Finance & capital	8
Acquisitions	8
Risk Management	7
People	7
Human Resources	7
Technology	7
Stakeholder relations	8
Community relations	7
Australia	9
International	7

*Recommendation 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 of the Principles 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 Board considers that Philip Amery, Robbert Willink and Peter Lansom are independent and whereas John Patton is not considered independent as he is a nominee director of substantial shareholder of the Company. Mr. Amery was appointed to the Board on 23 December 2015; Mr Patton was appointed to the Board on 19 September 2016; Mr Willink was appointed to the Board on 5 February 2018; and Mr Lansom on 4 August 2021.

*Recommendation 2.4: A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.*

The Board considers that an independent director is one who:

- is not a member of management;
- is not a substantial shareholder of the Company or associated with a substantial shareholder of the Company;
- within the last three years has not been employed in an executive capacity by the Company or has not been a director of the Company for such a period that his/her or independence may have been compromised;

- within the last three years, has not been a principal of a material professional advisor or a material consultant to the Company;
- is not a material supplier or customer of the Company or an officer of or otherwise associated directly or indirectly with a material supplier or customer;
- has no material contractual relationship with the Company;
- has not served on the Board for a period which could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with the Director's ability to act in the best interests of the Company; and
- is free from any business interest that could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with the director's ability to act in the best interest of the Company.

The independence of directors is assessed regularly. Currently, the Board is comprised of five directors, three of whom are considered to be independent.

As noted above the Board considers that Mr Amery is an independent director. Mr Amery served as an Executive Chairman for a period of one month during the Company's search for a CEO. The Board considers that Mr Amery continues to be an independent director of the Company given the brief duration that Mr Amery acted in an executive capacity.

*Recommendation 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 Board has appointed an independent Chairman, Mr Amery. The roles of the Chairman and CEO are exercised by different individuals and there is a clear division of responsibility between the independent Chairman and the CEO.

*Recommendation 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 Board regularly reviews whether the directors as a group have the skills, knowledge and familiarity with the Company and its operating environment required to fulfil their role on the Board effectively and, where any gaps are identified, consider what training or development could be undertaken to fill those gaps.

### **Principle 3: Act ethically and responsibly**

*Recommendation 3.1: A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.*

A copy of the Company's Values is available from the Company's website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

*Recommendation 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.*

The Board has adopted a **Code of Conduct** which requires that all Metgasco directors, officers, employees, and contractors must perform their business in accordance with all relevant laws and regulations and in accordance with the Company's policies and procedures.

The Code of Conduct requires that all directors, officers, employees and contractors are expected to avoid conflicts of interest with regard to the Company's interests. Directors and officers are required to advise the company secretary of any perceived conflict of interest. Where related party or conflict of interest matters arise, the Chairman may require the exclusion of the relevant director or officer from any decision made in relation to the perceived conflict of interest or related party matter.

The Board is committed to ensuring a safe workplace. All operations are planned and managed to ensure that employees are working under safe conditions. Directors and employees are required to comply with all legislative

requirements relating to workplace safety and to establish effective safety management practices. Employees are encouraged to suggest improvements to workplace safety.

A copy of the Company's Code of Conduct is available from the Company's website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

*Recommendation 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.*

*Recommendation 3.4: A listed entity should:*

- (a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and*
- (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy.*

The Company has adopted a whistleblower policy and an anti-bribery and corruption policy, each of which sets out the procedure to follow in the event of a reported violation of the relevant policy. Material incidents under the whistleblower policy, and material breaches of the anti-bribery and corruption policy, are to be reported to the Board.

A copy of both the Company's Whistleblower Policy and Anti-Bribery and Corruption policy are available from the Company's website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

#### **Principle 4: Safeguard integrity in financial reporting**

*Recommendation 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.*

The Audit and Risk Management Committee met twice during the year to deal with audit and audit review matters and to ensure that the accounting and financial policies and controls, risk management systems and compliance with regulatory and statutory requirements are in place, adequate and effective.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee is comprised of five directors, three of whom are independent non-executive directors. The Committee is chaired by Mr Patton, and whilst he is not considered independent, the Board has formed the opinion that his extensive finance experience in the corporate and professional services sectors and that he was previously a partner with Ernst & Young in the Transactions Advisory Services division, he is the most qualified of the directors to chair this Committee.

The relevant qualifications and experience of each member is disclosed in the annual report under the directors report section.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee operates under a formal charter. The Board appoints independent external auditors under a letter of appointment which includes a scope and plan. Full access to the Company's

records, personnel and support are provided. Open communications with the auditors and management are maintained.

The *Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter* is available on the Company's website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/charter>.

*Recommendation 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 CEO and CFO sign a declaration that the financial records of the Company 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 Company prior to the board approving the Company's financial statements.

*Recommendation 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.*

The Company's auditor is requested to attend the Company's AGM. Any questions forwarded to the company secretary concerning the audit are forwarded to the auditor for answering at the AGM. At the AGM, shareholders are given an adequate opportunity to ask the auditor questions relevant to the audit.

## **Principle 5: Make timely and balanced disclosure**

*Recommendation 5.1: A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1.*

*Recommendation 5.2: A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.*

*Recommendation 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.*

Metgasco communicates with its shareholders in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) and the ASX Listing Rules. All ASX announcements, media releases and other relevant material are retained on Metgasco's website for a minimum of three years. The Board has adopted a **Continuous Disclosure Policy** to ensure all investors have equal and timely access to material information concerning the Company, including its financial position, performance, ownership and governance. The policy outlines procedures to ensure that directors and senior executives of the Company comply with its continuous disclosure obligations. The Board has delegated the function of continuous disclosure to the company secretary and Chairman.

The Company's Continuous Disclosure Policy is available on the Company's website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

## **Principle 6: Respect the rights of shareholders**

*Recommendation 6.1: A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.*

Metgasco has a **Corporate Governance** landing page on its website from where all relevant corporate governance information can be accessed. The corporate governance page of our website includes links to:

- the names, photographs and brief biographical information for each of its directors and senior executives when appointed;

- its constitution, the charter for the Board and the charters of each of its board committees;
- the corporate governance policies and other corporate governance materials referred to in these Principles.

Our website includes links to:

- copies of the Company's annual reports and financial statements;
- copies of the Company's announcements to ASX;
- an overview of the Company's current business;
- copies of media releases Metgasco makes;
- contact details for enquiries from shareholders, analysts or the media; and
- contact details for the Company's share registry.

*Recommendation 6.2: A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.*

Metgasco's investor relations program incorporates actively engaging with shareholders at the AGM, meeting with them upon request and responding to any enquiries they may make from time to time.

Metgasco's **Shareholder Communications Policy** can be found on our website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

*Recommendation 6.3: A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.*

The Board has endorsed a communications strategy which is designed to promote effective communication with shareholders and encourage effective participation at general meetings. The strategy includes the publication of:

- the Annual Report;
- the Half-Yearly Report;
- Quarterly Cash Flow and Activities Reports;
- the Annual General Meeting and other meetings called to obtain approval for Board action as appropriate;
- the Company's website at [www.metgasco.com.au](http://www.metgasco.com.au) and
- continuous disclosure of material information.

At the AGM, the Chairman encourages questions and comments from shareholders and seeks to ensure the AGM is managed to give shareholders an opportunity to participate. Shareholders can ask questions about or comment on the operations of the Company and the performance of the Board and management. The external auditor is requested to attend the AGM and is available to answer shareholder questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the auditor's report.

The Company and its share registry, Link Market Services, both give shareholders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the Company and Link Market Services electronically.

*Recommendation 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.*

All substantive resolutions at meetings of security holders are decided by poll.

*Recommendation 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.*

The Company and its share registry, Link Market Services, both give shareholders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the Company and Link Market Services electronically.

## **Principle 7: Recognise and manage risk**

*Recommendation 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.

The Board takes a proactive approach to management of the risks that Metgasco faces. The Board is responsible for oversight of the processes whereby the risks, and also opportunities, are identified on a timely basis and that the Company's strategies and activities are aligned with the risks and opportunities identified by the Board. The risk management approach is supported by the *Risk Management Policy* which has been endorsed by the Board.

The Company's **Risk Management Policy** is available on the Company's website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.

*Recommendation 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.

The Company uses a standard risk management approach to identify, assess, mitigate and report against identified risks. During the period, management has provided reports to the Board to aid in the discussion and management of key risk issues.

The Company conducted a review of the risk management framework during the financial year.

*Recommendation 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.

Metgasco does not have an internal audit function.

The external auditor reports findings on relevant risk and control issues to the Board after the half year review and the annual audit.

*Recommendation 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.*

The Company's material business risks are addressed in the annual report.

The Company has an environmental, health and safety management system to mitigate the risks of incidents, if at some time in the future, the Company undertakes exploration activities.

The Company has a community consultation plan to address social sustainability risks, if at some time in the future, the Company undertakes exploration activities.

## **Principle 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly**

*Recommendation 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.*

The Board has adopted a formal charter for the Nomination and Remuneration Committee which describes its role, responsibilities, composition, structure and membership. As noted above, the Board has suspended the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and any nomination or remuneration matters are dealt with directly by the Board.

*Recommendation 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.*

The structure of non-executive directors' remuneration is described in the audited *Remuneration Report* included in the Company's Annual Report.

*Recommendation 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.*

Metgasco does not currently have an equity based incentive scheme in place.

Metgasco's **Securities Trading Policy** can be found on its website at <http://www.metgasco.com.au/corporate-governance/policies>.