

# Appendix 4G

## Key to Disclosures

### Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of entity

MANTLE MINERALS LIMITED

ABN/ARBN

42 082 593 235

Financial year ended:

30 June 2024

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: <https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/>

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at 27 September 2024 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: 27 September 2024

Name of authorised officer authorising lodgement: Johnathon Busing – Non-Executive Director / 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://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</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.

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<p>1.5 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed a copy of our diversity policy at: <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a></p> <p>and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraph (c) in our Corporate Governance Statement.</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 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>
<p>1.6 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"/> and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at: <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a></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) at:  <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>  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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 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>
2.2	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"/> and we have disclosed our board skills matrix in Annexure A of 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"/> 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 the Company's Annual Report</p> <p>and the length of service of each director in the Company's Annual Report</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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 values at: <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</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://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</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://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</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 anti-bribery and corruption policy at: <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</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"/> 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 in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
4.2	<p>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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
4.3	<p>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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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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 at: <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	<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="https://mantleminerals.com.au/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/</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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 at: <a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a>	<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"/> 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 in our Corporate Governance Statement</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"/> and we have disclosed whether a review of the entity's risk in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
7.3	<p>A listed entity should disclose:</p> <p>(a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> set out in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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7.4	A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to environmental or social risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed whether we have any material exposure to environmental and social risks in the Company's Annual Report and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks in the Company's Annual Report	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 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>
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"/> 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:</p> <p><a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> and we have disclosed our policy on this issue or a summary of it at:</p> <p><a href="https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/">https://mantleminerals.com.au/corporate-governance/</a></p>	<p><input 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>

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<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

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>
-	<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>



**ACN 082 593 235**

**Corporate Governance Statement  
for the year ended 30 June 2024**

The board of directors of Mantle Minerals Ltd (Mantle Minerals) (the Company) is responsible for establishing the corporate governance framework of the Company having regard to the ASX Corporate Governance Council's (CGC) Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (Recommendations) and CGC published guidelines.

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 4.10.3, this Corporate Governance Statement (Statement) discloses the extent to which the Company has followed the Recommendations by detailing the Recommendations that have not been adopted by the Company and the reasons why they have not been adopted. In the areas where the Company does not follow the Recommendations, the Company is working toward compliance or does not consider that the practices are appropriate for the current size and scale of operations.

This Statement was approved by the board of directors and is current as at 27 September 2024.

## **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 has adopted the Board Charter set out in Appendix A of the Corporate Governance Policies setting out the respective roles and responsibilities of its Board and management and those matters expressly reserved to the Board and those delegated to management.

### **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.*

The Company shall ensure that prior to appointing a director or recommending a new candidate for election as a director that appropriate checks are undertaken as to the person's character, experience, education, criminal record and bankruptcy history.

The following information about a candidate standing for election or re-election as a director should be provided to security holders to enable them to make an informed decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect the candidate:

1. biographical details, including their relevant qualifications and experience and the skills they bring to the Board;
2. details of any other material directorships currently held by the candidate;
3. in the case of a candidate standing for election as a director for the first time:
  - a. any material adverse information revealed by the checks the entity has performed about the director;
  - b. details of any interest, position, association or relationship that might influence, or reasonably be perceived to influence, in a material respect his or her capacity to bring an independent judgement to bear on issues before the board and to act in the best interests of the entity and its security holders generally; and
  - c. if the Board considers that the candidate will, if elected, qualify as an independent director, a statement to that effect;
4. in the case of a candidate standing for re-election as a director:
  - a. the term of office currently served by the director; and
  - b. if the Board considers the director to be an independent director, a statement to that effect; and
5. a statement by the Board as to whether it supports the election or re-election of the candidate.

A candidate for appointment or election as a non-executive director should provide the Board with the information above and a consent for the Company to conduct any background or other checks the entity would ordinarily conduct. The candidate should also provide details of his or her other commitments and an indication of time involved and should specifically acknowledge to the Company that he or she will have sufficient time to fulfil his or her responsibilities as a director.

**Recommendation 1.3**

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

The Company shall enter into a written service contract with each of its executive directors and senior executives which sets out at a minimum a description of their:

1. position;
2. duties;
3. responsibilities;
4. to whom they report;
5. circumstances in which their service contract may be terminated; and
6. any entitlement upon termination.

The Company shall provide each non-executive director a letter of appointment which sets out at a minimum:

1. their term of appointment;
2. expected commitments;
3. remuneration;
4. requirements to disclose directors' interests which may affect the director's independence;
5. requirements to comply with Company policies;
6. the Company's policy on when directors may seek independent advice;
7. the circumstances in which the director's office becomes vacant;
8. indemnity and insurance arrangements;
9. ongoing rights of access to corporate information; and
10. confidentiality obligations.

The Company has had written agreements, or is preparing such agreements, with each of its Directors for the past financial year.

**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 charged with facilitating the Company's corporate governance processes and so holds primary responsibility for ensuring that the Board processes and procedures run efficiently and effectively. The Company Secretary is accountable to the Board, through the Chairman, on all governance matters and reports directly to the Chairman as the representative of the Board. The Company Secretary is appointed and dismissed by the Board and all Directors have as of right access to the Company Secretary.

The tasks of the Company Secretary shall include:

1. Meetings and Minutes
  - a. Notifying the directors in writing in advance of a meeting of the Board as specified in the Constitution;
  - b. Ensuring that the agenda and Board papers are prepared and forwarded to Directors prior to the Board meeting;
  - c. Recording, maintaining and distributing the minutes of all Board and Board committee meeting;
  - d. Maintaining a complete set of Board papers;
  - e. Preparing for and attending all annual and extraordinary general meetings of the Company; and
  - f. Recording, maintaining and distributing the minutes of all general meetings of the Company.
2. Compliance
  - a. Overseeing the Company's compliance program and ensuring all Company legislative obligations are met;
  - b. Ensuring all requirements of ASX, ASIC, the ATO and any other regulatory body are fully met; and
  - c. Providing counsel on corporate governance principles and Director liability.
3. Governance Administration
  - a. Advising the Board and any committees on governance matters;
  - b. Monitoring that Board and committee policy and procedures are followed;
  - c. Coordinating the timely completion and dispatch of Board and community papers;



- d. Ensuring that the business at Board and committee meets is accurately captured in the minutes; and
- e. Helping to organise and facilitate the induction and professional development of directors.

#### **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.*

*If the entity was in the S&P / ASX300 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 specific period.*

The Board has adopted a policy on achieving gender, age and ethnic diversity in the Company's Board and employees as set out in Appendix B of the Corporate Governance Policies.

The Board shall set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its Board, senior executives and workforce generally.

The Chief Executive Officer and the Company Secretary are responsible for ensuring the policy is brought to the attention of all affected persons and for monitoring compliance with the policy.

The Company reviews its gender diversity at board level annually, currently the board of directors has 4 males and 0 females however the company uses the services of female contractors.

#### **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 Chairperson shall review the performance of the Chief Executive Officer, each Director and each Board committee at least once every calendar year and the Chief Executive Officer shall review the performance of executive management at least once every calendar year with reference to the terms of their employment contract.

The Company has not completed a performance evaluation in respect of the Board and individual Directors for the past financial year in accordance with the above process as the Company does not consider itself of a sufficient size, but all Board members are regularly assessed, informally and internally, by each other.

#### **Recommendation 1.7**

*A listed entity should:*

- (a) *have and disclose a process for periodically 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.*

The Chairperson shall review the performance of the Chief Executive Officer, each Director and each Board committee at least once every calendar year and the Chief Executive Officer shall review the performance of executive management at least once every calendar year with reference to the terms of their employment contract.

The Company has not completed a performance evaluation in respect of its senior executives for the past financial year in accordance with the above process as the Company does not consider itself of a sufficient size, but senior executives are regularly assessed, informally and internally, throughout the year.

## **Principle 2: Structure the Board to Be Effective and 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; 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.*

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 for and recruitment of a replacement to the maximum extent permitted under the Corporations Act and ASX Listing Rules. The Board believes corporate performance is enhanced when the Board has an appropriate mix of skills, experience, expertise and diversity.

### **Recommendation 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.*

The Board has adopted and disclosed a Board skill matrix attached in Annexure A to this Corporate Governance Statement. The composition of the Board should be reviewed regularly against the Company's board skills matrix to ensure the appropriate mix of skills and expertise is present.

### **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, affiliation or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 of the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (4<sup>th</sup> Edition), but the board is of the opinion that it does not compromise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position, or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and*

*(c) the length of service of each director.*

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. The Company should disclose:

1. the names of the directors considered by the Board to be independent directors;
2. if a director has an interest, position, association or relationship of the type that might cause doubts about the independence of the director, 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
3. the length of service of each director.

Currently, the Board is structured as follows: Nicholas Poll (Executive Chairman), Johnathon Busing (Non-Executive Director), David Hugh Greenwood (Non-Executive Director) and Robert Mosig (Non-Executive Director). The Board considers two of the Directors (Robert Mosig and David Hugh Greenwood) to be independent. One of the Directors

is not considered to be independent by reason of their executive role (Nicholas Poll) and the other by reason of the shares held in the Company (Johnathon Busing).

The Company's Annual Report discloses the length of service of each Director as at the end of each financial year.

**Recommendation 2.4**

*A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors*

The Company will endeavour to ensure that the majority of its directors are independent at all times, subject to the right of security holders in general meeting to elect and remove directors.

The Board currently comprises a total of four (4) directors, of whom two are considered to be independent.

**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.*

In the event that the Company has a non-executive Chairperson, that person should be an independent director. In the event that the Company has an executive Chairperson, the deputy Chairperson should be an independent director. The Chairperson will 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.

Mr Nicholas Poll is the Company's Executive Chairman, and he is not the CEO/Managing Director. However, he is not considered independent by reason of his executive role.

**Recommendation 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.*

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

1. the Company's financial, strategic, operational and risk management position;
2. the culture and values of the Company;
3. the rights, duties and responsibilities of the directors;
4. the roles and responsibilities of senior executives;
5. the role of any Board committees in operation;
6. meeting arrangements; and
7. director interaction with each other, senior executives and other stakeholders.

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 the relevant industry sector.

The Company Secretary assists in the facilitation of inductions and professional development and regularly provides information to the Directors which may assist in their professional development. The Board shall review at least annually the professional development needs of its existing directors.

**Principle 3: Instil a Culture of Acting Lawfully, Ethically and Responsibly**

**Recommendation 3.1**

*A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.*

The Company's values are set out in its Code of Conduct in Appendix C of the Corporate Governance Policies and it is available on the Company's website.

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for inculcating the Company's values across the organisation including ensuring all employees receive appropriate training on the values and senior executives continually reference and reinforce those values and interactions with staff.

### **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 set out in Appendix C of the Corporate Governance Policies 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 Chief Executive Officer is responsible for ensuring that training on the Code of Conduct is provided to staff and officers of the Company.

The Chief Executive Officer and the Company Secretary are responsible for making advisers, consultants and contractors aware of and accountable to the Company's expectations set out in the Code of Conduct.

Material breaches of the Code of Conduct must be reported to the Board.

### **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.*

The Company has adopted a Whistleblower Policy set out in Appendix D of the Corporate Governance Policies.

Material incidents under the Whistleblower Policy must be reported to the Board.

### **Recommendation 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.*

The Company has adopted an Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy set out in Appendix E of the Corporate Governance Policies.

Material breaches of the Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy must be reported to the Board.

## **Principle 4: Safeguard the Integrity of Corporate Reports**

### **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 Company believes it is not of the size to justify having an Audit and Risk Management Committee. Accordingly, the Board carries out the duties that would ordinarily be carried out by the Audit and Risk Management Committee pursuant to the Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter set out in Appendix F of the Corporate Governance

Policies until such time as the size of the Company and the number of Directors increases, upon which the Company will establish a separate Audit and Risk Management Committee accordingly.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee's mandate is to:

1. review the integrity of the Company's financial reporting;
2. identify and manage risks including business, economic, environmental and social sustainability risks;
3. review the Company's risk management framework; and
4. oversee the independence and competence of the external auditors.

#### **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 Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer (or equivalent) are required to state the following in writing prior to the Board approving the Company's financial statements for a financial period:

1. that in their opinion the Company's financial reports have been properly maintained and 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
2. that the opinion 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.

The Company has obtained a sign off on these terms for each of its financial statements in the past financial year.

#### **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 Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer (or equivalent) shall review each periodic corporate report released to ASX that is not audited or reviewed by an external audit to verify the accuracy of those reports before they are released to ASX.

### **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.*

The Board has adopted a Disclosure Policy for ensuring timely and accurate disclosure of price-sensitive information to security holders through the ASX set out in Appendix G of the Corporate Governance Policies.

The Disclosure Policy ensures that:

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

#### **Recommendation 5.2**

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

Under the Company's Disclosure Policy, the 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.*

Under the Company's Disclosure Policy, a copy of any new and substantive investor or analyst presentation must be released to ASX ahead of the presentation.

**Principle 6: Respect the Rights of Security Holders****Recommendation 6.1**

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

The Company's website provides the following relevant information to security holders:

1. the names, photographs and brief biographical information for each of its directors and senior executives;
2. its Constitution;
3. the Corporate Governance Policies and other Corporate Governance materials;
4. copies of its annual reports and other financial statements;
5. copies of its announcements to ASX;
6. copies of notices of meetings of security holders and any accompanying documents;
7. if it keeps them, webcasts and/or transcripts of meetings of security holders and copies of any documents tabled or otherwise made available at those meetings;
8. if it keeps them, webcasts and/or transcripts of investor or analyst presentations and copies of materials distributed at those presentations; and
9. such other information as is required by the ASX Listing Rules or recommended by the ASX Corporate Governance Council.

**Recommendation 6.2**

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

The Company is currently not of a sufficient size and does not have sufficient human resources to implement such a program and relies on its Executive Chairman and Company Secretary to perform this role.

**Recommendation 6.3**

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

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.

Shareholders are encouraged to participate at all general meetings and AGMs of the Company and provided with the opportunity to participate in shareholder meetings by allowing them to vote in person or by proxy.

**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.*

The Company shall ensure all substantive resolutions at a meeting of shareholders are decided by a poll rather than by a show of hands.

All resolutions at the Company's 2023 AGM were decided by a 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 Board is committed to open and accessible communication with holders of the Company's shares. Disclosure of information and other communication will be made as appropriate by mail or email. Security holders shall be given

the option to receive communication from, and send communications to, the Board and its security registry 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 Company believes it is not of the size to justify having an Audit and Risk Management Committee. Accordingly, the Board will comprise and carry out the duties that would ordinarily be carried out by the Audit and Risk Management Committee pursuant to the Audit and Risk Management Committee Charter set out in Appendix F until such time as the size of the Company and the number of Directors increases, upon which the Company will establish a separate Audit and Risk Management Committee.

The risk management review has taken place within the year.

### **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 Board must review the effectiveness of implementation of the risk management system at least annually.

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

The Chief Executive Officer 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.

### **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.*

The Board believes it is not of a size to justify having an internal audit function for efficiency purposes.

The Board as a whole is ultimately responsible for establishing and reviewing the Company's policies on risk profile, oversight and management and satisfying itself that management has developed and implemented a sound system of governance, risk management and internal control.

### **Recommendation 7.4**

*A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to environmental and social risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.*

Risk management policies and procedures shall be adopted to identify, assess and minimise material risks affecting the Company including the following categories:

1. operational;
2. environmental;
3. sustainability;
4. social;
5. compliance;
6. strategic;
7. ethical conduct;
8. reputation or brand;
9. technological;
10. product or service quality;
11. human capital;
12. financial reporting; and
13. market-related risks.

The risk management policies and procedures shall include a procedure to determine whether the Company has a material exposure to environmental or social risks and if it does, a policy to manage those risks.

The Company discloses this information in its Annual Report and on its ASX Website as part of its continuous disclosure obligations.

## **Principle 8: Remunerate Fairly and Responsibly**

### **Recommendation 8.1**

*The board of a listed entity should:*

- (a) *have 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 Company believes it is not of a size to justify having a Remuneration Committee.

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

1. motivating executive directors and senior management to pursue the long-term growth and success of the Company; and
2. demonstrating a clear relationship between executive directors' and senior management's performance and remuneration.

The Board's responsibility is to set the level and structure of remuneration for executive directors and senior management, for the purpose of balancing the Company's competing interests of:

1. attracting and retaining executive directors and senior management; and
2. 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 management's remuneration packages should involve a balance between fixed and incentive pay, reflecting short and long-term performance objectives appropriate to the Company's circumstances and goals.

The Board undertakes the role of the Remuneration Committee with the assistance of any external advice which may be required from time to time. The Board aims to ensure remuneration levels are competitively set to suitably



experienced and qualified Directors and senior executives, having regards to the Company's status and performance.

### **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.*

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

1. non-executive directors should normally be remunerated by way of fees, in the form of cash fees, superannuation contributions and non-cash benefit in lieu of fees (such as salary sacrifice into superannuation or equity);
2. the level of a non-executive director's fixed remuneration should reflect the time commitment and responsibilities of the role;
3. non-executive directors should not generally receive performance based remuneration as it may lead to bias in their decision making, and compromise their objective;
4. non-executive directors are able to receive equity based remuneration if the Board believe that the participation is in the interests of security holders but should generally not receive equity based remuneration with performance hurdles that may lead to bias in decision making and compromise objectivity; and
5. non-executive directors should not be provided with retirement benefits other than superannuation.

### **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.*

If the Company offers any equity-based remuneration scheme, participants will not be permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme unless specifically approved by the Board.

**ANNEXURE A****MANTLE MINERALS LIMITED****ACN 082 593 235****(COMPANY)****BOARD SKILLS MATRIX**

<b>NAME OF DIRECTOR</b>	<b>NICHOLAS POLL</b>	<b>JOHNATHON BUSING</b>	<b>DAVID GREENWOOD</b>	<b>ROBERT MOSIG</b>
Industry	✓	✓	✓	✓
Operational experience	✓	-	✓	✓
Financial acumen	-	✓	-	-
Experience as a non-executive Director of other ASX-listed entities	-	-	✓	✓
Leadership and governance	✓	✓	✓	✓
Risk management experience	✓	✓	✓	✓
Capital markets	-	✓	✓	-
Human resources	✓	✓	✓	-
Strategy	✓	✓	✓	✓