

BuildingIQ, Inc.
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Corporate Governance Statement
Reporting Period: Financial year ended 31 December 2020

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1. Introduction

Corporate governance is a set of systems, policies and procedures which define the way in which a company is governed. It establishes the objectives of a company ensuring that the administration and management of a company is undertaken in a manner which is consistent with the interests of the company's security holders. Additionally, it establishes a system for monitoring and evaluating the achievement of those objectives.

The ASX Corporate Governance Council "*Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations*" (**ASX Recommendations**) define corporate governance as "the framework of rules, relationships, systems and processes within and by which authority is exercised and controlled in corporations".

Corporate governance policies will vary from company to company as there is no single system of corporate governance that is applicable to all companies. A company must establish systems, processes and policies that help it achieve its objectives in light of the nature and size of that company.

As a result, BuildingIQ and its controlled entities (the **Group**) has adopted a number of policies to ensure that it has high-quality and transparent systems of corporate governance in place. These policies are prepared in line with the ASX Recommendations which the Board recognises as best practice guidelines.

In accordance with the ASX Listing Rules, the Company has elected to publish its Statement of Corporate Governance Practices on its website (www.buildingiq.com) and will lodge an Appendix 4G annually which sets out a Key to Disclosures – Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations. This will be lodged on the same date as the Company's Annual Report.

Prior to the change of management in June 2020, the Company's Board was comprised of Mr. Gerd Goette (based out of USA), who was the acting CEO and Chairman of the Board was Mr. William Dean (based out of Australia). The above Officers have resigned upon appointment of the new management. These significant changes, impacted the Company's compliance with relevant ASX Recommendations during the reporting period which has been noted in the said Corporate Governance Statement.

1.Lay Solid foundations for management and oversight

Recommendation 1.1

The Board has a charter which sets out its roles and responsibilities and which defines the matters which are reserved to the board and those which are delegated to management. The Board Charter is available on the Company's website. In summary, the Board is responsible for the overall operation, strategic direction, leadership, and integrity of the Company and in particular, is responsible for the Group's growth and profitability including the following functions:

(a) *Strategy for Current and Future Growth*: approving the Group's current business growth strategy, future business growth strategies, and performance objectives, including reviewing performance against objectives, approving, and overseeing capital management and significant transactions;

(b) *Risk management* – overseeing the Group's risk management ensuring that significant risks are appropriately identified and managed,

(c) *Reporting* -Monitoring and appraising financial performance including the approval of annual and half

year financial reports and liaising with the Group's auditors,

(d) *Management* – reviewing Management's performance and ensuring that appropriate and effective remuneration packages and policies are implemented by the Group,

(e) *Board Performance* – reviewing composition and performance of the Board,

(f) *Remuneration* -ensuring appropriate remuneration policies and practices are in place for non-executive directors and executives and reviewing the allocation and amount of remuneration for executive and non-executive directors,

(g) *Corporate governance* -ensuring compliance with the Constitution and the continuous disclosure requirements of the ASX Listing Rules, the General Corporation Law and the Corporations Act (to the extent that the Act applies),

(h) *Shareholders* -communicating with, and protecting the rights and interests of, all Shareholders.

The Board has delegated responsibility to the Chief Executive Officer for implementing the running of the general operations and financial business of the Company, in accordance with the delegated authority of the Board.

Recommendation 1.2

BuildingIQ undertakes appropriate checks in relation to the appointment of any new director. The Board undertakes checks in relation to the candidate's character, experience, education, criminal record, and bankruptcy history.

Under the Company's Bylaws, all directors must stand for re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company. The Board will provide all material information in its possession relevant to enabling security holders to make an informed decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a director. In relation to the re-election of directors during the reporting period, this information included biographical details, details of other material directorships held and length of service.

Although the Board aims to achieve thorough investigation of the credentials of the Board members and its employees, in senior management and throughout the Company, it has determined that no specific measurable objectives will be established until the number of employees increases to a level sufficient to enable meaningful and achievable objectives to be developed as the Board and the Group currently remains dedicated to rebuilding the Company amidst the operational, business, legal and financial challenges faced by the Board and the senior management and its employees.

Recommendation 1.3 – Agreements with Directors and Senior Executives

All directors and the senior executives have a written agreement setting out the terms of their appointment.

Recommendation 1.4 – Company Secretary

The Company Secretary is accountable directly to the Board, through the Chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the Board. For the current year, the Company used 3rd party Secretarial services to fulfill the role and responsibility of a Company Secretary.

Recommendation 1.5 -Diversity

The Board acknowledges the value and merit of diversity on its Board and throughout the Company to enhance the Company's performance and better reflect the diversity of its stakeholders. The Board continues to champion the Company's development of a skilled and diverse workforce and a workplace culture characterised by inclusive practices and behaviours for the benefit of all staff members, and which

values the contributions of employees with diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives. Upon review, the Board has concluded that at this stage of the Company's development, it has strived to fulfill the Diversity guidance from ASX to the best of its abilities as outlined below. Beyond the below adopted organization structure, the Company remains committed to establishing a formal diversity policy due to the limited number of personnel employed by the Company. Although the Board aims to achieve an appropriate mix of diversity on its board, in senior management and throughout the Company, it has determined that no specific measurable objectives will be established until the number of employees increases to a level sufficient to enable meaningful and achievable objectives to be developed. The Board's position on this will be reviewed annually.

The current senior management team comprises of two female management executives, one in the position of Finance and Comptroller, and another one in the Company's Operations position. Further, one of the key senior technology management role is being held by a female member whereas other 3 technology engineering, finance and administration roles are held by the male members with different ethnicity. The Company currently has two directors both of whom are male. The Group employs 12 people, 3 of whom are women.

Recommendation 1.6 – Board Performance Evaluation

The Board strives to evaluate and assesses its own performance annually including through the completion of a detailed board evaluation questionnaire which considers the Board's key areas of responsibility, its operations and effectiveness. All board members are required to complete the evaluation questionnaire, which includes an evaluation of their own performance, the performance of the committees, the Chairman, and the board as a whole. The Board continues to acknowledge the merits of its Performance Evaluation, however, for the current period, the Board and the Group remains dedicated to rebuilding the Company amidst the operational, business, legal and financial challenges faced by the Board and the senior management and its employees. As a result, the Board did not conduct a review during the reporting period.

Recommendation 1.7 – Senior Executive Performance

The Board, with the assistance of the Remuneration Committee, evaluates the performance of senior executives. The Remuneration Committee makes recommendations to the Board in relation to the payment of short term and long-term incentives. Due to the resignation of the CEO on 21 January 2020 these reviews have not as yet been performed in respect of the reporting period. Due to the changes in the Company due to the appointment of the new management and ensuing organizational changes, the Board could not conduct a review during the reporting period. The Company continues to acknowledge the merits of the Performance Evaluation of Senior Executives, however, for the current period, the Board and the Senior Executives including the Leadership Team remained dedicated to rebuilding the Company amidst the operational, business, legal and financial challenges faced by the Board, the senior management and its employees.

2. Structure the board to add value

Recommendation 2.1 – Nomination Committee

The Board has a Nominations Committee the charter of which is available on the Company's website. The Nominations Committee comprises all directors, a majority of whom were independent during the reporting period. The Board continues to acknowledge the recommendations of the Nomination Committee, however, for the current period, the Board and the Group remained dedicated to rebuilding the Group amidst the operational, business, legal and financial challenges faced by the Board and the senior management and its employees. The Board will form the Nomination Committee as soon as the Company is on path to recovery and growth.

Recommendation 2.2 – Board Skills Matrix

In past, the Company has identified the skills and competencies of each director, including in its 2019 Annual Report.

To date, BuildingIQ has elected not to adopt Recommendation 2.2 as it considers that its current practices of identifying skills and competency are appropriate for the needs of the Company taking into account the size of its operations, board structure and composition. The Company has gone through a significant period of transition during 2020 and will review its position on this recommendation annually, as part of its annual evaluation of Board performance.

Recommendation 2.3 – Director Independence

During the reporting period the Company considered the following director to be independent:

(a) Gary Seaton;

The Board acknowledges and respects the Independence oversight and presence of such given Director in the Board and will continue to explore every opportunity to expand the number of such Directors in the composition of the Board.

Recommendation 2.4 – Majority of Independent Directors

As advised above, there were changes to the composition of the Board during the reporting period due to the appointment of the new management. As a result, the number of directors decreased to three during the reporting period. (

Prior to the transition of the Company to the new Management in June 2020, we note that the Board currently had two directors, Mr. William Deane, and Mr. Gerd Goette. Both of them were considered independent throughout the reporting period. From 20 March 2020, Gerd Goette was appointed Interim President & CEO. Subsequently, Mr. Sanjay Patel and Mr. Daivesh Sanghvi were appointed as the new Directors with Mr. Sanjay Patel designated as the Chairman and the Interim Chief Executive Officer.

Recommendation 2.5 – Independent Chair

Before the new management of the Company, William Deane, was an independent non-executive director, and was appointed Interim Chair. Subsequently, Mr. Sanjay Patel assumed the responsibility of the same.

Recommendation 2.6 – Director Induction

As set out in the Board Charter, the Company Secretary is responsible for arranging for new directors to undertake an induction program to enable them to gain an understanding of: (a) the Company's assets; (b) the Company's financial, strategic, operational and risk management position; (c) their rights, duties, and responsibilities; and any other relevant information. Moving forward, the Company remains committed to following through with its said induction program.

3. Act ethically and responsibly

Recommendation 3.1 – Code of Conduct

The Group is committed to maintaining ethical standards in the conduct of its business activities. The Group's reputation as an ethical business organisation is important to its ongoing success and it expects all its officers and employees to be familiar and have a personal commitment to meeting these standards.

The Board has adopted a formal Code of Conduct (**Code**) to define basic principles of business conduct. This Code requires directors, officers, and employees to abide by the policies of the Group and to the law. The Code is a set of principles giving direction and reflecting the Group's approach to business conduct and is not a prescriptive list of rules for business behaviour. The Code may be viewed on the Company's website.

4. Safeguard integrity in corporate reporting

Recommendation 4.1 – Audit & Risk Management Committee

The Board continually strives to adopt the structure of a combined Audit & Risk Management Committee, the charter of which is available on the Company's website.

In past, the Audit & Risk Management Committee had three members throughout the reporting period 2019 (other than a three week period following the resignation of Tanya Cox and prior to the appointment of Mr. Gregory Pynt), all of whom were non-executive directors and a majority of whom were independent and was chaired by an independent non-executive director (Tanya Cox). Ms. Cox retired on 30 November 2019 at which time Mr. Gerd Goette, also an independent non-executive director at that time, assumed the role of Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee.

Since the retirement of Mr Pynt on 28 January 2020, the committee has had two members. The members of the Audit & Risk Management Committee are Gerd Goette (Chair) and William Deane. Their qualifications and experience are detailed in the Company's Annual Report as is their attendance at meetings of the Audit & Risk Management Committee held during the reporting period.

Since the transition to the new management including the comprehensive efforts of rebuilding, the Company has been undergoing an in-depth and thorough understanding of the different facets of the business spearheaded by a team of six (6) people in operations, finances, and technological engineering areas of the Company's business operations.

Recommendation 4.2 – s295A Declaration

The Board that was in place prior to June 17, 2020 had confirmed that, in 2019, before approving the Group's financial statements for a financial period, it received a declaration from its then current CEO (Mr Gerd Goette) and/or CFO (as applicable) that the records of the Group have been properly maintained and that the financial statements complied 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.

As the Company does not currently (in 2019) have a CFO, the declaration was provided by then current CEO, Mr. Michael Nark for the 2019 half year financial report.

As Mr. Gerd Goette was appointed as Interim President and CEO on 19 March 2020, the Board has not requested a declaration in respect of the FY2020 full year financial report.

Recommendation 4.3 – Auditor attendance at AGM

The Company's external auditor attends its annual general meeting and is available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit.

5. Make timely and balanced disclosure

Recommendation 5.1 – Continuous Disclosure Policy

The Company has adopted a formal continuous disclosure policy which is available on the Company's

website.

The objective of the Continuous Disclosure Policy is to ensure that the Company complies with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Corporations Act, in so far as they apply to the Company, and the Listing Rules. It outlines the procedures and policies for identifying matters that are likely to have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities.

Additionally, this policy aims to:

- (a) ensure that information issued by the Company is issued to security holders and the market in a timely manner;
- (b) to promote investor confidence in the integrity of the Group and its securities; and
- (c) to generally promote investor protection and protection of the market.

The policy outlines the responsibilities of the Board and the Company Secretary in relation to ASX announcements and monitoring compliance with the policy. It also details the Company's approach to market speculation and rumours, analyst briefings and forecasts and trading halts.

6. Respect the rights of security holders

Recommendation 6.1 – Information on website

The Company's website contains information about the Group and its corporate governance. This information is currently found at www.buildingiq.com/investor-relations.

Recommendation 6.2 – Investor relations

BuildingIQ is committed to providing regular financial and operational updates to security holders to facilitate effective two-way communications. The Company has an investor relations program that includes a financial calendar encompassing its financial results, annual general meeting, and market updates; market briefings and security holder, analyst and prospective investor meetings are held, typically around the financial calendar dates, and occasional operational (i.e. non-financial) updates are provided. This program ensures that investor information, which is also available on the Company's website, is provided on at least a quarterly basis.

Recommendation 6.3 – Participation of security holders at meetings

The Board encourages full participation of security holders at its general meetings to ensure a high level of accountability and identification with the Group's strategy and goals. Shareholders are invited to lodge their questions for the meeting through the registry or directly with the Company and they are invited to ask questions at the meeting.

Recommendation 6.4 – Communication with security holders

There are a number of avenues for security holders to communicate with the Company electronically, including by contacting BuildingIQ's share registry, Investor Relations Consultant or Company Secretary. Also, security holders are given the option to elect to receive all annual reports and meeting notices electronically from the share registry.

7. Recognise and manage risk

Recommendation 7.1 – Risk Committee

The Company has a combined Audit & Risk Management Committee which oversees risk. For details of the composition of the Audit & Risk Management Committee please see section 4. The charter of the Audit & Risk Management Committee is available on the Company's website. The number of meetings held during the reporting period and individual attendance at those meetings are disclosed in the Annual Report.

Recommendation 7.2 – Review of risk management framework

In accordance with the Audit & Risk Management Committee Charter, the committee reviews the Company's risk management framework annually in order to assist the Board in satisfying itself that the risk management framework continues to be sound and that the Company is operating within agreed risk guidelines. Due to the changes to the board composition that necessitated changes to the Audit & Risk Management Committee, the Company has not reviewed the risk matrix framework in 2020.

Recommendation 7.3 – Internal audit function

BuildingIQ is a relatively small publicly listed company which is reflected in the size of its operations and finance function. As such it is not practical to have an internal audit function. The Board has outsourced its finance function to a tier one accounting firm which applies its best practice control framework. The Company's auditor, Kreston Stanley Williamson, prepares a management letter semi-annually, detailing internal control recommendations and the Audit & Risk Management Committee discusses internal controls with management semi-annually.

Recommendation 7.4 – Material exposure to certain risks

The Company, with the assistance of its Audit & Risk Management Committee, reviews material risks facing the Company at least annually. The board does not consider that it has material exposure to environmental and social sustainability risks. In terms of exposure to economic risks, the Company refers to the risks outlined on pages 7, 52 and 55 of its Annual Report in relation to the economic risks which could affect the ability of the Company to continue as a going concern and the potential impact of the currently evolving COVID-19 situation on the Company's customers and its financial performance.

8. Remunerate fairly and responsibly

Recommendation 8.1 – Remuneration Committee

The Board had established a Remuneration Committee in 2019. The committee had three members for the reporting period (other than a three week period following the resignation of Tanya Cox and prior to the appointment of Gregory Pynt) all of whom are considered independent and was chaired by an independent non-executive director (Tanya Cox until 30 November 2019 and then Gerd Goette). The charter of the Remuneration Committee is available on the Company's website. The Annual Report sets out the number of times the committee met during the reporting period and the individual attendance of members at those meetings. Since Mr Pynt's resignation on 28 January 2020, the committee has had two members, Gerd Goette (Chair) and William Deane. Subsequent to the transition to the new management team, the Company remains committed to formation of the required Remuneration Committee.

Recommendation 8.2 – Remuneration Policies

The Company's remuneration policies with respect to non-executive directors and senior executives shall be disclosed in detail in the Remuneration Report contained in the 2020 Company's Annual Report.

Recommendation 8.3 – Equity based remuneration scheme

The trading of CHES Depository Interests & shares issued to eligible employees under any of BuildingIQ's employee equity plans is subject to, and conditional upon, compliance with BuildingIQ's Securities

Trading Policy. No participants in the scheme must use BuildingIQ securities in connection with a margin loan or similar financing arrangement, nor are they permitted to engage in hedging activities, deal in derivatives or enter into other arrangements that limit the economic risk associated with BuildingIQ securities

This Corporate Governance Statement is current as at 25 August 2022 and was approved by the Board on that date.