

## 1 Introduction

The Company is dedicated to managing diversity as a means of enhancing the Company's performance and organisational capabilities by recognising and utilising the contribution of diverse skills and attributes of all of its directors, officers and employees.

Diversity involves recognising and valuing the unique contribution people can make because of their individual background and different skills, experiences and perspectives. Diversity may result from a range of factors including age, gender, ethnicity, cultural background or other personal circumstance or attribute. The Company values the differences between its personnel and the valuable contribution that these differences can make to the Company.

## 2 Objectives

The Company encourages diversity in employment and in the composition of its Board, as a means of ensuring that the Company has access to an appropriate mix of skills and talents to enable it to conduct its business and achieve the Company's goals in an effective manner.

Specifically, the Company will provide equal opportunities in respect to employment and employment conditions, including:

- a) **Hiring:** The Board will encourage appropriate selection criteria based on diverse skills, experience and perspectives to be used when hiring new staff, including Board members. Job specifications, advertisements, application forms and contracts will not contain any direct or inferred discrimination. The Board is empowered to engage professional recruitment consultants to assist in the hiring process by presenting diverse candidates to the Company for consideration.
- b) **Training:** The Board will consider senior management training and executive mentoring programs to develop skills and experience to prepare employees for senior management and Board positions. The Board and senior management will consider training programs to enhance the skills and capabilities of the Company's workforce.
- c) **Career Advancement:** All decisions associated with career advancement, including promotions, transfers and other assignments will be made in strict accordance with the Company's needs and be based on performance, skills and merit.

## 3 Achieving Diversity

The Company will encourage diversity and foster an environment within that respects diversity in the workplace and promotes equal opportunities for employment and a work environment that is free from harassment. The Company will not permit unwanted conduct based on an officer, employee or contractor's personal circumstances or characteristics.

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The Board will set measurable diversity objectives which may include procedural or structural objectives, initiatives and programs and/or targets in respect of diversification of employees, management and supporting roles, that are appropriate for the Company, and which will be disclosed in the Company's Annual Report or annual Corporate Governance Statements.

### **3.1 Reporting Responsibility**

It is the responsibility of all directors, officers and employees to comply with the Company's Diversity Policy and report violations or suspected violations in accordance with this Policy.

The Board will proactively monitor Company performance in meeting the standards and policies outlined in this Policy. This will include an annual review of the diversity objectives set by the Board and its progress in achieving them. The Board may consider setting key performance indicators for the Board, the Managing Director (or equivalent) and senior management that are linked to the achievement of the diversity objectives set by the Board.

The Board will include in the Annual Report or Corporate Governance Statement each year:

- a) the measurable objectives, if any, set by the Board;
- b) progress against the objectives; and
- c) the proportion of women employees in the whole organisation, at senior management level and at Board level.

## **4 Compliance with this Diversity Policy**

Any breach of compliance with this Diversity Policy is to be reported directly to the Managing Director (or equivalent), the Chair or a Board member as appropriate. Anyone breaching this Policy may be subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment or contract.