## **DIVERSITY POLICY**

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Group is committed to workplace diversity.

The Group recognises the benefits arising from employee and Board diversity, including a broader pool of high quality employees, improving employee retention, accessing different perspectives and ideas and benefiting from all available talent.

Diversity includes, but is not limited to, gender, age, ethnicity and cultural background.

The Board also acknowledges the benefits of the recommendations and guidance provided in the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations that relate to diversity, however, it is also cognisant of the fact that the Group is in its development phase and its workforce is not of a size where the benefits of such initiatives are proportionate to the costs involved in the implementation of such strategies.

To this end, the Board has adopted a tiered approach to the implementation of its Diversity Policy, which is relative to the size of the Company Group and its workforce.

Where the Group employs 50 or more employees, the Board of the Company undertakes to adopt practices in line with the recommendations and guidance provided in the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations.

Whilst the Group's workforce remains below this threshold, the Board of the Company will continue to drive the Group's diversity strategies on an informal basis and will apply the initiatives contained in this Diversity Policy to the extent that the Board considers relevant and necessary.

The Diversity Policy does not form part of an employee's contract of employment with the Company or any of its subsidiaries, nor does it give rise to contractual obligations. However, to the extent that the Diversity Policy requires an employee to do or refrain from doing something and at all times subject to legal obligations, the Diversity Policy forms a direction of the Company with which an employee is expected to comply.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

The Diversity Policy provides a framework for the Group to achieve:

- a. a diverse and skilled workforce, leading to continuous improvement in service delivery and achievement of corporate goals;
- b. a workplace culture characterised by inclusive practices and behaviours for the benefit of all staff;

- c. improved employment and career development opportunities for women;
- d. a work environment that values and utilises the contributions of employees with diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives through improved awareness of the benefits of workforce diversity and successful management of diversity; and
- e. awareness in all staff of their rights and responsibilities with regards to fairness, equity and respect for all aspects of diversity,

(collectively, the **Objectives**).

The Diversity Policy does not impose on the Group, its directors, officers, agents or employee any obligation to engage in, or justification for engaging in, any conduct, which is illegal or contrary to any anti-discrimination or equal employment opportunity legislation or laws in any State or Territory of Australia or of any foreign jurisdiction.

#### 3. RESPONSIBILITIES

#### 3.1 The Board's commitment

The Board is committed to workplace diversity and supports representation of a diverse range of candidates at the senior level of the Group and on the Board of the Company where appropriate.

The Board acknowledges its responsibility for the development of measurable objectives and strategies to meet the objectives of the Diversity Policy (**Measurable Objectives**) and the importance of monitoring the progress of the Measurable Objectives through the monitoring, evaluation and reporting mechanisms listed below.

Where the Group employs 50 or more employees, the Board shall;

- a. define its Measurable Objectives;
- b. undertake an annual assessment of those Measurable Objectives; and
- c. report on the Group's progress (if any) towards achieving them.

Where the Group employs less than 50 employees, the Board of the Company will monitor the Group's diversity strategies on an informal basis only.

In any event, the Board will endeavour to conduct all Board appointment processes in a manner that promotes gender diversity, including establishing a structured approach for identifying a pool of candidates, using external experts where necessary.

### 3.2 Strategies

The Group's diversity strategies may include:

- a. recruiting from a diverse pool of candidates for all positions, including senior management and the Board of the Company;
- b. reviewing succession plans to ensure an appropriate focus on diversity;
- c. identifying specific factors to take account of in recruitment and selection processes to encourage diversity;
- d. developing programs to develop a broader pool of skilled and experienced senior management and Board candidates, including, workplace development programs, mentoring programs and targeted training and development;
- e. developing a culture which takes account of domestic responsibilities of employees; and
- f. any other strategies the Board develops from time to time.

## 4. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The Board of the Company is responsible for monitoring the scope and currency of this policy.

The Company is responsible for implementing, monitoring and reporting on the Measurable Objectives.

At a time when the Group's workforce grows to a size of 50 or more employees, the Company will undertake a review of the annual key performance indicators for the Managing Director and senior executives of the Group and will determine the extent to which the Measureable Objectives shall be linked to performance-based incentives offered to those executives.

Where appropriate, the Board will review progress against the Measurable Objectives (if any) as a key performance indicator in its annual performance assessment.

# 5. DISCLOSURE

Where the Group employs 50 or more employees, the Company Group will disclose, for each financial year:

- a. any Measurable Objectives set by the Board;
- b. progress against these Measurable Objectives; and
- c. either:

- (i) the respective proportions of men and women on the Board of the Company, in senior executive positions (including how the Company has defined "senior executive" for these purposes) and across the whole Group; or
- (ii) if the Group becomes a "relevant employer" under the Workplace Gender Equality Act, the Group will disclose its most recent "Gender Equality Indicators", as defined in the Workplace Gender Equality Act.

Where the Group employs less than 50 employees, the Group will comply with (c) above, and will disclose information under sections (a) and (b) to the extent that they are relevant.