

# CONTINUOUS DISCLOSURE POLICY

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### 1.1 Overview

The Company is committed to the objective of promoting investor confidence and the rights of shareholders by:

- (a) complying with its continuous disclosure obligations imposed by the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules;
- (b) ensuring that Company announcements are presented in a factual, clear and balanced way; and
- (c) ensuring that all shareholders have equal and timely access to material information concerning the Company

This policy applies to all Directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company.

### 1.2 Matters that must be disclosed

The Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules require the Company, as a company listed on the ASX, to comply with the continuous disclosure obligations in the ASX Listing Rules.

ASX Listing Rule 3.1 requires that the Company immediately disclose to the market any information of which the Company becomes aware, concerning the Company that a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or value of the Company's securities. This type of information is referred to as 'price sensitive' information.

The Company becomes aware of information if any of its Directors or executive officers has, or ought reasonably to have, come into possession of the information in the course of the performance of his or her duties as a Director or executive officer of the Company.

Disclosure of price sensitive information is not required while the following paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) are satisfied:

- (a) a reasonable person would not expect the information to be disclosed;
- (b) the information is confidential and ASX has not formed the view that the information has ceased to be confidential; and
- (c) one or more of the following applies:
  - (i) it would be a breach of a law to disclose the information;
  - (ii) the information concerns an incomplete proposal or negotiation;
  - (iii) the information comprises matters of supposition or is insufficiently definite to warrant disclosure;
  - (iv) the information is generated for the internal management purposes of the Company; or
  - (v) the information is a trade secret.

If the ASX considers that there is, or is likely to be, a false market in the Company's securities and asks the Company to give it information to correct or prevent a false market, the Company must give the ASX the information needed to correct or prevent the false market.

### 1.3 Internal disclosure procedure

- (a) Disclosure Officer

Means an individual designated by the Board from time to time to administer this policy and in the absence of a specific appointment shall be the Company Secretary.

- (b) Responsibilities of the Disclosure Officer

The Disclosure Officer is responsible for:

- (i) monitoring the Company's compliance with its disclosure obligations and liaising with the ASX in relation to continuous disclosure issues;
  - (ii) ensuring officers and employees of the Company are aware of and adequately understand the Company's continuous disclosure obligations, their responsibilities in relation to the Company's continuous disclosure obligations and to protect the confidentiality of information, and this continuous disclosure policy;
  - (iii) ensuring that employees have knowledge in dealing with communications from the media;
  - (iv) implementing and supervising procedures for reporting potentially price-sensitive information; and
  - (v) coordinating the disclosure of information to the ASX, analysts, brokers, shareholders, the media and the public.
- (c) Deciding if information should be disclosed
- (i) If an employee or officer of the Company becomes aware of any information at any time that should be considered for release to the market, it must be reported immediately to the Disclosure Officer, or the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent).
  - (ii) The Disclosure Officer must review any information reported in accordance with paragraph (a) and determine, in consultation with the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent), whether any of the information is required to be disclosed to the ASX. The Disclosure Officer and the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) may consult with the Chairman, Directors or other members of the executive in the making of this decision.
  - (iii) If the Company is unable to make a disclosure to ASX immediately (meaning, 'promptly and without delay') upon becoming aware of that price-sensitive information then the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent), the Disclosure Officer or the Board (as applicable) must apply for a trading halt.

#### **1.4 Market communication**

- (a) Communication of information
 

All ASX announcements made by the Company must be:

  - (i) factual and must not omit material information;
  - (ii) expressed in a clear and objective manner;
  - (iii) balanced in that both positive and negative information is disclosed; and
  - (iv) made in a timely manner.
- (b) Disclosure must be made to ASX first
 

The Company will not release any information publicly that is required to be disclosed through the ASX until the Company has received formal confirmation of its release to the market by the ASX.
- (c) Corrections and updates
 

If any material information disclosed to the market becomes incorrect, the Company must release an announcement correcting or updating the information.
- (d) Inadvertent disclosure or mistaken non-disclosure
 

If price sensitive information is inadvertently disclosed or a Director, officer or employee becomes aware of information which should be disclosed, the Disclosure Officer must immediately be contacted so that appropriate action can be taken including, if required, announcing the information through ASX and then posting it on the Company's website.
- (e) Market speculation and rumour

The Company does not, in general, comment on market speculation and rumor unless there are factual errors contained in the speculation that could materially affect the Company, or the Company receives a formal request from the ASX.

(f) Trading Halts

If necessary, the Company Secretary has the authority to request a trading halt from the ASX to ensure orderly trading in the Company's securities and to manage disclosure issues.

## 1.5 Media and Analysts

(a) Institutional and analyst briefings

The Company may conduct briefings for analysts and institutional investors from time to time to discuss matters concerning the Company that have been released to the market.

Only the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) and Chairman or approved representatives of the Company are authorised to speak with analysts and institutional investors.

The Company's policy at these briefings is that:

- (i) any material information being presented to analysts or investors must first be provided to the Disclosure Officer for checking;
- (ii) all investors are to be treated in a balanced and fair fashion and one-on-one and group briefings between the Company and analysts or investors must be restricted to discussions of previously disclosed information;
- (iii) in responding to an analyst or investor query, only previously disclosed information may be discussed and all responses must be factual and balanced;
- (iv) any questions raised in relation to price sensitive issues not already disclosed to the market will not be answered or will be taken on notice; and
- (v) if a question is taken on notice and the answer would involve the release of price sensitive information, the information must be released through the ASX before responding.

At or after briefings, the Company personnel involved must consider the matters discussed at the briefings to ascertain whether any price sensitive information was inadvertently disclosed.

(b) Analyst reports

If requested, the Company may review analyst reports. The Company's policy is that it will only review these reports to clarify historical information and correct factual inaccuracies if this can be achieved using information that has been disclosed to the market generally.

No comment or feedback will be provided on financial forecasts, including profit forecasts prepared by the analyst, or on conclusions or recommendations set out in the report. The Company will communicate this policy whenever asked to review an analyst report.

(c) Media relations and public statements

All inquiries from the media must be referred to the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) or Chairman or, in their absence, the Company Secretary.

Material information must not be selectively disclosed prior to being announced to the ASX. The Company must not provide interviews, stories or information to the media that contain material or price sensitive information before that information has been disclosed to the market, even on an embargo basis.

No employee may give an interview or make a presentation without the specific permission of the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) or Chairman. Any material information being presented to journalists must first be provided to the Company Secretary for checking.

## **1.6 Review**

This continuous disclosure policy shall be reviewed by the Board at least annually, and updated as required.