## **Corporate Governance Statement**

The Board of Directors (Board) of the Company are committed to attaining and implementing the highest standards of corporate governance. The Board has reviewed the Company's corporate governance practices in accordance with the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Australian Securities Exchanges (ASX) Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations of the ASX Corporate Governance Council. The Board supports the intent of the best practice recommendations and recognises that given the present size and scope of the Company it is not practical to institute all of the best practice recommendations at present.

The Company reports below on how it has followed and "if not, why not" disclosure on each of the Principles & Recommendations.

The Corporate Governance statement has been approved by the Board and is current as at 28 February, 2023.

Principles and Recommendations	Comply (Yes/No)	Explanation
Principle 1: Lay s	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.	No	The Company considers Corporate Governance Recommendation 1.1 which requires formalisation and disclosure of the functions reserved to the Board and those delegated to management via a board charter is inappropriate given the size of the Company's operation and the number of directors constituting the Board. Accordingly, the Board is responsible for the functions typically delegated to management in addition to its usual Board functions.
Recommendation 1.2 A listed entity should: (a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a person, or putting forward to security holders a candidate 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.	Yes	Before appointing a director or senior executive, or putting forward to shareholders a director for appointment, the Group undertakes comprehensive reference checks that cover elements such as the person's character, experience, employment history, potential conflicts of interest and qualifications. Directors are required to declare each year that they have not been disqualified from holding the office of director by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ('ASIC').  The Group also undertakes criminal background checks on potential directors and senior executives.  An election of directors is held each year. A director that has been appointed during the year must stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting ('AGM'). Retiring directors are not automatically re-appointed.  The Group has provided in the Director's Report (in the Annual Report) information about each director that the Board considers necessary for shareholders to make a fully informed decision as to the election of a director. This information is also included in the Notice of Meeting which contemplates the election or reelection of directors. Such information includes the person's biography, which includes experience and qualifications, details of other directorships, and any material information which may affect the person's ability to act independently on matters before the Board, and whether the Board supports the appointment or re-election and a summary of the reasons why.

Recommendation 1.3 A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	Yes	The Company has written agreements with each director in accordance with Recommendation 1.3.
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.	Yes	The Company Secretary reports directly to the Board through the Chairman and is accessible to all Directors. The Company Secretary's role, in respect of matters relating to the proper functioning of the Board, includes, but is not limited to:  (a) advising the Board and its committees on governance matters; (b) monitoring compliance of the Board and associated committees with policies and procedures; (c) coordinating all Board business; (d) retaining independent professional advisors; (e) ensuring that the business at Board and committee meetings is accurately minuted; and assisting with the induction and development of directors.
Recommendation 1.5 A listed entity should:  (a) have and disclose 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; (c) disclose in relation to each reporting period:  (1) the measuring 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/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	No	The Company has not established a Diversity Policy. Given the size of the Board, the Board considers that it is not practical to establish a Diversity Policy. No women are currently represented on the Board.  Historically, the Board has not set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity. It is the Board's policy that gender discrimination has no position in the workplace and that men and women must be treated equally and without any discrimination. It is the Board's belief that employment should be on a merit-based system and that a diversity policy may hinder this system due to the size of the organisation.
of each gender within a specified period.  Recommendation 1.6  A listed entity should:	Yes	The Board undertakes annual self-assessment of its collective performance and the performance of the

(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.		Chairman. The Board is evaluated annually via round table discussion. The evaluation includes consideration of the following matters: assessment of the performance of the Board over the previous 12 months having regard to the corporate strategies, operating plans and annual budget, review of the level and effectiveness of the Board's interaction with management review of the content, format and timing of information provided to directors, and review of Board and committee charters to assess if they remain appropriate to the Company's activities. Similar procedures to those for the Board review are applied to evaluate the performance of any Board committees. An assessment will be made on the performance of each committee and areas identified where improvements can be made. During the year, an evaluation of the Board and individual directors took place in accordance with the process disclosed above.
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, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.	Yes	The Chairman reviews the performance of senior executives by way of a formal interview with each senior executive. During the year, an evaluation of senior executives took place in accordance with the process disclosed above.

Principles and Recommendations	Comply (Yes/No)	Explanation
Principle 2 Structure the board to add valu	e	
Recommendation 2.1  The board of a listed entity should:  (a) have a nomination committee which:  (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (ii) is chaired by an independent director, (b) and disclose:  (iii) the charter of the committee; (iv) the members of the committee; and (v) 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  (c) 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.	No	The Board has not established a separate independent nomination committee. Given the current size and composition of the Board, the Board believes that there would be no efficiencies gained by establishing a nomination committee separate from the Board. Accordingly, the Board performs the role of Nomination Committee. The Board deals with any conflicts of interest that may occur when convening in the capacity of one of the committees by ensuring that the director with conflicting interest is not party to the relevant discussions.

Recommendation 2.2 A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills and diversity that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership.	No	Given the current size and composition of the Board, the Company does not maintain a formal skills matrix setting out the skills and diversity of the Board. However, the current Board does have a mixture of experience and corporate, technical, financial and management skills that are considered appropriate for the Company's present operations. A profile of each director setting out their skills, experience, expertise and period of office is set out in the Directors' Report.
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, association or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 of the ASX  Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendation (3rd Edition) 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  (c) the length of service of each director.	Yes	<ul> <li>Details of the Board of Directors, their length of service and independence are as follows: <ul> <li>Mr Anoosh Manzoori – 1 year Executive Chairman;</li> <li>Mr Athan Lekkas – 1 year – Independent – Non-Executive Director</li> <li>Mr Matt Latimore – 2 year – Independent – Non-Executive Director;</li> </ul> </li> <li>When considering the independence of a director, the Board considers whether the director: <ul> <li>(a) is a substantial shareholder of the Group or an officer of, or otherwise;</li> <li>(b) is, represents, or is or has been within the last three years, an officer, employee or professional advisor of a substantial shareholder of the Group;</li> <li>(c) is employed, or has previously been employed in an executive capacity by the Group or another group member, and there has not been a period of at least three years between ceasing such employment and serving on the Board;</li> <li>(d) has within the last three years been a principal of a material professional adviser or a material consultant to the Group or another group member, or an employee materially associated with the service provided;</li> <li>(e) receives performance-based remuneration (including options or performance rights) from, or participates in an employee incentive scheme of the Group;</li> <li>(f) has close personal ties with any person who falls within any of the categories described above;</li> <li>(g) is a material supplier or customer of the Group or other group member, or an officer of or otherwise associated directly or indirectly with a material supplier or customer; or</li> <li>(h) has been a director of the Group for such a period that their independence from management and substantial holders may have been compromised; or</li> <li>(i) has a material contractual relationship with the Group or another group member other than as a director.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Recommendation 2.4 A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	No	Only one director on the Board is considered independent. The Board considers that the current size and composition of the Board is appropriate for the execution of the Board's responsibilities. To assist directors with independent judgement, it is the Board's policy that if a director considers it necessary to obtain independent professional advice to properly discharge the responsibility of their office as a director then, provided the director first obtains approval from the Chairman for incurring such expense, the Group will pay the reasonable expenses with obtaining such advice.
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/Managing Director of the entity.	No	The role of Chairman of the Company during the year, was held by Mr Donald Carroll resigned 11 May 2022 and then from that date, Anoosh Manzoori The Managing Director position during the year, was held by Mr Dano Chan, until his resignation on May 11, 2022. On August 5, 2022 the Company appointed Neil Goodman as the Chief Executive Officer.  The Board considers that the current size and composition of the Board is appropriate for the execution of the Board's responsibilities. To assist the directors with independent judgement, it is the Board's policy that if a director considers it necessary to obtain independent professional advice to properly discharge the responsibility of their office as a director then, provided the director first obtains approval from the Chairman for incurring such expense, the Group will pay the reasonable expenses with obtaining such advice. The Chairman is not the CEO or managing director of the entity.
Recommendation 2.6 A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and provide appropriate professional development opportunities for directors to develop and maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively.	Yes	The Company has an informal induction process, due to the Board's size. New directors are fully briefed about the nature of the business, current issues, the corporate strategy and the expectations of the Company concerning performance of directors. Directors will undertake their own continuing educations.  The Board is in regular communication, as is necessary, with respect to briefing on material developments in laws, regulations and any accounting standards which may affect the Group.  There are procedures in place to enable Directors, in furtherance of their duties, to seek independent advice at the Company's expense, subject to the approval of the Chairman.

Princi	iple 3: Act ethica	ally and responsibly
Recommendation 3.1 A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values	Yes	The Group is committed to providing shareholders with exceptional returns via mineral exploration and project development, in particular, via pig iron production for EAF steelmakers.  The Group's core values include:  Excellence and Performance Integrity and Accountability Safety Innovation Collaboration Sustainability  The Group is committed to working by its core values and creating an environment that is diverse, collaborative, safe, innovative and driven by results.
Recommendation 3.2 A listed entity should: (a) have 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.	No	The Board expects all directors to perform their duties in a manner which is ethical, honest and objective and at all times endeavor to maintain and improve the performance and reputation of the Company. A code of conduct, as purported in Recommendation 3.2, has not been formally established as the Chairman consistently and continuously ensures that all members of the Board have a clear understanding of their duties, responsibilities and their accountability to the Company and its shareholders for their conduct.

Principles and Recommendations	Comply (Yes/No)	Explanation
Recommendation 3.3	Yes	The Group has established a whistleblower policy to ensure the Group is living up to its values. This policy
A listed entity should:		is available on the Group's website.
(a) Have and disclose a Whistleblower Policy; and		The board is informed of any material incident reported under that policy, as soon as practicable following such a report.
(b) Ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any		
material incidents reported under that Policy.		
Recommendation 3.4	Yes	The Group has established an anti-bribery and corruption policy as part of its Code of Conduct. This
A listed entity should:		policy and the Code of Conduct are available on the Group's website.
(a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and		
(b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed		
of any material breaches of that policy.		
Principle 4: Safeguard integrity in financial reporting		

Recommendation 4.1 The board of a listed entity should:	No	The Board has not established a separate independent audit committee. Given the current size and
<ul> <li>(a) have an audit committee which:</li> <li>(i) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and</li> <li>(ii) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board,</li> <li>(b) and disclose:</li> <li>(i) the charter of the committee;</li> <li>(ii) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and</li> <li>(iii) 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</li> <li>(c) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that</li> </ul>		composition of the Board, the Board believes that there would be no efficiencies gained by establishing an audit committee separate from the Board. Accordingly, the Board performs the role of Audit Committee. The Board deals with any conflicts of interest that may occur when convening in the capacity of one of the committees by ensuring that the director with conflicting interest is not party to the relevant discussions. The Board will consider the appointment of a separate Audit Committee as the Company's operations grow.
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.		
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/managing director and CFO/company secretary 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.	Yes	For the financial year ending on 31 December 2022, the Board received a statement from its Managing Director and Chairman, declaring that in their opinion, the financial records of the Group have been properly maintained and comply with the appropriate accounting standards.
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.	Yes	The Group engages an external accounting firm to maintain its financial records and assist with the collation of periodic cash flow reports which are released to the market. Such reports are provided by the Company's accountants to the Group for consideration prior to release and are finally reviewed and signed off by the Company Secretary and Managing Director. The completion of periodic reports by external professionals assists the Group to ensure the integrity of its financial reporting.
		The Group's activity reports are prepared by employees of the Group in conjunction with external consultants and professional advisers who provide assistance with respect to compliance with ASX Listing Rules and Joint

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		Ore Reserve Committee standards, thus assisting the Group to ensure the integrity of those reports.
Principles and Recommendations	Comply (Yes/No)	Explanation
Principle :	5: Make timely a	and balanced disclosure
Recommendation 5.1 A listed entity should: (a) have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rule 3.1.	Yes	The Company aims to provide relevant and timely information to its shareholders and the broader investment community in accordance with its continuous disclosure obligations under the ASX Listing Rules. The Board has established policies and procedures to ensure compliance with ASX Listing Rules disclosure requirement and accountability at a senior management level for that compliance. However, the Board believes that the formalisation of these policies and procedures in a written form as recommended in Recommendation 5.1 is not necessary as the Board is satisfied that all Board members are acutely aware of the importance of making timely and balanced disclosure.
Recommendation 5.2 A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.	Yes	The Group ensures that all directors receive copies of each market announcement which is released which is sent to the board each time an announcement is published.
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.	Yes	The Group ensures that investor or analyst presentation materials are released on the ASX Market Announcements Platform prior to the presentation.
Principle (	6: Respect the r	ights of security holders
Recommendation 6.1 A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	Yes	Information about the Company and its governance will be available on the Company's website.
Recommendation 6.2 A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors.	Yes	The Company is committed to promoting effective communications with shareholders by ensuring they and the broader investment community is provided with full and timely disclosure of its activities providing equal opportunity for all stakeholders to receive externally available information issued by the Company in a timely manner.

Recommendation 6.3 A listed entity should disclose the policies and processes it has in place to facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders.	Yes	The Group provides security holders with the requisite notice before holding security holder meetings, and ensures that they are scheduled to be held in a central, accessible location (being the Central Business District of Sydney) to enable security holders ample opportunity to attend. The Directors and management encourage security holders to attend and participate in all meetings of security holders and invite attendees to ask questions of the Board.  Additionally, a notice of meeting and related communications are provided to the Company's auditor who, in accordance with the Corporations Act, is required to attend the Company's annual general meeting at which shareholders must be given a reasonable opportunity to ask questions of the auditor or their representative.
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.	Yes	All resolutions put to a meeting of security holders are decided by poll rather than by a show of hands. This is to support the principle of "one share, one vote" and also supports the ASX stance on voting at general meetings of security holders.
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.	Yes	The Company engages its share registry to manage the majority of communications with shareholders and encourage them to receive correspondence from the Company electronically.

Principles and Recommendations	Comply (Yes/No)	Explanation
	lish a sound risk ffectiveness of t	management framework and periodically review the
Recommendation 7.1  The board of a listed entity should:  (a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:  (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (ii) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:  (iii) the charter of the committee;  (iv) the members of the committee; and (v) 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.	No No	The Board has not established a separate independent risk committee. Given the current size and composition of the Board, the Board believes that there would be no efficiencies gained by establishing a risk committee separate from the Board. Accordingly, the Board performs the role of Risk Committee. The Board deals with any conflicts of interest that may occur when convening in the capacity of one of the committees by ensuring that the director with conflicting interests is not party to the relevant discussions.

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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  (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.	No	The Board reviews the risks to the Company at regular Board meetings.
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 risk management and internal control processes.	No	Given the size of the Company's operation, the Company does not have an internal audit function. The Board may from time to time engage an external auditor to conduct additional reviews of Group processes.
Recommendation 7.4 A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks.	Yes	The Company does not believe it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks.

Principles and Recommendations	Comply (Yes/No)	Explanation
Recommendation 8.1  The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a remuneration committee which: (i) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (ii) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (iii) the charter of the committee; (iv) the members of the committee; and (v) 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.	No	The functions that would be performed by a remuneration committee are performed by the Board. Given the current size and composition of the Board, the Board believes that there would be no efficiencies gained by establishing a remuneration committee separate from the Board.  Items usually required of a remuneration committee are marked as separate agenda items at Board meetings when required. The Board deals with any conflicts of interest that may occur when convening in the capacity of the remuneration committee by ensuring that the director with conflicting interests is not party to the relevant discussions.

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.	No	An outline of the Company's remuneration policies in respect of non-executive directors and executive directors is set out in the audited Remunerations Reports section of the Directors' Report. The policy on remuneration clearly distinguishes the structure of non-executive director's remuneration from that of executive directors. Executive directors are offered a competitive level of base pay at market rates and are reviewed annually to ensure market competitiveness.			
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.	Yes	The Company has a share trading policy which includes prohibiting participants of an equity-based remuneration scheme from entering into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme.			
9	9 – Additional Recommendations				
Recommendation 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.	N/A	This recommendation is not applicable to the Group.			
Recommendation 9.2  A listed entity established outside Australia should ensure that meetings of security holders are held at a reasonable place and time.	N/A	This recommendation is not applicable to the Group.			
Recommendation 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.	N/A	This recommendation is not applicable to the Group.			