

Appendix 4G

Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

Name of entity:

Argonaut Resources NL

ABN / ARBN:

72 108 330 650

Financial year ended:

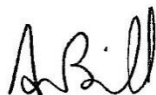
30 June 2016

Our corporate governance statement² for the above period above can be found at:³

- These pages of our annual report:
- This URL on our website: <http://www.argonautresources.com>

The Corporate Governance Statement is accurate and up to date as at 29 September 2016 and has been approved by the Board. The annexure includes a key to where our corporate governance disclosures can be located.

Date: 30 September 2016



Andrew Bursill
Director

¹ Under Listing Rule 4.7.3, an entity must lodge with ASX a completed Appendix 4G at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX.

Listing Rule 4.10.3 requires an entity that is included in the official list as an ASX Listing to include in its annual report either a corporate governance statement that meets the requirements of that rule or the URL of the page on its website where such a statement is located. The corporate governance statement must disclose the extent to which the entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during the reporting period. If the entity has not followed a recommendation for any part of the reporting period, its corporate governance statement must separately identify that recommendation and the period during which it was not followed and state its reasons for not following the recommendation and what (if any) alternative governance practices it adopted in lieu of the recommendation during that period.

Under Listing Rule 4.7.4, if an entity chooses to include its corporate governance statement on its website rather than in its annual report, it must lodge a copy of the corporate governance statement with ASX at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The corporate governance statement must be current as at the effective date specified in that statement for the purposes of rule 4.10.3.

² "Corporate governance statement" is defined in Listing Rule 19.12 to mean the statement referred to in Listing Rule 4.10.3 which discloses the extent to which an entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during a particular reporting period.

³ Mark whichever option is correct and then complete the page number(s) of the annual report, or the URL of the web page, where the entity's corporate governance statement can be found. You can, if you wish, delete the option which is not applicable.

Throughout this form, where you are given two or more options to select, you can, if you wish, delete any option which is not applicable and just retain the option that is applicable. If you select an option that includes "OR" at the end of the selection and you delete the other options, you can also, if you wish, delete the "OR" at the end of the selection.

ANNEXURE – KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES

Corporate Governance Council recommendation		We have followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed ...	We have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed ... ⁴
PRINCIPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT			
1.1	A listed entity should disclose: (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.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i> ... and information about the respective roles and responsibilities of our board and management (including those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> at http://www.argonautresources.com/irm/content/corporategovernance.aspx?RID=259	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
1.3	A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable

⁴ If you have followed all of the Council's recommendations in full for the whole of the period above, you can, if you wish, delete this column from the form and re-format it.

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<p>1.5 A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a diversity policy which includes requirements for the board or a relevant committee of the board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and to assess annually both the objectives and the entity's progress in achieving them;</p> <p>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it; and</p> <p>(c) disclose as at the end of each reporting period the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with the entity's diversity policy and its progress towards achieving them and either:</p> <p>(1) the respective proportions of men and women on the board, in senior executive positions and across the whole organisation (including how the entity has defined "senior executive" for these purposes); or</p> <p>(2) 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.</p>	<p>... the fact that we have a diversity policy that complies with paragraph (a):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and a copy of our diversity policy or a summary of it:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity set by the board or a relevant committee of the board in accordance with our diversity policy and our progress towards achieving them:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraphs (c)(1) or (2):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
<p>1.6 A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of the board, its committees and individual directors; and</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.</p>	<p>... the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraph (b):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
<p>1.7 A listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives; and</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether a performance evaluation was undertaken in the reporting period in accordance with that process.</p>	<p>... the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraph (b):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>

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PRINCIPLE 2 - STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO ADD VALUE			
2.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a nomination committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(5) 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</p> <p>(b) 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.</p>	<p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</p> <p>... the fact that we have a nomination committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and a copy of the charter of the committee:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</p> <p>... the fact that we do not have a nomination committee and the processes we employ 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:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
2.2	<p>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.</p>	<p>... our board skills matrix:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>

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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 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.	... the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i> ... and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i> ... and the length of service of each director: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
2.4	A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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 of the entity.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
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.	... the fact that we follow this recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCIPLE 3 – ACT ETHICALLY AND RESPONSIBLY			
3.1	A listed entity should: (a) have a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and (b) disclose that code or a summary of it.	... our code of conduct or a summary of it: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIPLE 4 – SAFEGUARD INTEGRITY IN CORPORATE REPORTING			
4.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have an audit committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board,</p> <p>and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(5) 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</p> <p>(b) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that 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.</p>	<p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</p> <p>... the fact that we have an audit committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and a copy of the charter of the committee:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</p> <p>... the fact that we do not have an audit committee and the processes we employ that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of our corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
4.2	<p>The board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO 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.</p>	<p>... the fact that we follow this recommendation:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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4.3	A 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.	<p>... the fact that we follow this recommendation:</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an annual general meeting and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
PRINCIPLE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE			
5.1	A listed entity should: (a) have a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under the Listing Rules; and (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.	<p>... our continuous disclosure compliance policy or a summary of it:</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
PRINCIPLE 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS			
6.1	A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website.	<p>... information about us and our governance on our website:</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> at www.argonautresources.com	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
6.2	A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors.	<p>... the fact that we follow this recommendation:</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement
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.	<p>... our policies and processes for facilitating and encouraging participation at meetings of security holders:</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity that does not hold periodic meetings of security holders and this recommendation is therefore not applicable
6.4	A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.	<p>... the fact that we follow this recommendation:</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR <input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement

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PRINCIPLE 7 – RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK			
7.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(5) 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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</p> <p>... the fact that we have a committee or committees to oversee risk that comply with paragraphs (1) and (2):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and a copy of the charter of the committee:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</p> <p>... the fact that we do not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) and the processes we employ for overseeing our risk management framework:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
7.2	<p>The board or a committee of the board should:</p> <p>(a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound; and</p> <p>(b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place.</p>	<p>... the fact that board or a committee of the board reviews the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and that such a review has taken place in the reporting period covered by this Appendix 4G:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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7.3	<p>A listed entity should disclose:</p> <p>(a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] ... how our internal audit function is structured and what role it performs:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] ... the fact that we do not have an internal audit function and the processes we employ for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of our risk management and internal control processes:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
7.4	<p>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.</p>	<p>... whether we have any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>

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PRINCIPLE 8 – REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY			
8.1	<p>The board of a listed entity should:</p> <p>(a) have a remuneration committee which:</p> <p>(1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and</p> <p>(2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose:</p> <p>(3) the charter of the committee;</p> <p>(4) the members of the committee; and</p> <p>(5) 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</p> <p>(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.</p>	<p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (a):]</p> <p>... the fact that we have a remuneration committee that complies with paragraphs (1) and (2):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and a copy of the charter of the committee:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>... and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p> <p>[If the entity complies with paragraph (b):]</p> <p>... the fact that we do not have a remuneration committee and the processes we employ for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
8.2	<p>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.</p>	<p>... separately our remuneration policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>
8.3	<p>A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.</p>	<p>... our policy on this issue or a summary of it:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable</p>

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ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES APPLICABLE TO EXTERNALLY MANAGED LISTED ENTITIES			
-	<p><i>Alternative to Recommendation 1.1 for externally managed listed entities:</i></p> <p>The responsible entity of an externally managed listed entity should disclose:</p> <p>(a) the arrangements between the responsible entity and the listed entity for managing the affairs of the listed entity;</p> <p>(b) the role and responsibility of the board of the responsible entity for overseeing those arrangements.</p>	<p>... the information referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> in our Corporate Governance Statement OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> at <i>[insert location]</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> an explanation why that is so in our Corporate Governance Statement</p>
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ARGONAUT RESOURCES NL
ACN 008 084 848 (“Company”)

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Argonaut Resources NL (the “Company”) and its controlled entities (the “Group”) have adopted the corporate governance framework and practices set out in this statement. The framework and practices have been in place throughout the financial year, and comply with the ASX Corporate Governance Council’s Principles and Recommendations, 3rd Edition (the “Recommendations”), unless otherwise stated.

This Statement has been approved by the Board, and the information provided remains current as at 28 September 2016. Company policies are available in the Corporate Governance section of the Company’s website at www.argonautresources.com.

The Board guides and monitors the business and affairs of the Company on behalf of the shareholders, by whom they are elected and to whom they are accountable.

1. Function of the Board

The functions of the Board are detailed on the Board Charter which can be found on the company website.

They include:

- Review and approval of corporate strategies, the annual budget and financial plans;
- Overseeing and monitoring organisational performance and the achievement of the company’s strategic goals and objectives;
- Monitoring financial performance including approval of cash flow statements and annual and half-year financial reports and liaison with the company’s auditors;
- Approving fees of Non-executive Directors;
- Ensuring there are effective management processes in place and approving major corporate initiatives;
- Enhancing and protecting the reputation of the organisation;
- Ensuring the significant risks facing the group have been identified and appropriate and adequate control, monitoring and reporting mechanisms are in place;
- Appointment, retention and termination of the exploration Director and chief financial officer (cfo) and company secretary;
- Approving and monitoring major capital and exploration expenditure, capital management, and acquisitions and divestitures;
- Reporting to shareholders; and
- Approving decisions concerning the capital of the company.

2. The Board of Directors

Throughout the year, the Board has consisted of the following members:

- Patrick Elliott - Independent, Non-Executive Chairman (appointed 30 June 2003);
- Malcolm Richmond - Independent, Non-Executive Director (appointed 14 March 2012);
- Lindsay Owler - Executive Director (appointed 1 June 2005) and Exploration Director; and
- Andrew Bursill - Executive Director (appointed 16 April 2010), Company Secretary (appointed 16 December 2009) and CFO.

The Chairman’s responsibilities include leadership of the Board and the efficient organisation and conduct of the functioning of the Board.

There is a clear division of responsibilities between the Chairman and the Exploration Director. The Board has delegated to the Exploration Director the authority to manage the day-to-day affairs of the Company. The Board ensures that the Exploration Director is appropriately qualified and experienced to discharge his responsibilities.

3. Board Employment

The Company has in place an external supplier to undertake appropriate checks on any potential Director appointments (if required by the Board in addition to their internal checking). Under the Company's Constitution, all Directors appointed throughout the year as an additional Director or to fill a casual vacancy hold office to the AGM. Current Directors hold office and are required to be considered by Shareholders for re-election under the Listing Rules.

All Directors, whether appointed throughout the year as an additional Director or to fill a casual vacancy or who are due for election under the Listing Rules, are disclosed in the Notice of AGM, with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a Director. The company's constitution provides that at each Annual General Meeting, one third of the Board (other than any Managing Director in office from time to time) or, if their number is not a multiple of three, the number nearest to one third, must retire and, if the retiring Directors so chose, may offer themselves for re-election. All Directors have written contracts with the Company setting out the terms of their appointment.

Details of the Directors' skills, experience, expertise, special responsibilities and attendance at Board meetings are set out in the Directors' Report. The Company's constitution provides that at each annual general meeting, one third of the Board (other than any Managing Director in office from time to time) or, if their number is not a multiple of three, the number nearest to one third, must retire and, if the retiring Directors so chose, may offer themselves for re-election.

4. Independent Advice

Directors have the right, in connection with their duties and responsibilities, to seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense. Prior written approval of the Chairman is required, but this will not be unreasonably withheld.

The finance and company secretarial functions are outsourced to an external firm, Franks & Associates. Andrew Bursill of Franks & Associates holds the role of CFO and Company Secretary. The Company Secretary is accountable to the Board through the Chairman on corporate governance matters pertaining to the proper functioning of the Board. All Directors have access to the Company Secretary.

5. Diversity

Recommendation 1.5 is that a Board should establish a Diversity Policy but due to the Company's size and nature of operations, the Company has not yet established one. The Company currently has two permanent full-time employees. There are no women employees, senior executives or Directors at the present time. As the Company grows, the Board remains conscious of the requirement to establish measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and for the Board to assess and report annually both the objectives and the progress in achieving them.

6. Performance Assessment

Due to the size of the Company and the Board a continual self-assessment is undertaken in relation to its collective performance and the performance of the Chairman.

The Company has two senior executives, who are also Directors. Given the size and the nature of the Company's operations, the performance of each executive is monitored on an ongoing basis by the non-executive Directors. During the period a formal Performance Review did not take place but a self-assessment of performance is scheduled for the next reporting period.

7. Nomination Committee

Recommendation 2.1 is that the Board should establish a Nomination Committee. Due to the size of the Company and the Board, no Nomination Committee has been established. The Board considers the following factors when selecting new Directors and when recommending Directors to shareholders for appointment or re-election:

- The aim of having a majority of independent Directors on the Board and of having an independent Non-Executive Chairman;
- That between them, the Directors have appropriate range of skills, expertise, experience and diversity to discharge the Board's mandate;
- That each individual Board member has sufficient time to meet his/her commitments as a Director of the Company;
- The duration of each existing Director's tenure, noting the retirement provisions of the Constitution, as set out above; and
- Whether the size of the Board is appropriate to facilitate effective discussions and efficient decision making.

8. Board Skills Matrix

In line with recommendation 2.2, the Board has developed a Board skills matrix, to simplify the process for identifying any 'gaps' in the Board's skills, expertise and experience. As part of the review of the skills matrix the Board monitor the skills, expertise and experience that are relevant to the Company and assess those requirements against the collective attributes of the Directors. The Board skills matrix will be reviewed by the Directors on annual basis.

9. Independence

The Board annually assesses the independence of each Director. For this purpose an independent Director is a Non-executive Director whom the Board considers to be independent of management and free of any business or other relationship that could materially interfere with – or could reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with - the exercise of unfettered and independent judgment, and who:

1. Is not a substantial shareholder of the Company, is not an officer of, or is not otherwise associated with a substantial shareholder;
2. Within the last three years, has not been employed in an executive capacity by the Company or another Group member;
3. Within the last three years, has not been a principal of a material professional advisor or a material consultant to the Company or another Group member, or an employee materially associated with the service provided;
4. Is not a material supplier to, or customer of, the Company or another Group member, or an officer of or otherwise associated directly or indirectly with a material supplier or customer; and
5. Has no material contractual relationship with the Company or another Group member, other than as a Director.

Patrick Elliott and Malcolm Richmond have been assessed as independent Directors. In reaching that determination, the Board has taken into account (in addition to the matters set out above):

1. The specific disclosures made by each independent Director as referred to above;
2. That no independent Director has ever been employed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
3. That no independent Director is, or has been associated with a supplier, professional adviser, consultant to or customer of the Company which is material under accounting standards; and
4. That no independent Director personally carries on any role for the Company otherwise than as a Director of the Company.

Recommendation 2.4 is that a majority of the Board should be independent. The Company has equal numbers of independent and non-independent Directors. As the Chairman has a casting vote at Board meetings, the majority of the Board could be considered to be independent. The Board believes that its current composition is appropriate to deliver on the Company's stated objectives. The size and scope of the Company's activities does not justify the cost of appointing further independent Directors at this stage of its development.

When a new Director joins the Board they are provided with information about the Company including the Constitution, Board and Committee Charters, Policies and Directors Duties information.

10. Code of Conduct

The Company recognises the importance of establishing and maintaining high ethical standards and decision making in conducting its business and is committed to increasing shareholder value in conjunction with fulfilling its responsibilities as a good corporate citizen. All Directors, officers, employees, contractors, consultants and associates of the Group are expected to act with honesty and integrity in all their dealings with stakeholders.

The Group has established a Code of Conduct, which includes requirements to:

1. Act in good faith in pursuing the objectives of the Company;
2. Avoid situations which may give rise to a conflict of interest;
3. Maintain confidentiality in relation to the affairs of the Company, its customers and its suppliers;
4. Comply with the laws and regulations relating to the Company, particularly the prohibition on insider trading;
5. Treat each other, suppliers, competitors, clients, customers and other stakeholders fairly and with respect;
6. Protect and ensure efficient use of the Company's assets for legitimate business purposes;
7. Refrain from offering or receiving a bribe; and
8. Report unlawful/unethical behaviour, with those who report violations in good faith to be protected from harassment or discriminatory treatment.

Since the year end, the Board has reviewed and updated the Code of Conduct. The updated Code is available on the Company's website and has been circulated to all employees, contractors and consultants.

11. Audit Arrangements

Recommendation 4.1 is that the Board should establish an Audit Committee. Due to the size of the Company and the Board, it is more efficient for the full Board to review the integrity of the Company's financial reporting and the processes to ensure the independence and competence of the external auditors.

While considering external reporting, the Board:

- Assesses whether financial statements are consistent with Directors' knowledge and adequate for shareholders' needs;
- Assesses the management processes supporting external reporting; and
- Reviews risk management and internal control systems.

All members of the Board are financially literate and have an in depth understanding of the industry in which the Company operates.

The Board's policy is to appoint external auditors who clearly demonstrate quality and independence. The performance of the external auditor is reviewed annually and applications for tender for external audit services are requested as deemed appropriate, taking into consideration assessment of performance, existing value and tender costs. The audit engagement partner is rotated periodically, as required by the Corporations Act.

An analysis of fees paid to the external auditors, including a break-down of fees for non-audit services, is provided in the Directors' Report and the notes to the financial statements. The external auditors provide an annual declaration of their independence to the Board.

12. Integrity in Corporate Reporting

The CFO and Company Secretary has been appointed as the person responsible for communications with the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). This officer is also responsible for ensuring compliance with the

continuous disclosure requirements in the ASX Listing Rules and overseeing and co-ordinating information disclosure to the ASX.

The Exploration Director and CFO and Company Secretary have given a written declaration to the Board required by section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001 that in their view:

- The Company's financial report is founded on a sound system of risk management and internal compliance and control which implements the financial policies adopted by the Board;
- The Company's risk management and internal compliance and control system is operating effectively in all material respects;
- The Company's financial statements and notes thereto comply with the accounting standards; and
- The Company's financial statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2016 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date.

In accordance with recommendation 4.3, the external auditor is requested to attend the annual general meeting and to be available to answer shareholder questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the audit report.

13. Continuous Disclosure Policy

The Board has established a Disclosure and Communication Policy, which is available on the Company's website. Amongst other items it details: the Company's continuous disclosure obligations, disclosure roles, responsibilities and internal procedures, as well as market and shareholder communications.

14. Website Information

The Company discloses information about itself including its: Corporate Governance Statement, Corporate Governance Policies, past announcements, investor updates and other relevant information on the Company website. Shareholders and other interested parties may also subscribe for email alerts using the Company's website.

15. Investor Relations

The Board aims to keep shareholders informed of all major developments affecting the Company's activities and its state of affairs through announcements to the ASX and releases to the media. The Company's commitment to respect the rights of shareholders is set out in the Disclosure and Communications Policy, which is available on the Company's website.

16. Shareholder Meetings

Shareholders may elect to receive electronic notifications when the Annual Report is available on the Company's website, and may electronically lodge proxy instructions for items of business to be considered at general meetings.

The Board encourages full participation of shareholders at the annual general meeting. Shareholders who are unable to attend general meetings are encouraged to lodge proxy appointments in advance of the meeting.

17. Risk Assessment and Management

Recommendation 7.1 is that the Board should establish a Committee to oversee risk. Due to the size of the Company the Board concluded that it was more efficient for the full Board to review the integrity of the Company's risk management processes to ensure a sufficient assessment and management of possible risks.

The Board is responsible for identifying material business risks and implementing procedures to manage those risks. The Board has formalised its processes for documenting the Group's risk profile in a risk management matrix which is reviewed by the Board at least annually and has been reviewed during the 2016 financial period. Following the review the Board is satisfied that the risk management framework continues to be sound. The risk management matrix identifies areas of risk for the Group and records any remedial action the Group has taken in the management of those risks.

The Board and management identify, monitor and manage compliance issues and significant risks on an ongoing basis. In particular, the Board requires that the risks related to diversified resources exploration, development and production are addressed in proposed operations.

18. Internal Audit

Due to the size of the Company and its Board, there is no internal audit function and the Board concluded that it was more appropriate for the full Board to consider internal control processes as part of the risk management framework. Key elements of the Group's internal control systems include:

- The Code of Conduct, which sets out an ethical and legal framework for all employees in the conduct of the Group's business; and
- Financial and reporting systems to provide timely, relevant and reliable information to management and the Board.

19. Material Exposure to Risk

Recommendation 7.4 is that the Board should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and if so, how it manages those risks. The Company believes that the following operational risks are inherent in the industry in which the Company operates, having regard to the Company's circumstances (including financial resources, prospects and size):

- Fluctuations in commodity prices and exchange rates;
- Accuracy of mineral reserve and resource estimates;
- Reliance on licenses, permits and approvals from governmental authorities;
- Ability to obtain additional financing;
- Acquisition of new business opportunities; and
- Changed operating, market or regulatory environments.

These risk areas are provided here to assist investors to understand better the nature of the risks faced by the Company, and are not necessarily an exhaustive list.

The Exploration Director and the CFO and Company Secretary have reported and declared in writing to the Board that the Group's management of its material business risks is effective.

20. Remuneration

Recommendation 8.1 is that the Board should establish a Remuneration Committee. Due to the size of the Company and the Board, it is more efficient for the full Board to review remuneration policy matters. The remuneration of Directors is determined by the Board as a whole having regard to the level of fees paid to Directors by other companies of similar size in the industry to ensure that it is appropriate and not excessive.

The Board considers:

- Executive remuneration and incentive policies;
- The company's recruitment retention and termination policies and procedures for senior management;
- Superannuation arrangements; and
- The remuneration of executive Directors, with the exploration Director excusing himself from the deliberations.

The remuneration policy has been disclosed in the Directors Report.

Due to the size of the Company, the structure of both Executive and Non-Executive Directors' remuneration includes a long-term incentive component, linked to the performance of the Group. The Non-Executive Directors receive no retirement benefits, other than statutory superannuation contributions. Any increase in the maximum total remuneration of the Non-Executive Directors of the Company, which is set at \$350,000 is subject to the approval of shareholders.

Any Directors or employees participating in equity based remuneration schemes are prohibited from entering into transactions in products which limit the economic risk of holding unvested entitlements under those schemes.