# Constitution

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# 1 Preliminary

## 1.1 Definitions and interpretation

(a) In this constitution:

Act means the Corporations Act 2001;

Company means AvSuper Pty Ltd ABN 46 050 431 797;

**Employer Director** means a director of the Company appointed under rule 6.2 or rule 6.5(c);

**Employer Sponsor** means Airservices Australia, a body corporate established under the Air Services Act 1995 or any body which may become its successor at law and any other entity as agreed in writing by the Company and that entity;

Fund means the AvSuper Fund (by whatever name it may subsequently be known);

Independent Director means a director of the Company appointed to that position under rule 6.4;

Independent Director Requirements mean any requirements imposed under the Relevant Law relating to "independent directors" on boards of regulated superannuation funds to the extent that they apply to the Company as trustee of the Fund.

Member means a holder of a share in the capital of the Company from time to time;

**Member Director** means a director of the Company appointed to that position under rule 6.2 or rule 6.5(c);

**Member Representative Body** means the Australian Council of Trade Unions;

**Nominating Body** means either or both of the Employer Sponsor and the Member Representative Body, as the context requires.

#### Relevant Law means:

- the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993;
- (2) the Superannuation Guidelines;
- (3) the Income Tax Assessment Acts 1936 and 1997;
- (4) any other present or future law of the Commonwealth or any State or Territory of Australia which the Company or any superannuation fund of which the Company is trustee must comply with or satisfy in order to secure or better secure a concession in respect of taxation or in order to avoid a penalty, detriment or disadvantage; and
- (5) any other present or future law of the Commonwealth or any State or Territory of Australia which does not fall within paragraphs (1), (2) or (3) of this definition but which the

directors decide is to be a Relevant Law for the purposes of the whole or any particular provision of this constitution;

Representative, in relation to a Member which is a body corporate, means a person authorised by the body corporate under the Act or a corresponding previous law to act as its representative;

**Secretary** means a person appointed to perform the duties of a secretary of the Company pursuant to rule 7.1;

Superannuation Guidelines means the guidelines or requirements determined by the Commonwealth Minister for Finance from time to time under the Superannuation Benefits (Supervisory Mechanisms) Act 1990 and enforceable for the time being in respect of an employer, the Company or the Fund;

#### Transmission Event means:

- in respect of a Member who is an individual:
  - (A) the Member's death:
  - (B) the Member's bankruptcy;
  - (C) the Member ceases to be a Member (and Director); or
  - (D) the Member becoming of unsound mind or a person who is, or whose estate is, liable to be dealt with in any way under the law relating to mental health; and
- (2) in respect of a Member who is a body corporate, the dissolution of the Member or the succession by another body corporate to the assets and liabilities of the Member.
- (b) A reference in this constitution to a partly paid share is a reference to a share on which there is an amount unpaid.
- (c) A reference in this constitution to a call or an amount called in respect of a share includes a reference to an amount that, by the terms of issue of a share, becomes payable on issue or at a fixed date.
- (d) A Member is to be taken to be present at a general meeting if the Member is present in person or by proxy, attorney or Representative.
- (e) A chairperson appointed under this constitution may be referred to as chairman or chairwoman, or as chair, as appropriate.
- (f) A reference in this constitution in general terms to a person holding or occupying a particular office or position includes a reference to any person who occupies or performs the duties of that office or position for the time being.
- (g) In this constitution, unless the contrary intention appears:
  - words importing the singular include the plural and words importing the plural include the singular;
  - (2) words importing a gender include every other gender;

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- (3) words used to denote persons generally or importing a natural person include any company, corporation, body corporate, body politic, partnership, joint venture, association, board, group or other body (whether or not the body is incorporated);
- a reference to a person includes that person's successors and legal personal representatives;
- (5) a reference to any statute, regulation, proclamation, ordinance or by-law includes all statutes, regulations, proclamations, ordinances or by-laws varying, consolidating or replacing them and a reference to a statute includes all regulations, proclamations, ordinances and by-laws issued under that statute; and
- (6) where a word or phrase is given a particular meaning, other parts of speech and grammatical forms of that word or phrase have corresponding meanings.
- (h) In this constitution, headings and bold type are for convenience only and do not affect its interpretation.

## 1.2 Application of the Act

- (a) Unless the contrary intention appears, an expression in a rule that deals with a matter dealt with by a provision of the Act has the same meaning as in that provision of the Act.
- (b) Subject to rule 1.2(a), unless the contrary intention appears, an expression in a rule that is used in the Act has the same meaning in this constitution as in the Act.

#### 1.3 Terms of the Constitution

- (a) The rules of the Company are contained in this Constitution and no other document, other than the Directors Deed. Except to the extent that the Act requires otherwise, a director (whether Employer Director or Member Director) or any other party cannot rely on any other rules, rights or representations that are not contained within this Constitution.
- (b) To the extent there is any inconsistency between this Constitution and a Director's Deed the Company may determine which term shall prevail so long as its determination complies with the Relevant Law.

#### 1.4 Exercise of powers

- (a) The Company may, in any way the Act permits:
  - exercise any power;
  - (2) take any action; or
  - engage in any conduct or procedure,

which, under the Act, a company limited by shares may exercise, take or engage in.

- (b) Where this constitution provides that a person or body may do a particular act or thing, the act or thing may be done at the person's discretion.
- (c) Where this constitution confers a power to do a particular act or thing, the power is, unless the contrary intention appears, to be taken as including a power exercisable in the same manner and subject to the same conditions (if any) to repeal, rescind, revoke, amend or vary that act or thing.
- (d) Where this constitution confers a power to do a particular thing in respect of particular matters, the power is, unless the contrary intention appears, to be taken to include a power to do that thing in respect of some only of those matters or in respect of a particular class or particular classes of those matters and to make different provision in respect of different matters or different classes of matters.
- (e) Where this constitution confers a power to make appointments to any office or position, the power is, unless the contrary intention appears, to be taken to include a power:
  - to appoint a person to act in the office or position until a person is appointed to the office or position;
  - (2) subject to any contract between the Company and the relevant person, to remove or suspend any person appointed, with or without cause; and
  - (3) to appoint another person temporarily in the place of any person so removed or suspended or in place of any sick or absent holder of the office or position.
- (f) Where this constitution confers a power or imposes a duty then, unless the contrary intention appears, the power may be exercised and the duty must be performed from time to time as the occasion requires.
- (g) Where this constitution confers a power or imposes a duty on the holder of an office as such then, unless the contrary intention appears, the power may be exercised and the duty must be performed by the holder for the time being of the office.
- (h) Where this constitution confers power on a person or body to delegate a function or power:
  - the delegation may be concurrent with, or (except in the case of a delegation by the board of directors) to the exclusion of, the performance or exercise of that function or power by the person or body;
  - (2) the delegation may be either general or limited in any manner provided in the terms of delegation;
  - (3) the delegation need not be to a specified person but may be to any person from time to time holding, occupying or performing the duties of a specified office or position;

- (4) the delegation may include the power to delegate;
- (5) where the performance or exercise of that function or power is dependent on the opinion, belief or state of mind of that person or body in relation to a matter, that function or power may be performed or exercised by the delegate on the opinion, belief or state of mind of the delegate in relation to that matter; and
- (6) the function or power so delegated, when performed or exercised by the delegate, is to be taken to have been performed or exercised by the person or body.

## 1.5 Table A and replaceable rules not to apply

The regulations in Table A in the legislation under which the Company was formed and those provisions of the Act designated as replaceable rules do not apply to the Company except so far as they are repeated in this constitution.

## 1.6 Single member company

If at any time the Company has only one Member then, unless the contrary intention appears:

- (a) a reference in a rule to "the Members" is a reference to that Member;
   and
- (b) without limiting rule 1.6(a), a rule which confers a power or imposes an obligation on the Members to do a particular thing confers that power or imposes that obligation on that Member.

# 1.7 Purpose of Company and no distribution to shareholders

- (a) The main purpose of the Company is to act as the trustee of one or more regulated superannuation funds within the meaning of the Relevant Law but it is also able to do all other things permitted by the Act.
- (b) The income and property of the Company shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the purpose or object of the Company.
- (c) No income or property of the Company shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly to a person in that person's capacity as a shareholder.

# 1.8 Single director company

If at any time the minimum number of directors fixed under this constitution is one and the Company in fact has only one director then, unless the contrary intention appears:

(a) a reference in a rule to "the directors" is a reference to that director;
 and

(b) without limiting rule 1.8(a), a rule which confers a power or imposes an obligation on the directors to do a particular thing confers that power or imposes that obligation on that director.

# 2 Share capital

#### 2.1 Shares

Without prejudice to any special rights conferred on the holders of any shares or class of shares, the directors may:

- issue, allot or grant options for, or otherwise dispose of, shares in the Company; and
- (b) decide:
  - the persons to whom shares are issued or options are granted;
  - (2) the terms on which shares are issued or options are granted; and
  - (3) the rights and restrictions attached to those shares and options.

#### 2.2 Preference shares

The Company may issue preference shares including preference shares which are, or at the option of the Company are, liable to be redeemed or convertible into ordinary shares and these powers of issuing and redeeming preference shares may be exercised by the directors.

## 2.3 Variation of class rights

Unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of a class of shares:

- (a) all or any of the rights or privileges attached to the class may be varied, whether or not the Company is being wound up, only with the consent in writing of the holders of three-quarters of the issued shares of that class, or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the issued shares of that class;
- (b) the provisions of these rules relating to general meetings apply, so far as they can and with such changes as are necessary, to each separate meeting of the holders of the issued shares of that class; and
- (c) the rights conferred on the holders of the shares of that class are, unless otherwise expressly or by necessary implication provided by the terms of creation or issue of the shares of that class, to be taken as having been varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking equally with them.

## 2.4 Alteration of share capital

- (a) The Company may alter its share capital in any manner permitted by law.
- (b) Where fractions of shares are or would otherwise be created by an alteration of share capital under rule 2.4(a), the directors may:
  - (1) make cash payments;
  - (2) decide that fractions of shares are to be disregarded or rounded down to the nearest whole share; or
  - (3) decide that fractions of shares are to be rounded up to the nearest whole share by capitalising any amount available for capitalisation under rule 9.3 even though some only of the Members may participate in that capitalisation.

## 2.5 Equitable and other claims

- (a) Except where a law or this constitution requires otherwise, the Company is entitled to treat the registered holder of a share as the absolute owner of that share and need not:
  - recognise a person as holding a share on any trust, even if the Company has notice of that trust; or
  - (2) recognise, or be bound by, any equitable, contingent, future or partial claim to or interest in a share by any other person except an absolute right of ownership in the registered holder, even if the Company has notice of that claim or interest.
- (b) With the consent of the directors, shares held by a trustee may be marked in the register in such a way as to identify them as being held subject to the relevant trust.
- (c) Nothing in rule 2.5(b) limits the operation of rule 2.5(a).

# 2.6 Currency

An amount payable to the holder of a share, whether by way of or on account of dividend, return of capital, participation in the property of the Company on a winding up or otherwise, may be paid, with the agreement of the holder or pursuant to the terms of issue of the share, in the currency of a country other than Australia and the directors may fix a date up to 30 days before the payment date as the date on which any applicable exchange rate will be determined for that purpose.

# 3 Indemnity, lien and surrender

# 3.1 Indemnity for payments by the Company

If the Company becomes liable under any law to make any payment:

(a) in respect of shares held solely or jointly by a Member;

- (b) in respect of a transfer or transmission of shares by a Member;
- in respect of dividends, bonuses or other amount due or payable or which may become due and payable to a Member; or
- (d) otherwise for or on account of or in respect of a Member, whether as a consequence of:
- (e) the death of that Member;
- (f) the non-payment of any income tax, capital gains tax, wealth tax or other tax by that Member or the legal personal representative of that Member;
- (g) the non-payment of any estate, probate, succession, death, stamp or other duty by that Member or the legal personal representative of that Member; or
- (h) any other thing,

then, in addition to any right or remedy that the law may confer on the Company:

- (i) the Member or, if the Member is dead, the Member's legal personal representative, must:
  - (1) fully indemnify the Company against that liability;
  - (2) reimburse the Company for any payment made under or as a consequence of that law immediately on demand by the Company; and
  - (3) pay interest on so much of the amount payable to the Company under rule 3.1(i)(2) as is unpaid from time to time, from the date the Company makes a payment under that law until the date the Company is reimbursed in full for that payment under rule 3.1(i)(2), at a rate determined under rule 3.5:
- the Company has a lien over all dividends, interest and other amounts payable in respect of the shares held solely or jointly by that Member or that Member's legal personal representative for all amounts payable to the Company under this rule 3.1;
- (k) the Company may refuse to register a transfer of any shares by or to that Member or that Member's legal personal representative until all amounts payable to the Company under this rule 3.1 have been paid; and
- the directors may:
  - (1) exempt a share from all or any part of this rule 3.1; and
  - (2) waive or compromise all or any part of any payment due to the Company under this rule 3.1.

#### 3.2 Lien on shares

(a) The Company has a first lien on:

- (1) each partly paid share for all amounts (whether presently payable or not) called or otherwise due under this constitution in respect of that share; and
- (2) all shares registered in the name of a sole holder for all amounts presently payable by the holder or the holder's estate to the Company.
- (b) The Company's lien on a share extends to all dividends payable on the share and to the proceeds of sale of the share.
- (c) The directors may sell any share on which the Company has a lien in such manner as they think fit where:
  - (1) an amount in respect of which a lien exists under this rule 3.2 is presently payable; and
  - (2) the Company has, at least 14 days before the date of the sale, given to the registered holder of the share written notice stating the part of the amount for which the lien exists that is presently payable, and demanding payment of that amount.
- (d) Where the Company registers a transfer of shares on which the Company has a lien without giving to the transferee notice of its claim, the Company's lien is released so far as it relates to amounts owing by the transferor or any predecessor in title on the shares transferred.
- (e) The directors may:
  - exempt a share from all or any part of this rule 3.2; and
  - (2) waive or compromise all or any part of any payment due to the Company under this rule 3.2.

#### 3.3 Surrender of shares

- (a) Consistent with the terms and conditions of the Director's Deed a director (whether Employer Director or Member Director) must surrender all shares of the Company once a director ceases to be a director of the Company.
- (b) The directors may accept a surrender of a share by way of compromise of any claim as to whether or not that share has been validly issued or in any other case where the surrender is within the powers of the Company.
- (c) Any share so surrendered may be sold, reissued or otherwise disposed of in such manner as the directors think fit.

# 3.4 Procedures after sale, reissue or other disposal of shares by the Company

- (a) A reference in this rule 3.4 to a sale of a share is a reference to:
  - any sale, reissue or other disposal of a surrendered share under rule 3.3; and

- (2) any sale of a share over which the Company has a lien under rule 3.2(c).
- (b) After the Company has sold a share, the directors may:
  - receive the purchase money or consideration given for the share;
  - (2) effect a transfer of the share or execute or appoint a person to execute, on behalf of the former holder, a transfer of the share; and
  - (3) register as the holder of the share the person to whom the share is sold.
- (c) A person to whom the Company sells shares need not take any steps to investigate the regularity or validity of the sale, or to see how the purchase money or consideration on the sale is applied. That person's title to the shares is not affected by any irregularity by the Company before the sale or the exercise of the Company's lien on the shares (as applicable).
- (d) Damages is the only remedy of a person who suffers any loss because of a sale of shares by the Company. The claim for damages can only be made against the Company.
- (e) The proceeds of a sale of shares under this constitution must be applied in paying:
  - (1) first, the expenses of the sale;
  - (2) second, all amounts presently payable by the former holder whose shares have been sold,

and the balance (if any) must be paid (subject to any lien that exists under rule 3.2 in respect of amounts not presently payable) to the former holder on the former holder delivering to the Company the certificate for the shares that have been disposed of or such other proof of title as the directors may accept.

- (f) A written statement by a director or Secretary of the Company that a share in the Company has been:
  - duly sold, reissued or otherwise disposed of under rule 3.3;
     or
  - (2) duly sold under rule 3.2(c),

on a date stated in the statement is conclusive evidence of the facts stated as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share and of the right of the Company or the directors to forfeit, sell, reissue or otherwise dispose of the share.

# 3.5 Interest payable by Member

- (a) For the purposes of rule 3.1(i)(3), the rate of interest payable to the Company is:
  - (1) if the directors have fixed a rate, that rate; or

- (2) in any other case, a rate per annum 2% higher than the rate prescribed in respect of unpaid judgements in the Supreme Court of Victoria.
- (b) Interest payable under rule 3.1(i)(3) accrues daily and may be capitalised monthly or at such other intervals as the directors decide.

## 4 Transfer and transmission of shares

#### 4.1 Transfer of shares

- (a) Subject to this constitution and to the rights or restrictions attached to any shares or class of shares, a Member may transfer any of the Member's shares by an instrument in writing in any usual form or in any other form approved by the directors.
- (b) An instrument of transfer referred to in rule 4.1(a) must:
  - (1) be signed by or on behalf of both the transferor and the transferee unless:
    - (A) the instrument of transfer relates only to fully paid shares and the directors have dispensed with signature by the transferee; or
    - (B) the transfer of the shares is effected by a document which is, or documents which together are, a sufficient transfer of those shares under the Act;
  - (2) if required by law to be stamped, be duly stamped;
  - (3) in the case of a transfer of partly paid shares, be endorsed by, or accompanied by an instrument executed by, the transferee to the effect that the transferee agrees to accept the shares subject to the terms and conditions on which the transferor held them and to become a Member and to be bound by the Company's constitution; and
  - (4) be left for registration at the Company's registered office, or at such other place as the directors decide, with the certificate for the shares to which it relates and any other evidence the directors require to prove the transferor's title or right to the shares and the transferee's right to be registered as the owner of the shares.
- (c) Subject to the powers vested in the directors under rules 4.2 and 4.3, where the Company receives an instrument of transfer complying with rule 4.1(b), the Company must register the transferee named in the instrument as the holder of the shares to which it relates.
- (d) A transferor of shares remains the holder of the shares transferred until the transfer is registered and the name of the transferee is entered in the register of members as the holder of the shares.
- (e) The Company may retain a registered instrument of transfer for any period the directors decide.

- (f) Except in the case of fraud, the Company must return any instrument of transfer which the directors decline to register to the person who deposited it with the Company.
- (g) The directors may, to the extent permitted by law, waive all or any part of the requirements of this rule 4.1.

## 4.2 Powers in respect of registration of transfers

- (a) The directors may register a transfer of shares.
- (b) The directors may decline to register any transfer of shares for any reason.
- (c) If the directors refuse to register any share transfer, notice of such refusal shall be given as required by the Act.

## 4.3 Power to suspend registration of transfers

The directors may suspend the registration of transfers at such times and for such periods, not exceeding in total 30 days in any year, as they think fit.

## 4.4 Transmission of shares

- (a) Where a Member dies, the only persons the Company will recognise as having any title to the Member's shares or any benefits accruing on those shares are:
  - the legal personal representative of the deceased, where the deceased was a sole holder; and
  - (2) the survivor, where the deceased was a joint holder.
- (b) Rule 4.4(a) does not release the estate of a deceased Member from any liability on a share, whether that share was held by the deceased solely or jointly with other persons.
- (c) A person who becomes entitled to a share because of a Transmission Event may, on producing any evidence the directors require to prove that person's entitlement to the share, choose:
  - to be registered as the holder of the share by signing and giving the Company a written notice stating that choice; or
  - (2) to nominate some other person to be registered as the transferee of the share by executing or effecting in some other way a transfer of the share to that other person.
- (d) The provisions of this constitution concerning the right to transfer shares, and the registration of transfers of shares apply, so far as they can and with any necessary changes, to any transfer under rule 4.4(c) as if the relevant Transmission Event had not occurred and the transfer were signed by the registered holder of the share.
- (e) For the purpose of this constitution, where 2 or more persons are jointly entitled to a share because of a Transmission Event they will, on being registered as the holders of the share, be taken to hold the share as joint tenants.

(f) Despite rule 4.4(a), the directors may register a transfer of shares signed by a Member before a Transmission Event even though the Company has notice of the Transmission Event.

# 5 General meetings

## 5.1 Calling general meetings

- (a) The directors may, whenever they think fit, call and arrange to hold a general meeting.
- (b) A general meeting may be convened only as provided by this rule 5.1 or as otherwise required by the Act.
- (c) Subject to rule 5.1(d), the directors may postpone, cancel or change the venue for a general meeting.
- (d) A general meeting called and arranged under section 249D of the Act may not be postponed beyond the date by which section 249D requires it to be held and may not be cancelled without the consent of the requisitioning Member or Members.

## 5.2 Notice of general meetings

- (a) Subject to this constitution and to the rights or restrictions attached to any shares or class of shares, notice of a general meeting must be given within the time limits prescribed by the Act.
- (b) The content of a notice of a general meeting called by directors is to be decided by the directors, but must state the general nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting and any other matters required by the Act.

#### 5.3 Admission to general meetings

The chairperson of a general meeting may take any action he or she considers appropriate for the safety of persons attending the meeting and the orderly conduct of the meeting and may refuse admission to, or require to leave and remain out of, the meeting any person:

- (a) in possession of a pictorial-recording or sound-recording device;
- (b) in possession of a placard or banner;
- in possession of an article considered by the chairperson to be dangerous, offensive or liable to cause disruption;
- (d) who refuses to produce or to permit examination of any article, or the contents of any article, in the person's possession;
- (e) who behaves or threatens to behave in a dangerous, offensive or disruptive manner;
- (f) who is not:
  - a Member or a proxy, attorney or Representative of a Member;

- (2) a director;
- (3) an auditor of the Company; or
- (4) a person requested by the directors or chairman to attend the meeting

## 5.4 Quorum at general meetings

- (a) No business may be transacted at the Company's general meetings, except the election of a chairperson and the adjournment of the meeting, unless a quorum of Members is present when the meeting proceeds to business.
- (b) For general meetings a quorum consists of a majority of Members who are Employer/Member Directors with at least one Member Director and one Employer Director present;
- (c) If a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the time appointed for a general meeting:
  - where the meeting was convened on the requisition of Members, the meeting must be dissolved; or
  - (2) in any other case:
    - (A) the meeting stands adjourned to the day, and at the time and place, the directors decide or, if they do not make a decision, to the same day in the next week at the same time and place; and
    - (B) if, at the adjourned meeting, a quorum is not present within 30 minutes after the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting must be dissolved.

# 5.5 Chairperson of general meetings

- (a) The chairperson of directors must (if present within 10 minutes after the time appointed for the meeting and willing to act) preside as chairperson at each general meeting.
- (b) If at a general meeting:
  - there is no chairperson of directors;
  - (2) the chairperson of directors is not present within 10 minutes after the time appointed for the meeting; or
  - (3) the chairperson of directors is present within that time but is not willing to act as chairperson of the meeting,

the directors present must elect one of themselves to be chairperson of the meeting.

## 5.6 Conduct of general meetings

(a) The chairperson of a general meeting is responsible for the general conduct of the meeting and for the procedures to be adopted at the meeting and may require the adoption of any procedures which are in his or her opinion necessary or desirable for:

- proper and orderly debate or discussion, including limiting the time that a person may speak on a motion or other item of business before the meeting; and
- (2) the proper and orderly casting or recording of votes at the general meeting, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, including the appointment of scrutineers.
- (b) The chairperson of a general meeting may at his or her sole discretion at any time during the course of the meeting adjourn from time to time and place to place the meeting or any business, motion, question or resolution being considered or remaining to be considered by the meeting or any debate or discussion and may adjourn any business, motion, question or resolution, debate or discussion either to a later time at the same meeting or to an adjourned meeting.
- (c) No business may be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- (d) Where a meeting is adjourned, notice need not be given to any person unless the meeting is adjourned for more than 30 days.
- (e) Where a meeting is adjourned, the directors may postpone, cancel or change the venue of the adjourned meeting.
- (f) Where a meeting of Members is held at 2 or more venues using any form of technology:
  - a Member participating in the meeting is to be taken to be present in person at the meeting;
  - (2) all the provisions in this constitution relating to meetings of Members apply, so far as they can and with such changes as are necessary, to meetings of the Members using that technology; and
  - (3) the meeting is to be taken to be held at the place determined by the chairperson of the general meeting as long as at least one of the Members involved was at that place for the duration of the general meeting.
- (g) If the technology used in accordance with the requirement of rule 5.6(f) encounters a technical difficulty, whether before or during the meeting, which results in a Member not being able to participate in the meeting, the chairperson may, subject to the Act, allow the meeting to continue or may adjourn the meeting either for such reasonable period as may be required to fix the technology or to such other time and location as the chairperson deems appropriate.

## 5.7 Decisions at general meetings

(a) Except in the case of any resolution which as a matter of law requires a special majority, questions arising at a general meeting must be decided by a majority of votes cast by the Members present

at the meeting. A decision made in this way is for all purposes a decision of the Members.

- (b) If votes are equal on a proposed resolution, the chairperson of the meeting is not entitled to a casting vote, in addition to any deliberative vote, and the proposed resolution will be deemed to have been lost or resolved in the negative.
- (c) A resolution put to the vote of a general meeting must be decided on a show of hands, unless a poll is demanded by:
  - the chairperson of the meeting; or
  - (2) any Member present and having the right to vote at the meeting,

before a show of hands is held or before the result of the show of hands is declared or immediately after the result of the show of hands is declared.

- (d) A demand for a poll does not prevent a general meeting continuing to transact any business except the question on which the poll is demanded.
- (e) Unless a poll is duly demanded, a declaration by the chairperson of a general meeting that a resolution has on a show of hands been carried or carried unanimously, or carried by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the book containing the minutes of the proceedings of the Company, is conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded for or against the resolution.
- (f) If a poll is duly demanded at a general meeting, it is to be taken in a way and subject to rule 5.7(g) either at once or after an interval or adjournment or otherwise as the chairperson of the meeting directs. The result of the poll as declared by the chairperson is the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.
- (g) A poll demanded at a general meeting on the election of a chairperson of the meeting or on a question of adjournment must be taken immediately.
- (h) The demand for a poll may be withdrawn with the chairperson's consent.

## 5.8 Voting rights

- (a) Subject to this constitution and to any rights or restrictions attached to any shares or class of shares, at a general meeting:
  - on a show of hands, every Member present has one vote;
     and
  - (2) on a poll, every Member present has one vote for each share held by the Member and in respect of which the Member is entitled to vote.
- (b) If a person present at a general meeting represents personally or by proxy, attorney or Representative more than one Member:

- on a show of hands the person is entitled to one vote only, even though he or she represents more than one Member;
- (2) that vote will be taken as having been cast for all the Members the person represents; and
- (3) the person must not exercise that vote in a way which would contravene any directions given to the person in accordance with rule 5.10(f) in any instrument appointing the person as a proxy or attorney.
- (c) A joint holder may vote at any meeting in person or by proxy, attorney or Representative as if that person were the sole holder. If more than one joint holder tenders a vote, the vote of the holder named first in the register must be accepted to the exclusion of the other or others.
- (d) A person entitled to a share because of a Transmission Event may vote at any general meeting in respect of that share in the same way as if that person were the registered holder of the share if, before the meeting, the directors have:
  - admitted that person's right to vote at that meeting in respect of the share; or
  - (2) been satisfied of that person's right to be registered as the holder of, or to transfer, the share under rule 4.4(c),
  - and any vote so tendered by that person must be accepted to the exclusion of the vote of the registered holder of the share.
- (e) A Member is not entitled to vote at a general meeting unless all calls and other amounts presently payable by that Member in respect of shares in the Company have been paid.
- (f) An objection to the qualification of a person to vote at a general meeting must be:
  - raised before or at the meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered; and
  - (2) referred to the chairperson of the meeting, whose decision is final.
- (g) A vote not disallowed by the chairperson of a meeting under rule 5.8(f) is valid for all purposes.

#### 5.9 Decisions without general meetings

When the Company has more than one Member:

- (a) the Company may pass a resolution (except a resolution to remove an auditor) without a general meeting being held:
  - if all of the Members entitled to vote on the resolution sign a document containing a statement that they are in favour of a resolution set out in the document; and
  - (2) otherwise in accordance with the Act.

- (b) If a share is held jointly, each of the joint Members must sign the document.
- (c) The passage of the resolution satisfies any requirement in the Act, or in this constitution, that the resolution be passed at a general meeting.

## 5.10 Representation at general meetings

- (a) Subject to this constitution, each Member entitled to vote at a meeting of Members may vote:
  - in person or, where a Member is a body corporate, by its Representatives;
  - (2) by not more than 2 proxies; or
  - (3) by not more than 2 attorneys.
- (b) A proxy, attorney or Representative may, but need not, be a Member of the Company.
- (c) A proxy, attorney or Representative may be appointed for all general meetings, or for any number of general meetings, or for a particular general meeting.
- (d) Unless otherwise provided in the instrument, an instrument appointing a proxy, attorney or Representative is to be taken to confer authority:
  - to agree to a meeting being convened by shorter notice than is required by the Act or by this constitution;
  - (2) to agree to a resolution being proposed and passed as a special resolution at a meeting of which less than the period of notice required by the Act has been given;
  - (3) even though the instrument may refer to specific resolutions and may direct the proxy, attorney or Representative how to vote on those resolutions:
    - (A) to vote on any amendment moved to the proposed resolutions and on any motion that the proposed resolutions not be put or any similar motion;
    - (B) to vote on any procedural motion, including any motion to elect the chairperson, to vacate the chair or to adjourn the meeting; and
    - (C) to act generally at the meeting.
- (e) Where a Member appoints 2 proxies or attorneys to vote at the same general meeting, the following rules apply:
  - (1) subject to rule 5.10(e)(2), the appointment is of no effect and a proxy or attorney may not vote unless each proxy or attorney (as applicable) is appointed to represent a specified proportion of the Member's voting rights;

- (2) if the Act precludes the Company from treating as invalid the appointment of 2 proxies which fails to specify the proportion or number of votes that each may exercise, each person appointed may exercise half the Member's votes;
- (3) on a show of hands, neither proxy or attorney may vote;
- (4) on a poll, each proxy or attorney may only exercise the voting rights the proxy or attorney represents; and
- (5) if both appointments cannot be validly exercised at the meeting, the later appointment revokes the earlier appointment of a proxy or attorney.
- (f) An instrument appointing a proxy or attorney may direct the manner in which the proxy or attorney is to vote in respect of a particular resolution and, where an instrument so provides, the proxy or attorney is not entitled to vote on the proposed resolution except as directed in the instrument.
- (g) Subject to rule 5.10(h), an instrument appointing a proxy or attorney need not be in any particular form as long as it is in writing, legally valid and signed by or on behalf of the appointer or the appointer's attorney.
- (h) A proxy or attorney may not vote at a general meeting or adjourned meeting or on a poll unless the instrument appointing the proxy or attorney, and the authority under which the instrument is signed or a certified copy of the authority, are:
  - (1) received at the registered office of the Company, a fax number at the Company's registered office or at another place, fax number or electronic address specified for that purpose in the notice convening the meeting before the time specified in the notice;
  - (2) in the case of a meeting or an adjourned meeting, tabled at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote; or
  - (3) in the case of a poll, produced when the poll is taken.
- (i) The directors may waive all or any of the requirements of rules 5.10(g) and 5.10(h) and in particular may, on the production of such other evidence as the directors require to prove the validity of the appointment of a proxy or attorney, accept:
  - an oral appointment of a proxy or attorney;
  - (2) an appointment of a proxy or attorney which is not signed in the manner required by rule 5.10(g); and
  - (3) the deposit, tabling or production of a copy (including a copy sent by fax) of an instrument appointing a proxy or attorney or of the power of attorney or other authority under which the instrument is signed.
- (j) A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument appointing a proxy or attorney is valid despite:

- a Transmission Event occurring in relation to the appointer;
   or
- (2) the revocation of the instrument or of the authority under which the instrument was executed.

if no written notice of the Transmission Event or revocation has been received by the Company by the time and at one of the places at which the instrument appointing the proxy or attorney is required to be deposited, tabled or produced under rule 5.10(h).

- (k) A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument appointing a proxy or attorney is valid despite the transfer of the share in respect of which the instrument was given, if the transfer is not registered by the time at which the instrument appointing the proxy or attorney is required to be deposited, tabled or produced under rule 5.10(h).
- (I) The appointment of a proxy or attorney is not revoked by the appointer attending and taking part in the general meeting but, if the appointer votes on a resolution, the person acting as proxy or attorney for the appointer is not entitled to vote, and must not vote, as the appointer's proxy or attorney on the resolution.

## 6 Directors

#### 6.1 Number of directors

- (a) Subject to rule 6.1(b) and the Relevant Law, there must be at least three Member Directors and at least three Employer Directors.
- (b) Provided that the number of Member Directors and Employer Directors is equal, the directors may agree to and subject to the Relevant Law:
  - increase the aggregate number of Member Directors and Employer Directors; or
  - (2) reduce the number of Member Directors and Employer Directors to not less than four in total or a number required by the Relevant Law.
- (c) All the directors of the Company shall be natural persons and a person is not entitled to be appointed as a director of the Company if he or she is:
  - (1) under the age of 18 years; or
  - (2) not eligible to act as a director of the Company under the Act, Relevant Law, or any board policy (including any board policy which applies only where the Company acts as trustee of a regulated superannuation fund), and any purported appointment of such a person shall be null and of no legal effect.

## 6.2 Nomination, appointment and removal of directors

- (a) The Employer Sponsor may nominate a person to be an Employer Director, by written notice to the Company. For the avoidance of doubt, the Employer Sponsor may nominate a current Employer Director for re-appointment.
- (b) The Member Representative Body may nominate a person to be a Member Director by written notice to the Company. For the avoidance of doubt, the Member Representative Body may nominate a current Member Director for re-appointment.
- (c) Subject to rule 6.1(b) and 6.1(c) each director of the Company is to be appointed by the directors of the Company.
- (d) If the directors consider in their absolute discretion that:
  - a person (Nominee) nominated as an Employer Director or a Member Director by a Nominating Body satisfies the eligibility requirements described in rule 6.1(b) and 6.1(c); and
  - (2) the appointment of the Nominee would not hinder the Company in satisfying the Relevant Law and any board policy relating to the composition of the board or the operation of the Fund,

they may appoint them to that position. Otherwise, the directors are not required to appoint the Nominee to the relevant position.

- (e) If the directors decide not to appoint a person nominated as an Employer Director or a Member Director by a Nominating Body, they must promptly notify the Nominating Body in writing but are not required to give reasons for their decision.
- (f) The directors may remove a director of the Company at any time where the director (whether Employer Director or Member Director) fails to meet the conditions specified in rule 6.1(c), fails to comply with the Relevant Laws or fails to meet any conditions determined by the directors from time to time.

#### 6.3 Tenure of office

- (a) Subject to rule 6.5, each Employer Director and Member Director will hold office for any one appointment for a maximum period of three years or any other period that may be determined by the directors from time to time.
- (b) An Employer Director or a Member Director who is not nominated by a Nominating Body and is appointed pursuant to rule 6.5(c), will hold office for any one appointment for a maximum period of three years or such lesser period as the directors may agree.

#### 6.4 Independent Director

(a) Subject to rule 6.1(c) and the Relevant Law, the directors may from time to time appoint (whether for a fixed period or otherwise), remove or replace one or more Independent Directors.

- (b) An Independent Director appointed under rule 6.4(a) must satisfy any applicable Independent Director Requirements.
- (c) The directors must appoint, remove or replace Independent Directors under rule 6.4(a) to the extent necessary to comply with, and in accordance with, any Independent Director Requirements and any board policy that is not inconsistent with the Independent Director Requirements.

#### 6.5 Vacation of office

- (a) Subject to the terms of any agreement entered into between the Company and the relevant director, the office of a director becomes vacant:
  - (1) in the circumstances prescribed by the Act;
  - (2) if the director dies;
  - (3) if the director becomes prohibited from being a director by reason of, or becomes a disqualified person in terms of, any Relevant Law;
  - (4) if the director becomes prohibited from being a director by reason of an order made under the Act;
  - (5) if the director is removed by the Company where the Company in its absolute discretion determines that the director does not satisfy the eligibility requirements in rule 6.1(c);
  - (6) if the director becomes of unsound mind or a person who is, or whose estate is, liable to be dealt with in any way under the law relating to mental health;
  - (7) if the director resigns by written notice to the Company;
  - (8) in the case of an Independent Director,
    - (A) in the circumstances (if any) prescribed by the Independent Director Requirements;
    - (B) the director is removed from office under rule 6.4; or
    - (C) having been appointed for a fixed period, that period expires.
- (b) If the office of a director (other than an Independent Director) becomes vacant, a person must be appointed, within 90 days, to fill the vacancy, in accordance with rules and conditions determined under rule 6.1(c).
- (c) If the office of a director becomes vacant and the Nominating Body fails to nominate a person:
  - who satisfies the eligibility requirements in rule 6.1(c) within reasonable time and

(2) where a delay of the nomination is likely to cause the Trustee to be in breach of the 90 day requirement (and thus in breach of the equal representation rules)

the Company may appoint a director to fill the office so as to comply with Relevant Law and Rules under this Constitution for a term determined by the Company, with that term not exceeding the date of appointment of a new director who has been nominated by a Nominating Body. For avoidance of doubt this director may be an existing director whose appointment is close to expiring or has expired.

(d) If the office of an Independent Director becomes vacant the vacancy must be filled with the timeframe (if any) prescribed by the Independent Director Requirements or any applicable board policy that is not inconsistent with the Independent Director Requirements.

#### 6.6 Remuneration of directors

- (a) Each director is entitled to such remuneration out of the funds of the Company as the directors may determine from time to time, but if the Company in general meeting has fixed a limit on the amount of remuneration payable to the directors, the total remuneration of the directors under this rule 6.6(a) must not exceed that limit.
- (b) The remuneration of directors may be:
  - a stated salary or a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of directors, or both; or
  - (2) a share of a fixed sum decided by the Company in general meeting to be the remuneration payable to all directors which is to be divided between the directors in the proportions agreed between them or, failing agreement, equally,

and if it is a stated salary under rule 6.6(b)(1) or a share of a fixed sum under rule 6.6(b)(2), is to be taken to accrue from day to day.

- (c) In addition to their remuneration under rule 6.6(a), the directors are entitled to be paid all travelling and other expenses properly incurred by them in connection with the affairs of the Company, including attending and returning from general meetings of the Company or meetings of the directors or of committees of the directors.
- (d) If a director renders or is called on to perform extra services or to make any special exertions in connection with the affairs of the Company, the directors may arrange for a special remuneration to be paid to that director, either in addition to or in substitution for that director's remuneration under rule 6.6(a) subject always to any applicable board policy.
- (e) Nothing in rule 6.6(a) restricts the remuneration to which a director may be entitled as an officer of the Company or of a related body corporate in a capacity other than director, which may be either in addition to or in substitution for that director's remuneration under rule 6.6(a).

- (f) For the purposes of rule 6.6(a), the maximum amount (if any) fixed by the Company as remuneration payable to the directors does not include any amount paid by the Company or related body corporate:
  - to a superannuation, retirement or pension fund for a director so that the Company is not liable to pay the superannuation guarantee charge or similar statutory charge; or
  - (2) for any insurance premium paid or agreed to be paid for a director under rule 11.4.

## (g) The directors may:

- (1) at any time after a director dies or otherwise ceases to hold office as a director, pay to the director or a legal personal representative, spouse, relative or dependant of the director, in addition to the remuneration of that director under rule 6.6(a), a pension or lump sum payment in respect of past services rendered by that director; and
- (2) cause the Company to enter into a contract with the director for the purpose of providing for or giving effect to such a payment.
- (h) The directors may establish or support, or assist in the establishment or support of, funds and trusts to provide pension, retirement, superannuation or similar payments or benefits to or in respect of a director or former director.

## 6.7 Share qualification

- (a) A director need not hold any shares in the Company as a qualification.
- (b) A director who is not a Member of the Company is entitled to attend and speak at general meetings and at meetings of the holders of a class of shares.

#### 6.8 Interested directors

- (a) A director may hold any other office or place of profit (other than auditor) in the Company or any related body corporate in conjunction with his or her directorship and may be appointed to that office or place on such terms as to remuneration, tenure of office and otherwise as the directors think fit.
- (b) A director of the Company may be or become a director or other officer of, or otherwise interested in, any related body corporate or any other body corporate promoted by the Company or in which the Company may be interested as a shareholder or otherwise, and is not accountable to the Company for any remuneration or other benefits received by the director as a director or officer of, or from having an interest in, that body corporate.
- (c) The directors may exercise the voting rights conferred by shares in any body corporate held or owned by the Company in such manner in all respects as the directors think fit (including voting in favour of

any resolution appointing a director as a director or other officer of that body corporate or voting for the payment of remuneration to the directors or other officers of that body corporate) and a director may, if permitted by law, vote in favour of the exercise of those voting rights even though he or she is, or may be about to be appointed, a director or other officer of that other body corporate and, as such, interested in the exercise of those voting rights.

- (d) A director is not disqualified merely because of being a director from contracting with the Company.
- (e) No contract made by a director with the Company, and no contract or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Company in which any director may be in any way interested, is avoided or rendered voidable merely because of the director holding office as a director or because of the fiduciary obligations arising out of that office.
- (f) No director contracting with or being interested in any arrangement involving the Company is liable to account to the Company for any profit realised by or under any contract or arrangement merely because of the director holding office as a director or because of the fiduciary obligations arising out of that office.
- (g) Subject to the Act, a director who is in any way interested in any contract or arrangement or proposed contract or arrangement may, despite that interest:
  - be counted in determining whether or not a quorum is present at any meeting of directors considering that contract or arrangement or proposed contract or arrangement;
  - (2) vote in respect of, or in respect of any matter arising out of, the contract or arrangement or proposed contract or arrangement; and
  - (3) sign or countersign any document relating to that contract or arrangement or proposed contract or arrangement to which the seal is affixed.
- (h) While the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary its directors may, subject to the Act and the Relevant Law, act in the best interests of the Company's holding company or ultimate holding company.

#### 6.9 Powers and duties of directors

- (a) The directors are responsible for managing the business of the Company and may exercise to the exclusion of the Company in general meeting all the powers of the Company which are not required, by the Act or by this constitution, to be exercised by the Company in general meeting.
- (b) Without limiting the general nature of rule 6.9(a), the directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow or raise money in any other way, to charge any of the Company's property or business or any of its uncalled capital and to issue debentures or give any

- other security for a debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any other person.
- (c) The directors may decide how cheques, promissory notes, banker's drafts, bills of exchange or other negotiable instruments must be signed, drawn, accepted, endorsed or otherwise executed (as applicable) by or on behalf of the Company.
- (d) The directors may pay out of the Company's funds all expenses of the promotion, formation and registration of the Company and the vesting in it of the assets acquired by it.
- (e) The directors may:
  - appoint or employ any person to be an officer, agent or attorney of the Company for such purposes with the powers, discretions and duties (including powers, discretions and duties vested in or exercisable by the directors), for such period and on such conditions as they decide;
  - authorise an officer, agent or attorney to delegate any of the powers, discretions and duties vested in the officer, agent or attorney; and
  - (3) subject to any contract between the Company and the relevant officer, agent or attorney, remove or dismiss any officer, agent or attorney of the Company at any time, with or without cause.
- (f) A power of attorney may contain such provisions for the protection and convenience of the attorney or persons dealing with the attorney as the directors decide.

## 6.10 Proceedings of directors

- (a) The directors may meet together to attend to business and adjourn and regulate their meetings as they decide.
- (b) A meeting of the directors may be held using any technology consented to by all the participating directors (approved technology) and the consent may be a standing one. The contemporaneous linking together by approved technology of a number of the directors sufficient to constitute a quorum, constitutes a meeting of the directors and all the provisions in this constitution relating to meetings of the directors apply, so far as they can and with such changes as are necessary, to meetings of the directors by approved technology.
- (c) A director participating in a meeting by approved technology is to be taken to be present in person at the meeting.
- (d) A meeting by approved technology is to be taken to be held at the place determined by the chairperson of the meeting as long as at least one of the directors involved was at that place for the duration of the meeting.
- (e) If, before or during the meeting, any technical difficulty occurs as a result of which one or more directors cease to participate, the

chairperson may adjourn the meeting until the difficulty is remedied or may, where a quorum of directors remains present, continue with the meeting.

## 6.11 Convening meetings of directors

- (a) A director may, whenever the director thinks fit, convene a meeting of the directors.
- (b) A Secretary must, on the requisition of a director, convene a meeting of the directors.

## 6.12 Quorum at meetings of directors

- (a) No business may be transacted at a meeting of directors unless a quorum of directors is present at the time the business is dealt with.
- (b) A quorum of a meeting of directors consists of two-thirds of the total number of directors in office at the time – including at least one Member Director and one Employer Director;
- (c) For Company committee meetings, the required number of directors for a quorum will be the number set by each committee's charter
- (d) If there is a vacancy in the office of director, the remaining director or directors may act. But, if the number of remaining directors is not sufficient to constitute a quorum, the remaining director or directors may act only in an emergency or to increase the number of directors to a number sufficient to constitute a quorum or to call a general meeting of the Company.

## 6.13 Chairperson of directors

- (a) An Independent Director (if any) may, and if the Relevant Law requires, an Independent Director must, be chairperson of directors and will hold office as chairperson of directors until his or her office is vacated in accordance with rule 6.13(c) or as otherwise required by the Relevant Law.
- (b) Subject to rule 6.13(a), the directors may elect one of the directors to the office of chairperson of directors who will hold office as chairperson of directors until his or her office is vacated in accordance with rule 6.13(c) or until the appointment of an Independent Director (whichever event occurs first).
- (c) If the chairperson of directors:
  - resigns as chairperson of directors by notice in writing to the directors;
  - (2) ceases to be a director;
  - is removed as chairperson of directors by a resolution of the directors; or
  - (4) ceases to be chairperson of directors in circumstances prescribed by the Relevant Law,

his or her office as chairperson of directors will be vacated and, subject to the Relevant Law, the directors must elect one of their number to be chairperson of directors who will hold office as chairperson of directors until his or her office is vacated in accordance with this rule 6.13(c) or until the appointment of an Independent Director (if required by the Relevant Law).

- (d) The office of chairperson of directors may, if the directors agree, be treated as an extra service or special exertion performed by the director holding that office for the purposes of rule 6.6(d).
- (e) The chairperson of directors must (if present within 10 minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting and willing to act) preside as chairperson at each meeting of directors.
- (f) If at a meeting of directors:
  - (1) there is no chairperson of directors;
  - (2) the chairperson of directors is not present within 10 minutes after the time appointed for the meeting; or
  - (3) the chairperson of directors is present within that time but is not willing to act as chairperson of the meeting,

the directors present must elect one of themselves to be chairperson of the meeting.

#### 6.14 Decisions of directors

- (a) A meeting of directors at which a quorum is present is competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers and discretions vested in or exercisable by the directors under this constitution. However if the Company has only 1 director, the director may pass a resolution and make a declaration by recording it and signing the record.
- (b) A resolution in a meeting of the directors is only valid if not less than two-thirds of the total number of directors in office vote in favour of it.
- (c) Subject to rule 6.16(e), at any meeting of directors, each director present has one vote only and no director has a second or casting vote.
- (d) If votes are equal on a proposed resolution:
  - the chairperson of the meeting does not have a casting vote in addition to any deliberative vote; and
  - (2) the proposed resolution is to be taken as having been lost.

#### 6.15 Written resolutions of directors

- (a) If:
  - all the directors, other than any director:
    - (A) on leave of absence approved by the directors; or
    - (B) who the directors reasonably believe, because of injury, illness, absence overseas or any other reason,

cannot reasonably be expected to properly consider and assent to the matter or resolution in question within a reasonable time having regard to the nature and urgency of the matter or resolution in question; or

- (C) who disqualifies himself or herself from considering the matter or resolution in question on the grounds that he or she is not entitled at law to do so or has a conflict of interest; or
- (D) who the directors reasonably believe is not entitled at law to consider the matter or to vote on the resolution in question,

assent to a document containing a statement to the effect that a thing has been done or resolution has been passed; and

(2) the directors who assent to the document would have constituted a quorum at a meeting of directors held to consider that thing or resolution,

then that thing or resolution is to be taken as having been done at or passed by a meeting of the directors.

- (b) For the purposes of rule 6.15(a):
  - (1) the meeting is to be taken as having been held:
    - (A) if the directors assented to the document on the same day, on the day on which the document was assented to and at the time at which the document was last assented to by a director; or
    - (B) if the directors assented to the document on different days, on the day on which, and at the time at which, the document was last assented to by a director;
  - (2) 2 or more separate documents in identical terms each of which is assented to by one or more directors are to be taken as constituting one document; and
  - (3) a director may signify assent to a document by signing the document or by notifying the Company of the director's assent in person or by post, fax, telephone or other electronic means.
- (c) Where a director signifies assent to a document otherwise than by signing the document, the director must by way of confirmation sign the document at the next meeting of the directors attended by that director, but failure to do so does not invalidate the thing or resolution to which the document relates.
- (d) Where a document is assented to in accordance with rule 6.15(a), the document is to be taken as a minute of a meeting of directors.

#### 6.16 Alternate directors

(a) A director (the appointer) other than an Independent Director may:

- with the approval in writing of all of the other Employer Directors, where the appointer is an Employer Director; or
- (2) with the approval in writing of all of the other Member Directors, where the appointer is a Member Director,

appoint, by notice in writing signed by the appointer given to the Company, a person, who is qualified under this constitution to hold the office of director, to be the appointer's alternate director for such period as the appointer thinks fit.

- (b) In the absence of an alternate director appointed by a director under rule 6.16(a), another alternate director may be appointed by that director pursuant to rule 6.16(a).
- (c) One person may act as alternate director to more than one director.
- (d) An alternate director is entitled, if the appointer does not attend a meeting of directors, to attend and vote in place of and on behalf of the appointer.
- (e) An alternate director has a separate vote for each director the alternate director represents in addition to any vote the alternate director may have as a director in his or her own right.
- (f) In the absence of the appointer, an alternate director may exercise any powers that the appointer may exercise and the exercise of any such power by the alternate director is to be taken to be the exercise of the power by the appointer.
- (g) The office of an alternate director is vacated if and when:
  - the alternate director resigns as an alternate director by notice in writing to the directors;
  - (2) the appointer vacates his or her office as a director;
  - (3) the alternate director ceases to be qualified under this constitution to hold the office of director in place of the appointer;
  - (4) the alternate director is removed from office by notice in writing signed by the appointer and given to the Company;
  - (5) where the appointer is an Employer Director, the alternate director is removed from office by notice in writing signed by all of the other Employer Directors and given to the Company; or
  - (6) where the appointer is a Member Director, the alternate director is removed from office by notice in writing signed by all of the other Member Directors and given to the Company.
- (h) The appointment of an alternate director may be terminated at any time by the appointer even though the period of the appointment of the alternate director has not expired.
- (i) An appointment, or the termination of an appointment, of an alternate director must be in writing signed by the director who makes or made the appointment, and does not take effect until the

- Company has received written notice of the appointment or termination.
- (j) An alternate director is not to be taken into account in determining the minimum or maximum number of directors allowed under this constitution.
- (k) In determining whether a quorum is present at a meeting of directors, an alternate director who attends the meeting is to be counted as a director for each director on whose behalf the alternate director is attending the meeting.
- (I) An alternate director is entitled to be paid such remuneration as the directors think fit, either in addition to or in reduction of the remuneration payable to the director for whom the alternate director acts as alternate.
- (m) An alternate director is not entitled to be remunerated by the Company for his or her services as an alternate director except as provided in rule 6.16(I).
- (n) An alternate director, while acting as a director, is responsible to the Company for his or her own acts and defaults and is not to be taken to be the agent of the director by whom he or she was appointed.

# 6.17 Committees of directors and delegation to a director, or an officer of the Company

- (a) The directors may delegate any of their powers to an officer of the Company (to the extent allowable by the Relevant Law) and/or a committee of directors comprised of:
  - (1) Employer Directors and Member Directors; and
  - if the directors so determine, Independent Directors (if any).
- (b) A committee to which any powers have been so delegated must exercise the powers delegated in accordance with any directions of the directors.
- (c) The provisions of this constitution applying to meetings and resolutions of directors apply, so far as they can and with such changes as are necessary, to meetings and resolutions of a committee of directors.
- (d) Membership of a committee of directors may, if the directors so resolve, be treated as an extra service or special exertion performed by the members for the purposes of rule 6.6(d).
- (e) The directors may delegate any of their powers to a director or to an officer of the Company to the extent allowable by the Relevant Law.
- (f) A director or officer of the Company to whom any powers have been so delegated must exercise the powers delegated in accordance with any directions of the directors.
- (g) The acceptance of a delegation of powers by a director or an officer of the Company may, if the directors so resolve, be treated as an

extra service or special exertion performed by the delegate for the purposes of rule 6.6(d).

## 6.18 Validity of acts

An act done by a person acting as a director or by a meeting of directors or a committee of directors attended by a person acting as a director is not invalidated merely because of:

- (a) a defect in the appointment of the person as a director;
- the person being disqualified from being a director or having vacated office; or
- (c) the person not being entitled to vote,

if that circumstance was not known by the person or the directors or committee (as applicable) when the act was done.

## 7 Executive officers

#### 7.1 Secretaries

- (a) The directors may appoint one or more Secretaries.
- (b) The directors may appoint one or more assistant Secretaries.

## 7.2 Provisions applicable to all executive officers

- (a) A reference in this rule 7.2 to an executive officer is a reference to a Secretary or assistant Secretary appointed under this rule 7.
- (b) The appointment of an executive officer may be for the period, at the remuneration and on the conditions the directors think fit.
- (c) Subject to any contract between the Company and the relevant executive officer, an executive officer of the Company may be removed or dismissed by the directors at any time, with or without cause, and if he or she is also a director, the executive officer ceases to be a director on termination of his or her employment.
- (d) The directors may:
  - confer on an executive officer such powers, discretions and duties (including any powers, discretions and duties vested in or exercisable by the directors) as they think fit;
  - (2) withdraw, suspend or vary any of the powers, discretions and duties so conferred; and
  - (3) authorise the executive officer to delegate all or any of the powers, discretions and duties conferred on the executive officer.
- (e) An executive officer need not hold any shares to qualify for appointment.

- (f) An act done by a person acting as an executive officer is not invalidated merely because of:
  - a defect in the person's appointment as an executive officer;
     or
  - (2) the person being disqualified from being an executive officer, if that circumstance was not known by the person when the act was done.

## 8 Execution of documents

## 8.1 Execution as permitted by the Act

The Company may execute a document in any manner permitted by the Act.

#### 8.2 Common seal

Without limiting rule 8.1, if the directors so decide, the Company may have a common seal.

#### 8.3 Use of seal

Subject to the Act, the directors may decide on procedures for the use of the seal.

# 9 Dividends, Reserves and Profits

#### 9.1 Dividends

The directors do not have the power to declare dividends or pay dividends.

#### 9.2 Reserves

- (a) The directors may set aside out of the Company's profits any reserves or provisions they decide.
- (b) The directors may appropriate to the profits of the Company any amount previously set aside as a reserve or provision.
- (c) Setting aside an amount as a reserve or provision does not require the directors to keep the amount separate from the Company's other assets or prevent the amount being used in the Company's business or being invested as the directors decide.

#### 9.3 Carry forward of profits

The directors must carry forward so much of the profits remaining as is not transferred to a reserve or provision.

# 10 Winding up

## 10.1 Distribution of surplus

- (a) Subject to rules 10.1(b) and 10.1(c), if upon the winding up or dissolution of the Company there remains after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, that property will not be paid to or distributed amongst the Members of the Company but must be given or transferred to the Fund to be used for the purpose of the general administration of the Fund.
- (b) If the Fund is no longer in existence at the time of the winding up or dissolution of the Company, then any property remaining must be given or transferred to another superannuation fund which the Members regard as being a successor fund to the Fund under the Relevant Law. If there is, in the Members' opinion, no successor fund, then the remaining property shall be given or transferred to some other company, fund, authority or institution which has objects similar to the objects of the Company and which prohibits the distribution of its income and property among its members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Company under rule 1.7, such company, fund, authority or institution to be determined by the Members of the Company at or before the time of winding up or dissolution or, in default, by a judge of the Supreme Court of Victoria.
- (c) If the Company ceases to be the trustee of the Fund, regardless of whether the Company has been wound up or dissolved under rule 10.1(a), the Company must, as soon as practicable, give or transfer to the Fund any property the Company holds which was transferred to the Company from the Fund in order for the Company to meet any capitalisation requirements imposed by a regulator under the Relevant Law.

# 11 Indemnity and insurance

# 11.1 Persons to whom rules 11.2 and 11.4 apply

Rules 11.2 and 11.4 apply to:

- each person who is or has been a director, alternate director or executive officer (within the meaning of rule 7.2(a)) of the Company; and
- (b) any other officers or former officers of the Company or of its related bodies corporate as the directors in each case decide.

## 11.2 Indemnity

The Company must indemnify, on a full indemnity basis and to the full extent permitted by law, each person to whom this rule 11.2 applies against all losses or liabilities (including costs and expenses) incurred by the person as an officer of the Company.

## 11.3 Extent of indemnity

The indemnity in rule 11.2:

- is a continuing obligation and is enforceable by a person to whom rule 11.2 applies even though that person has ceased to be an officer of the Company; and
- (b) operates only to the extent that the loss or liability in question is not covered by insurance.

#### 11.4 Insurance

The Company may, to the extent permitted by law:

- (a) purchase and maintain insurance; or
- (b) pay or agree to pay a premium for insurance,

for any person to whom this rule 11.4 applies against any liability incurred by the person as an officer of the Company where the directors consider it appropriate to do so.

## 11.5 Savings

Nothing in rule 11.2 or 11.4:

- affects any other right or remedy that a person to whom those rules apply may have in respect of any loss or liability referred to in those rules; or
- (b) limits the capacity of the Company to indemnify or provide or pay for insurance for any person to whom those rules do not apply.

#### 11.6 Deed

Without limiting a person's right under this rule 11, the Company may enter into a deed agreeing with the person to give effect to the rights of the person conferred by this rule 11 or the exercise of a discretion under this rule 11, on such terms and conditions as the directors think fit, as long as they are not inconsistent with this rule 11.

## 11.7 Liability for acts of other officers

No director, alternate director, agent, auditor, Secretary or other officer of the Company will be liable for:

- the acts, receipts, negligence or defaults of any other director, alternate director, agent, auditor, Secretary or officer of the Company;
- (b) joining in any receipt or other act for conformity;
- any loss or expense happening to the Company through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired by order of the directors for or on behalf of the Company;
- (d) the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any of the moneys of the Company is invested;

- (e) any loss or damage arising from the bankruptcy, insolvency or tortious act of any person with whom any moneys, securities or effects are deposited;
- (f) any loss occasioned by any error of judgement, omission, default or oversight on his or her part; or
- (g) any other loss, damage or misfortune which happens in relation to the execution of the duties of his or her office,

unless the same happens through his or her negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he or she may be guilty in relation to the Company.

## 12 Access to documents

- (a) A person who is not a director does not have the right to inspect any of the board papers, books, records or documents of the Company, except as provided by law or this constitution, or as authorised by the directors or by a resolution of the Members.
- (b) The Company may enter into contracts with its directors agreeing to provide continuing access for a specified period after they cease to be a director to board papers, books, records and documents of the Company which relate to the period during which the director was a director on such terms and conditions as the directors think fit and which are not inconsistent with this rule 12.
- (c) The Company may procure that its subsidiaries provide similar access to board papers, books, records or documents as that set out in rules 12(a) and 12(b).

## 13 Notices

# 13.1 Notices by the Company to Members

- (a) The Company may give notices, including a notice of general meeting to a Member:
  - personally;
  - (2) by sending it by post to the address for the Member in the register of members or the alternative address (if any) nominated by the Member; or
  - (3) by sending it to the fax number or electronic address (if any) nominated by the Member.
- (b) A notice may be given by the Company to the joint holders of a share by giving the notice in the manner authorised by rule 13.1(a) to the joint holder first named in the register of members in respect of the share.

- (c) A notice given to a Member in accordance with rule 13.1(a) or 13.1(b) is, despite the occurrence of a Transmission Event and whether or not the Company has notice of that occurrence:
  - duly given in respect of any shares registered in that person's name, whether solely or jointly with another person; and
  - (2) sufficient service on any person entitled to the shares as a result of the Transmission Event.
- (d) A notice given to a person who is entitled to a share as a result of a Transmission Event is sufficient service on the Member in whose name the share is registered.
- (e) Any person who, because of a transfer of shares, becomes entitled to any shares registered in the name of a Member is bound by every notice which, before that person's name and address is entered in the register of members in respect of those shares, is given to the Member in accordance with this rule 13.1.
- (f) A certificate signed by a director or Secretary of the Company to the effect that a notice has been given in accordance with this constitution is conclusive evidence of that fact.

## 13.2 Notices by the Company to directors

Subject to this constitution, a notice may be given by the Company to any director or alternate director either by serving it personally at, or by sending it by post in a prepaid envelope to, the director's usual residential or business address, or by electronic means or fax to such electronic address or fax number, as the director has supplied to the Company for giving notices.

# 13.3 Notices by Members or directors to the Company

Subject to this constitution, a notice may be given by a Member, director or alternate director to the Company by serving it on the Company at, or by sending it by post in a prepaid envelope to, the registered office of the Company or by fax or electronic means to the principal fax number or the principal electronic address of the Company at its registered office.

#### 13.4 Time of service

- (a) Where a notice is sent by post, service of the notice is to be taken to be effected if a prepaid envelope containing the notice is properly addressed and placed in the post and to have been effected:
  - in the case of a notice of a general meeting, on the day after the date of its posting; or
  - (2) in any other case, at the time at which the letter would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.
- (b) Where a notice is sent by fax, service of the notice is to be taken to be effected if the correct fax number appears on the fax report

generated by the sender's fax machine and to have been effected at the time the fax is sent.

- (c) Where a notice is sent by electronic means, service of the notice is to be taken to be effected:
  - in the case of an electronic messaging system that contains a delivery verification function, on the generation by the electronic messaging system of a delivery verification notice or log entry, or other confirmation; or
  - (2) in the case of electronic mail or other electronic messaging system (other than those referred to in rule 13.4(c)(1)), on the delivery to:
    - (A) where the addressee is a natural person, the addressee's electronic mail or electronic messaging system account; or
    - (B) where the addressee is a corporation, the corporation's computer systems.

#### 13.5 Other communications and documents

Rules 13.1 to 13.4 (inclusive) apply, so far as they can and with any necessary changes, to the service of any communication or document.

## 13.6 Notices in writing

A reference in this constitution to a written notice includes a notice given by fax or electronic transmission or any other form of written communication.

## 14 General

## 14.1 Submission to jurisdiction

Each Member submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Victoria and the Federal Court of Australia and the courts which may hear appeals from those courts.

## 14.2 Prohibition and enforceability

- (a) Any provision of, or the application of any provision of, this constitution which is prohibited in any place is, in that place, ineffective only to the extent of that prohibition.
- (b) Any provision of, or the application of any provision of, this constitution which is void, illegal or unenforceable in any place does not affect the validity, legality or enforceability of that provision in any other place or of the remaining provisions in that or any other place.

#### 14.3 Amendment

The Company may, at any time, alter this constitution in accordance with the Act by special resolution but only with the prior consent of the directors.

# 15 Transitional provisions

This constitution must be interpreted in such a way that:

- (a) every director and secretary in office in that capacity immediately before this constitution is adopted continues in office subject to, and is taken to have been appointed or elected under, this constitution;
- (b) any register maintained by the Company immediately before this constitution is adopted is taken to be a register maintained under this constitution:
- (c) any seal adopted by the Company immediately before this constitution is adopted is taken to be a seal which the Company has under a relevant authority given by this constitution;
- (d) unless a contrary intention appears in this constitution, all persons, things, agreements and circumstances appointed, approved or created by or under the constitution of the Company in force before this constitution is adopted, continue to have the same status, operation and effect after this constitution is adopted; and
- (e) except where expressly stated to the contrary, the adoption of this constitution does not alter the rights attaching to any class of shares which exist at the date this constitution is adopted.