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## **Safety, Environmental and Social Responsibility Policy**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1. The Board of Directors of Emerita Resources Corp. (“the Company” or “Emerita”) has determined that Emerita should formalize its policy on matters relating to Safety, Environmental and Social Responsibility.

### **2. OBJECT OF THE POLICY**

2.1. The objective of this Policy is to outline how Emerita, together with its directors, officers, employees, consultants and contractors, will conduct its business in a safe and environmentally friendly manner and to the highest standards of corporate social responsibility.

### **3. APPLICATION OF THE POLICY**

3.1. This Policy is applicable to all directors, officers, employees, consultants and contractors of Emerita. Each such person or entity will agree to be bound by the provisions of this Policy upon notification of the most recent copy.

### **4. COMMUNICATION OF THE POLICY**

4.1. To ensure that all directors, officers, employees, consultants and contractors of Emerita are aware of the Policy, a copy of the Policy will be provided to each of them or, alternatively, they will be advised that the Policy is available on Emerita’s website for their review. All directors, officers, employees, consultants and contractors will be informed whenever significant changes are made. New directors, officers, employees, consultants and contractors will be provided with a copy of this Policy and will be educated about its importance.

4.2. At least once per year, all employees, consultants and, as appropriate, contractors shall verify their acceptance and compliance to this policy to ensure they understand the terms of this and all corporate policies of Emerita.



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## **5. COMPLIANCE**

5.1. All directors, officers, employees, contractors (and their sub-contractors) and consultants, in discharging their duties on behalf of Emerita, will comply with the laws, rules and regulations of the location in which Emerita is performing business activities and, in particular, with respect to safety and environmental laws, rules and regulations. Where uncertainty or ambiguity exists, competent legal advice will be obtained.

## **6. VISION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

6.1. Emerita claims at sustainable development through:

- Ingraining our vision for a safe, environmentally friendly and socially responsible culture into our organization;
- Effective management of our activity to minimize the impact on the environment;
- Support for local employment and entrepreneurship; and
- Support for the development of infrastructure, health, education, training and cultural activities in collaboration with the community.

6.2. In the conduct of its business, Emerita will strive to contribute to a healthier, safer and more prosperous community in the areas where it operates.

## **7. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT POLICY**

7.1. Emerita is committed to responsible mining and sustainable development in the communities in which it operates.

7.2. The Company strives to achieve or exceed leading industry practice in line with Spanish and European Union legislation and international standards in all aspects of the Company's business: social, environment and economic.

7.3. Every effort will be made to make this policy a reality, embraced by each employee and every contractor working with the Company.

7.4. To achieve this, Emerita commits to:

- (a) transparency, honesty, accountability, integrity and legality in all aspects of the Company's corporate governance and in the Company's dealings with all stakeholders, including government, the community, employees, contractors, service providers and shareholders;
- (b) adherence to global "Social Responsible" best practice (as defined by ISO 26000), including taking responsibility for the impact of the Company's activities on society and the environment, and behaving in a responsible and ethical manner at all times;
- (c) respect for the human rights, culture, customs and values of the Company's host community
- (d) identify, assess, manage and mitigate risks to the Company's host community and the environment;
- (e) continually seek to improve the Company's environmental performance beyond legal requirements;
- (f) implement an environmental and social management system to integrate environmental and social criteria into planning, processes and operational decisions;
- (g) conduct comprehensive monitoring and audits to ensure compliance with all relevant legislation, guidelines and standards, and to produce regular reports;
- (h) promote and implement the efficient use of resources and practice waste minimization, reuse and recycling;
- (i) emphasize employment opportunities for the local workforce by the provision of education and training consistent with the needs of the Company;
- (j) facilities capacity building of local Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) for the provision of goods and services to the Company's projects;
- (k) allocate sufficient financial resources to meet all the Company's commitments, including those extending into and beyond mine closure; and

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(l) participate proactively with local authorities and the host community for post-mining planning.

## **8. ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

8.1. Emerita acknowledges that long term sustainability of its activity depends on good management in terms of environmental protection.

8.2. The Company will:

- (a) integrate environmental considerations into all aspects of the Company's activity;
- (b) establish and maintain a management system that can identify, monitor, control and improve the environment protection performance of the Company;
- (c) implement periodic independent evaluation of its environmental performance compared to the Company's objectives and goals;
- (d) once in receipt of the Environmental Impact Assessment, draft a yearly report on environmental performance, which will be annexed to the yearly financial report of the Company;
- (e) observe all the laws and applicable regulations in Spain and European Union, as well as other obligations that the Company undertakes;
- (f) seeks to use the best available practices in all the Company's activities;
- (g) ensure the existence of sufficient financial resources to fulfill all of the Company's environmental obligations and commitments, including rehabilitation;
- (h) ensure that all employees, consultants and contractors understand the Company's policy and fulfill their responsibilities for environmental protection;
- (i) implement an efficient and transparent communication strategy in order to encourage dialogue with interested and involved parties regarding the environmental aspects of the Company's activity; and
- (j) collaborate with local, national and international institutions and organizations on measures to protect the environment.



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## 9. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

9.1. Emerita is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy working environment where all employees and contractors conduct themselves in a responsible and safe manner.

9.2. The Company is committed to achieving a high standard of Occupational Health and Safety ("OHS") through implementation of all related policies, procedures, standards and continuous improvement of management systems, setting targets and monitoring performance.

9.3. It is the Company's belief that all accidents and injuries are preventable. To achieve a zero accident culture the Company will:

- (a) identify and manage the Company's key health and safety risks and establish realistic annual objectives and targets;
- (b) comply with all applicable laws and regulations as well as aim to achieve best practice in OHS that meet international standards;
- (c) integrate management on health and safety strategies into the Company's key business and planning processes;
- (d) provide employees with the training and resources required to minimize the risks of their work activities;
- (e) require the contractors (and their sub-contractors) provide their employees and service providers with the training and resources required to minimize the risks of their work activities;
- (f) encourage and support employees and contractors to promote initiatives to continuously reduce OHS risks associated with the Company's activities;
- (g) provide adequate emergency resources, emergency exercises and related training;
- (h) ensure that work/ access permit systems are diligently and correctly used by all staff and contractors;
- (i) ensure that all new employees, contractors and their sub-contractors, and visitors, are appropriately informed of the Company's OHS policies, procedures and requirements through induction prior to access to the Company's sites.



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- (j) Achieve and maintain high levels of workplace hygiene at all times;
  - (k) Communicate and enforce the Company's OHS standards with all contractors; and
  - (l) review and audit the Company's health and safety management systems and performance.

## **10. ALCOHOL AND DRUGS POLICY**

10.1. Emerita has an obligation to ensure a safe workplace and safe systems of work for people on all the Company's sites. Employees, contractors and visitors on the Company's sites have an obligation to perform their duties in a manner that provides for their own safety and to comply with policies and procedures put in place by the Company.

10.2. A person's "Fitness for Work" (FFW) may be compromised as a result of:

- The consumption of alcohol; and /or
- The use of drugs (prescription, non-prescription or illicit).

10.3. Testing for use of alcohol and other drugs will be conducted by trained and competent Company employees or external service providers in the following circumstances:

- Pre-employment screening for recreational drugs;
- Post incident (if required);
- For cause (as an investigation tool where an individual's FFW is questioned);
- Random testing; and
- Follow-up testing of an individual as a part of a return to work plan.

10.4. Any employee should contact the human resources team immediately if he or she suspects that an individual's underperformance, misconduct or illness is a result of alcohol or drug abuse. Every effort will then be made to correct problems through offering support and assistance (including medical advice, if appropriate). However, where such support is not effective or the individual concerned does not follow medical advice, or in cases of gross misconduct the Company reserves the right to initiate a formal disciplinary procedure, which may lead to dismissal.