



## **NYSE MKT Statement of Governance Differences**

As a Canadian corporation listed on the NYSE MKT, Western Copper and Gold (the “Company”) is not required to comply with most of the NYSE MKT corporate governance standards, so long as the Company complies with Canadian corporate governance practices. In order to claim such an exemption, however, Section 110 of the NYSE MKT Company Guide requires that the Company provide to NYSE MKT written certification from independent Canadian counsel that the non-complying practice is not prohibited by Canadian law. In addition, the Company must disclose the significant differences between its corporate governance practices and those required to be followed by U.S. domestic issuers under the NYSE MKT’s corporate governance standards.

The Company has included a description of such significant differences below:

1. **Shareholder Meeting Quorum Requirement:** The NYSE MKT minimum quorum requirement for a shareholder meeting is one-third of the outstanding common shares. In addition, a company listed on NYSE MKT is required to state its quorum requirement in its bylaws. The Company’s quorum requirement is set forth in its Articles and bylaws. A quorum for a meeting of shareholders of the Company is one person of the outstanding common shares present or represented by proxy.
2. **Shareholder Approval Requirement:** The Company will follow Toronto Stock Exchange rules for shareholder approval of new issuances of its common shares. Following Toronto Stock Exchange rules, shareholder approval is required for certain issuances of shares that: (i) materially affect control of the Company; or (ii) provide consideration to insiders in aggregate of 10% or greater of the market capitalization of the listed issuer and have not been negotiated at arm’s length. Shareholder approval is also required, pursuant to Toronto Stock Exchange rules, in the case of private placements: (i) for an aggregate number of listed securities issuable greater than 25% of the number of securities of the listed issuer which are outstanding, on a non-diluted basis, prior to the date of closing of the transaction if the price per security is less than the market price; or (ii) that during any six month period are to insiders for listed securities or options, rights or other entitlements to listed securities greater than 10% of the number of securities of the listed issuer which are outstanding, on a non-diluted basis, prior to the date of the closing of the first private placement to an insider during the six month period.
3. **Equity Compensation Plan Approval Requirements:** Section 711 of the NYSE MKT’s Listed Company Guide requires shareholder approval of all equity compensation plans and material revisions to such plans. The definition of “equity compensation plans” covers plans that provide for the delivery of both newly issued and treasury securities, as well as plans that rely on securities re-acquired in the open market by the issuing company for the purpose of redistribution to employees and directors. The Toronto Stock Exchange rules provide that only the creation of or certain material amendments to equity compensation plans that provide for new issuances of securities are subject to shareholder approval. The Company will follow the Toronto Stock Exchange rules with respect to the requirements for shareholder approval of equity compensation plans and material revisions to such plans.