

AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE CHARTER

The following charter, which shall be interpreted to be in compliance with *Regulation 52-110 respecting Audit Committees* (**"52-110**"), sets forth the purpose, composition, responsibilities and authority of the Audit and Risk Management Committee (the **"Committee**") of the Board of Directors (the **"Board**") of Aya Gold & Silver Inc. (the "Corporation").

1. COMPOSITION

The Committee shall be comprised of at least three directors as determined by the Board. The members of the Committee shall be independent, within the meaning of 52-110.

At least one member of the Committee shall have accounting or related financial management expertise. All members of the Committee shall be financially literate.

For the purposes of this charter, the definition of "financially literate" is the ability to read and understand a set of financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of the issues that can presumably be expected to be raised by the Corporation's financial statements.

The appointment of members to the Committee shall take place annually pursuant to the recommendation of the Corporate Governance Committee, as early as possible after the general assembly of shareholders. If the appointment of members of the Committee is not so made, the directors who are then serving as members of the Committee shall continue to serve as members until their successors are validly appointed. The Board may appoint a member to fill a vacancy that occurs in the Committee between annual elections of directors.

Unless a chairman is appointed by the Board, the members of the Committee may designate a chairman by a majority vote of all Committee members.

2. MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES

The Committee shall meet at least quarterly, or more frequently if required.

At all meetings of the Committee, every item brought to resolution shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast. In the case of an equality of votes, the chairman shall not be entitled to a second vote.

Quorum for meetings of the Committee shall be a majority of its members and the rules for calling, holding, conducting and adjourning meetings of the Committee shall be the same as those governing meetings of the Board.

The powers of the Committee may be exercised at a meeting at which a quorum of the Committee is present

in person or by telephone or other electronic means or by a resolution signed by all members entitled to vote on that resolution at a meeting of the Committee. Each member (including the chairman of the Committee) is entitled to one vote in Committee proceedings.

The Committee may meet separately with senior management and may request that any member of the Corporation's senior management or the Corporation's outside counsel or independent auditors to attend meetings of the Committee or other meetings with any members of, or advisors to, the Committee.

Furthermore, the Committee has the authority to hire the services of outside advisors, from time to time, when it is necessary to do so for carrying out its mandateThe Committee shall, at the meeting of the Board following its own meeting, report to the directors on its work, activities and recommendations.

3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibility for the Corporation's financial reporting, accounting systems and internal controls is vested in the officers of the Corporation and is overseen by the Board. The responsibility of the Committee is to assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities. The following are the general duties and responsibilities of the Committee:

A. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND DISCLOSURE MATTERS

- i. review the Corporation's financial statements, management's discussion and analysis and any press releases regarding annual and interim (as required by the Board) profit or loss, before the Corporation publicly discloses such information, and any reports or other financial information which are submitted to any governmental body or to the public;
- ii. assess the risk that the financial statements contain material misstatements;
- iii. assess the accounting principles used and their application, as well as being aware of new and developing accounting standards that may affect the Corporation;
- iv. assess the significant estimates made by management; and
- v. assess the disclosures in the financial statements

B. INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

- i. recommend to the Board the selection and, where applicable, the replacement of the independent auditors to be appointed annually as well the compensation of such independent auditors;
- ii. determine that the independent auditors appointed are a Public Accounting Firm that has entered into a Participation Agreement as such terms are defined in Regulation 52-108 respecting Auditor Oversight and that at the time of their report on the annual financial statements of the Corporation, they are in compliance with any restrictions or sanctions imposed by the Canadian Public Accountability Board;
- iii. oversee the work and review annually the performance and independence of the independent auditors;
- iv. on an annual basis, review and discuss with the independent auditors all significant relationships they may have with the Corporation that may impact their objectivity and independence;
- v. consult with the independent auditors about the quality of the Corporation's accounting principles, internal controls and the completeness and accuracy of the Corporation's financial

statements;

- vi. review and approve the Corporation's hiring policies regarding partners, employees and former partners and employees of the present and former independent auditors of the Corporation;
- vii. review the audit plan for the year-end financial statements and intended template for such statements;
- viii. review and pre-approve all audit and audit-related services and the fees and other compensation related thereto, as well as any non-audit services provided by the independent auditors to the Corporation or its subsidiary entities. The pre-approval requirement is satisfied with respect to the provision of non-audit services if:
 - 1. the aggregate amount of all such non-audit services provided to the Corporation constitutes no more than 5% of the total amount of fees paid by the Corporation and its subsidiary entities to its independent auditors during the fiscal year in which the non-audit services are provided; and
 - 2. such services were not recognized by the Corporation or its subsidiary entities as nonaudited services at the time of the engagement; and
 - 3. such services are promptly brought to the attention of the Committee by the Corporation and approved, prior to the completion of the audit, by the Committee or by one or more of its members to whom authority to grant such approvals has been delegated by the Committee;

The Committee may delegate to one or more independent members of the Committee the aforementioned authority to pre-approve non-audited services, provided the pre-approval of the non-audit services is presented to the Committee at its first scheduled meeting following such approval.

C. FINANCIAL REPORTING PROCESSES

- i. review with management, in consultation with the independent auditors, the integrity of the Corporation's financial reporting process, both internal and external, and internal controls;
- ii. consider the independent auditor's judgments about the quality and appropriateness of the Corporation's accounting principles as applied in its financial reporting;
- iii. consider and report to the Board changes to the Corporation's auditing and accounting principles and practices as suggested by the independent auditors and management;
- iv. review any significant disagreement among management and the independent auditors in connection with the preparation of the financial statements;
- v. review, with the independent auditors and management, the extent to which changes and improvements in financial or accounting practices have been implemented;
- vi. establish procedures for the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Corporation of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters and the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by the Corporation regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters.

D. RISK MANAGEMENT

- i. assess and oversee the overall process for identifying principal business, political, financial and control risks and providing its views on the effectiveness of this process to the Board.
- ii. direct the facilitation of risk assessments and measurement to determine the material risks to which the Corporation may be exposed and to evaluate the strategy for managing those risks;
- iii. monitor the changes in the internal and external environment and the emergence of new risks;
- iv. review the adequacy of insurance coverage;
- v. monitor the procedures to deal with and review disclosure of information to third parties insofar as these disclosures represent a risk for the Corporation;
- vi. review the systems established to ensure compliance with the Corporation's policies, plans, procedures, laws, regulations and means of safeguarding assets including adequacy of controls including surrounding electronic data processing and computer security;
- vii. review the adequacy of resources assigned to assess control and what steps the officers of the Corporation have taken to eliminate any potentially serious weaknesses in internal control including a review of executive expense procedures and use of Corporation assets, the capital investment control process and financial instruments procedures;
- viii. review the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting (the "Controls"), and consider whether the Controls:
 - 1. provide reasonable assurance that material information relating to the Corporation, including its consolidated subsidiaries, if any, is made known to the Corporation's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, particularly during the period in which the Corporation's annual filings are being prepared; and
 - 2. provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with the Corporation's accounting practices.
- ix. The Committee shall evaluate the effectiveness of the Controls as of the end of each period covered by the annual filings and provide the Board and management with its conclusions about the effectiveness of the Controls.

E. <u>WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY</u>

- i. monitor and review compliance with the Corporation's Whistleblowing Policy;
- ii. establish a procedure for the receipt and treatment of complaints received by the Corporation regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters;

F. <u>REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

iii. the Committee shall report to the Board on a regular basis, and in any event:

- 1. at least annually, with an assessment of the performance of management in the preparation of financial statements and Auditors in conducting the annual audit of the Corporation and discuss the report with the full Board following the end of each fiscal year;
- 2. before the public disclosure by the Corporation of its financial statements, management's discussion and analysis and any press releases regarding annual and interim profit or loss and any reports or other financial information which are submitted to any governmental body or to the public; and
- 3. as required by applicable legislation, regulatory requirements and policies of the Canadian Securities Administrators.

G. ANNUAL EVALUATION

- i. annually, the Committee shall, in a manner it determines to be appropriate:
 - 1. conduct a review and evaluation of the performance of the Committee and its members, including the compliance of the Committee with this charter; and
 - 2. review and assess the adequacy of this charter and the position description for the chairman of the Committee and recommend to the Board any improvements to this charter or the position description that the Committee determines to be appropriate, except for minor technical amendments to this charter, authority for which is delegated to the Corporate Secretary, who will report any such amendments to the Board at its next regular meeting.