

SUPERANNUATION VOTING TRANSPARENCY REPORT

1. Name of asset owner/ fund manager & fund name chosen to assist with queries below: Sunsuper

2. Brief Description of Asset Owner:

Industry Super fund sponsored by Queensland Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Queensland Council of Unions, and the Australian Workers Union.

3. Funds under Management:

\$49b as of December 2017

URL:

https://www.sunsuper.com.au/

4. Memberships

Association	Membership		
UNPRI	Yes		
FSC	No		
RIAA	Yes		
ACSI	No		

5. Do they publically disclose a <u>clear</u> policy on how ESG issues are incorporated in all of their equity investment activities (i.e not just for SRI funds?) and do they screen any particular industry?

Sunsuper espouses a generally supportive attitude to active voting, investment manager engagement and investment exclusion within its ESG documentation. Sunsuper's voting policy describes both the approach and strategy it encourages as a voting shareholder. The Fund also specifies the importance of corporate governance for "positive outcomes for members"¹. Sunsuper excludes tobacco and cluster munitions as well as providing notice of a general intention to minimise exposure to entities with the most egregious practices relating to Child and Slave Labour². Sunsuper gives detail of its view of the material risks and opportunities relating to climate change. Sunsuper provides brief guidance as to its attitude to common Governance issues³. There is no reference to specific nonclimate change Environmental issues in the Policy.

¹ <u>https://www.sunsuper.com.au/governance-and-reporting/environmental-social-and-governance-reporting (pg. 3)</u>

² Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) pdf form Feb 2017

³ <u>https://www.sunsuper.com.au/governance-and-reporting/environmental-social-and-governance-reporting (pg. 4)</u>



URL:

https://www.sunsuper.com.au/governance-and-reporting/environmentalsocial-and-governance-reporting (Policy of April 2017) https://www.sunsuper.com.au/members/investments http://www.sunsuper.com.au/publications/documents/sunsuper-for-lifeinvestment-guide.pdf p 29

Score (2 out of 3) (1 for having a clear policy, 0.25 for setting out its attitude to climate change but no additional material on E issues, 0.25 for setting out its attitude to Child and Slave labour but no additional material on S issues, 0.5 for a brief policy on its attitude to specific G issues.)

6. Do they publicly disclose their voting record for either or both their ASX and international holdings?

Sunsuper specifies that it's investment managers "actively participate in the proxy voting process, particularly where they believe that corporate actions are being proposed that are not in the best interests of members" (1). A 2016/17 'by company, by resolution' disclosure can be found but no summary statistics.

Sunsuper is a UNPRI member and in its UNPRI Transparency Report it claims it provides voting record information half yearly. However, neither of the 2 url's given at UNPRI 2017 LEA 27.1 by Sunsuper⁴ link to proxy voting information.⁵ We could only find irregular, half yearly, summary statistics, even these are only for the domestic market and the latest is for the half-year to December 2014.

The record that is provided for 2016/17 appears to contain a comprehensive list of ASX holdings but only a partial list of international holdings. ⁶

URL:

https://www.sunsuper.com.au/governance-and-reporting/environmentalsocial-and-governance-reporting Half Yearly ESG Reports 2012, 2013, 2014 https://www.sunsuper.com.au/governance-and-reporting/prescribedinformation Record of exercised Voting Rights

Score (2 out of 5)

⁴ See <u>https://reporting.unpri.org/surveys/PRI-reporting-framework-2017/A8C46072-C291-4BED-BFAF-7B3B24E910CA/5b48c004fc864908854599aafaab09d8/html/2/?lang=&a=1.5 The 2 urls are</u>

http://www.sunsuper.com.au/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=12884902654 &

http://www.sunsuper.com.au/ library/disclosure documents/prescribed information/proxy v oting record/.

⁶ For example, Alphabet is noted as a holding of the Socially Conscious Balanced option in September and December 2017 but no 2017 vote is disclosed. See <u>https://www.sunsuper.com.au/members/investments/investment-reports</u>.



7. DOMESTIC VOTING

January to June 2017 ASX								
	Theme of	For	Against	Abstain	Not	Score		
	Proposal		_		Holding			
Oil Search	Climate		Х			-1		
	Change							
	item no.7							
	Human		Х			-1		
	rights							
Santos	Amendment		Х			-1		
	of							
	Constitution							
	item no.5a.							
	Climate		Х			-1		
	Change							
	item no.5b.							
	(Strategic							
	Resilience for							
	2035 and							
	Beyond)		L: (Max sco					
	-4	4						

8. LAGGING

DOMESTIC RECORDS						
	Yes	No	Score			
2017 Records available within 2 months of 2017 financial/calendar year end		Х	0			
Records available for current year to date, no more than two months ago available		Х	0			
June 2016 financial year available		Х	0			
	0					

9. Proxy Advisor used:

N/A



10. Since June 2015 has the Fund lead filed or co-filed any ESG related shareholder resolutions at ASX 100 listed companies?

Not to the knowledge of ACCR.

11.Prose:

Sunsuper had the opportunity in 2016/17 to vote on 2 ASX shareholder resolutions listed above dealing with climate change response by its investee companies. It voted against both resolutions.