

# Total Construction Holdings Pty Ltd (ABN 69 131 766 820) Financial Year 2022/23 Statement of Commitment to the *Modern Slavery Act 2018*14<sup>th</sup> December 2023

# Reporting entity and structure

Total Construction Holdings Pty Ltd (hereafter "Total", "we", "our", "us") provides this statement on behalf of both of its wholly owned subsidiaries, Total Construction Pty Ltd (ABN 32 067 732 941) and Total Special Projects Pty Ltd (ABN 19 137 910 840).

# Operations and supply chain

We are a construction company with permanent offices in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland. We conduct our delivery operations solely within Australia using innovative construction solutions across the aged care, health, food & beverage, commercial, industrial and education sectors. We strive to work with clients and other stakeholders who are aligned with our core values of: Accountability | Integrity | Mentorship | Respect | Collaboration | Ingenuity.

#### Identification of the risks of modern slavery practices within our operation and supply chain

We pride ourselves on our strong commitment to ethical business practices. To this effect, our leaders and staff are all committed to our core purpose of *making a positive difference in people's lives through excellence in construction*, including by extension our corporate responsibility to align with practices that identify and manage modern slavery risks.

As a construction company, we understand and acknowledge that we are faced with risks of modern slavery in our operations and supply chain due to the inevitable demand for base-skill workers, who may be more vulnerable to exploitative practices, and raw materials that are often sourced from high-risk geographies. This is further exacerbated by poor visibility over long and complex supply chains.

# Systematic approach to assessing and addressing modern slavery risks

Our aim has been to mitigate the risk of modern slavery practices by applying a systematic approach which includes but is not limited to the following elements:

- With our inhouse human resources department staffed by experienced and competent practitioners (and furthermore, supported by access to industry bodies and company legal advisors) we ensure at all times, compliance and alignment with legislations and industry best practices relevant to employment and industrial relations.
- Operating under a third party certified ISO45001 work health and safety management system (which is also accredited by the Office of Federal Safety Commissioner), we proactively ensure that foreseeable risks to the work health and safety of workers (and any other persons) in our workplaces are minimised, if not eliminated.
- All staff is required to complete an inhouse developed modern slavery awareness training (eLearning) as part of the new employee induction program.
- We carefully select and employ competent and suitably experienced persons to fulfil roles that are at the frontline
  of managing supply chains and any associated modern slavery risks. Such roles include but are not limited to, PreConstruction Managers, Procurement Managers, Subcontractor Alliance Managers, Construction Managers, Project
  Managers, Site Managers and Contract Administrators. Incumbents are required to complete an inhouse developed
  advanced Modern Slavery training (eLearning).
- Our internal Modern Slavery Committee headed by an Executive Management Team member meets at least every



12 months to review the effectiveness of our modern slavery practices and makes adjustments and improves as needed.

- Modern slavery informational materials are displayed in all Total offices including construction site offices.
- We have implemented mechanisms within the tender and procurement processes to ensure due diligence checks are carried out before engaging a new product/service provider to the extent reasonably practicable. The mechanisms which include specific contractual terms and conditions also warrant that our providers are obliged to support our objective of prohibiting modern slavery practices in our supply chain.
- We have various channels for staff and other stakeholders to report actual or suspect modern slavery practices
  observed in our operations including the supply chain. These channels include a Whistleblower Hotline provided in
  accordance with our Whistleblower Policy.

#### Assessment of the effectiveness of actions taken

Our Modern Slavery Committee is charged with the responsibility of measuring and reviewing the effectiveness of the mechanisms in place in place (including but not limited to those mentioned above) and reporting to the board of directors on a need basis and at least annually. The primary and ongoing measurements include the following:

- 1. Percentage of staff who has successfully completed the modern slavery eLearning and assessment.
- 2. Number of reports of actual or suspect modern slavery practices received (from any source via any means).
- 3. Timeliness of investigations into reports and effectiveness of remedial actions taken as applicable.

#### Process of consultation with all entities within the group

All Total entities share the same corporate governance function, management, staff and management systems and operate in the same industry delivery the same construction projects across the same client and industry sectors. Our Modern Slavery Committee which consists of management and staff from all Total entities has developed and implemented the modern slavery mechanisms mentioned above in place. No additional consultation is required.

### Other Information considered relevant

In this reporting period, we continue to place adequate resources and focus on our accounts payable function to mitigate disruptions to our payment process which helps minimise modern slavery risks in our supply chain that may otherwise arise or increase as a result of financial hardship.

This statement was approved by the Board of Directors of Total for the reporting entity on the 14th December 2023.

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