Quality Assurance Policy

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Southern Geophysical conducting a magnetic gradiometer survey

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Southern Geophysical Limited is committed to providing high quality geophysical services to all clients. The foundation of Southern Geophysical's quality assurance is based on technical excellence, professionalism, appropriately trained staff, and compliance with all relevant regulations.

All senior staff employed by Southern Geophysical have as a minimum a professional degree in geophysics or geology, with most having higher qualifications, including Master of Science (MSc) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD).

Southern Geophysical will ensure this quality policy is implemented through regular supervision and internal reviews of all work completed. The processes and procedures that assure the production of high-quality work will be regularly reviewed and updated to ensure a standard of technical excellence is maintained. Southern Geophysical's equipment is maintained and calibrated in accordance with manufacturer and national and international standards.

This is achieved by

- Southern Geophysical will comply with any governmental regulations or laws relating to quality assurance within countries that Southern Geophysical operates in.
- 2. Identifying and complying with any other relevant regulatory requirements, including the reasonable requirements of clients, in addition to voluntary commitments to which Southern Geophysical subscribes.
- 3. All work is performed in accordance with applicable New Zealand or international industry standards.
- 4. Ensure that all management and senior staff have appropriate qualifications and training.
- 5. Continually reviewing all relevant scientific research and guidelines to ensure that results reflect best practice and current research findings.
- Providing all clients with effective communication, impartial service, professionalism, and fairness, and responding promptly to any concerns expressed by clients with regards to quality.

This policy will be reviewed every two years as a minimum.

Signed:

Michael Finnemore, Date: 17 October 2025

Position: Managing Director

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Disclaimer

Any work carried out by and/or services provided by Southern Geophysical Limited is subject to the following terms which are deemed to be accepted by our clients upon accepting quotes for services:

- 1. The client is advised that non-invasive geophysical testing has limitations and is not a complete source of testing. Often there is a need to couple non-invasive testing methods with invasive testing methods, such as drilling, especially in cases where the non-invasive testing results indicate anomalies.
- 2. Southern Geophysical Limited will carry out the project for the particular purpose as outlined in the agreed project proposal and Southern Geophysical Limited accepts no responsibility whatsoever for the use of information obtained and/or produced, in whole or in part, in any other contexts or for any other purpose. For the avoidance of doubt, Southern Geophysical Limited shall not be liable for any issues arising because of the client providing the information obtained and/or produced by them to a third party.
- 3. Southern Geophysical Limited cannot perform a complete assessment of all possible conditions or circumstances that may exist at any given site. Conditions may exist which are undetectable given the limited nature of the enquiry Southern Geophysical Limited undertakes with respect to the site. Variations in conditions often occur between investigatory locations, and there may be special conditions pertaining to the site which will not be revealed by the investigation and which, therefore, have not been considered. The client is advised that additional studies and actions may be required.
- 4. Southern Geophysical Limited collects the data and bases any reports on data and information which is collected at a specific point in time. The passage of time affects the information and assessment provided by Southern Geophysical Limited. By accepting our services on these terms, you are confirming that you understand that the services provided allow Southern Geophysical Limited to form no more than an opinion of the actual conditions of the site at the time the site was visited and investigated, and it cannot be used to assess the effect of any subsequent changes for whatever reason.
- 5. Where data is supplied by the client or other sources, including where previous site investigation data has been used, it has been assumed that the information is correct. No responsibility is accepted by Southern Geophysical Limited for incomplete, inaccurate or out-dated data supplied by others.
- 6. Where Southern Geophysical Limited has relied on client plans, consent or authority to undertake services, and events outside of Southern Geophysical Limited's control occur (including being supplied with incorrect plans, consent or authority) hindering the services being provided in any way, Southern Geophysical Limited shall not be liable for any loss or damages.
- 7. Best practice is applied to the collection and interpretation of data by Southern Geophysical Limited. No warranty is included, either express or implied, that the actual conditions will conform exactly to the assessments.

Note: Any reference to "you" means the client, and any reference to "us" means Southern Geophysical Limited