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WHITEHELM CAPITAL AND RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT

Whitehelm Capital is announcing a significant enhancement of its approach to Responsible Investment.

“Today we are announcing a further strengthening of Whitehelm Capital’s Responsible Investment Policy. Throughout our history of almost two decades in infrastructure investing, Whitehelm’s investment philosophy has consistently focused on delivering sustainable investment returns to our investors,” said Whitehelm’s Chief Investment Officer, Graham Matthews.

“As part of this commitment, we are pleased to announce that Whitehelm Capital has been admitted as an official signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI). UNPRI is the leading and most-recognised body in Responsible Investment.”

“We are also implementing a new Responsible Investment Code, which applies to the unlisted equity investments we acquire and manage.”

“The nature of infrastructure investing means we often need to assess investment risks over 30 years or more. Environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors are a critical part of our risk assessment as they can have an important bearing on investment returns.”

The Whitehelm Capital Responsible Investment Code defines seven principles and supporting guidelines to achieve Whitehelm’s aim of being a global leader in responsible investment in infrastructure.

Whitehelm is committed to long term value creation and sustainable growth, and acknowledges the importance of investing in a responsible fashion and preserving high ethical and business integrity standards.

As a long-term investor, Whitehelm believes in the need to embrace ESG considerations and matters in its culture, policies and practices, to diminish risk, increase financial returns, meet our investors’ expectations and contribute to society as a whole.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Whitehelm Capital becomes an official signatory to UNPRI

Responsible Investing is fundamental to Whitehelm’s culture, policies and practices

Whitehelm’s Responsible Investment Code defines seven key principles for responsible investing