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INTEGRATED ANNUAL CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

1.	1. For the fiscal year ended : December 31, 2018	
2.	2. SEC Identification Number: ASO94-03992 3. I	BIR Tax Identification No.: 003-871-592
4.	4. Exact name of issuer as specified in its charter : G	lobal Ferronickel Holdings Inc.
5.	5. Philippines Province, Country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization	6. SEC Use Only) Industry Classification Code:
7.	7. 7th Floor, Corporate Business Centre, 151 Pas Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines Address of principal office	eo De Roxas corner Arnaiz Street, Postal Code
8.	B. (02) 5197888 Issuer's telephone number, including area code	
9.	9. not applicable Former name, former address, and former fiscal y	year, if changed since last report.

GLOBAL FERRONICKEL HOLDINGS, INC. INTEGRATED ANNUAL CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT **FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018 Recommended CG Practice/Policy** Compliant/Non-**Additional Information Explanation** Compliant The Board's Governance Responsibilities **Principle 1:** The company should be headed by a competent, working board to foster the long-term success of the corporation, and to sustain its competitiveness and profitability in a manner consistent with its corporate objectives and the long-term best interests of its shareholders and other stakeholders. **Recommendation 1.1** 1. Board is composed of directors with Compliant The academic qualifications, industry collective working knowledge, knowledge, professional experience, experience or expertise that is relevant to expertise and relevant trainings of directors the company's industry/sector. are found in http://www.afni.com.ph/aboutus/our-leadership/ and contained in our 2. Board has an appropriate mix of Compliant recent various submissions like in page 50 of competence and expertise. the SEC Form 17-A filed on April 16, 2019 and Compliant 3. Directors remain qualified for their page 9 of SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary positions individually and collectively to Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 enable them to fulfill their roles and found in http://www.afni.com.ph/companyresponsibilities and respond to the needs disclosures/sec-filings/. of the organization. The qualification standards for director/nominees are found in Article 1.1 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017 with link at http://www.afni.com.ph/corporategovernance/manual-on-corporategovernance/. The Chairman, Mr. Joseph C. Sy has long-

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Recommendation 1.2		commodity trading and has developed trusted relationships with key nickel customers in China. Board members Mr. Dante R. Bravo, Ms. Mary Belle D. Bituin, Mr. Noel B. Lazaro and Ms. Gu Zhi Fang also have working experience in the mining industry. Both Mr. Bravo and Mr. Lazaro are attorneys-at-law practicing in the Philippines. Board members Mr. Francis C. Chua and Mr. Ming Huat Chua have relevant experience in trade and investment while Mr. Dennis Allan T. Ang is into the business of distribution of mining equipment. Independent Directors Mr. Roberto C. Amores and Mr. Edgardo G. Lacson have relevant experience in export and shipping businesses, respectively. The directors possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications set out in Article 2.6 and other related provisions of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. The Independent Directors has not exceeded the term limits set by SEC Memorandum Circular No. 9 Series of 2011.
Board is composed of a majority of non- executive directors.	Compliant	Out of the 10 board seats, 6 are non-executive directors.
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		Statement filed on May 22, 2019 pages 7 to 8
		identifies Directors Bravo, Bituin, Lazaro as
		President, Senior Vice President for
		Finance/Human Resources/Administration
		and Senior Vice President for Legal and
		Regulatory Affairs of the Company,
		respectively. Management is led by the
		Company's Chairman, Mr. Joseph C. Sy.
Recommendation 1.3		
Company provides in its Board Charter	Compliant	The Board Charter is incorporated within
and Manual on Corporate Governance		the provisions of the Company's Manual
a policy on training of directors.		On Corporate Governance dated May 31,
		2017 with link at
		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-
		governance/manual-on-corporate-
		governance/. The mandate to establish a
		policy on training of directors, including an
		orientation program for first-time directors
		and relevant annual continuing training for
		directors are found on Article 1.3.
2. Company has an orientation program for	Compliant	The Compliance Officer ensures proper
first time directors.		onboarding of new directors (i.e., orientation
		on the company's business, charter, articles
		of incorporation and by-laws, among others)
		pursuant to Article 1.6 of the Company's
		Manual On Corporate Governance dated
		May 31, 2017 with link at
		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-
		governance/manual-on-corporate-
		governance/. New directors are informed of
		relevant SEC and PSE rules to be complied as
		directors. They are also provided with
		relevant reading materials like the pertinent
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		provisions of the Securities and Regulations

		Implementing Rules and Regulations,	
		Philippine Stock Exchange's Disclosure Rules,	
		as well as the Company's Annual Reports	
		with Audited Financial Statements in	
		magazine form, Prospectus, and similar	
		materials.	ļ
3. Company has relevant annual	Compliant	The Company complies with SEC	
continuing training for all directors.	·	Memorandum Circular No. 20, Series of 2013,	
		directing "all key officers and members of the	
		board of publicly-listed companies to attend,	
		at least once a year, a program on corporate	
		governance conducted by training providers	
		that are duly accredited by the SEC. The	
		Company arranges for yearly in-house training	
		on Corporate Governance Seminar on	
		different relevant topics. All of the directors	
		and key officers attended the 5th Corporate	
		Governance Forum on October 23, 2018	
		organize jointly by SEC and PSE. Attendance to	
		the latest seminar of the members of the board	
		were uploaded in the link: SEC Form 17-C	
		dated (October 11, 2019) PSE Edge	
		http://edge.pse.com.ph/companyDisclosures/f	
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Recommendation 1.4			
1. Board has a policy on board diversity.	Compliant	Pursuant to Article 1.4 of the Company's	
		Manual On Corporate Governance dated	
		May 31, 2017 with link at	
		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
		governance/manual-on-corporate-	
		governance/, the Company's current board	
		has twenty percent or 2 out of 10 board	
		seats occupied by the female gender. The	
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Optional Recommendation 1.4 1. Company has a policy on and discloses measurable objectives for implementing its board diversity and reports on progress in achieving its objectives.	Compliant	female board of directors are Ms. Mary Belle D. Bituin and Ms. Gu Zhi Fang. http://www.gfni.com.ph/about-us/our- leadership/ To maintain significant influence in the Board, at least 20% of the Board composition is allotted to female board of directors.
Recommendation 1.5		
Board is assisted by a Corporate Secretary.	Compliant	Article 1.5 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017 with link at http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/manual-on-corporate-governance/ and Article IV of the Company's by-laws provide that the Board shall be assisted by a Corporate Secretary. The incumbent Corporate Secretary, Atty. Eveart Grace Pomarin-Claro is an attorney-at-law authorized to practice in the Philippines.
Corporate Secretary is a separate individual from the Compliance Officer.	Compliant	The Company's Compliance Officer is Mr. Mario A. Nevado while Atty. Eveart Grace Pomarin-Claro is the Company's Corporate Secretary.
3. Corporate Secretary is not a member of the Board of Directors.	Compliant	Corporate Secretary Atty. Eveart Grace Pomarin-Claro is not a member of the Board.
4. Corporate Secretary attends training/s on corporate governance.	Compliant	The Corporate Secretary is attorney-at-law authorized to practice law in the Philippines. She also attends the yearly in-house seminar of the Company. Attendance to the latest seminar of the members is uploaded in the link: SEC Form 17-C dated (October 11, 2018) PSE Edge

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Optional Recommendation 1.5		
1. Corporate Secretary distributes materials	Compliant	The members of the Board are provided with
for board meetings at least five business		hard copy of the meeting materials during the
days before scheduled meeting.		meeting. Soft copies of the materials may be
		distributed in advance through electronic mail
		pursuant to Article III Sec 5 of the Company by-
		laws. Corporate Secretary asks directors to
		confirm receipt via email reply or SMS.
Recommendation 1.6	1	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Board is assisted by a Compliance	Compliant	The Compliance Officer was appointed by the
Officer.	Compilarii	Board on August 23, 2018 and the position is
omeon.		provided for under
		Article 1.5 of the Company's Manual On
		Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.
		http://edge.pse.com.ph/companyDisclosures/f
		orm.do?cmpy_id=224.
2. Compliance Officer has a rank of Senior	Compliant	The Company's Compliance Officer is also the
Vice President or an equivalent position	Compilani	Assistant Vice President for Finance with
with adequate stature and authority in		adequate stature and authority in the
the corporation.		corporation.
Compliance Officer is not a member of	Compliant	The Company's Compliance Officer is not a
the board.	Compilani	member of the Board.
Compliance Officer attends training/s on	Compliant	The Compliance Officer attends the yearly in-
	Compilani	house seminar of the Company. His Certificate
corporate governance.		of Attendance to the latest seminar is
		uploaded in the link: SEC Form 17-C dated
		(December 13, 2017)
		PSE Edge
		http://edge.pse.com.ph/companyDisclosur
		es/form.do?cmpy id=224

Principle 2: The fiduciary roles, responsibilities and accountabilities of the Board as provided under the law, the company's articles and bylaws, and other legal pronouncements and guidelines should be clearly made known to all directors as well as to stockholders and other stakeholders.

Recommendation 2.1			
Directors act on a fully informed basis, in good faith, with due diligence and care, and in the best interest of the company.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 2 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. Prior to results of the meeting uploaded in the PSE Edge portal, every member of the board is given opportunity to engage in exchange of ideas and is given opportunity to raise any concern or issue that they deem important to be taken up during the meeting.	
Recommendation 2.2			
Board oversees the development, review and approval of the company's business objectives and strategy.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 2.2 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. Part of the regular quarterly meeting agenda is developments in the business where the Board is apprised by management of updates and status of the business.	
Board oversees and monitors the implementation of the company's business objectives and strategy.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 2.2 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. The executive directors are hands-on in the operations of the operating subsidiary and occupy high-level positions in management which enables them to oversee and monitors implementation of the company's business objectives and strategies.	
Supplement to Recommendation 2.2			

 Board has a clearly defined and updated vision, mission and core values. Board has a strategy execution process 	Compliant Compliant	The Company's mission, vision and core values are found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/about-us/mission-vision-values/ The executive directors are hands-on in the	
that facilitates effective management performance and is attuned to the company's business environment, and culture.		operations of the operating subsidiary and occupy high-level positions in management which enables them to oversee and monitors implementation of the company's business objectives and strategies.	
Recommendation 2.3			
Board is headed by a competent and qualified Chairperson.	Compliant	SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 page 7, shows the qualification of the Chairman who has more than twenty years of experience in managing and heading companies engaged in mining and mineral exploration and development. He is a Filipino-Chinese entrepreneur with long-standing experience in nickel and commodity trading, and who has developed trusted relationships with key nickel customers in China.	
Recommendation 2.4			
Board ensures and adopts an effective succession planning program for directors, key officers and management.	Compliant	Nomination Committee is tasked to carry out a succession planning for directors and other senior executives in the course of its work, taking into consideration the challenges and opportunities facing the company, and the skills, experience and expertise needed on the board in the future. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/	
2. Board adopts a policy on the retirement	Compliant	On January 29, 2018, the Board through the	

	for directors and key officers.		Executive Committee approved a multi- employer retirement plan also known as GFNI Employee Retirement Plan covering qualified employees (including executive directors and some key officers) of the Company, its subsidiaries and affiliate.	
Re	commendation 2.5			
1.	Board aligns the remuneration of key officers and board members with long-term interests of the company.	Compliant	In recognition of some key officers and executive directors' past services, the board of directors and stockholders of the Company approved on June 29, 2016, the establishment of an Employee Stock Option Plan, a share-based compensation plan with lock-in period of 2 years.	
2.	Board adopts a policy specifying the relationship between remuneration and performance.	Compliant	The Company's subsidiary adopts a quarterly performance plan and evaluation among its employees. A merit increase may be awarded to individuals meeting the performance criteria.	
3.	Directors do not participate in discussions or deliberations involving his/her own remuneration.	Compliant	The current director's fee was previously approved by a different set of board of directors last December 16, 2014.	
Op	tional: Recommendation 2.5			
1.	Board approves the remuneration of senior executives.	Compliant	The Company has no employee. The senior executives of the operating subsidiary renders shared services with the Company.	
2.	Company has measurable standards to align the performance-based remuneration of the executive directors and senior executives with long-term interest, such as claw back provision and deferred bonuses.	Compliant	The Company's subsidiary adopts a quarterly performance plan and evaluation among its employees including some executive directors and senior executives.	

1.	Board has a formal and transparent board nomination and election policy.	Compliant	The nomination and election policy is incorporated in the Nomination Committee Charter http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/ . The Nomination Committee pre-screen candidates nominated to be a member of the Board in accordance with the qualifications below, taking into account the permanent and temporary disqualifications as well as other criteria which the Committee may consider appropriate.
2.	Board nomination and election policy is disclosed in the company's Manual on Corporate Governance.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 2.6 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.
3.	Board nomination and election policy includes how the company accepted nominations from minority shareholders.	Compliant	The nomination committee set as minimum requirement that a nominee has at least one share. Any stockholder meeting the qualifications and none of the disqualifications may be nominated as director even though he/she may belong to the minority.
4.	Board nomination and election policy includes how the board shortlists candidates.	Compliant	The Nomination Committee pre-screen candidates nominated to be a member of the Board and ensures that wide and diverse range of suitable candidates are considered in selecting new directors. It evaluates the necessary competencies, skills, experience and expertise of the nominees prior to making any recommendation of a final list of nominees for Director and Independent Director to the Board for approval.
5.	Board nomination and election policy includes an assessment of the effectiveness of the Board's processes	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 2.6 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017 and

6.	in the nomination, election or replacement of a director. Board has a process for identifying the quality of directors that is aligned with the strategic direction of the company.	Compliant	incorporated in the Nomination Committee Charter http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/ . The Nomination Committee pre-screen candidates nominated to be a member of the Board and ensures that wide and diverse range of suitable candidates are considered in selecting new directors. It evaluates the necessary competencies, skills, experience and expertise of the nominees prior to making any	
			recommendation of a final list of nominees for Director and Independent Director to the Board for approval.	
Ор	tional: Recommendation to 2.6			
1.	Company uses professional search firms or other external sources of candidates (such as director databases set up by director or shareholder bodies) when searching for candidates to the board of directors.	Non-compliant		The Nomination Committee has not accredited any reputable professional search firms or other external sources of candidates.
Red	commendation 2.7			
1.	Board has overall responsibility in ensuring that there is a group-wide policy and system governing related party transactions (RPTs) and other unusual or infrequently occurring transactions.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 2.7 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017 and incorporated in the Nomination Committee Charter http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/ .	
2.	RPT policy includes appropriate review and approval of material RPTs, which guarantee fairness and transparency of	Compliant	The Board has approved the Company's Policy on Related Party Transactions on April 29, 2015 and a copy is available at	

	the transactions.		http://www.afri.com.nh/cornorato	
	the transactions.		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
	DDT 1' II I'I'		governance/companys-policies/	
3.	RPT policy encompasses all entities	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
	within the group, taking into account		governance/companys-policies/	
	their size, structure, risk profile and			
	complexity of operations.			
Su	oplement to Recommendations 2.7			
1.	Board clearly defines the threshold for disclosure and approval of RPTs and categorizes such transactions according to those that are considered de minimis or transactions that need not be reported or announced, those that need to be disclosed, and those that need prior shareholder approval. The aggregate amount of RPTs within any twelve (12) month period should be considered for purposes of applying the thresholds for disclosure and approval.	Compliant	 The Company set thresholds and categories for Disclosure and Approval of RPTs. The aggregate amount of RPTs within any twelve (12) month period shall be considered for purposes of applying these thresholds. Related Party Transaction Less than One percent (1%) of the Total Assets of Parent or Subsidiary requires approval of the CEO or President; One percent (1%) of Total Assets and above of Parent or Subsidiary requires Board approval; Fifteen percent (15%) of Total Assets and above of Parent and Subsidiary requires approval of concerned entity's Shareholders. See Company's Policy on Related Party Transactions at http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/companys-policies/ 	
2.	Board establishes a voting system whereby a majority of non-related party shareholders approve specific types of related party transactions during shareholders' meetings.	Non-Compliant		This recommendatio n may be taken up by the Audit, Risk and Related Party Committee. During the regular and special stockholders'

Pocos	mmendation 2.8			meeting, all shareholders may raise any issue or concern including those pertaining to related party transactions.
1. B	coard is primarily responsible for approving the selection of Management led by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the heads of the other control functions (Chief Risk Officer, Chief Compliance Officer and Chief Audit Executive).	Compliant	This mandate to the Board is found under Article 2.8 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. The Board approves the final list of nominees for Director and Independent Director taking into consideration the recommendation of the Nomination Committee. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/.	
E C	oard is primarily responsible for assessing the performance of Management led by the Chief executive Officer (CEO) and the heads of the other control functions (Chief Risk Officer, Chief Compliance Officer and Chief Audit Executive).	Compliant	This mandate to the Board is found under Article 2.8 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
	mmendation 2.9	Canadiant	This was an elected to the a December is forward was done	
th p s1	oard establishes an effective performance management framework hat ensures that Management's performance is at par with the tandards set by the Board and Senior Management.	Compliant	This mandate to the Board is found under Article 2.8 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
2. B	Board establishes an effective	Compliant	The Company's subsidiary adopts a quarterly	

performance management framework that ensures that personnel's performance is at par with the standards set by the Board and Senior Management.		performance plan and evaluation among its employees including executive directors and senior executives.
Recommendation 2.10		_
Board oversees that an appropriate internal control system is in place.	Compliant	This mandate to the Board is found under Article 2.10 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. The Audit Committee is further tasked to consider the effectiveness of the company's internal control system. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committees/
2. The internal control system includes a mechanism for monitoring and managing potential conflict of interest of the Management, members and shareholders. Output Description:	Compliant	The Policy on Related Party Transactions specifically provides that directors and key management personnel shall disclose their interest in transactions and any other conflicts of interest. The Company requires directors and key management personnel to abstain and/or inhibit themselves from participating in discussions on a particular agenda when they are conflicted. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/companys-policies/
3. Board approves the Internal Audit	Compliant	The Internal Audit Charter was approved by
Charter.		the Board on August 22, 2017.
Recommendation 2.11	ı	
 Board oversees that the company has in place a sound enterprise risk management (ERM) framework to effectively identify, monitor, assess and manage key business risks. 	Compliant	This mandate to the Board is found under Article 2.11 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. The Audit Committee is further tasked to review and discuss the Company's policies with

2. The risk management framework guides the board in identifying units/business lines and enterprise-level risk exposures, as well as the effectiveness of risk management strategies.	Compliant	respect to corporate governance, risk assessment and risk management annually. The Committee shall also discuss the Company's major financial risk exposures and the actions management has taken to monitor and control such exposures. It also includes review and discussion on the Company's overall anti-fraud programs, fraud incidents and controls with appropriate personnel. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committees/ The Company implements its ERM System, as designed based on the prominent COSO ERM Framework. The Company understands that Enterprise Risk Management is not a function or department. It is the culture, capabilities, and practices that organizations integrate with strategy-setting and apply when they carry out that strategy, with a purpose of managing risk in creating, preserving, and realizing value. Importance of ERM in strategic planning and embedding it throughout an organization—because risk influences and aligns strategy and performance across all departments and functions within the Organization. The Company implement its ERM System, as designed based on the prominent COSO ERM Framework.
Recommendation 2.12 Board has a Board Charter that formalizes and clearly states its roles,	Compliant	The Board Charter is incorporated within

responsibilities and accountabilities in carrying out its fiduciary role.		the provisions of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31,	
Board Charter serves as a guide to the directors in the performance of their functions.	Compliant	2017 with link at http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/manual-on-corporate-	
3. Board Charter is publicly available and posted on the company's website.	Compliant	governance/. Director's roles, responsibilities and accountabilities are further provided for in various Company policies like the Conflict of Interest Policy, Whistle Blowing Policy, Policy on Short Swing Trading, Policy of Related Party Transaction, Policy on Insider Trading and Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy.	
Additional Recommendation to Principle 2			
Board has a clear insider trading policy.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/companys-policies/	
Optional: Principle 2			
Company has a policy on granting loans to directors, either forbidding the practice or ensuring that the transaction is conducted at arm's length basis and at market rates.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/companys-policies/. The policy is incorporated in various Company policies like the Conflict of Interest Policy, and Policy of Related Party Transaction	
 Company discloses the types of decision requiring board of directors' approval. 	Compliant	The Company set thresholds and categories for disclosure and approval of RPTs in its Policy on Related Party Transactions http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporategovernance/companys-policies/	

Principle 3: Board committees should be set up to the extent possible to support the effective performance of the Board's functions, particularly with respect to audit, risk management, related party transactions, and other key corporate governance concerns, such as nomination and remuneration. The composition, functions and responsibilities of all committees established should be contained in a publicly available Committee Charter.

Recommendation 3.1			
Board establishes board committees that focus on specific board functions to aid in the optimal performance of its roles and responsibilities.	Compliant	This mandate to the Board is found under Article 3 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. The members of the board committees were last elected on August 23, 2017 http://edge.pse.com.ph/companyDisclosures/form.do?cmpy_id=224	
Recommendation 3.2			
Board establishes an Audit Committee to enhance its oversight capability over the company's financial reporting, internal control system, internal and external audit processes, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.	Compliant	The Audit Committee is among the board committees established by the Company. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/ .	
2. Audit Committee is composed of at least three appropriately qualified non-executive directors, the majority of whom, including the Chairman is independent.	Compliant	The Chairman of the Audit Committee is Mr. Roberto C. Amores, an independent director. Two out of the 3 are independent directors. Mr. Bravo, an executive director is also a member of the committee because of his extensive background in audit and law being a CPA lawyer.	
3. All the members of the committee have relevant background, knowledge, skills, and/or experience in the areas of accounting, auditing and finance.	Compliant	Mr. Amores and Mr. Lacson are both businessmen with high level knowledge in areas of accounting, auditing and finance. Mr. Bravo is a CPA lawyer.	
4. The Chairman of the Audit Committee is not the Chairman of the Board or of any other committee.	Non-compliant		The Chairman of the Audit Committee is also the Chairman of the Compensation

				and Remuneration Committee because the company currently has 2 independent directors and they occupy chairmanship positions in 3 out
				of the 4 board committees.
Su	pplement to Recommendation 3.2	<u> </u>		Comminees.
	Audit Committee approves all non-audit services conducted by the external auditor.	Compliant	This is part of the role of the Audit Committee as found in its Charter http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/.	
2.	Audit Committee conducts regular meetings and dialogues with the external audit team without anyone from management present.	Non-compliant		Mr. Bravo, an executive director is a member of the Audit Committee.
Or	otional: Recommendation 3.2	ı	•	
1.	Audit Committee meet at least four times during the year.	Compliant	The Audit Committee usually meets once every quarter.	
2.	Audit Committee approves the appointment and removal of the internal auditor.	Compliant	The Audit Committee review the appointment, renewal, retention, removal, and replacement of the Internal Audit Head who shall report directly to the Committee. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/.	

Re	commendation 3.3			
1.	Board establishes a Corporate Governance Committee tasked to assist the Board in the performance of its corporate governance responsibilities, including the functions that were formerly assigned to a Nomination and Remuneration Committee.	Non-Compliant		The Audit Committee is tasked to review and discuss the Company's policies with respect to
2.	Corporate Governance Committee is composed of at least three members, all of whom should be independent directors.	Non-Compliant		corporate governance annually. http://www.gfni. com.ph/corporat
3.	Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee is an independent director.	Non-Compliant		e- governance/boa rd-committee- charters/.
Op	tional: Recommendation 3.3.			
1.	Corporate Governance Committee meet at least twice during the year.	Compliant	The Corporate Governance Committee meets at least bi-annually for approval of the Corporate Governance Report and the setting of the annual corporate governance seminar.	
Re	commendation 3.4			
1.	Board establishes a separate Board Risk Oversight Committee (BROC) that should be responsible for the oversight of a company's Enterprise Risk Management system to ensure its functionality and effectiveness.	Compliant	The Audit, Risk and Related Party Committee is among the board committees established by the Company. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committees/ .	
2.	BROC is composed of at least three members, the majority of whom should be independent directors, including the	Compliant	The Chairman of the Audit Committee is Mr. Roberto C. Amores, an independent director. 2 out of the 3 are independent directors.	

	Chairman.			
3.	The Chairman of the BROC is not the Chairman of the Board or of any other committee.	Compliant		The Chairman of the Audit Committee is also the Chairman of the Compensation and Remuneration Committee because the company currently has 2 independent directors and they occupy chairmanship positions in 3 out of the 4 board committees.
4.	relevant thorough knowledge and experience on risk and risk management.	Compliant	All of the members of the Audit Committee have high level knowledge in areas of risk and risk management.	
	Board establishes a Related Party Transactions (RPT) Committee, which is tasked with reviewing all material related party transactions of the company.	Compliant	The Audit, Risk and Related Party Committee is among the board committees established by the Company. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committees/. It implements the Company's Policy on Related Party Transactions http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	

			governance/companys-policies/	
2.	RPT Committee is composed of at least three non-executive directors, two of whom should be independent, including the Chairman.	Non-Compliant	go remailed, companys policies,	Mr. Bravo, an executive director is a member of the Audit, Risk and Related Party Transaction Committee.
Re	ecommendation 3.6			1 00
1.	All established committees have a Committee Charter stating in plain terms their respective purposes, memberships, structures, operations, reporting process, resources and other relevant information.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committee-charters/.	
2.	Committee Charters provide standards for evaluating the performance of the Committees.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/.	
3.	Committee Charters were fully disclosed on the company's website.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committee-charters/.	
Pri	inciple 4: To show full commitment to the co	mpany, the directors	s should devote the time and attention necessary to	properly and
ef	fectively perform their duties and responsibi		ent time to be familiar with the corporation's busines	
Re	ecommendation 4.1			
1.	The Directors attend and actively participate in all meetings of the Board, Committees and shareholders in person or through tele-/videoconferencing conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission.	Compliant	This is provided in Section 7 Article III of the Company by-laws that The members of the Board of Directors may participate in the meetings by means of telephone, electronic or other suitable electronic communication facilities, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, by telephone conference, videoconference, or the internet or any combination of those methods	

2.	The directors review meeting materials for all Board and Committee meetings.	Compliant	The members of the Board are provided with hard copy of the meeting materials during the meeting. Soft copies of the materials may be distributed in advance through electronic mail pursuant to Article III Sec 5 of the Company bylaws. Corporate Secretary asks directors to confirm receipt via email reply or SMS.
3.	The directors ask the necessary questions or seek clarifications and explanations during the Board and Committee meetings.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 4 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. Every member of the board is given opportunity to engage in exchange of ideas and is given opportunity to raise any concern or issue that they deem important to be taken up during the meeting.
Re	commendation 4.2		
1.	Non-executive directors concurrently serve in a maximum of five publicly-listed companies to ensure that they have sufficient time to fully prepare for minutes, challenge Management's proposals/views, and oversee the long-term strategy of the company.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 4 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. No non-executive directors concurrently service more than 5 publicly listed companies.
Re	commendation 4.3		
1.	The directors notify the company's board before accepting a directorship in another company.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 4 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.
Op	otional: Principle 4		
1.	Company does not have any executive directors who serve in more than two boards of listed companies outside of the group.	Compliant	None of the executive directors of the Company occupy a board seat in other listed companies.

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2.	1 ,	Non-compliant		The Board hold
	meetings before the start of the financial			meetings once
	year.			every quarter on
				dates subject to
				the availability of
				the members of
				the board.
3.	Board of directors meet at least six times	Non-compliant		The Board usually
	during the year.			meets once
				every quarter
				unless there is a
				Special Meeting
				called for a
				purpose. The
				Board met only
				4x for the year
				2018.
4.	Company requires as minimum quorum	Non-compliant		Section 6 Article
	of at least 2/3 for board decisions.	·		III of the
				Company by-
				laws requires
				approval of at
				least a majority
				of the directors
				present for valid
1				corporate acts.
Pri	nciple 5: The board should endeavor to exe	ercise an objective and i	independent judgment on all corporate affairs	
Re	commendation 5.1	•		
1.	The Board has at least 3 independent	Non-compliant		The Nomination
	directors or such number as to	1		Committee has
	constitute one-third of the board,			yet to find a
	whichever is higher.			suitable
				candidate or
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The nominees for independent directors certifies before they are elected as such that they possess the qualifications absent any disqualification to serve as independent director once elected. All members of the board are required to observe the mandate that board members shall act only on a fully informed basis, in good	director.
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faith, with due diligence and care, and in the best interest of the Company and all shareholders under Article 2.1 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Mr. Amores became independent director in the year 2014 while Mr. Lacson in 2016.	
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1.	The positions of Chairman of the Board	Compliant	Mr. Joseph C. Sy is the Chairman of the Board	
	and Chief Executive Officer are held by separate individuals.		while Mr. Dante R. Bravo is the Chief Executive Officer/President.	
2.	The Chairman of the Board and Chief	Compliant	The roles are defined in Article 2.3 and Article	
	Executive Officer have clearly defined responsibilities.		5.4 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Re	commendation 5.5		Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
1.	If the Chairman of the Board is not an independent director, the board designates a lead director among the independent directors.	Non-compliant		The Nomination Committee may consider this in their recommendatio n of the final list of nominees of directors for election.
Re	commendation 5.6			
1.	Directors with material interest in a transaction affecting the corporation abstain from taking part in the deliberations on the transaction.	Compliant	There is express prohibition of the Directors from using the Company's positions to influence outside organizations or individuals for direct financial, personal or professional benefit of themselves, their affiliates, across a wide range of activities with the Company under the Company's Conflict of Interest Policy http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/companys-policies/	
	commendation 5.7			
1.	The non-executive directors (NEDs) have separate periodic meetings with the external auditor and heads of the internal audit, compliance and risk functions, without any executive present.	Compliant	The external auditor meets with the non- executive directors who are also members of the Audit Committee at least twice a year.	

2. The meetings are chaired by the lead	Compliant	The independent director chairs the Audit	
independent director.	Compilarii	Committee meeting.	
Optional: Principle 5		Comminee meening.	
None of the directors is a former CEO of	Non consultant	Mr. Bravo has been the President of the	
	Non-compliant		
the company in the past 2 years.		Company since August 5, 2015.	
		h an assessment process. The Board should regularly carry out	
	body, and assess whe	ether it possesses the right mix of backgrounds and competencies.	
Recommendation 6.1	Τ		
Board conducts an annual self-	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 6 of the	
assessment of its performance as a		Company's Manual On Corporate	
whole.		Governance dated May 31, 2017. The	
		Nomination Committee is specifically tasked	
		to develop a framework for identifying the skills	
		and competencies that the Board needs in	
		order to discharge its responsibilities effectively,	
		taking into consideration the complexity of the	
		Company's business. Annually assess if the	
		Board and the different Committees including	
		its members have the necessary skills to	
		perform their roles effectively.	
		Review the nomination, re-nomination and	
		reasons for resignations of key appointment	
		holders.	
		Annually review the structure, size and	
		composition of the board and make	
		appropriate recommendations to the board	
		with regard to any changes.	
2. The Chairman conducts a self-	Compliant	Self-assessment mechanism through annual	
assessment of his performance.		review and discussion is provided for in board	
3. The individual members conduct a self-	Compliant	committee charters	
assessment of their performance.		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
4. Each committee conducts a self-	Compliant	governance/board-committee-charters/	
assessment of its performance.			

5. Every three years, the assessments are supported by an external facilitator.	Compliant	Every year, the board meets with the external auditor to discuss issues to be addressed by management.
Recommendation 6.2		
Board has in place a system that provides, at the minimum, criteria and process to determine the performance of the Board, individual directors and committees.	Compliant	Self-assessment mechanism through annual review and discussion is provided for in board committee charters http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-
The system allows for a feedback mechanism from the shareholders.	Compliant	Every stakeholder is allowed to raise any issue or concern they deem important to be taken us during the stockholders' meeting. The investor relations office is open to receive any feedback from the shareholders.
	ouna to apply nigh ethic	cal standards, taking into account the interests of all stakeholders.
Recommendation 7.1	I .	
Board adopts a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, which provide standards for professional and ethical behavior, as well as articulate acceptable and unacceptable conduct and practices in internal and external dealings of the company.	Compliant	The standards for professional and ethical behavior required of the members of the board and senior management are incorporated within the provisions of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017 with link at http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/manual-on-corporate-governance/ and in various Company policies like the Conflict of Interest Policy, Whistle Blowing Policy, Policy on Short Swing Trading, Policy of Related Party Transaction, Policy on Insider Trading and Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy.
The Code is properly disseminated to the Board, senior management and employees.	Compliant	The Corporate Secretary ensures proper onboarding of directors, senior management and employees by providing electronic copies

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			of the Company's Manual On Corporate	
			Governance and various Company policies.	
3. Th	e Code is disclosed and made	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
av	vailable to the public through the		governance/manual-on-corporate-	
CC	ompany website.		governance/	
Suppl	ement to Recommendation 7.1			
1. Co	ompany has clear and stringent	Compliant	The company has an Anti-Bribery and	
рс	olicies and procedures on curbing and		Corruption Policy in place.	
ре	enalizing company involvement in		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
of	fering, paying and receiving bribes.		governance/companys-policies/	
Recor	mmendation 7.2			
1. Bc	oard ensures the proper and efficient	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 7.2 of the	
im	plementation and monitoring of		Company's Manual On Corporate	
CC	ompliance with the Code of Business		Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Co	onduct and Ethics.			
2. Bc	pard ensures the proper and efficient	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 6 of the	
im	plementation and monitoring of		Company's Manual On Corporate	
CC	ompliance with company internal		Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
рс	olicies.			
Disclo	osure and Transparency			
Princi	ple 8: The company should establish cor	porate disclosure polic	ies and procedures that are practical and in accordance with be	est .
practi	ices and regulatory expectations.			
Recor	mmendation 8.1			
1. Bc	oard establishes corporate disclosure	Compliant	As publicly-listed company, FNI undertakes to	
рс	olicies and procedures to ensure a		comply with the provisions of the Securities	
CC	omprehensive, accurate, reliable and		Regulation Code and the rules and regulation	
tin	nely report to shareholders and other		of the Philippine Stock Exchange including its	
sto	akeholders that gives a fair and		Disclosure Rules.	
CC	omplete picture of a company's			
fin	nancial			
CC	ondition, results and business			
op	perations.			

Sur	oplement to Recommendations 8.1			
1.	Company distributes or makes available annual and quarterly consolidated reports, cash flow statements, and special audit revisions. Consolidated financial statements are published within ninety (90) days from the end of the fiscal year, while interim reports are published within forty- five (45) days from the end of the reporting period.	Compliant	The annual and quarterly reports are available in the company website as well as the PSE Edge Portal. An annual report in magazine form is also made available to each stockholder who attends the annual stockholders' meeting. http://www.gfni.com.ph/companydisclosures/sec-filings/	
	Company discloses in its annual report the principal risks associated with the identity of the company's controlling shareholders; the degree of ownership concentration; cross-holdings among company affiliates; and any imbalances between the controlling shareholders' voting power and overall equity position in the company.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/company- disclosures/sec-filings/	
Red	commendation 8.2			
1.	Company has a policy requiring all directors to disclose/report to the company any dealings in the company's shares within three business days.	Compliant	Under the Company's Insider trading Policy, all members of the Board of Directors, key officers, and employees are required to report to the Company's Compliance Officer the details of any purchase, disposal, or change in	
2.	Company has a policy requiring all officers to disclose/report to the company any dealings in the company's shares within three business	Compliant	the ownership of the Company's securities within the next working day after the transaction. The Compliance Officer shall disclose these dealings to PSE within five (5)	

	days.		days from the date of transaction.		
Su	oplement to Recommendation 8.2	•			
1.	Company discloses the trading of the corporation's shares by directors, officers (or persons performing similar functions) and controlling shareholders. This includes the disclosure of the company's purchase of its shares from the market (e.g. share buy-back program).	Compliant	The Compliance Officer discloses to PSE the trading of the corporation's shares by directors, officers (or persons performing similar functions) within five (5) days from the date of transaction, by controlling shareholders within 10 calendar days after the close of each month, by the company through implementation of the share buy-back program before the opening of the next trading day.		
Re	commendation 8.3				
2.	Board fully discloses all relevant and material information on individual board members to evaluate their experience and qualifications, and assess any potential conflicts of interest that might affect their judgment. Board fully discloses all relevant and material information on key executives to evaluate their experience and qualifications, and assess any potential conflicts of interest that might affect their judgment.	Compliant Compliant	The academic qualifications, industry knowledge, professional experience, expertise and relevant trainings of directors are found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/about-us/our-leadership/ and contained in our recent various submissions like in page 50 of the SEC Form 17-A filed on April 16, 2019 and page 7 to 9 of SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 found in https://www.gfni.com.ph/company-disclosures/sec-filings/ .		
Re	Recommendation 8.4				
1.	Company provides a clear disclosure of its policies and procedure for setting Board remuneration, including the level and mix of the same.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 8.4 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. Section 30 of the Corporation Code of the Philippine is deemed incorporated in the rules of the Company to set the total yearly compensation		

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			of directors not exceed 10% of the net income	
			of the Company during the preceding year.	
2.	Company provides a clear disclosure of	Compliant	The Company has no employee. The senior	
	its policies and procedure for setting	•	executives of the operating subsidiary renders	
	executive remuneration, including the		shared services with the Company with no	
	level and mix of the same.		additional compensation.	
3.	Company discloses the remuneration	Non-compliant	additional compensation:	This mandate is
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	on an individual basis, including			found under
	termination and retirement provisions.			Article 8.4 of the
				Company's
				Manual On
				Corporate
				Governance
				dated May 31,
				2017 but this has
				yet to be
				implemented.
Red	commendation 8.5			Гиприетнением.
1	Company discloses its policies	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
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	governing Related Party Transactions		governance/manual-on-corporate-	
	(RPTs) and other unusual or infrequently		governance/	
	occurring transactions in their Manual			
	on Corporate Governance.		http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
			governance/companys-policies/	
2.	Company discloses material or	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/company-	
	significant RPTs reviewed and approved	'	disclosures/sec-filings/ (Annual Report and	
	during the year.		Note 30 of the Audited Financial Statements)	
Sur	oplement to Recommendation 8.5		There so of the Albania Thranelan erarements	
_	Company requires directors to disclose	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	
' '	their interests in transactions or any		governance/companys-policies/	
1	other conflict of interests.		governance/companys-policies/	
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			The Company has Conflict of Interest Policy	1
			and Policy of Related Party Transaction for	

Op	otional: Recommendation 8.5 Company discloses that RPTs are conducted in such a way to ensure	Compliant	adherence of directors, management and employees. This is provided in the Policy of Related Party Transaction	
Red	that they are fair and at arms' length.			
1.	Company makes a full, fair, accurate and timely disclosure to the public of every material fact or event that occur, particularly on the acquisition or disposal of significant assets, which could adversely affect the viability or the interest of its shareholders and other stakeholders.	Compliant	As publicly listed company, FNI is mandated adhere to relevant provisions of the Securities and Regulations Code as well as the Disclosure Rules of the Philippine Stock Exchange to comply timely disclosure of information necessary to enable the public to appraise their position or standing, such as, but not limited to, those relating to the Company's financial condition, prospects, development projects, contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business or otherwise, mergers and acquisitions, dealings with employees, suppliers, customers and others, as well as information concerning a significant change in ownership of the Company's securities owned by insiders or those representing control of the company.	
2.	Board appoints an independent party to evaluate the fairness of the transaction price on the acquisition or disposal of assets.	Compliant	Whenever applicable, the Company engages accredited third party service providers to conduct fairness and valuation report	
Sup	oplement to Recommendation 8.6	•		
1.	Company discloses the existence, justification and details on shareholder agreements, voting trust agreements, confidentiality agreements, and such	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 8.6 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	

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other agreements that may impact on the control, ownership, and strategic direction of the company.			
Recommendation 8.7			
Company's corporate governance policies, programs and procedures are contained in its Manual on Corporate Governance (MCG).	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/manual-on-corporate- governance/	
2. Company's MCG is submitted to the SEC and PSE.	Compliant		
3. Company's MCG is posted on its company website.	Compliant		
Supplement to Recommendation 8.7			
 Company submits to the SEC and PSE an updated MCG to disclose any changes in its corporate governance practices. 	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/manual-on-corporate- governance/	
Optional: Principle 8			
Does the company's Annual Report disclose the following information:	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/company- disclosures/sec-filings/	
a. Corporate Objectives	Compliant		
b. Financial performance indicators	Compliant		
c. Non-financial performance indicators	Compliant		
d. Dividend Policy	Compliant		
e. Biographical details (at least age, academic qualifications, date of first appointment, relevant experience, and other directorships in listed companies) of all directors	Compliant		
f. Attendance details of each director in all directors meetings held during the year	Compliant		

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g. Total remuneration of each member of	Compliant		
the board of directors			
2. The Annual Report contains a statement	Compliant		
confirming the company's full			
compliance with the Code of			
Corporate Governance and where			
there is non-compliance, identifies and			
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explains reason for each such issue.			
3. The Annual Report/Annual CG Report	Compliant		
discloses that the board of directors			
conducted a review of the company's			
material controls (including operational,			
financial and compliance controls) and			
risk management systems.			
4. The Annual Report/Annual CG Report	Compliant		
contains a statement from the board of			
directors or Audit Committee			
commenting on the adequacy of the			
company's			
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internal controls/risk management			
systems.			
5. The company discloses in the Annual	Compliant		
Report the key risks to which the			
company is materially exposed to (i.e.			
financial, operational including IT,			
environmental, social, economic).			
Principle 9: The company should establish sta	ndards for the appropric	Ite selection of an external auditor, and exercise e	effective oversight
of the same to strengthen the external audito			
Recommendation 9.1			
Audit Committee has a robust process	Compliant	The Audit Committee, with respect to external auditors, shall	
for approving and recommending the		 Appoint, pre-approve compensation and 	
appointment, reappointment, removal,		renewal/retention/removal before approval of the	
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and fees of the external auditors.		Board of Directors, and oversee the work of the
		independent external auditors for the issuance of an
2. The appointment, reappointment,	Compliant	audit report or performing other audit, review, or
removal, and fees of the external		other services. For this reason, the independent
		external auditors must report directly to the
auditor is recommended by the Audit		Committee.
Committee,		At least annually, the Committee shall Obtain and
approved by the Board and ratified by		review a report by the independent external
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		auditors describing:
the shareholders.		(i) the firm's internal quality control
		procedures
		(ii) all relationships between the independent
		external auditors and the Company
		Evaluate the auditors' qualifications, performance
		and independence. Such evaluation should include
		the report of the independent external auditor
		stating its independence as required by applicable
		standards and review and evaluation of the lead
		audit partner and take into account the opinions of
		management and the Company's internal audit
		function.
		Maintain open communication and regularly review
		any audit problems or difficulties encountered
		during the course of the audit work with the
		independent external auditors. This includes any
		restrictions on the scope of activities or access to
		requested information, and management's
		response. The Committee should review differences
		or improvement suggestions that were noted by the
		auditors and any management letter issued by the
		same in addition to their audit report on the
		effectiveness of internal control over financial
		reporting.
		Review fees for audit and non-services provided by
		the independent external auditors.
		Ensure that the independent external auditor, or it
		lead audit partner is rotated at least once every five
		years or as provided under applicable laws and
		regulations.
		Establish regular meetings with the external auditors
		to discuss matters that the Audit Committee believe
		should be discussed privately
		Ensure that the external auditors have direct and
		unrestricted access to the Chairman of the Audit

		Committee and the Chairman of the Board	
3. For removal of the external auditor, the reasons for removal or change are disclosed to the regulators and the public through the company website and required disclosures.	Compliant	Change of external auditor is reported in various company reports including in the SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/company-disclosures/sec-filings/.	
Supplement to Recommendation 9.1			
Company has a policy of rotating the lead audit partner every five years.	Compliant	The Company is in compliance with SRC Rule 68 (3) (b) (iv) of the Securities Regulation Code which provides that the appointment of a signing partner of SGV shall not exceed five (5) consecutive years. Ms. Eleonore A. Layug, commenced as engagement partner of the Company starting 2017.	
Recommendation 9.2			
Audit Committee Charter includes the Audit Committee's responsibility on: i. assessing the integrity and independence of external auditors; ii. exercising effective oversight to review and monitor the external	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committee-charters/	
auditor's independence and objectivity; and iii. exercising effective oversight to review and monitor the effectiveness of the audit process, taking into consideration relevant Philippine			

professional and regulatory		
requirements.		
2. Audit Committee Charter contains the Committee's responsibility on reviewing and monitoring the external auditor's suitability and effectiveness on an annual basis.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committee-charters/
Supplement to Recommendations 9.2		
Audit Committee ensures that the external auditor is credible, competent and has the ability to understand complex related party transactions, its counterparties, and valuations of such transactions.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committee-charters/ http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committee-charters/
Audit Committee ensures that the external auditor has adequate quality control procedures.	Compliant	
Recommendation 9.3		
Company discloses the nature of non- audit services performed by its external auditor in the Annual Report to deal with the potential conflict of interest.	Compliant	Fees for Non-Audit Services are reported in various company reports including in the SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/company-disclosures/sec-filings/.
2. Audit Committee stays alert for any potential conflict of interest situations, given the guidelines or policies on non-audit services, which could be viewed as impairing the external auditor's objectivity.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/board-committee-charters/
Supplement to Recommendation 9.3		
Fees paid for non-audit services do not outweigh the fees paid for audit	Compliant	Fees paid for non-audit services do not outweigh the fees paid for audit services as

		reported in various company reports including in the SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/companydisclosures/sec-filings/.	
Additional Recommendation to Principle	9		
Company's external auditor is duly accredited by the SEC under Group category.	Compliant o A	The Company has engaged the auditing firm of Sycip Gorres Velayo & Co. ("SGV"), a member firm of Ernst & Young Global Limited	
2. Company's external auditor agreed be subjected to the SEC Oversight Assurance Review (SOAR) Inspection Program conducted by the SEC's Office of the General Accountant (OGA).		as external auditor and duly accredited by the SEC under Group A category.	
	e that the material and r	reportable non-financial and sustainability issues are dis-	closed.
Compliant			
Recommendation 10.1			
	cy Compliant	The Board has adopted this as contained in	
1. Board has a clear and focused poli on the disclosure of non-financial information, with emphasis on the management of economic, environmental, social and governal (EESG) issues of its business, which underpin sustainability.		Article 10 of the company's Manual of Corporate Governance filed on May 31, 2017 and found in this link: http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/	

Principle 11: The company should maintain a comprehensive and cost-efficient communication channel for disseminating relevant information. This channel is crucial for informed decision-making by investors, stakeholders and other interested users.

Recommendation 11.1			
Company has media and analysts' briefings as channels of communication to ensure the timely and accurate dissemination of public, material and relevant information to its shareholders and other investors.	Compliant	The Company conducts quarterly and annual media and analyst' briefings.	
Supplemental to Principle 11			•
Company has a website disclosing up- to- date information on the following:	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph	
a. Financial statements/reports (latest quarterly)	Compliant		
b. Materials provided in briefings to analysts and media	Compliant		
c. Downloadable annual report	Compliant		
d. Notice of ASM and/or SSM	Compliant		
e. Minutes of ASM and/or SSM	Compliant		
f. Company's Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws	Compliant		
Additional Recommendation to Principle 11			
Company complies with SEC-prescribed website template.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph	
Internal Control System and Risk Managemen	t Framework		1
and effective internal control system and ente		nance in the conduct of its affairs, the company sh nt framework.	ould have a strong
Recommendation 12.1			
Company has an adequate and effective internal control system in the conduct of its business.	Compliant	The Audit Committee is asked to consider the effectiveness of the company's internal control system. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committees/	
2. Company has an adequate and	Compliant	The Audit Committee is tasked to review and	

effective enterprise risk management framework in the conduct of its business.		discuss the Company's policies with respect to corporate governance, risk assessment and risk management annually. The Committee shall also discuss the Company's major financial risk exposures and the actions management has taken to monitor and control such exposures. It also includes review and discussion on the Company's overall anti-fraud programs, fraud incidents and controls with appropriate personnel. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-governance/board-committees/
1. Company has a formal comprehensive enterprise-wide compliance program covering compliance with laws and relevant regulations that is annually reviewed. The program includes appropriate training and awareness initiatives to facilitate understanding, acceptance and compliance with the said issuances.	Compliant	The Audit Committee is tasked to review the Company's compliance and ethics programs, including consideration of legal and regulatory requirements, and shall review with management its periodic evaluation of the effectiveness of such programs. The Committee shall review the Company's code of conduct and programs that management has established to monitor compliance with such code. The Committee shall receive any corporate attorneys' reports of evidence of a material violation of securities laws or breaches of fiduciary duty by the Company. It shall also monitor compliance and adherence by the Company with all applicable laws, and rules and regulations, and any upcoming updates to such, especially because of the industry the company operates in. It shall also review and discuss any non-compliance or violations

		noted and recommend appropriate action plans. Thereafter, the Committee shall establish procedures for the maintenance, and treatment of complaints received by the Company as covered by the scope of the supplemental whistle blowing policy. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporategovernance/board-committees/	
Optional: Recommendation 12.1			
Company has a governance process on IT issues including disruption, cyber security, and disaster recovery, to ensure that all key risks are identified, managed and reported to the board.	Non-compliant		The Audit Committee generally provide oversight over risks of the corporation. This function shall include regular receipt from Management of information on risk exposures and risk management activities.
Recommendation 12.2			
 Company has in place an independent internal audit function that provides an independent and objective assurance, and consulting services designed to add value and improve the company's operations. 	Compliant	The Audit Committee has an oversight function over the Internal Audit department. The Committee shall ensure that the internal audit shall be free from interference in the performance of its work. http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	

		governance/board-committees/			
Recommendation 12.3					
 Company has a qualified Chief Audit Executive (CAE) appointed by the Board. CAE oversees and is responsible for the 	Compliant Compliant	There is a Corporate Internal Audit (CIA), as established in its Internal Audit Charter that shall help the management assess the effectiveness of the Company's Risk Management System and identify significant risks and related risk strategies, and the status of the risk management initiatives on a regular basis. He reports directly to the Audit Committee.			
internal audit activity of the organization, including that portion that is outsourced to a third party service provider.	Соттриати				
3. In case of a fully outsourced internal audit activity, a qualified independent executive or senior management personnel is assigned the responsibility for managing the fully outsourced internal audit activity.	Compliant				
Recommendation 12.4					
Company has a separate risk management function to identify, assess and monitor key risk exposures.	Compliant	The Board, through its Audit and Risk Committee, has the responsibility for overseeing risk management within the Company.			
Supplement to Recommendation 12.4					
Company seeks external technical support in risk management when such competence is not available internally.	Compliant	In 2016, the Company engaged a third party to forerun it's ERM System together with the Corporate Internal Audit developed the Audit and Risk Universe capturing all risks related in the process and functions.			
Recommendation 12.5					
In managing the company's Risk Management System, the company has a Chief Risk Officer (CRO), who is	Non-compliant		The Company has identified its President as it		

the ultimate champion of Enterprise Risk Management (ERM). 2. CRO has adequate authority, stature, resources and support to fulfill his/her responsibilities.	Compliant	The designated ERM Head, Mr. Bravo is a CPA lawyer.	ERM Head and its senior executives as risk champions.
1. Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Audit Executive attest in writing, at least annually, that a sound internal audit, control and compliance system is in place and working effectively.	Non-compliant		While the ERM team identifies significant risks and related risk strategies, and the status of the risk management initiatives on a regular basis, it has yet to formalize it in writing.
Cultivating a Synergic Relationship with Share	holders		
Principle 13: The company should treat all shorights. Recommendation 13.1	areholders fairly and ed	quitably, and also recognize, protect and facilitate	the exercise of their
Board ensures that basic shareholder rights are disclosed in the Manual on Corporate Governance.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 13of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Board ensures that basic shareholder rights are disclosed on the company's website.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/manual-on-corporate- governance/	
Supplement to Recommendation 13.1			T
1. Company's common share has one	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	

vote for one share.		governance/manual-on-corporate-	
2. Board ensures that all shareholders of the same class are treated equally with respect to voting rights, subscription rights and transfer rights.	Compliant	governance/	
3. Board has an effective, secure, and efficient voting system.	Compliant		
4. Board has an effective shareholder voting mechanisms such as supermajority or "majority of minority" requirements to protect minority shareholders against actions of controlling shareholders.	Compliant		
5. Board allows shareholders to call a special shareholders' meeting and submit a proposal for consideration or agenda item at the AGM or special meeting.	Compliant		
Board clearly articulates and enforces policies with respect to treatment of minority shareholders.	Compliant		
7. Company has a transparent and specific dividend policy.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/companys-policies/	
Optional: Recommendation 13.1			
Company appoints an independent party to count and/or validate the votes at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting.	Compliant	A committee composed Corporate Secretary or Assistant Corporate Secretary with the assistance of the independent auditors and the Company's stock transfer agent take charge of the counting of votes, when necessary.	
Recommendation 13.2	1	1	<u> </u>

1.	Board encourages active shareholder participation by sending the Notice of Annual and Special Shareholders' Meeting with sufficient and relevant information at least 28 days before the meeting. Oplemental to Recommendation 13.2	Compliant	The Notice of Annual and Special Shareholders' Meeting are disclosed with the PSE Edge at least 28 days before the meeting. http://edge.pse.com.ph/companyDisclosures/form.do?cmpy_id=224	
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	Company's Notice of Annual Stockholders' Meeting contains the following information:	Compliant	SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/company- disclosures/sec-filings/.	
a.	The profiles of directors (i.e., age, academic qualifications, date of first appointment, experience, and directorships in other listed companies)			
b.	Auditors seeking appointment/re- appointment	Compliant		
	Proxy documents	Compliant		
Ор	tional: Recommendation 13.2			
	Company provides rationale for the agenda items for the annual stockholders meeting	Compliant	SEC Form 20-IS Preliminary Information Statement filed on May 22, 2019 found in http://www.gfni.com.ph/company- disclosures/sec-filings/.	
Rec	commendation 13.3			
1.	Board encourages active shareholder participation by making the result of the votes taken during the most recent Annual or Special Shareholders' Meeting publicly available the next working day.	Non-compliant		Results of the ASM is disclosed timely in the PSE Edge portal for benefit of the investing public.
2.	Minutes of the Annual and Special Shareholders' Meetings were available on the company website within five business days from the end of the	Non-compliant		

meeting.			
Supplement to Recommendation 13.3			
Board ensures the attendance of the external auditor and other relevant individuals to answer shareholders questions during the ASM and SSM.	Compliant	The external auditors, lawyers and relevant resources persons are invited to attend the ASM.	
Recommendation 13.4			
Board makes available, at the option of a shareholder, an alternative dispute mechanism to resolve intra-corporate disputes in an amicable and effective manner.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 13 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017. This mandate is found under Article 13of the Company's Manual On Corporate	
The alternative dispute mechanism is included in the company's Manual on Corporate Governance.	Compliant	Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Recommendation 13.5			
Board establishes an Investor Relations Office (IRO) to ensure constant engagement with its shareholders.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/investor-relations/contact-information/	
IRO is present at every shareholder's meeting.	Compliant	IRO is required to be present at every shareholder's meeting.	
Supplemental Recommendations to Principle	13		
Board avoids anti-takeover measures or similar devices that may entrench ineffective management or the existing controlling shareholder group	Compliant	The Company has not yet encountered any takeover situations requiring these measures.	
Company has at least thirty percent (30%) public float to increase liquidity in the market.	Non-compliant		The Company has 36.37% public float that is more than the required float of 10%.
Optional: Principle 13			

Company has policies and practices to encourage shareholders to engage with the company beyond the Annual Stockholders' Meeting	Compliant	Stakeholders can raise questions related to FNI <u>strategy</u> , financial and business performance through the investor relations office reachable at http://www.gfni.com.ph/investor-relations/contact-information/	
Company practices secure electronic voting in absentia at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting.	Non-compliant		The Company has yet to provide for a mechanism to allow electronic voting in absentia at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting.
Duties to Stakeholders			
		ctual relations and through voluntary commitment takeholders should have the opportunity to obtain	
Recommendation 14.1			
Board identifies the company's various stakeholders and promotes cooperation between them and the company in creating wealth, growth and sustainability.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 14 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Recommendation 14.2			
Board establishes clear policies and programs to provide a mechanism on the fair treatment and protection of stakeholders.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 14 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Recommendation 14.3			

	Board adopts a transparent framework and process that allow stakeholders to communicate with the company and to obtain redress for the violation of their rights.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 14 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Su	pplement to Recommendation 14.3			
1.	Company establishes an alternative dispute resolution system so that conflicts and differences with key stakeholders is settled in a fair and expeditious manner.	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 14 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Ac	dditional Recommendations to Principle 14			
1.	Company does not seek any exemption from the application of a law, rule or regulation especially when it refers to a corporate governance issue. If an exemption was sought, the company discloses the reason for such action, as well as presents the specific steps being taken to finally comply with the applicable law, rule or regulation.	Compliant	The company has not seek any exemption from the application of a law, rule or regulation especially when it refers to a corporate governance issue.	
2.	Company respects intellectual property rights.	Compliant	Company secures licensed software for all its computers.	
O	otional: Principle 14			
1.	Company discloses its policies and practices that address customers' welfare	Compliant	Customers are made aware of policies and practices before signing a purchase agreement with the company's subsidiary.	
2.	Company discloses its policies and practices that address supplier/contractor selection procedures	Compliant	Customers are made aware of policies and practices before signing a supply agreement with the company or its subsidiary.	

Principle 15: A mechanism for employee participation should be developed to create a symbiotic environment, realize the company's goals and participate in its corporate governance processes.

Recommendation 15.1			
 Board establishes policies, programs and procedures that encourage employees to actively participate in the realization of the company's goals and in its governance. 	Compliant	This mandate is found under Article 15 of the Company's Manual On Corporate Governance dated May 31, 2017.	
Supplement to Recommendation 15.1			
 Company has a reward/compensation policy that accounts for the performance of the company beyond short-term financial measures. 	Compliant	The Company's subsidiary adopts a quarterly performance plan and evaluation among its employees. A merit increase may be awarded to individuals meeting the performance criteria. The Board has also approved an Employee Stock Option plan for eligible participants.	
Company has policies and practices on health, safety and welfare of its employees.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/employees-welfare-and-their- occupational-health-and-safety/	
 Company has policies and practices on training and development of its employees. 	Compliant	The Company has Training and Development Policy implemented since March 16, 2016.	
Recommendation 15.2			
 Board sets the tone and makes a stand against corrupt practices by adopting an anti-corruption policy and program ir its Code of Conduct. 		The Board has approved an Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate- governance/companys-policies/	
2. Board disseminates the policy and program to employees across the organization through trainings to embed them in the company's culture.	Compliant		
Supplement to Recommendation 15.2			
Company has clear and stringent policies and procedures on curbing and penalizing employee involvement in	Compliant	The Board has approved an Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporate-	

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offering, paying and receiving bribes.		governance/companys-policies/				
Recommendation 15.3						
Board establishes a suitable framework for whistleblowing that allows employees to freely communicate their concerns about illegal or unethical practices, without fear of retaliation	Compliant	The Board has approved a Whistle Blowing Policy http://www.gfni.com.ph/corporategovernance/companys-policies/				
2. Board establishes a suitable framework for whistleblowing that allows employees to have direct access to an independent member of the Board or a unit created to handle whistleblowing concerns.	Compliant					
3. Board supervises and ensures the enforcement of the whistleblowing framework.	Compliant					
		lings with the communities where it operates. It sho progressive manner that is fully supportive of its co				
Recommendation 16.1						
Company recognizes and places importance on the interdependence between business and society, and promotes a mutually beneficial relationship that allows the company to grow its business, while contributing to the advancement of the society where it operates.	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/company-releases/				
Optional: Principle 16						

	Company ensures that its value chain is environmentally friendly or is consistent with promoting sustainable development	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/company-releases/	
2.	Company exerts effort to interact positively with the communities in which it operates	Compliant	http://www.gfni.com.ph/company-releases/	

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities and Exchange Commission, this Integrated Annual Corporate Governance Report of the registrant is signed by the undersigned on MAY 2 9 2019 in Makati City.

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