



3 April 2023

James Robertson
Secretary
Motor Trades Association of Queensland Industrial Organisation of Employers
Sent via email: info@mtaq.com.au

Dear James Robertson

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A list of those changes has been summarised in Appendix A at the end of this letter.

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- Inform all officers of their [disclosure obligations](#)
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These next steps are explained below in more detail.



Late notification warning

Appendix A contains late notifications. Please inform the relevant officer that this has been recorded against AR2022/93.

Late notifications are a serious issue that impacts on the transparency of the whole organisation to its members. Members should be able to tell who their officers are.

We have included some resources below to help support your good governance in relation to notifications of change.

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The organisation is responsible for this requirement. You should arrange for the relevant officers to have training as soon as possible.

Good governance processes around financial training are highly recommended. These include:

- keeping a list of all offices that have financial management duties
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The organisation and officers are both responsible for meeting this obligation.

Time frames for notifications of change

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Appendix A shows late notifications

A notification from your organisation indicates that changes occurred more than 35 days prior to its lodgement. Please ensure that future notifications of change are lodged within 35 days of the change occurring.

Late notifications have the potential to attract a civil penalty.

Resources to help you make your notifications of change

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Yours sincerely

Fair Work Commission

Appendix A

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28 March 2023	n/a	Vice Chairman	No, 96 days

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1. I am authorised to make this declaration.
2. The following is a correct statement of the changes made to the information contained in the records required to be kept by the organisation in accordance with s.230(1)(b), (c), and (d) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009:
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Signed:



Dated: 28.03.2023

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ANNEXURE A

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18.11.2022	Vice Chairman MTAQ	Mark Bryers	Peter Dever	PO Box 4530 EIGHT MILE PLAINS QLD 4113	Director



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Signed:



Dated: 26/05/2022

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23.05.2022	Board Member MTAQ North Qld District representative	Mark Billingsley	Rodney Graham Pether	PO BOX 4530 EIGHT MILE PLAINS QLD 4113	DIRECTOR



Australian Government
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4 April 2022

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Dear James Robertson

The Motor Trades Association of Queensland Industrial Organisation of Employers's annual return of information (Annual Return) lodged under subsection 233(1) of the RO Act

Thank you for providing your declarations and information (Annual Return) lodged under subsection 233(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act).

Summary of your Annual Return and Review Outcome

Year	2022
Matter number	AR2022/93
Lodgement date	25 March 2022
Review	Primary Review
Result	FILED

Your primary review

Your Annual Return had a **primary review** which checked whether it was signed by an officer, lodged on time, the required declarations were made, included the list of offices and office holders and whether you met the requirements that the ROC raised with you last year. A primary review does not examine all the requirements of subsection 233(1).



Your Annual Return satisfied the requirements of the primary review and has been uploaded to the ROC website.

The ROC's risk-based approach

This year your Annual Return was assessed against a primary review. A primary review does not check all legislative requirements.

Over a five year period the Annual Return of every organisation will be subject to at least one advanced review. An advanced review is a more comprehensive review.

The ROC's [advanced review checklists](#) are published on our website.

Do you have questions?

Information and education materials are available on our [website](#). These materials are regularly updated. We recommend you [subscribe to the ROC's subscription service](#).

If you have any queries we can be contacted on 1300 341 665 or by email at regorgs@roc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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ANNUAL RETURN OF INFORMATION (organisation with no branches) in accordance with Regulation 147 *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009* and Sections 230 and 233 *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

I, James William George Robertson, being the Secretary of the Motor Trades Association of Queensland Industrial Organisation of Employers, declare the following:

1. I am authorised to make this declaration.
2. The register of members has, during the immediately preceding calendar year, been kept and maintained as required by s.230(1)(a) and s.230(2) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the Act).
3. The following is a correct statement of the information contained in the records required to be kept by the organisation in accordance with s.230(1)(b), (c), and (d) of the Act:
 - The address of the organisation is Building 8 2728 Logan Road EIGHT MILE PLAINS QLD 4113¹
 - The organisation has no branches and no branches have ceased or commenced in the previous 12 months.²
 - On 31 December in the previous year the number of members was 1081.³
 - A list of offices and the names, postal addresses and occupations of persons holding those offices as at the date of this declaration is attached at Annuxure A and forms part of this declaration

¹ s.230(1)(d); reg.147(d)

² s.230(1)(d); reg.147(a), (b), (c) & (d)

³ s.230(1)(d); reg.147(f)

- Under the rules of the organisation, the following elections must be held between 1 January and 31 December of 2021 :⁴

NOTE Elections were held over due to the impacts of COVID-19 provision. Elections due 2021 as per our Rules were only scheduled by the Australian Electoral Commission February this year 2022 and at this stage have not been finalised.

- The organisation:
 - Has not entered into an agreement under s.151(1) of the Act with a state union.

Signed:  (James Robertson Secretary) Dated: 25/03/2022

*[PLEASE NOTE: This declaration must be lodged with the Fair Work Commission by 31 March. It can be submitted to orgs@fwc.gov.au. If at any time in the year this information changes a Notification of Changes must be lodged with the Commission within **35 days** of the change⁵.]*

⁴ s.230(1)(d); reg.147(e)

⁵ s.233(2); reg. 151

ANNEXURE A

- Offices and Office Holders in the Organisation [*insert as many pages as required*]:

Name of Office (include any offices that are vacant)	Name of Office Holder	Postal Address of Office Holder	Occupation of Office Holder
Chairman MTAQ Chairman QMID	Paul John Peterson	c/- the Registered Organisation, postal address of Registered Organisation	Director
Secretary MTAQ Central District Representative Chairman AADA (Q)	James William George Robertson	As above	Director
Vice Chairman MTAQ Chairman ERAQ	Mark Bryers	As above	Director
Board Member MTAQ Chairman NACA	Andrea McCarthy	As above	Director
Board Member MTAQ North Qld District representative	Mark Billingsley	As above	Director
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Board Member MTAQ Chairman APRD	Lawrence John Beacham	As above	Director
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Board Member MTAQ Chairman RVID	Grant Harrison	As above	Director
Board Member MTAQ Chairman QFMIDD	Bruce Sommerfeld	As above	Director
Board Member MTAQ Chairman SSCSAQ	Timothy Joseph Kane	As above	Director