

23 October 2015

Mr Phillip Woodcock Secretary, West Australian Branch Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union

Email sent to: CarolF@rtbuwa.asn.au

Dear Mr Woodcock

Re: Lodgement of Financial Statements and Accounts - Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union, West Australian Branch - for year ended 31 December 2014 (FR2014/452)

I acknowledge receipt of the financial report of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union, West Australian Branch, for the year ended 31 December 2014. The documents were lodged with the Fair Work Commission on 10 July 2015. Confirmation of presentation of the full report to a meeting of the Branch Council on 18 September 2015 for the purposes of section 266 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 ('the RO Act') was received on 22 October 2015.

The financial report has been filed, based on a primary review. This involved confirming whether the financial reporting timelines required under s.253, s.265, s.266 and s.268 of the RO Act have been satisfied, all documents required under s.268 of the RO Act were lodged and that various disclosure requirements under the Australian Accounting Standards, RO Act and reporting guidelines have been complied with. A primary review does not examine all disclosure requirements. Please note that the financial report for the year ending 31 December 2015 may be subject to an advanced compliance review.

You are not required to take any further action in respect of the report lodged. I make the following comments however to be complied with when preparing next year's report.

Reports must be presented within 6 months after the end of the financial year.

The full report was provided to members on 18 May 2015 but was inadvertently not subsequently formally presented before being lodged, nor within the prescribed time frame, which is ordinarily 6 months after the end of the financial year. The latest date by which a full report may be presented, whether at a second meeting of the committee of management or to a series of members' meetings, is 30 June.

Reporting Requirements

On the FWC website a number of factsheets in relation to the financial reporting process and associated timelines are available. The Reporting Guidelines and most recent copy of the set of model financial statements can also be found. The FWC recommends reporting units use this model as it will assist in ensuring compliance with the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the s.253 Reporting Guidelines and the Australian Accounting Standards. Access to this information may be obtained via this link.

Email: orgs@fwc.gov.au

If you require further information on the financial reporting requirements of the Act, I may be contacted on (02) 6746 3283 or by email at stephen.kellett@fwc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Kellett Senior Adviser

Regulatory Compliance Branch

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From: KELLETT, Stephen

Sent: Friday, 23 October 2015 8:41 AM

To: 'Carol Fiorentino'

Subject: Attention Mr Phillip Woodcock - financial reporting - WA Branch - y/e 31 Dec 2014 - filing

Dear Carol,

Thank you for your assistance. Please see attached my letter addressed to the Secretary, in relation to the above.



Yours sincerely

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Subject: FW: Attached Image

Please find attached RE: Motion – Financial Report

regards

Carol Fiorentino

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70th BRANCH COUNCIL FRIDAY 18th September 2015

Commenced 1120hrs

Attendance

Glen McKinley Branch President
Craig McKinley Branch Vice President
Philip Woodcock Branch Secretary
Vacant Affirmative Action

Secretary of each of the following Sub Branches within each Section

INTRASTATE SECTION

Garry Adams Sub Branch President

Richard Tolman Apology-Annual leave

Jayson Manners Vacant

Cade Pollock
Craig Svendsen

b Branch President Goldfields North
Annual leave Goldfields South

Metro Midwest

Southwest Wheatbelt

INTERSTATE SECTION

Peter Visinten Metropolitan Vacant Regional

Apology

INFRASTRUCTURE SECTION

Damian Hanley John Holland Vacant Brookfield Rail

Apologies

Wally Rowe Sub Branch Secretary Compassionate Leave Goldfields North
Craig Svendsen Sick Wheatbelt

Visentin/ C Mckinley Apologies accepted.

Carried

Welcome Address

[President]

With the meeting commencing late awaiting Quorum there will be a continuous session with a short break for lunch.

68th Branch Council Minutes

MOTION 5/2015 Visentin / Adams
Minutes of the 68th Branch Council be confirmed.

Carried

Matters arising from the 68th Branch Council

BRANCH SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Financial:

With the Branch Councils indulgence, as an omission occurred in the reporting process for the Branch financial year statement, due to a number of changes occurring in Union Governance and legislation changes, both internally and externally the Branch requires a motion to accept the 2014 financial report.,

MOTION 6/2015;

Moved: Visentin, Seconded: Adams

This Branch council receives and adopts the full financial report for year 2014 as a true and correct record.

Carried

From: Carol Fiorentino [mailto:CarolF@rtbuwa.asn.au]

Sent: Friday, 10 July 2015 6:03 PM

To: Orgs

Subject: [Gallichio] On CMS FR2014/452 FW: WA Branch 2014 Financial Report



Attention: Robert Pfeiffer

Lodgement of Financial Report 2014 for the Australian Rail Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch.

Carol Fiorentino

OFFICE MANAGER

For

Philip Woodcock

Branch Secretary

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Subject: WA Branch 2014 Financial Report



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10th July 2015

Attention: Robert Pfeiffer Fair Work Commission Regulatory Compliance Branch

By Email: orgs@fwc.gov.au

Dear Sir

RE: LODGEMENT OF FINANCIAL REPORT 2014

Please find attached the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch Financial Report for the year ended 31st December 2014.

Yours sincerely

Philip Woodcock

Branch Secretary Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Financial Report

For the year ended 31 December 2014

West Australian Branch

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN RAIL TRAM AND BUS INDUSTRY UNION WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch (the Union), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2014, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the branch committee of management statement.

Branch Committee of Management's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The branch committee of management of the Union are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that presents fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and for such internal control as the branch committee of management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In Note 1, the branch committee of management also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements, that the financial statements comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Union's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Union's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the branch committee of management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Auditor's Declaration

- (1) In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.
- (2) I, Simon Fermanis declare I am an approved auditor, member of CPA Australia and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and I hold a current Public Practice Certificate.

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Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion:

- (1) The financial report of Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch is in accordance with:
 - (a) the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, including:
 - (i) presenting fairly, in all material respects, the Union's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations); and
 - (iii) any other requirements imposed by Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.
 - (b) the financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.
- (2) The Union has kept satisfactory accounting records for the financial year including records of:
 - (i) the sources and nature of the Unions income, including membership subscriptions and other income from members; and
 - (ii) the nature of and reasons for the Unions expenditure.
- (3) All information and explanations that officers or employees of the Union were required to provide have been provided.
- (4) There was no deficiency, failure or shortcoming in any matters referred to in (1) to (3) above.
- (5) The management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the Union's financial statements is appropriate.

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SIMON FERMANIS PARTNER

18 May 2015 West Perth.

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AUSTRALIAN RAIL, TRAM AND BUS INDUSTRY UNION WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

Statement of Recovery of Wages

Based on representations made to us by the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union - West Australian Branch and our audit work undertaken for the year ended 31 December 2014, it appears there was no recovery of wages activity for the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union – West Australian Branch for the year then ended.

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18 May 2015 West Perth.

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Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Certificate By Prescribed Designated Officer

For the year ended 31 December 2014

f, Philip Woodcock, being the officer responsible of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch, certify:

- That the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report for the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch for the period ended 31 December 2014 referred to in s.268 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009; and
- That the full report was provided to members of the reporting unit on 18th May 2015 and
- That the full report was presented to a meeting of the committee of management of the reporting unit on in accordance with s.266 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

Signature of prescribed designated officer	j 16.M
Name of prescribed designated officer	Philip Woodcock
Title of prescribed designated officer	Branch Secretary
Date 18 th May 2015	

Australian Rall, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Operating Report

For the year ended 31 December 2014

The committee presents its report on the reporting unit for the financial year ended 31 December 2014.

Review of principal activities, the results of those activities and any significant changes in the nature of those activities during the year

The principal activity of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union during the financial year was as a transport union. There were no significant changes in the Union's activity during the financial year.

Significant changes in financial affairs

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Union's principal activity during the financial year.

Right of members to resign

All members of the Union have the right to resign from the Union in accordance with Rule 14 of the Union Rules (and Section 174 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009); namely by providing notice addressed and delivered to the Secretary of the Branch, including via email.

Officers & employees who are superannuation fund trustee(s) or director of a company that is a superannuation fund trustee

To the best of our knowledge and belief, no officer of the Union, by virtue of their office of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union – West Australian Branch is:

- a. A trustee of a superannuation entity or exempt public sector superannuation scheme; or
- A director of a company that is the trustee of a superannuation entity or an exempt public sector superannuation scheme; and
- c. Where a criterion for the officer being the trustee or director is that the office is an officer of a registered organization.

Number of members

Number of members on the register of members on 31 December 2014 was 861 (2013: 897)

Number of employees

As at 31 December 2014, the Union employed one full time Elected Official and three full time employees.

Australian Rall, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Operating Report (continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Names of Committee of Management members and period positions held during the financial year

The names of each person who has been a member of the committee of management of the Union at any time during the reporting period, and the period for which he or she held such a position is as follows

Name	Title of Officer	Period of Appointment
Philip Woodcock	Branch Secretary	01/01/14 to 31/12/14
Glen McKinley	Branch President	01/01/14 to 31/12/14
Craig McKinley	Branch Vice President	01/01/14 to 31/12/14
Natalie Flynn	Affirmative Action	01/01/14 to 24/11/14
Bianca Smith	Affirmative Action	25/11/14 to 31/12/14
Garry Adams	Sub Branch Secretary Goldfields	01/01/14 to 24/11/14
Walter Rowe	Sub Branch Secretary Goldfields	25/11/14 to 31/12/14
Richard Tolman	Sub Branch Secretary Goldfields	25/11/14 to 31/12/14
Paul Mullooly	Sub Branch Secretary Midwest	01/01/14 to 24/11/14
Barry Normington	Sub Branch Secretary Southwest	01/01/14 to 13/10/14
Craig Svendsen	Sub Branch Secretary Wheatbelt	01/01/14 to 31/12/14
Damian Hanley	Sub Branch Secretary John Holland	01/01/14 to 31/12/14
Brian Curran	Sub Branch Secretary Metropolitan	01/01/14 to 23/11/14

Signature of designated officer:	In Mil
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Name and title of designated officer:	PHILIP 1500Dcock
Dated 18 th May 2015:	

Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Committee Of Management Statement

For the year ended 31 December 2014

On the 18th May 2015 the Branch Executive Council of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union - West Australian Branch passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report for the year ended 31 December 2014:

The Union declares that in its opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes comply with the Australian Accounting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS);
- (b) the financial statements and notes comply with the reporting guidelines of the General Manager;
- (c) the financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the Union for the financial year to which they relate;
- (d) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Union will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (e) during the financial year to which the General Purpose Financial Report relates and since the end of that year:
 - meetings of the committee of management were held in accordance with the rules of the organisation including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - (ii) the financial affairs of the Union have been managed in accordance with the rules of the organisation including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - (iii) the financial records of the Union have been kept and maintained in accordance with the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009; and
 - (iv) where the organisation consists of two or more reporting units, the financial records of the reporting unit have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner with each of the other reporting units of the organisation; and
 - (v) where information has been sought in any request by a member of the reporting unit or General Manager duly made under section 272 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 has been provided to the member or General Manager; and
 - (vi) where any order for inspection of financial records has been made by the Fair Work Commission under section 273 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, there has been compliance.
- (f) no revenue has been derived from undertaking recovery of wages activity during the reporting period.

(1) The revenue has been derived from distanting reservery of wages activity during the reporting period
This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee of Management.
Signature of designated officer:
Name and title of designated officer: Philip Woodcock
Dated: 18 th May 2015

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31 December 2014

	Notes	2014 \$	2013 \$
Revenue			
Membership subscription		388,957	366,134
Capitation fees		•	-
Levies		_	-
Interest		6,011	7,380
Rental revenue		102,136	107,639
Other revenue	2	135,565	110,100
Total revenue	-	632,669	591,253
Other Income	_		
Grants and donations		-	-
Share of net profit from associate		-	
Net gains from sale of assets		-	**
Net gain on fair value movement on financial			4 067
assets held for trading			1,367
Total other income		-	1,367
Total revenue and other income	-	632,669	592,620
Expenses			
Employee expenses	3	396,018	370,061
Capitation fees	3	61,156	50,476
Affiliation fees	3	11,711	14,901
Administration expenses	3	121,050	96,382
Grants or donations	3	-	-
Depreciation and amortisation	3	12,598	12,949
Finance costs		-	-
Legal costs	3	102,422	29,577
Audit and accounting fees		24,181	12,661
Share of net loss from associate		•	-
Write-down and impairment of assets		-	-
Net losses from sale of assets		-	u
Net loss on fair value movement on financial		240	
assets held for trading		312	•
Other expenses	3	38,899	68,501
Total expenses		768,347	655,508
Profit/(loss) for the year		(135,678)	(62,888)
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year		(135,678)	(62,888)

West Australian Branch

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 December 2014

	Notes	2014 \$	2013 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	402,917	606,944
Trade and other receivables	5	111,239	135,559
Other current assets	6	19,380	19,247
Other investments	12	5,539	5,851
Total current assets		539,075	767,601
Non-Current Assets			
Land and buildings	7	-	-
Plant and equipment	8	56,304	56,692
Investment property	9	-	-
Intangibles	10	-	-
Investments in associates	11	-	•
Other investments	12	-	
Other non-current assets	13		
Total non-Current assets		56,304	56,692
Total assets		595,379	824,293
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade payables and accruals	14	68,909	79,881
Other payables	15	26,955	125,557
Employee entitlements	16	152,349	136,011
Total current liabilities	-	248,213	341,449
Non-Current Liabilities			
Employee entitlements	16	-	-
Other non-current liabilities	17	•	
Total non-current liabilities			
Total liabilities	-	248,213	341,449
Net assets		347,166	482,844
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EQUITY General funds	18	_	_
Retained earnings	10	347,166	482,844
Total equity	-	347,166	482,844

Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch

Statement of Changes in EquityFor the year ended 31 December 2014

	Retained earnings	Total equity \$
Balance as at 1 January 2013	545,732	545,732
Profit/(loss) for the year	(62,888)	(62,888)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-
Closing balance as at 31 December 2013	482,844	482,844
Profit/(loss) for the year	(135,678)	(135,678)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-
Closing balance as at 31 December 2014	347,166	347,166

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2014

	Notes	2014 \$	2013 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	110100	•	•
Cash received			
Members		405,294	386,639
Interest		6,011	7,380
Other		704,651	659,096
Receipts from other controlled entities		•	
Cash used			
Employees		(372,082)	(374,200)
Suppliers		(845,693)	(808,563)
Payments to other controlled entities		_	-4
Net cash from (used by) operating activities	19	(101,819)	(129,648)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Cash received			
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment			-
Proceeds from sale of land and buildings		-	_
Other		-	-
Cash used			
Purchase of plant and equipment		(12,210)	(13,834)
Purchase of land and buildings		-	_
Loan to the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus		_	(36,318)
Industry Union of Employees		_	(50,516)
Repayment of rental bond		(89,998)	
Net cash from (used by) investing activities		(102,208)	(50,152)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Cash received			
Contributed equity		**	·
Other		-	-
Cash used			
Repayment of borrowings		-	-
Other		-	MS
Net cash from (used by) financing activities		-	
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		(204,027)	(179,800)
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		606,944	786,744
Cash & cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	4	402,917	606,944

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Recovery of Wages Activity
For the year ended 31 December 2014

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Cash assets in respect of recovered money at		
beginning of year	~	-
Receipts		
Amounts recovered from employers in respect of wages etc.	-	-
Interest received on recovered money	-	-
Total receipts		•
Payments		
Deductions of amounts due in respect of membership for:		
12 months or less	-	-
Greater than 12 months		•
Deductions of donations or other contributions to accounts		•
or funds of:		
The reporting unit:		
name of account	-	-
name of fund	•	-
Name of other reporting unit of the organisation:		
name of account	-	-
name of fund	-	-
Name of other entity:		
name of account	-	-
name of fund	-	-
Deductions of fees or reimbursement of expenses	-	-
Payments to workers in respect of recovered money	-	-
Total payments	-	•
_		
Cash assets in respect of recovered money at end of		
year	-	-
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Number of workers to which the monies recovered relates	-	-
Aggregate payables to workers attributable to recovered monies but not yet distributed Payable balance		_
Number of workers the payable relates to	-	•
Commercial resinate the payable related to	,	
Fund or account operated for recovery of wages	u	•

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West Australian Branch

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements and have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that apply for the reporting period and the Fair Work (Registered Organisation) Act 2009. For the purpose of preparing the general purpose financial statements, the Union is a not-for-profit entity. These financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and in accordance with the historical cost, except for certain assets and liabilities measured at fair value, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. No allowance is made for the effect of changing prices on the results or the financial position. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars.

a) Comparative amounts

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

b) Significant accounting judgements and estimates

The following accounting assumptions or estimates have been identified that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

Employee entitlements

The liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The Union determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment and finite life intangible assets. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

West Australian Branch

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

c) New Australian Accounting Standards

Adoption of New Australian Accounting Standard Requirements

No accounting standard has been adopted earlier than the application date stated in the standard.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except as follows:

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement; and AASB 2011-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 13.

The Union has applied AASB 13 and its consequential amendments from 1 January 2014. The standard provides a single robust measurement framework, with clear measurement objectives, for measuring fair value using the 'exit price' and provides guidance on measuring fair value when a market becomes less active. The 'highest and best use' approach is used to measure non-financial assets whereas liabilities are based on transfer value. The standard requires increased disclosures where fair value is used.

Future Australian Accounting Standards Requirements

The following Australian Accounting Standards have been issued early but are not yet effective. The following have not been adopted in preparation of the financial statements at the reporting date but will be adopted at application date. The impact of the adoption has not yet been determined.

AASB No.	Title	Application date of standard*	Issue date
AASB 9	Financial Instruments	1 January 2018	December 2010
AASB 2014-4	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standard - Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation (Amendments to AASB 118 and AASB 138)	1 January 2016	August 2014
AASB 2014-5	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standard Arising From AASB 15	1 January 2017	December 2014
AASB 2014-7 AASB 2014-8	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standard Arising From AASB 9	1 January 2018	December 2014

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

d) Basis of consolidation

The financial statements have not been consolidated.

e) Investment in associates

The Union does not have any investment in associates.

f) Business combinations

The Union does not have any business combinations to account for.

g) Revenue

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Revenue from subscriptions is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recorded as revenue in the year to which it relates.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when, the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, the entity retains no managerial involvement or effective control over the goods, the revenue and transaction costs incurred can be reliably measured, and it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity.

Donation income is recognised when it is received.

Receivables for goods and services, which have 30 day terms, are recognised at the nominal amounts due less any impairment allowance account. Collectability of debts is reviewed at end of the reporting period. Allowances are made when collectability of the debt is no longer probable.

Interest revenue is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

Rental revenue from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

h) Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Union will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Union recognises as expenses the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate. Specifically, government grants whose primary condition is that the Union should purchase, construct otherwise acquire non-current assets are recognised as deferred revenue in the statement of financial position and transferred to profit or loss on a systematic and rational basis over the useful lives of the related assets.

Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Union with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable.

i) Gains and losses

Sale of assets

Gains and losses from disposal of assets are recognised when control of the asset has passed to the buyer.

j) Capitation fees and levies

Capitation fees and levies are to be recognised on an accrual basis and recorded as a revenue and/or expense in the year to which it relates.

k) Employee benefits

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave and termination benefits when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

Liabilities for short-term employee benefits (as defined in AASB 119 Employee Benefits) and termination benefits which are expected to be settled within twelve months of the end of reporting period are measured at their nominal amounts. The nominal amount is calculated with regard to the rates expected to be paid on settlement of the liability.

Other long-term employee benefits which are expected to be settled beyond twelve months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the reporting unit in respect of services provided by employees up to reporting date.

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Provision is made for separation and redundancy benefit payments. The Union recognises a provision for termination as part of a broader restructuring when it has developed a detailed formal plan for the terminations and has informed those employees affected that it will carry out the terminations. A provision for voluntary termination is recognised when the employee has accepted the offer of termination.

l) Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other lease are classified as operating leases.

Where an asset is acquired by means of a finance lease, the asset is capitalised at either the fair value of the lease property or, if lower, the present value of minimum lease payments at the inception of the contract and liability is recognised at the same time and for the same amount.

The discount rate used is the interest rate implicit in the lease. Leased assets are amortised over the period of the lease. Lease payments are allocated between the principal component and the interest expense.

Operating lease payments are expensed on a straight line basis which is representative of the pattern of benefits derived from the leased assets.

Rental revenue from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

m) Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

n) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is recognised at its nominal amount. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with bank, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturity of 3 months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of changes in value and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the consolidated statement of financial position.

o) Trade and other receivables

Other receivables are recognised at amortisation cost, less any provision for impairment. The amounts are usually due for settlement no more than 30 days after recognition. Collectability of debtors is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts, which are known to be uncollectable, are written off.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

p) Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Union becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

q) Financial assets

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, held-to-maturity investments, available-for-sale financial assets and loans and receivables. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised upon trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

Fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are classified as at fair value through profit or loss when the financial asset is either held for trading or it is designated as at fair value through profit or loss.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the reporting unit manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profittaking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

A financial asset other than a financial asset held for trading may be designated as at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial asset forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the reporting units documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis; or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and AASB 139 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement' permits the entire combined contract (asset or liability) to be designated as at fair value through profit or loss.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss incorporates any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset.

Held-to-maturity investments

Financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturity dates that the reporting unit has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are classified as held-to-maturity investments. Held-to-maturity investments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

Available-for-sale

Listed shares and listed redeemable notes held by the reporting unit that are traded in an active market are classified as available-for-sale and are stated at fair value. The reporting unit also has investments in unlisted shares that are not traded in an active market but that are also classified as available-for-sale financial assets and stated at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the investments revaluation reserve, with the exception of impairment losses, interest calculated using the effective interest method, and foreign exchange gains and losses on monetary assets, which are recognised in profit or loss. Where the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the investments revaluation reserve is reclassified to profit or loss.

Dividends on available-for-sale equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the reporting unit right to receive the dividends is established. The fair value of available-for-sale monetary assets denominated in a foreign currency is determined in that foreign currency and translated at the spot rate at the end of the reporting period. The foreign exchange gains and losses that are recognised in profit or loss are determined based on the amortised cost of the monetary asset. Other foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Loan and receivables

Trade receivables, loans and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'loans and receivables'. Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment. Interest is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset, or, when appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Income is recognised on an effective interest rate basis except for debt instruments other than those financial assets that are recognised at fair value through profit or loss.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at fair value through profit or loss, are assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are considered to be impaired when there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been affected.

For certain categories of financial asset, such as trade receivables, assets that are assessed not to be impaired individually are, in addition, assessed for impairment on a collective basis. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the reporting units past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio past the average credit period of 60 days, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment loss recognised is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

For financial assets carried at cost, the amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment loss will not be reversed in subsequent periods.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a trade receivable is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss.

When an available-for-sale financial asset is considered to be impaired, cumulative gains or losses previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss in the period.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, if, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

In respect of available-for-sale equity securities, impairment losses previously recognised in profit or loss are not reversed through profit or loss. Any increase in fair value subsequent to an impairment loss is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of investments revaluation reserve. In respect of available-for-sale debt securities, impairment losses are subsequently reversed through profit or loss if an increase in the fair value of the investment can be objectively related to an event occurring after the recognition of the impairment loss.

Derecognition of financial assets

The Union derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. The difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable and the cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity is recognised in profit or loss.

r) Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

Contingent liabilities and contingent assets are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position, but are reported in the relevant notes. They may arise from uncertainty as to the existence of a liability or asset or represent an existing liability or asset in respect of which the amount cannot be reliably measured. Contingent assets are disclosed when settlement is probable, but not virtually certain, and contingent liabilities are disclosed when settlement is greater than remote.

s) Land, buildings, plant and equipment

Asset recognition threshold

Purchases of land, buildings, plant and equipment are recognised initially at cost in the Statement of Financial Position. The initial cost of an asset includes an estimate of the cost of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Revaluation adjustments are made on a class basis. Any revaluation increment is credited to equity under the heading of asset revaluation reserve except to the extent that it reversed a previous revaluation decrement of the same asset class that was previously recognised in the profit/loss. Revaluation decrements for a class of assets are recognised directly in the profit or loss except to the extent that they reverse a previous revaluation increment for that class. Any accumulated depreciation as at the revaluation date is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the asset is restated to the revalued amount.

Depreciation

Depreciable property, plant and equipment assets are written-off to their estimated residual values over their estimated useful life using, in all cases, the straight line method of depreciation. Depreciation rates (useful lives), residual values and methods are reviewed at each reporting date and necessary adjustments are recognised in the current, or current and future reporting periods, as appropriate.

Depreciation rates applying to each class of depreciable asset are based on the following rates:

	2014	2013
Buildings	8.88%	8.88%
Plant and equipment	5-40%	5-40%

Derecognition

An item of land, buildings, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in the profit and loss.

t) Investment property

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation (including property under construction for such purposes). Investment properties are measured initially at its costs, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of investment properties are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from the disposal. Any gain of loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

u) Intangibles

Intangible assets with finite lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is recognised on a straight-line basis over their useful life. The estimated useful lives and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Derecognition

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains and losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

v) Impairment for non-financial assets

All assets are assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period to the extent that there is an impairment trigger. Where indications of impairment exist, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated and an impairment adjustment made if the asset's recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from the asset. Where the future economic benefit of an asset is not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate future cash flows, and the asset would be replaced if the Union were deprived of the asset, its value in use is taken to be its depreciated replacement cost.

w) Taxation

The Union is exempt from income tax under section 50.1 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 however still has obligation for Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of GST except:

- where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office; and
- for receivables and payables.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is classified within operating cash flows.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

x) Fair value measurement

The Union measures financial instruments, such as, financial asset as at fair value through the profit and loss, available for sale financial assets, and non-financial assets such as land and buildings and investment properties, at fair value at each balance sheet date. Also, fair values of financial instruments measured at amortised cost are disclosed in Note 25.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- . In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Union. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Union uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1—Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2—Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3—Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Union determines whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

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Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

External valuers are involved for valuation of significant assets, such as land and buildings and investment properties. Selection criteria include market knowledge, reputation, independence and whether professional standards are maintained. For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Union has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy.

y) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods or services provided to the Union by a third party during the financial year which remain unpaid at year end. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

z) Allocation of revenue and expenses between the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch (Federal branch) and the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees (State entity)

During the 2013 financial year a change in accounting policy occurred in relation to the application of services shared between the Federal branch and the State entity. In the 2012 financial year the State entity allocated all of its revenue to the Federal branch as payment for shared services.

In the 2013 financial year this was changed to account for revenue based on the number of members in each branch. All other revenue was split on a 60/40 basis. It was also determined that expenses, including payroll, be allocated on a 60/40 basis between the two branches.

The following exceptions apply to the general rule above:

- Branch secretary employment benefits will be allocated individually in each branch;
- All other employee benefit provisions will be held in the Federal branch;
- Plant and equipment will be held in the Federal branch, with the exception of Motor Vehicles being held in the respective branch making use of the vehicle and plant and equipment related to the investment properties which are held in the State branch:
- Depreciation expense to be recognised by the entity that owns the respective asset.

Note 2 Revenue

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Other revenue		
Shared services revenue	95,191	84,272
Journey cover recoupment	18,669	19,335
Sundry revenue	21,705	6,493
	135,565	110,100

For the year ended 31 December 2014		
Note 3 Expenses	2014	2013
~ .	\$	\$
Employee expenses		
Holders of office:		
Wages and salaries	109,211	109,872
Superannuation	16,999	19,339
Leave and other entitlements	16,483	16,90
Separation and redundancies	-	
Other employee expenses		
Subtotal employee expenses holders of office	142,693	146,120
Employees other than office holders:		
Wages and salaries	187,366	167,87
Superannuation	26,239	24,246
Leave and other entitlements	22,687	24,274
Separation and redundancies	17,033	7,544
Other employee expenses		
Subtotal employee expenses employees other than office holders	253,325	223,94
Total employee expenses	396,018	370,061
Capitation fees		
ARTBIU National Office	61,156	50,476
Total capitation fees	61,156	50,476
Affiliation fees		
Australian Labour Party	5,162	6,321
Australian Council of Trade Unions	1,655	3,874
Jnions WA	4,894	4,706
Total affiliation fees	11,711	14,901
Administration expenses		
Consideration to employers for payroll deductions	₩	-
Compulsory levies	_	-
ees/allowances - meeting and conferences	-	-
Conference and meeting expenses	11,331	11,662
Contractors/consultants	-	•
roperty expenses	66,546	47,400
Office expenses	17,846	19,311
nformation communications technology	3,032	2,578
Other	22,295	15,431
otal administration expense	121,050	96,382

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Note 3 Expenses (continued)

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Grants or donations		
Grants:		
Total paid that were \$1,000 or less	-	-
Total paid that exceeded \$1,000	-	-
Donations:		
Total paid that were \$1,000 or less Total paid that exceeded \$1,000	-	-
Total grants or donations	-	-
•		
Depreciation and amortisation		
Depreciation		
Land and buildings	-	-
Property, plant and equipment	12,598	12,949
Total depreciation	12,598	12,949
Amortisation Intangibles		
Total amortisation		
Total depreciation and amortisation	12,598	12,949
Legal costs		
Litigation	-	•
Other legal matters	102,422	29,577
Total legal costs	102,422	29,577
Other expenses		
Penalties - via RO Act or RO Regulations	-	•
Insurance	20,038	26,080
Vehicle expenses	10,603	5,130
Fringe benefits tax	4,397	6,593
Other expenses	3,861	30,698
Total other expenses	38,899	68,501

	ended 31 December 2014		
		2014	2013
		\$	\$
Note 4 C	ash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank		402,917	606,94
Cash on hand	l .	-	
Short term de	posits	•	
Other		-	
Total cash a	nd cash equivalents	402,917	606,94
Note 5 Tr	ade and other receivables		
	from other reporting units		
The Australian Employees	Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of	73,078	52,236
Loan to the Au Employees	ustralian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of	36,318	36,318
ARTBIU Natio	nal Office	1,843	33,669
	bles from other reporting units	111,239	122,219
Less provisio	n for doubtful debts		
•	Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of		
Employees		44	•
ARTBIU Natio	nal Office	-	
rotal provision	n for doubtful debts		4
Net receivable	e from other reporting units	111,239	122,219
Other receiva	bles		
Stirling Street		-	13,111
Other receivab		•	229
otal other re	ceivables	*	13,340
otal net trade	and other receivables	111,239	135,559
lote 6 Oth	ner current assets		
repaid expens	ses	19,380	19,247
otal other cu	rrent assets	19,380	19,247
lote 7 Lar	d and buildings		
air value		•	•
ccumulated d	epreciation	•	40
-4-1111	buildings	-	-

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	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Note 8 Plant and equipment		
Motor vehicles:		
At cost	37,727	37,727
Accumulated depreciation	(22,244)	(17,748)
	15,483	19,979
Plant and equipment:		
At cost	120,516	108,306
Accumulated depreciation	(79,695)	(71,593)
	40,821	36,713
Total plant and equipment	56,304	56,692

Reconciliation of the opening and closing balances of plant and equipment

2014	Motor vehicles	Plant and equipment	Total
As at 1 January 2014			
Gross book value	37,727	108,306	146,033
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(17,748)	(71,593)	(89,341)
Net book value 1 January 2014	19,979	36,713	56,692
Additions:			
By purchase	-	12,210	12,210
From acquisition of entities (including restructuring)	•	-	
Impairments	-0	*	49
Depreciation expense	(4,496)	(8,102)	(12,598)
Other movement	-	100	-
Disposals	-	**	-
Other			•
Net book value 31 December 2014	15,483	40,821	56,304
Net book value as of 31 December 2014 represented by:			
Gross book value	37,727	120,516	158,243
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(22,244)	(79,695)	(101,939)
Net book value 31 December 2014	15,483	40,821	56,304

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Note 8 Plant and equipment (continued)

2013	Motor vehicles	Plant and equipment	Total
As at 1 January 2013			
Gross book value	37,727	100,332	138,059
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(11,948)	(70,255)	(82,203)
Net book value 1 January 2013	25,779	30,077	55,856
Additions:			
By purchase	-	13,785	13,785
From acquisition of entities (including restructuring)	-	•	-
Impairments	-	-	-
Depreciation expense	(5,800)	(7,149)	(12,949)
Other movement		-	-
Disposals	-	-	•
Other	95 -	-	
Net book value 31 December 2013	19,979	36,713	56,692
Net book value as of 31 December 2013 represented by:			
Gross book value	37,727	108,306	146,033
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(17,748)	(71,593)	(89,341)
Net book value 31 December 2013	19,979	36,713	56,692
	:	2014 \$	20 13 \$
Note 9 Investment property		•	•
Opening balance as at 1 January Additions		-	-
Net gain/loss from fair value adjustment		-	
Closing balance as at 31 December	-		

Note 10 Intangibles			
At cost			•
Accumulated amortisation		-	-
Total Intangibles	•	-	
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		2014 \$	2013 \$
Note 11	Investments in associates	•	•
Inicotmoni	ts in associates		
	stments in associates		
10tal lilve.	siments in associates		
Note 12	Other Investments		
Shares in li	sted companies - held for trading	5,539	5,85°
Deposits		-	
Other		44	
Total other	rinvestments	5,539	5,851
Note 13	Other non-current assets		
Prepaymen	ts	-	
Other		W-	
Total other	non-current assets	-	
Note 14	Trade payables and accruals		
Trade credit	tors and accruals	21,126	18,153
Subtotal tra	ade creditors	21,126	18,153
Payables to	o other reporting units		
	an Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of	33,330	52,165
Employees			
ARTBIU Na		14,453	9,563
Subtotal pa	yables to other reporting units	47,783	61,728
Total trade	payables	68,909	79,881
Settlement i	s usually made within 30 days.		
	Other payables		
Wages and		4.040	4.040
Superannua	tion	4,642	4,010
Deductions Legal costs		-	10,446
Unearned re	wanua	-	2,332
		5,720	2,332 7,365
GST payable PAYG payab		11,343	6,156
Tenant renta		11,040	89,998
		5,250	
Other payab			5,250
Total other	payables s within 30 days, except for the rental bond which	26,955	125,557

	e Financial Statements ended 31 December 2014		
		2014 \$	2013 \$
Note 15 O	ther payables (continued)	*	•
Total other pa	ayables are expected to be settled in:		
No more t	han 12 months	26,955	125,557
More than	12 months	-	
Total other p	ayables	26,955	125,557
Note 16 E	mployee entitlements		
Office holder	s:		
Annual lea	ve	13,506	14,349
Long servi	ce leave	31,593	27,833
Separation	s and redundancies	-	-
Other			-
Subtotal emp	loyee entitlements—office holders	45,099	42,182
Employees o	ther than office holders:		
Annual leav	/e	46,676	40,545
Long service	e leave	60,574	53,284
Separation	and redundancies	89	-
Other		•	
Subtotal emp	loyee entitlements—employees other than	107,250	93,829
Total employe	ee entitlements	152,349	136,011
Current		152,349	136,011
Non-current		•	-
Total employe	ee entitlements	152,349	136,011
Note 17 Ot	ner non-current liabilities		
Other		-	•
Total non-cur	rent liabilities	•	
Note 18 Ge	neral funds		
Balance as at		•	-
Transferred to	reserve	100	-
Transferred ou	t of reserve	•	**
Balance as at	end of year	•	

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	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Note 19 Cash flow reconciliation	•	•
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents as per Statement of Financial Position to Cash Flow Statement:		
Cash and cash equivalents as per:		
Cash flow statement	402,917	606,944
Statement of Financial Position	402,917	606,944
Difference		
Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash from operating activities:		
Profit/(loss) for the year	(135,678)	(62,888)
Adjustments for non-cash items		
Depreciation/amortisation	12,598	12,949
Net write-down of non-financial assets	-	-
Fair value movement in investments	312	(1,367)
Gain/loss on disposal of assets	-	-
Changes in assets/liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in net receivables	24,320	(17,096)
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	(133)	16,161
Increase/(decrease) in payables	(19,576)	29,523
Increase/(decrease) in employee entitlements	16,338	(106,930)
Net cash from (used by) operating activities	(101,819)	(129,648)
Cash flow information		
Cash inflows from reporting unit	1,115,956	1,053,115
Total cash inflows	1,115,956	1,053,115
Cash outflows from reporting unit	(1,319,983)	(1,232,915)
Total cash outflows	(1,319,983)	(1,232,915)

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Note 20 Contingent liabilities, assets and commitments

Operating lease commitments - as lessee

The operating lease is for a photocopier that is leased by the Union for five years with the contract expiring on 19 July 2016. The Union pays the lease through fixed monthly instalments.

Future minimum rentals payable under non-cancellable operating leases as at 31 December are as follows:

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Within one year	8,184	8,184
After one year but not more than five years	4,774	12,958
More than five years	-	-
	12,958	21,142

Operating lease commitments – as lessor

The Union had no operating lease commitments during the 2013 and 2014 financial years.

Finance lease commitments

The Union had finance lease commitments during the 2013 and 2014 financial years.

Other contingent assets of liabilities

The Union has a contingent asset in relation to properties held in title by the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees. Two of the three properties are investment properties, 630 Murray Street and 224 Stirling Street, and the other is owner occupied, 10 Nash Street.

In the past these two Unions were combined and reported as one Union. Buildings acquired during this period, therefore belong to the members of both Unions, however they are held in title by the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees and are therefore recognised in their books. The revenue derived from and expenses incurred in relation to these properties are shared between the Unions based on the 60/40 split detailed in the policy note. Based on the above information the members of the Union may have a claim on the value of the properties.

The combined value of the properties in the records of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees as at 31 December 2014 is \$3,592,110 (2013: \$4,100,036).

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Note 21 Related party transactions for the reporting period

Related parties and nature of their relationship

The Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union - National Office (National Office)

- This is the National Office of the West Australian Branch.

The Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees (Of Employees)

- This is the West Australian state regulated Union and is a related party due to the history between the two Unions and the continued shared services between them.

	2014	2013
The following table provides the total amount of transactions that have been entered into with related parties for the relevant year:	\$	\$
National Office		
Revenue from National Office		
National Office reimbursements	4,482	1,471
Expenses to National Office		
Capitation fees	(61,156)	(50,476)
Amounts owed by National Office		
Reimbursements owed by National Office	1,843	33,665
Amounts owed to National Office		
Capitation fees owed to National Office	(14,453)	(9,563)
Loans from/to National Office		•
Assets transferred from/to National Office	•	-
Of Employees		
Revenue from Of Employees	-	-
Expenses to Of Employees	-	-
Amounts owed by Of Employees Trade and other receivables owed by Of Employees	73,078	52,236

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Note 21 Related party transactions for the reporting period (continued)

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Amounts owed to Of Employees Trade and other payables owed to Of Employees	(33,330)	(52,165)
Loans from/to Of Employees Loan to Of Employees – Motor vehicle	36,318	36,318
Assets transferred from/to Of Employees	-	-

Terms and conditions of transactions with related parties

In relation to the Loan to Of Employees for the Motor Vehicle, there are no repayment terms and no interest is payable on the loan.

The sales to and purchases from related parties are made on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions.

Note 22 Key management personnel

(a) Remuneration for the reporting period

The only key management personnel is the Officer of the Union, Philip Woodcock.

Short-term employee benefits		
Salary (including annual leave taken)	109,211	109,872
Annual leave accrued	12,031	12,342
Performance bonus	-	<u> </u>
Total short-term employee benefits	121,242	122,214
Post-employment benefits:		
Superannuation	16,999	19,339
Total post-employment benefits	16,999	19,339
Other long-term benefits:		
Long-service leave accrued	4,452	4,567
Total other long-term benefits	4,452	4,567
Termination benefits	-	-
Total	142,693	146,120

(b) Transactions with key management personnel and their close family members

Loans to/from key management personnel

Other transactions with key management personnel

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	*	2014 \$	2013 \$
Note 23	Remuneration of auditors		
Value of t	he services provided		
Financi	al statement audit services	12,000	12,000
Other s	ervices	8,000	7,770
Total rem	uneration of auditors	20,000	19,770

Other services include preparation of financial statements, end of year reconciliations, cash to accrual accounting end of year adjustments and continuing advice on accounting matters.

Note 24 Financial instruments

Financial risk management objectives

The Union's activities do not expose it to many financial risks and therefore are not actively managing these risks.

Categories of financial instruments

Financial Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	402,917	606,944
Fair value through profit or loss:		
Shares in listed companies - held for trading	5,539	5,851
Total	5,539	5,851
Held-to-maturity investments:		4
Total	*	-
Available-for-sale assets:	Q.	-
Total	=	-
Loans and receivables:		
Trade and other receivables	74,921	99,241
Loan to the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees	36,318	36,318
Total	111,239	135,559
Carrying amount of financial assets	519,695	748,354

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For the year ended 31 December 2014		
	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Note 24 Financial instruments (continued)	0	
Financial Liabilities		
Fair value through profit or loss:	-	
Total		
Other financial liabilities:		
Trade payables and accruals	68,909	79,881
Other payables	26,955	125,557
Total	95,864	205,438
Carrying amount of financial liabilities	95,864	205,438
	•	
Making and a second at		
Net income and expense from financial assets		
Held-to-maturity Interest revenue		
Exchange gains / (losses)	44	-
Impairment	Ų.	_
Gain / (loss) on disposal	•	-
Net gain / (loss) from held-to-maturity	-	
Loans and receivables		
Interest revenue		
Exchange gains / (losses)	-	-
Impairment	-	_
Gain / (loss) on disposal	-	_
Net gain / (loss) from loans and receivables	-	-
Available for sale		
nterest revenue	**	-
Dividend revenue	-	00-
Exchange gains / (losses)	-	-
Gain / (loss) recognised in equity	-	-
mpairment	•	~
Fair value changes reversed on disposal	-	-
Gain / (loss) on disposal		•

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For the year ended 31 December 2014	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Note 24 Financial instruments (continued)	Ψ	Ψ
Cash and cash equivalents		
Interest revenue	6,011	7,380
Net gain / (loss) from cash and cash equivalents	6,011	7,380
Fair value through profit or loss		
Change in fair value	(312)	1,367
Interest revenue	-	-
Dividend revenue	-	-
Exchange gains / (losses)	•	
Net gain / (loss) from fair value through profit or loss	(312)	1,367
Net gain / (loss) from financial assets	5,699	8,747

The net income/expense from financial assets not at fair value through profit or loss is \$6,011 (2013: \$7,380)

Net income and expenses from financial liabilities

Interest expense	~	•
Exchange gains / (losses)	-	-
Gain / (loss) on disposal	-	-
Net gain / (loss) from fair value through profit or loss	***************************************	
Other financial liabilities		
Change in fair value	-	-
Interest expense	-	-
Exchange gains / (losses)	-	-
Net gain / (loss) from other financial fiabilities	-	-
Net gain / (loss) from financial liabilities	-	

The net income/expense from financial liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss is Nil (2013: Nil)

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Note 24 Financial Instruments (continued)

Credit risk

The Union is not exposed to any significant credit risk and is therefore not actively managing its credit risk.

Credit quality of financial instruments not past due or individually determined as impaired:

	Not past due or impaired 2014 \$	Past due or impaired 2014 \$	Not past due or impaired 2013 \$	Past due or impaired 2013
Receivable from the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees	73,078	•	52,236	~
Receivable from ARTBIU National Office	1,843	ut.	33,665	-
Loan to the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees	36,318	-	36,318	•
Stirling Street refurbishment	-	-	13,111	_
Other receivables	-		229	_
Total	111,239	-	135,559	

Ageing of financial assets that were past due but not impaired for 2014

	0 – 30 days \$	31 – 60 days \$	61 – 90 days \$	90 days + \$	Total \$
Receivable from the Australian	•	-	-	•	-
Rail, Tram and Bus Industry					
Union of Employees					
Receivable from ARTBIU	-	-	-	•	•
National Office					
Loan to the Australian Rail,	-	-	-	*	•
Tram and Bus Industry Union					
of Employees					
Stirling Street refurbishment	-	-	•	-	-
Other receivables					
Total				-	-

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Note 24 Financial instruments (continued)

Ageing of financial assets that were past due but not impaired for 2013

	0 – 30 days \$	31 – 60 days \$	61 – 90 days \$	90 days + \$	Total \$
Receivable from the Australian	-	-	-	-	
Rail, Tram and Bus Industry					
Union of Employees					
Receivable from ARTBIU	mb.	-	-	-	• •
National Office					
Loan to the Australian Rail,	-	-	-	•	-
Tram and Bus Industry Union					
of Employees					
Stirling Street refurbishment	*	-	46	-	
Other receivables					
Total					

Liquidity risk

The Union is not exposed to any significant liquidity risk and is therefore not actively managing it liquidity risk.

Contractual maturities for financial liabilities 2014

	On demand \$	< 1 year \$	1 – 2 years \$	2 – 5 years \$	> 5 years \$	Total \$
Trade creditors and accruals	21,126	-	•	-	-	21,126
Payable to the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees	33,330	-	~	-	-	33,330
Payable to ARTBIU National Office	14,453	•		-	-	14,453
Other payables	26,955	-	-	-	-	26,955
Tenant rental bond		-			-	
Total	95,864					95,864

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Note 24 Financial instruments (continued)

Contractual maturities for financial liabilities 2013

	On demand \$	< 1 year \$	1 – 2 years \$	2 – 5 years \$	> 5 years \$	Total \$
Trade creditors and accruals	18,153	•	-	-	**	18,153
Payable to the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees	5 2,165	-	•	-	-	52,165
Payable to ARTBIU National Office	9,563	•	-	-	-	9,563
Other payables	35,559	-	~	-	-	35,559
Tenant rental bond	-	89,998	-	*	•	89,998
Total	115,440	89,998		•		205,438

Market risk

The Union is not exposed to any significant market risks, including interest rate risk, price risk and currency risk, and is therefore not actively managing these risks. Given the insignificance of the risk no further information is provided as per the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 reporting requirements.

Note 25 Fair value measurement

Management of the Union assessed that cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, trade payables, accruals and other current liabilities approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities is included at the amount which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

- Fair values of the Union's interest-bearing borrowings and loans are determined by using a discounted cash flow method. The discount rate used reflects the issuer's borrowing rate as at the end of the reporting period. The own performance risk as at 31 December 2014 was assessed to be insignificant.
- Fair value of available-for-sale financial assets is derived from quoted market prices in active markets.
- Long-term fixed-rate and variable-rate receivables/borrowings are evaluated by the
 Union based on parameters such as interest rates and individual credit worthiness of the
 customer. Based on this evaluation, allowances are taken into account for the expected
 losses of these receivables. As at 31 December 2014 the carrying amounts of such
 receivables, net of allowances, were not materially different from their calculated fair
 values.

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Note 25 Fair value measurement (continued)

The following table contains the carrying amount and related fair values for the Union's financial assets and liabilities:

	Carrying amount 2014 \$	Fair value 2014 \$	Carrying amount 2013 \$	Fair value 2013 \$
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	402,917	402,917	606,944	606,944
Shares in listed companies	5,539	5,539	5,851	5,851
Trade and other receivables	74,921	74,921	99,241	99,241
Loan to the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union of Employees	36,318	36,318	36,318	36,318
Total	519,695	519,695	748,354	748,354
Financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	95,864	95,864	205,438	205,438
Total	95,864	95,864	205,438	205,438

Fair value hierarchy

The following tables provide an analysis of financial and non-financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value, by fair value hierarchy.

Fair value hierarchy - 31 December 2014

Fair value hierarchy – 31 December 2014	•			
	Date of valuation	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets measured at fair value				
Shares in listed companies	31/12/14	5,539		
Total	_	5,539	-	
Liabilities measured at fair value				
None	N/A		•	
Total	_	-	•	
Fair value hierarchy – 31 December 2013				
Assets measured at fair value				
Shares in listed companies	31/12/13	5,851	**	**
Total	_	5,851	•	*
Liabilities measured at fair value				
	ALIA			
None	N/A		-	
Total	_	<u> </u>		

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Note 26 Business combinations

The Union did not enter into any business combinations during the 2014 and 2013 financial years.

Note 27 Administration of financial affairs by a third party

The Union did not engage a third party to administer their financial affairs during the 2014 and 2013 financial years.

Note 28 Events after the reporting period

There were no events that occurred after 31 December 2014, and/or prior to the signing of the financial statements, that would affect the ongoing structure and financial activities of the Union.

Note 29 Section 272 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

In accordance with the requirements of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of subsections (1) to (3) of section 272, which reads as follows:

Information to be provided to members or General Manager:

- (1) A member of a reporting unit, or the General Manager, may apply to the reporting unit for specified prescribed information in relation to the reporting unit to be made available to the person making the application.
- (2) The application must be in writing and must specify the period within which, and the manner in which, the information is to be made available. The period must not be less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.
- (3) A reporting unit must comply with an application made under subsection (1).



AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN RAIL TRAM AND BUS INDUSTRY UNION WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

In relation to our audit of the financial report of Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union West Australian Branch (the Union) for the year ended 31 December 2014, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

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12 June 2015

Mr Philip Woodcock **Branch Secretary**

Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union - West Australian Branch

Sent via email: general@rtbuwa.asn.au

Dear Mr Woodcock,

Lodgement of Financial Report - Reminder to lodge on or before 15 July 2015

The Fair Work Commission's (the FWC) records disclose that the financial year of the West Australian Branch of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union (the reporting unit) ended on the 31 December 2014.

As you would be aware, the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act) requires that a reporting unit prepare a financial report in accordance with the RO Act, make it available to the members and then must lodge the financial report within 14 days after the general meeting of members, or if the rules of the reporting unit allow, the Committee of Management meeting (s.268).

The maximum period of time allowed under the RO Act for the completion of the financial reporting process is six months and 14 days after the expiry date of its financial year (s.253, s254, s265, s.266, s.268). For your reporting unit that requires lodgement of its financial report on or before 15 July 2015, and in any event no later than 14 days after the relevant meeting.

The FWC encourages your reporting unit to lodge its financial report at the earliest opportunity in order to ensure compliance with its obligations. Failure of a reporting unit to lodge its financial report is a breach of a civil penalty provision of the RO Act. This can result in the General Manager instituting an inquiry or investigation into a reporting unit's non-compliance under Chapter 11, Part 4 of the RO Act. The actions available to the General Manager following an investigation include issuing Federal Court legal proceedings for breach of a civil penalty provision. The orders available to the Federal Court include imposition of a pecuniary penalty on the organisation or individual officer, whose conduct led to the contravention, of up to \$51,000 per contravention on the organisation and up to \$10,200 per contravention on the individual officer.

We encourage you to lodge the full financial report directly to orgs@fwc.gov.au. That is the official email address for electronic lodgements of material related to registered organisations matters.

Should you seek any clarification in relation to the above, please contact me on (03) 8661 7936 or via email at robert.pfeiffer@fwc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Pfeiffer Senior Adviser

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13 January 2015

Mr Philip Woodcock
Branch Secretary
Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union-West Australian Branch
Sent via email: general@rtbuwa.asn.au

Dear Mr Woodcock,

Re: Lodgement of Financial Report - [FR2014/452]
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act)

The financial year of the West Australian Branch of the Australian Rail, Tram and Bus Industry Union (the reporting unit) ended on 31 December 2014.

This is a courtesy letter to remind you of the obligation to prepare and lodge the financial report for the reporting unit by the due date, namely 15 July 2015 (being the expiry date of 6 months and 14 days from the end of the financial year), under s.268 of the RO Act.

The RO Act sets out a particular chronological order in which financial documents and statements must be prepared, audited, provided to members and presented to a meeting. For your assistance, the attached *Timeline/Planner* summarises these requirements.

Fact sheets and guidance notes in relation to financial reporting under the RO Act are provided on the Fair Work Commission website. Further, the General Manager's updated Reporting Guidelines that apply to all financial reports prepared on or after 30 June 2014 are also available on the website which includes a webinar presentation on the Reporting Guidelines.

The Fair Work Commission has also developed a model set of financial statements. There is no requirement to use this model but it may be a useful resource to ensure compliance with the RO Act, the Reporting Guidelines and the Australian Accounting Standards. All of the above information can be accessed through our website under Financial Reporting.

I request that the financial report and any statement of loans, grants or donations made during the financial year (statement must be lodged within 90 days of end of financial year) be emailed, rather than posted, to orgs@fwc.gov.au. A sample statement of loans, grants or donations is available at sample documents.

It should be noted that s.268 is a civil penalty provision. Failure to lodge a financial report may result in legal proceedings being issued with the possibility of a pecuniary penalty (up to \$51,000 for a body corporate and \$10,200 for an individual per contravention) being imposed upon an officer whose conduct led to the contravention and/or your organisation.

Should you seek any clarification in relation to the above, please contact me on (03) 8661 7936 or via email at robert.pfeiffer@fwc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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TIMELINE/ PLANNER

Financial reporting period ending:	/ /	
Prepare financial statements and Operating Report.		
(a) A Committee of Management Meeting must consider the financial statements, and if satisfied, pass a resolution declaring the various matters required to be included in the Committee of Management Statement.	/ /	As soon as practicable after end of financial year
(b) A *designated officer must sign the Statement which must then be forwarded to the auditor for consideration as part of the General Purpose Financial Report (GPFR).		
Auditor's Report prepared and signed and given to the Reporting Unit - s257		Within a reasonable time of having received the GPFR
	/ /	(NB: Auditor's report must be dated on or after date of Committee of Management Statement
	_	
Provide full report free of charge to members – s265 The full report includes:		(a) if the report is to be presented to a General Meeting (which must be held within 6 months after the end of the financial year), the report
the General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management Statement): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes the Committee of Management): **The General Purpose Financial Report (which includes		must be provided to members 21 days before the General Meeting,
Statement);	/ /	or
the Auditor's Report; and		(b) in any other case including where the report
the Operating Report.		is presented to a Committee of Management meeting*, the report must be provided to members within 5 months of end of financial year.
	I	
Present full report to:		
(a) General Meeting of Members - s266 (1),(2); OR	/ /	Within 6 months of end of financial year
(b) where the rules of organisation or branch allow* - a Committee of Management meeting - s266 (3)	/ /	
Lodge full report with the Fair Work Commission, together with the #Designated Officer's certificate++ – s268	/ /	Within 14 days of meeting

- * the full report may only be presented to a committee of management meeting if the rules of the reporting unit provide that a percentage of members (not exceeding 5%) are able to call a general meeting to consider the full report.
- # The Committee of Management Statement and the Designated Officer's certificate must be signed by the Secretary or another officer who is an elected official and who is authorised under the rules (or by resolution of the organisation) to sign the statement or certificate s243.
- ++ The Designated Officer's certificate must state that the documents lodged are copies of the documents provided to members and presented to a meeting in accordance with s266 dates of such events must be included in the certificate. The certificate cannot be signed by a non-elected official.