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Dear Mr Mahon,

**Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization-Queensland Branch
Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2017 - [FR2017/247]**

I acknowledge receipt of the financial report of the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization-Queensland Branch. The documents were lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission (the ROC) on 19 October 2017.

The financial report has now been filed. You are not required to take any further action in respect of the report lodged.

The financial report was filed based on a primary review. This involved confirming that the financial reporting timelines required under s.253, s.265, s.266 and s.268 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (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 30 June 2018 may be subject to an advanced compliance review.


Reporting Requirements

New Reporting Guidelines will apply to organisations and branches with financial years commencing on or after 1 July 2017. Updates and information on the new guidelines will be provided through the ROC website and the [subscription service](#).

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

If you have any queries regarding this letter, please contact me on (02) 8293 4654 or via email at david.vale@roc.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

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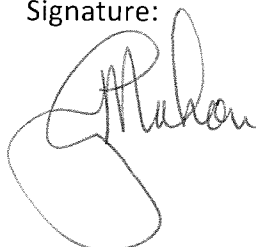
David Vale
Registered Organisations Commission

Certificate of Secretary or other Authorised Officer
s268 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

I **Gary Mahon** being the *Secretary/Treasurer* of the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation (ARTIO) (Qld Branch) certify:

- that the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report referred to in s268 of the Act for ARTIO for the period ending 30 June 2017; and
- that the full report (which includes the Auditor's Report and the Operating Report) was available to members in accordance with s265 of the Act on and from *11th September 2017*; and
- that the full report, was presented to and accepted by the Committee of Management at its second meeting held on *10th October 2017* in accordance with Rule 35A of the Organisation's rules.

Signature:

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Secretary/Treasurer

Date: *19 October 2017*

**AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION
QUEENSLAND BRANCH**

**FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2017**

**AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION
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OPERATING REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2017

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Organisation during the financial year were to promote, protect and advance the interests of its members through the maintenance of Industrial Instruments, including Modern Awards, the development of EBA's and representation of members in various state and federal Industrial Commissions and Tribunals, including the Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal.

Results of Principal Activities

The Organisation's principal activities resulted in maintaining and improving the position of its members within the Industrial Relations framework.

Significant Changes in Nature of Principal Activities

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

Significant Changes in Association's Financial Affairs

No matters or circumstances arose during the reporting year which significantly affected the financial affairs of the Organisation.

Trustee or Director of Trustee Company of Superannuation Entity or Exempt Public Sector Superannuation Scheme

The following officers of the Organisation held reserved positions in the following entities:

Gary Mahon is a Director of TWU Superannuation Nominees Pty Ltd, a trustee company that is the trustee of the TWUSUPER.

Number of Members

The number of persons who, at the end of the financial year, were recorded on the Register of Members was *thirty-seven (37)*.

Rights of Members to Resign

Any member has the right to resign from the Organisation in accordance with the provisions of Rule 11 of the organisations' rules which states:

"11 – Resignation from Membership

- (1) A member of the Organisation may resign from membership by written notice addressed and delivered to the Secretary/Treasurer of the Branch of which it is a member.
- (2) A notice of resignation from membership of the Organisation takes effect:
 - a. where the member ceases to be eligible to become a member of the Organisation;
 - i. on the day on which the notice is received by the Organisation; or
 - ii. on the day specified in the notice, which is a day not earlier than the day when the member ceases to be eligible to become a member;whichever is later; or
 - b. in any other case
 - i. at the end of two (2) weeks after the notice is received by the Organisation; or
 - ii. on the day specified in the notice;whichever is later.

- (3.) Any dues payable but not paid by a former member of the Organisation, in relation to a period before the member's resignation from the Organisation took effect, may be sued for and recovered in the name of the Organisation, in a court of competent jurisdiction, as a debt due to the Organisation.
- (4) A notice delivered to the person mentioned in sub-rule (1) is taken to have been received by the Organisation when it is delivered.
- (5) A notice of resignation that has been received by the Organisation is not invalid because it was not addressed and delivered in accordance and delivered in accordance with rule 11(1).
- (6) A resignation from membership of the Organisation is valid even if it is not effected in accordance with this section if the member is informed in writing by or on behalf of the Organisation that the resignation has been accepted."

Number Of Employees

The Organisation has no employees and services are provided through an employee of a related party, Queensland Trucking Association Ltd, to the equivalent of one half of a full-time employee.

Members Of Committee Of Management

The persons who held office as members of the Committee of Management of the Organisation at the beginning of the financial year and throughout that year were:

Peter Renton, President – *Resigned effective 11 November 2016*

Ben Almond, President – from 11 November 2016

Julie Russell, Vice President

Peter Garske, Secretary/Treasurer - *Resigned effective 30 November 2016*

Gary Mahon, Secretary/Treasurer – From 30 November 2016

David Simon, Committee Member

Directorships/Board position held by Officers throughout the year

The persons who held office as members of the Committee of Management of the Organisation at the beginning of the financial year and throughout that year were:

Peter Renton

- Nil

Ben Almond

- Director, Hallco Industries Inc.

Peter Garske

- Director, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (HVNL Act 2012)

Gary Mahon

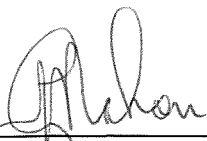
- Director, TWU Superannuation Nominees Pty Ltd

Julie Russell

- Director, RB Russell Transport Pty Ltd

David Simon

- Director, Simon National Carriers



Gary Mahon
Secretary/Treasurer

Dated: 4th August 2017

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017**

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

	NOTE	2017 \$	2016 \$
<u>REVENUE</u>			
Grants Received - Qld Trucking Association	5	21,400	21,750
ARTIO National - RSRT Advocacy		-	11,609
Other Income		-	-
		21,400	33,359
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Professional Services	11	1,400	1,250
Bank Charges		5	18
Contribution - ARTIO National		20,000	20,000
Subscriptions - ARTIO National		-	454
Qld Trucking Association Ltd RSRT Contract Costs		-	11,609
TOTAL EXPENSES		21,405	33,331
NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR		(5)	28
Other Comprehensive Income		-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR YEAR		(5)	28

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

	NOTE	2017 \$	2016 \$
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>			
Balance as at 1 July 2016		161	133
Add Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		(5)	28
BALANCE AS AT 30 JUNE 2017		<u>156</u>	<u>161</u>
 Represented by:			
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Cash at Bank		156	161
Receivables		-	-
Total Current Assets		156	161
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		<u>156</u>	<u>161</u>
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			
Payables - Qld Trucking Association Ltd		-	-
GST Payable		-	-
Total Current Liabilities		-	-
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>156</u>	<u>161</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

Balance 1 July 2015	133
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	<u>28</u>
Balance 30 June 2016	161
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	<u>(5)</u>
Balance 30 June 2017	<u>156</u>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

	NOTE	2017 \$	2016 \$
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM</u>			
<u>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>			
Receipts from Customers and Members:			
- Queensland Trucking Association	5	21,400	21,750
- ARTIO National		-	11,849
- Other		-	-
Payments to Suppliers and Members:			
- ARTIO National		(20,000)	(20,454)
- Queensland Trucking Association		-	(11,849)
- Other		<u>(1,405)</u>	<u>(1,279)</u>
<u>NET CASH PROVIDED BY</u>			
<u>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>	4	<u>(5)</u>	<u>17</u>
<u>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD</u>		(5)	17
Cash at beginning of Period		<u>161</u>	<u>144</u>
Cash at end of Period		<u>156</u>	<u>161</u>

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2017

NOTE 1 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 Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation Queensland Branch is a not for profit entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and in accordance with the historical cost, except for certain assets and liabilities at 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. Except where stated, 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) 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 standards.

(c) Revenue

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

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

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

(d) Capitation Fees and Levies

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

(e) Cash

Cash is recognised at its nominal amount. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with bank.

(f) Financial Assets and Liabilities

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.

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(f) Financial Assets and Liabilities (cont'd)

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'.

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.

Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities 'at fair value through profit or loss' or other financial liabilities.

Other financial liabilities, including borrowings and trade and other payables, are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs.

(g) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the organisation reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the organisation estimates the recoverable amount of the cash generating unit to which the asset belongs.

(h) Taxation

The Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation Queensland Branch is exempt from income tax under division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 however still has obligation for 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.

(i) Going Concern

The Branch is reliant on the agreed financial support of the Queensland Trucking Association Ltd to continue on a going concern basis.

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- (j) The Branch has not provided or agreed to provide financial support to any other reporting unit during the financial year.
- (k) The Branch has not acquired an asset or liability during the financial year as a result of any amalgamation, restructure, determination by the general manager under subsection 245(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisation) Act or a revocation by the general manager under subsection 249(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisation) Act.
- (l) The Branch has not acquired any asset or liability during the financial year as a part of any business combination.

NOTE 2: ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(a) Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The Queensland Branch makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates by definition seldom equal the related actual results. There are no estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities.

(b) Critical judgments in applying the Queensland Branch's accounting principles

There are no critical judgements that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities.

NOTE 3: EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There were no events that occurred after 30 June 2017, or prior to the signing of the financial statements, that would have a material effect on these financial statements.

NOTE 4 RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER INCOME TAX

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	(5)	28
Non Cash Flows		
Depreciation	-	-
Changes in Assets & Liabilities		
Receivables	-	240
Payables	-	(251)
Net cash provided by (used in) Operating Activities	<u>(5)</u>	<u>17</u>

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NOTE 5 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The statement of comprehensive income details the related party transactions with the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation and the Queensland Trucking Association Ltd.

Queensland Trucking Association Limited and the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation Queensland Branch (ARTIO) share, in part, common membership and management personnel.

Queensland Trucking Association Limited also provides Industrial Relations services when required to members of Queensland Trucking Association Ltd and ARTIO.

The Board of Queensland Trucking Association Limited has approved funding of ARTIO to enable it to meet its commitments including subscriptions to its federally registered union and other operating expenses. Ongoing funding was been formalised by exchange of written documentation between the entities with such documentation covering the financial year ended 30 June 2013 and future financial years.

NOTE 6 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Financial Assets		
Cash and Cash at Bank (unrestricted)	156	161
Receivables	-	-
Carrying Amount of Financial Assets	<u>156</u>	<u>161</u>
Financial Liabilities		
Other Payables	-	-
Carrying Amount of Financial Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Cash, cash at bank, other receivables and other payables are short term instruments in nature whose carrying amount is equivalent to fair value. Cash at bank is held in a high quality financial institution.

The branch does not invest in shares or derivatives and therefore has no exposure to the fluctuation in price that is inherent in such a market.

No financial asset was past due or impaired at 30 June 2017.

NOTE 7 LIQUIDITY RISK

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the Branch might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations in relation to financial liabilities. The Branch manages this risk through the following mechanisms:-

- preparing forward cash flow analysis in relation to its operational activities.
- maintaining a reputable credit profile.
- investing surplus cash with reputable financial institutions.

The Branch also receives support from the Queensland Trucking Association Ltd as outlined in Note 4.

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NOTE 8 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 Section (1) to (3) of Section 272 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, which read as follows:

- (1) A member of a reporting unit, or the General Manager of Fair Work Australia, 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 be not less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.
- (3) A reporting unit must comply with an application made under sub-section (1).

NOTE 9 REVENUE

No transactions occurred during the financial year in relation to the following sources of revenue.

- membership subscriptions
- capitation fees
- levies
- donations

NOTE 10 EXPENSES

No transactions occurred during the financial year in relation to the following items of expenditure.

- expenses incurred as consideration for employees making payroll deduction of membership subscriptions.
- fees or subscriptions in respect to affiliation to any political party, federation, congress, council or group of organisations or any international body having an interest in industrial matters.
- fees or allowances paid to representatives of the organisation to attend conferences or meetings.
- costs in relation to meetings or conferences of councils, committees, panels or other bodies.
- compulsory levies
- grants or donations
- employee expenses
- penalties

NOTE 11 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Auditors:		
- audit of the financial report	1,400	1,250
- other	-	-
Legal Fees:		
- Litigation	-	-
- Other	-	-

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NOTE 12 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets

A provision for doubtful debts in relation to receivables of the branch was not required at 30 June 2017.

Liabilities

As at 30 June 2017 there were no liabilities in relation to:-

- payments to employers in relation to the collection of membership subscriptions
- legal costs
- employee provisions

NOTE 13 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED FUNDS

No transaction occurred during the financial year in relation to:-

- funds or accounts in respect of compulsory levies
- transfers or withdrawals to a fund, account or controlled entity where these were kept for a specific purpose
- a general fund

NOTE 14 RECOVERY OF WAGES ACTIVITIES

No recovery of wage activity was undertaken by the Branch during the financial year.

NOTE 15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, ASSETS AND COMMITMENTS

There were no contingent liabilities, assets or commitments at the 30 June 2017.

NOTE 16 ADDITIONAL BRANCH INFORMATION

The Branch operates within Queensland. The address of the Branch is Level 1, 96 Cleveland Street, Greenslopes, Qld, 4120.

**AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION
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COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

We, being two members of the Branch Committee of the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation Queensland Branch, do state on behalf of the Committee and in accordance with a resolution passed by the Committee, that:

- (a) The Financial Statements and Notes comply with Australian Accounting Standards;
- (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 branch for the financial year to which they relate;
- (d) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the branch will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (e) During the year ended 30 June 2017 and since the end of that year.
 - i. Meetings of the committee of management were held in accordance with the rules of the Branch; and
 - ii. The financial affairs of the branch have been managed in accordance with the rules of the Branch including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - iii. The financial records of the branch have been kept and maintained in accordance with Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009; and
 - iv. As the organisation consists of two or more reporting units, the financial records of the branch have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner to each of the other branches of the organisation.
 - v. The information sought in any request of a member of the branch or a General Manager duly made under section 272 of Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 has been furnished to the member or General Manager; and
 - vi. There has been compliance with any order for inspection of financial records made by the General Manager of The Fair Work Commission under section 273 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.
- (f) During the financial year ended 30 June 2017 the branch did not participate in any recovery of wages activity.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Branch Committee of Management which was duly passed on the



Branch President



Branch Secretary/Treasurer

Date: 8 / 8 2017

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION
QUEENSLAND BRANCH**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the general purpose financial report of Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation Queensland Branch, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in accumulated funds and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and branch committee of management's statement for the year then ended.

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation Queensland Branch as at 30 June 2017, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the requirements imposed by Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

As part of my audit of the financial statements I have concluded that management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2017 is appropriate.

The branch did not undertake any recovery of wages activity during the reporting period as noted in the committee of management statement paragraph (f). No opinion can be provided in relation to recovery of wages activity.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted the audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the branch in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The branch committee of management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is in the operating report accompanying the financial report.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Committee of Management for the Financial Report

The branch committee of management and the branch secretary of the branch are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and for such internal control as the committee of management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION
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Responsibilities of Committee of Management for the Financial Report (cont'd)

In preparing the financial report, the branch committee of management and the branch secretary of the branch are responsible for assessing the branch's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intend to liquidate the branch or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

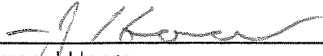
As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION
QUEENSLAND BRANCH

I declare that I am an approved auditor, a member of Chartered Accountants Australia New Zealand and hold a current Public Practice Certificate.



Norman J Hoare
Registered Company Auditor

Morris & Batzloff
Chartered Accountants
96 Lytton Road, East Brisbane

Dated: *8th August 2017*

Registered Number (as registered by the RO Commission under the RO Act): AA2017/84



9 August 2017

Mr Gary Mahon
Branch Secretary / Treasurer
Queensland Branch
Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization
By Email: admin@qta.com.au

Dear Mr Mahon,

**Re: Lodgement of Financial Report - [FR2017/247]
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act)**

The financial year of the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization Queensland Branch (the reporting unit) ended on 30 June 2017. This is a courtesy letter to remind you of the reporting unit's obligations regarding financial reporting.

Loans Grants and Donations Statement

The reporting unit is required to lodge a statement showing the relevant particulars in relation to each loan, grant or donation of an amount exceeding \$1,000 for the reporting unit during its financial year. Section 237 of the RO act requires this statement to be lodged with Registered Organisations Commission (the ROC) within 90 days of the end of the reporting unit's financial year, that is on or before 28 September 2017.

The attached fact sheet *Loans Grants and Donations* (FS 009) summarises the requirements of the Loans Grants and Donations Statement. A sample statement of loans, grants or donations is available on our [website](#).

It should be noted that s.237 is a civil penalty provision. If a loan, grant or donation over \$1000 has been made, failure to lodge a statement of loans, grants and donations (including failure to lodge on time) may result in legal proceedings being issued with the possibility of a pecuniary penalty (up to \$105,000 for each contravention for a body corporate and up to \$21,000 for each contravention for an individual) being imposed upon your organisation and/or an officer whose conduct led to the contravention.

Financial report

The RO Act sets out a particular chronological order in which your financial report must be prepared, audited, provided to members, presented to a meeting and then lodged with the ROC. The attached document *Summary of Financial Reporting timelines* (FS 008) summarises these requirements.

We emphasise that the reporting unit is required to present its audited financial report to a meeting (either of members or of the committee of management, depending on your rules) no later than 31 December 2017 (s.266). The full financial report must be lodged with the ROC within 14 days of that meeting (s.268).

When assessing your financial report, we will continue to focus closely on timelines as well as how loans, grants and donations are reported. The financial report must break down the amounts of grants and donations and these figures will be compared to the loans, grants and donations statement (see attached *Loans Grants and Donations* fact sheet FS 009).

You can visit our website for more information regarding [financial reporting](#), and fact sheets regarding [financial reporting processes and requirements](#). A model set of financial statements developed by the

ROC is also available on our website. It is not obligatory to use this model but it is a useful resource to ensure compliance with the RO Act, the Reporting Guidelines and the Australian Accounting Standards.

It should be noted that s.268 of the RO Act is a civil penalty provision. Failure to lodge the full financial report (including failure to lodge on time) may result in legal proceedings being issued with the possibility of a pecuniary penalty (up to \$105,000 for each contravention for a body corporate and up to \$21,000 for each contravention for an individual) being imposed upon your organisation and/or an officer whose conduct led to the contravention (s.268).

Auditor's report

When assessing the financial report we will also focus on the structure and content of the auditor's report to ensure that it complies with the revisions made to the Auditing Standards which came into effect from 15 December 2016. Please find below a guidance note *Illustrative Auditor's Report* (GN 004) relating to these requirements (which can also be located on our website).

REMINDER

YOUR AUDITOR MUST BE REGISTERED (s.256)

You must ensure that your auditor is registered by the Registered Organisations Commissioner. A list of registered auditors is available on our [website](#).

Contact

Should you require any clarification in relation to the above, please email regorgs@roc.gov.au.

Yours faithfully,

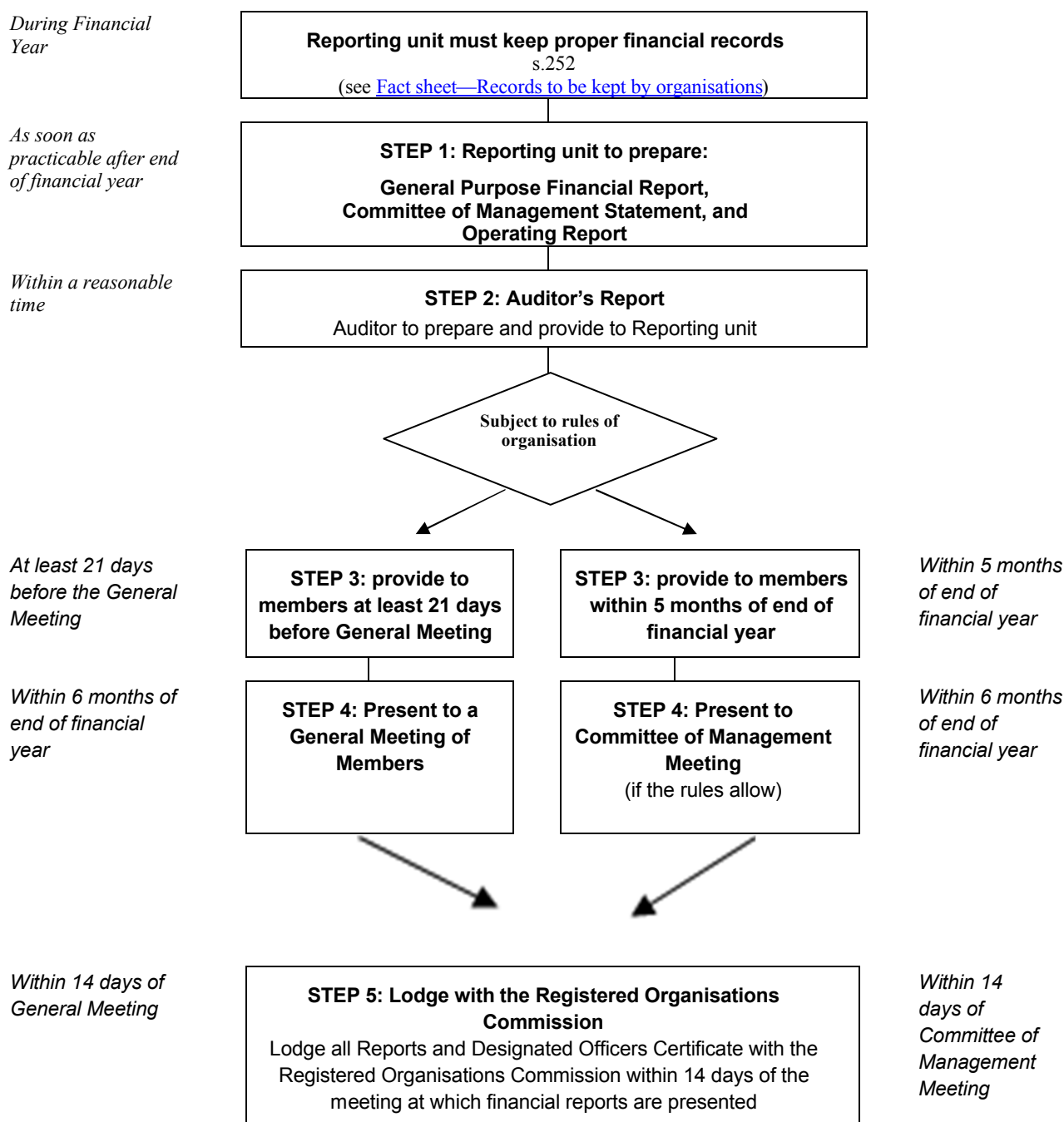
Carolyn Moloney
Registered Organisations Commission



Fact sheet

Summary of financial reporting timelines – s.253 financial reports

See Fact sheet—Financial reporting for an explanation of each of these steps.





Fact sheet

Loans, Grants & Donations

The Loans, Grants & Donations Requirements

The *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act) requires an organisation or branch to lodge a loans, grants and donations statement (the statement) within **90 days** of the ending of the financial year.

Under the Commissioner's Reporting Guidelines, a reporting unit's General Purpose Financial Report (the financial report) must break down the amounts of grants and donations (see below). The figures in the financial report will be compared to the loans, grants and donations statement.

The Loans, Grants & Donations Statement

Section 237 of the RO Act applies to every loan, grant and donation made by an organisation or branch during the financial year that exceeds \$1000. The following information must be supplied to the Registered Organisations Commission (the ROC) for each relevant loan, grant or donation:





- the amount,
- the purpose,
- the security (if it is a loan),
- the name and address of the person to whom it was made,* and
- the arrangements for repaying the loan.*



*The last two items are not required if the loan, grant or donation was made to relieve a member of the organisation (or their dependent) from severe financial hardship.

The statement must be lodged within 90 days of the end of the financial year and the ROC has a [Template Loans, Grants and Donations Statement](#) on its website. The ROC encourages branches and organisations to lodge the statement even if all of the figures are NIL.

Common misconceptions

Over the years, staff of the Commission have noted that there are some common misunderstandings made in relation to the Statement. They include:

Misconception	Requirement
 Only reporting units must lodge the Statement.	 All branches and organisations, regardless of whether they lodge a financial report, must lodge the statement within 90 days of the end of the financial year. An organisation cannot lodge a single statement to cover all of its branches.
 Employees can sign the Statement.	 The statement must be signed by an elected officer of the relevant branch.

	Statements can be lodged with the financial report.		The deadline for the statement is much shorter (90 days) and if it is lodged with the financial report it is likely to be late.
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Grants & Donations within the Financial Report

Item 16(e) of the Commissioner's Reporting Guidelines requires the reporting unit to separate the line items relating to grants and donations into grants or donations that were \$1000 or less and those that exceeded \$1000.

As such, the note in the financial report relating to grants and donations will have four lines. In the [ROC's Model Statements](#) the note appears as follows:

Note 4E: Grants ~~OR~~ donations*

Grants:	[Current year]	[Previous year]
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	-	-

The Commissioner's Reporting Guidelines requires that these line items appear in the financial report even if the figures are NIL.

Implications for filing the Financial Report

During their review of the financial report staff of the ROC may confirm that the figures in the financial report match the disclosures made in the statement. Any inconsistencies in these figures will be raised with the organisation or branch for explanation and action.

This may involve lodging an amended loans, grants or donations statement. Any failure to lodge a loans, grants or donations statement or lodging a statement that is false or misleading can attract civil penalties under the RO Act.

If a reporting unit did not fully comply with these requirements in their last financial report, its filing letter will have included a statement reminding the reporting unit of its obligations.

It is strongly recommended that all reporting units review their filing letters from the previous financial year to ensure any targeted concerns are addressed in their latest financial report. Failure to address these individual concerns may mean that a financial report cannot be filed.

Previous financial reports and filing letters are available from the website.

Further information

If you have any further questions relating to the loan, grant and donation disclosure requirements in the statement or the financial report, please contact the ROC on regorgs@roc.gov.au



Guidance Note

Illustrative Auditor's Report under section 257 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

Prepared and issued by the Registered Organisations Commission

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this guidance note is to provide Registered Organisations with guidance on the revised Australian Auditing Standard ASA 700 *Forming an Opinion and Reporting on a Financial Report* (ASA 700), as issued by the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board ('AUASB').

An 'Illustrative Auditor's Report' is included to assist Registered Organisations to understand the new auditing requirements.

2. Background to the revised Auditing Standard

From 15 December 2016, the structure of the Auditor's Report changed as a result of revisions made to the Australian Auditing Standards (ASAs). The changes impact all auditors' reports prepared in accordance with the ASAs.

The purpose of the change is to:

- enhance the communicative value of the Auditor's Report;
- give prominence to the most important matters by re-ordering the content;
- enhance reporting on going concern matters (if applicable), and provide enhanced descriptions of the respective responsibilities of management and the auditor, in relation to going concern;
- provide an affirmative statement on auditor's independence and fulfilment of relevant ethical responsibilities;
- provide more information to users on the auditor's responsibilities, and the key features of an audit and;
- provide details of other information the auditor has received at the date of the Auditor's Report, and is expected to receive after the date of the Auditor's Report¹.

3. Key changes included in the illustrative Auditor's Report

Description	Auditing standard ref.	Comments
Structure of the auditor's report	ASA 700.21-52	The form and structure of the audit report have been reorganised due to changes in the Australian Auditing Standards.
Basis for opinion	ASA 700.28c	Requires references in the audit report to the applicable ethical standards e.g. APES 110 <i>Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants</i> .
Other information	ASA 700.32 ASA 720	ASA 720 now requires that the auditor 'read and consider' if the Other Information (including but not limited to the Operating Report) is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or the auditor's knowledge obtained in the audit.
Committee of Management's responsibilities for the preparation of the financial report	ASA 700.33-36	ASA 700.34b has been added to reflect changes made in ASA 570. The changes emphasise that it is management's responsibility for assessing whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate. The auditors' roles and responsibilities related to going concern have not changed.
Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report	ASA 700.37-40	These paragraphs have been expanded to clarify the detailed nature and scope of the auditor's existing responsibilities and procedures, and to make an explicit relationship of material misstatements to fraud or error.
Report on other legal and	ASA 700.43-45	This section is only applicable if there are other matters to report as required by other legislation.

¹ Adapted from 'Auditor Reporting FAQs' – Auditing and Assurance Standards Board - <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Publications/Auditor-Reporting-FAQs.aspx>

Description	Auditing standard ref.	Comments
regulatory requirements		<p>Under sections 257(6) and (7) of the <i>Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009</i> ('RO Act'), the auditor is required to report on any instances of non-compliance or deficiency or shortcoming with respect to financial record-keeping, and section 257(2) of the RO Act requires auditors to report on access restrictions to the financial records of the organisation.</p> <p>This section is not required if there are no matters to report.</p>

4. Key changes not reflected in the illustrative Auditor's Report

Description	Auditing standard ref.	Comments
Key Audit Matters	ASA 700.30-31, A41 ASA 701	<p>ASA 701 provides additional disclosures for entities listed on a securities exchange to communicate key audit matters ('KAMs') in the auditor's report. KAMs are those matters that, in the auditor's judgement, are of most significance to the audit of the financial statements of the current financial period.</p> <p>At this point in time, the ROC does not require the inclusion of KAMs.</p>

The numbered references in the Illustrative Auditor's Report refer to the explanatory paragraphs in section 5 of this Guidance Note 'Illustrative Auditor's Notes'. The Illustrative Auditor's Report is also included in the 'Model Financial Statements' published on the Registered Organisations Commission's website.

<To be printed on Auditor letterhead>

Independent Audit Report to the Members of <name of Reporting Unit>

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the financial report of <name of Reporting Unit> (the Reporting Unit), which comprises the statement of financial position² as at <balance date>, the statement of comprehensive income³, statement of changes in equity⁴ and statement of cash flows⁵ for the year ended <date>, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies; and the Committee of Management⁶ Statement.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of <name of Reporting Unit> as at <balance date>, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date in accordance with:

- a) the Australian Accounting Standards; and
- b) any other requirements imposed by the Reporting Guidelines or Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act).

I declare that management's use of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements of the Reporting Unit is appropriate.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the Reporting Unit in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon⁷

The Committee of Management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is in the Operating Report accompanying the financial report.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

² Refer to paragraph 9 in Section 5 Illustrative Auditor's Report Notes in this Guidance Note

³ Ibid paragraph 9

⁴ Ibid paragraph 9

⁵ Ibid paragraph 9

⁶ Ibid paragraph 10; note if this is changed to another descriptor all other references in the Report should be changed to the other descriptor

⁷ Ibid paragraph 7

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Committee of Management for the Financial Report

The Committee of Management of the Reporting Unit is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the RO Act, and for such internal control as the Committee of Management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Committee of Management is responsible for assessing the Reporting Unit's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Committee of Management either intend to liquidate the Reporting Unit or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Reporting Unit's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee of Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Committee of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Reporting Unit's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Reporting Unit to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Reporting Unit to express an opinion on the financial report. I am responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Reporting Unit audit. I remain solely responsible for my audit opinion.

I communicate with the Committee of Management regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

I declare that I am an approved auditor, a member of [name of appropriate professional accounting body] and hold a current Public Practice Certificate.

[Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements]⁸

[In accordance with the requirements of section 257(7) of the RO Act, I am required to describe any deficiency, failure or shortcoming in respect of the matters referred to in section 252 and 257(2) of the RO Act.

My opinion on the financial report is not modified in respect of the following matter(s) because, in my opinion, it has been appropriately addressed by [Reporting Unit] and is not considered material in the context of the audit of the financial report as a whole:

[Example:

a) [Reporting Unit] failed to keep [name of other record] as required by section 252 of the RO Act for the period 1 July 20XX to 4 July 20XX inclusive.]]

[Report on the Recovery of Wages Activity financial report]⁹

Opinion on the recovery of wages activity financial report

The scope of my work extended to the recovery of wages activity and I have audited the recovery of wages activity financial report for the year ended <date>.

In my opinion, the financial statements and notes and recovery of wages activity financial report properly and fairly report all information required by the reporting guidelines of the General Manager, including:

- (a) any fees charged to, or reimbursements of expenses claimed from, members and others for recovery of wages activity; and
- (b) any donations or other contributions deducted from recovered money.

Responsibilities

The Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the recovery of wages activity financial report in accordance with the reporting guidelines of the General Manager. My responsibility is to express an opinion on the recovery of wages activity financial report, based on my audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

<Audit Firm Name>

<Name>

Partner

⁸ Ibid paragraph 11

⁹ Ibid paragraph 11

<City>
<Date>

Registration number (as registered by the RO Commissioner under the RO Act)¹⁰: <insert number>

¹⁰ Ibid paragraph 12

5. Illustrative Auditor's Report Notes

For the purpose of this illustrative Auditor's Report, the following circumstances are assumed:

1. The financial report is prepared by management of the Reporting Unit in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the RO Act.
2. The terms of the audit engagement reflect the description of management's responsibility for the financial report in *ASA 210 Agreeing the Terms of Audit Engagements*.
3. The auditor has concluded an unmodified opinion is appropriate based on the audit evidence obtained.
4. The relevant ethical requirements that apply to the audit are the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.
5. Based on the audit evidence obtained, the auditor has concluded that a material uncertainty does not exist related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern in accordance with *ASA 570 Going Concern*.
6. The auditor is not required, and has otherwise not decided, to communicate key audit matters in accordance with *ASA 701 Communicating Key Audit Matters in the Independent Auditor's Report*.
7. The section on 'Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon' is customised depending on the nature of the Other Information received and when this information was received. The template provided assumes that the nature of the Other Information is the Operating Report and that it was received on or before the date of the audit report. If there is Other Information that accompanies the financial report in addition to the Operating Report, or if the Operating Report or any additional Other Information was not received on or before the date of the audit report, please refer to the requirements stated in *ASA 720 The Auditor's Responsibilities Relating to Other Information* for example wording.
8. The subheading 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' is only applicable where the auditor includes 'Other reporting responsibilities' in accordance with *ASA 700 Forming an Opinion and Reporting on a Financial Report*. Please delete the 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' section if there is no deficiency, failure or shortcoming to report.
9. Please ensure that the financial statement descriptions used in the Auditor's Report agree with those used in the financial report, for example, 'balance sheet' or 'statement of financial position'.
10. Use of 'Committee of Management' in the model auditor's report represents those charged with governance for the registered organisation, and can be replaced with other descriptors as appropriate for the organisation, for example, 'Council of Management', 'Executive Committee', etc.
11. If the Registered Organisation has not undertaken any recovery of wages activity during the reporting period the auditor's report should state that fact with reference

to the Committee of Management Statement, and no opinion can be provided in relation to recovery of wages activity.

12. Auditors must be registered by the Registered Organisations Commissioner. Your registration number under the RO Act will commence with the letters 'AA'.

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