

30 May 2014

Mr Richard Downie Secretary, Newcastle, Central Coast and Northern Regions Branch The Australian Workers' Union PO Box 226 MAYFIELD NSW 2304

Dear Mr Downie,

### Re: Lodgement of Financial Statements and Accounts - The Australian Workers' Union, Newcastle, Cenral Coast and Northern Regions Branch - for year ended 30 June 2013 (FR2013/248)

I refer to the above financial statements and accounts which were lodged with the Fair Work Commission on 26 November 2013. .

The financial report has now been filed.

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 2014 may be subject to an advanced compliance review.

I make the following comments to assist you when you next prepare a financial report. You are not required to take any further action in respect of the 2013 report lodged but the Fair Work Commission will confirm these matters have been addressed prior to filing next year's report.

### Disclosure of employee provisions/benefits to office holders and other employees

The financial statements have disclosed wages and salaries for office-holders and for other employees. However they did not disclose separate balances for the other employee benefits expense categories prescribed by items 17(f) and 17(g) of the Reporting Guidelines. Balances for superannuation, leave entitlements, separation and redundancy and other employee benefits expense should have been disclosed in the general purpose financial report by office-holder and by other employee.

The financial statements have disclosed annual and long service leave provisions by officeholder and by other employees but did not disclose separate balances for separation and redundancy and other employee benefits provisions categories prescribed by items 21(c) and 21(d). Disclosure of single balances in the unaudited special purpose financial report does not satisfy the requirements.

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In future years please disclose separate balances for each category listed in the Guidelines, or, if any of the prescribed categories/activities have not occurred in the reporting period, a statement to this effect must be included in the notes to the GPFR (or nil balances included<sup>1</sup>).

### Disclosure of non-occurring activities

I note that no statement or disclosure was made in respect of capitation receipts as described by item 15(b) of the Reporting Guidelines. Statements in respect of activities prescribed by the Reporting Guidelines that did not occur during the reporting period must cover each such activity.

### Auditor's report: declaration regarding going concern

Paragraph 45 of the reporting guidelines requires an auditor to include in the auditor's statement a declaration that as part of the audit of the financial statement they have concluded that management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the reporting unit's financial statements is appropriate. This declaration was not included in the auditor's statement.<sup>2</sup>

Should you wish to discuss the matters raised in this letter, or 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 <a href="mailto:stephen.kellett@fwc.gov.au">stephen.kellett@fwc.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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Stephen Kellett Senior Adviser, Regulatory Compliance Branch

https://www.fwc.gov.au/documents/documents/organisations/reporting\_guidelines/Model-financial-statements.pdf<sup>2</sup> See also item 44 of the Reporting Guidelines relating to a declaration by the auditor in respect of his or her approved auditor status.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Note 8A on page 37/53 of model financial statements at

Dear Mr Downie,

Please see my letter in relation to the above.

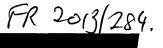
Yours sincerely

STEPHEN KELLETT Regulatory Compliance Branch FAIR WORK COMMISSION

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25th November 2013

The General Manager Fair Work Australia Statutory Services NSW Registry Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street EAST SYDNEY NSW 2011



Dear Registrar,

# Re: Lodgement of Audited Accounts and Financial Statements for year ending <u>30<sup>th</sup> June 2013</u>

Attached please find copies of the following documents to comply with the lodgement of audited accounts and financial statements for year ending June 2013.

- Financial statements for year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013
- Operating Report
- Auditors Report
- Certificate of the Secretary
- Statement of Donations exceeding \$1,000 year ended 30/6/2013
- Branch Executive minutes endorsing 2013 accounts (8/10/13)
- Statement by the Members of the Committee of Management
- accounts available for members on website from 22/10/2013
- A.G.M. Notification published in local newspapers from 30/10/13
- extract of minutes of AGM (held 19/11/2013)

Trusting this meets the necessary requirements,

Yours to (Richard Downie) SECRETARY

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### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

### ABN 81 309 714 429

### FINANCIAL REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

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#### STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

On 8 October 2013 the Committee of Management of the Australian Workers Union, Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch, passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) of the reporting unit for the financial year ended 30 June 2013.

The Committee of Management declares in relation to the GPFR that in its opinion:

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- (a) the financial statements and notes comply with the 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 reporting unit for the financial year to which they relate;
- (d) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the reporting unit will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (e) during the financial year ended 30 June 2013 and since the end of the that year:
  - (i) 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 Reporting Unit have been managed in accordance with the rules of the organisation and the rules of the branch concerned; and
  - (iii) the financial records of the reporting unit have been kept and maintained in accordance with the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (RO Act); and
  - (iv) the financial records of the reporting unit have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner to each of the other reporting units of the organisation; and
  - (v) any information sought in any request of a member of the reporting unit or a General Manager duly made under section 272 of the RO Act has been furnished to the member or General Manager; and
  - (vi) no orders have been made by the Commission under section 273 of the RO Act during the period.
- (f) the reporting unit has not undertaken recovery of wages activity nor has derived revenues for the financial year in respect to such activity.

For the Committee of Management: Richard J Downie

Signature: Machinica Date: 8/0/13

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#### **OPERATING REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

The Committee of Management presents its Operating Report on the Australian Workers Union Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch ("Union") for the year ended 30 June 2013.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Union was to act on behalf of members in respect of:

- employment terms and conditions;
- to secure improved conditions of employment for the members;
- to assist members in dispute resolution;
- to assist members who may become injured in the course of their employment;
- to assist dependants of members through financial benefits; and
- to assist members in unfair dismissal matters before the relevant tribunals.

#### RESULTS

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The profit for the financial year amounted to \$318,164.

### SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

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

#### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

There were no significant changes in the Union's financial affairs during the financial year.

#### MEMBERS RIGHT TO RESIGN

The following extract from the Union's rules details members right to resign from the Union.

Union members may resign from the Union where they cease to hold membership with the AWU in accordance with Rule 14 – Resignation from membership as contained within the Union's rules.

#### MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNION

There were 4,847 members of the Union as at 30 June 2013.

#### **EMPLOYEES OF THE UNION**

As at 30 June 2013, the Union employed eleven full time employees.

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### **OPERATING REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

### **COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT**

The following persons were members of the Committee of Management as at and during the year ended 30 June 2013;

Name	Period of office	Name	Period of office
Richard Downie	01/09/09 – 30/06/13	John Boyd	01/09/09 – 30/06/13
Anthony Callinan	01/09/09 - 30/06/13	Paul Delaney	09/11/10 - 30/06/13
Glen Ford	01/09/09 - 30/06/13	Marcus Faulkner	13/09/11 - 24/08/12
Neville Freund	01/09/09 - 30/06/13	John Fullerton	01/09/09 - 31/12/12
Warren Hanley	01/09/09 - 09/10/12	Robert Holl	01/09/09 – 12/06/12
Thomas Matherson	01/09/09 – 30/06/13	Tony Morgan	01/09/09 – 30/06/13
William McGuinness	01/09/09 - 30/06/13	Paul O'Brien	01/09/09 – 30/06/13
Robert Parkinson	01/09/09 - 30/06/13	Wayne Pringle	01/09/09 – 30/06/13
Vieslav Smolarz	01/09/09 - 30/06/13	Mark Hughes	13/09/11 - 30/06/13
Kate Thomson	01/07/12 - 30/06/13	Gerrard Sissingh	12/03/13 - 30/06/13
Janey Zycki	12/03/13 - 30/06/13		

#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

There is no other information that the Union considers relevant.

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Dated at MAYFIELD this  $8^{+1}$  day of OeA

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

#### AUSTRALIAN WORKERS UNION

#### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH – FEDERAL

### **Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australian Workers Union Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2013 and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

### Committees' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of management of the Union are responsible for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (RO Act) and the financial requirements of the Union's rules. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting appropriate accounting policies, and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In Note 1, the committee also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101:Presentation of Financial Statements, that compliance with the Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies with IFRS.

#### 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 the Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance 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 judgment, 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 and fair presentation of the financial report 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 committee, 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.

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#### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

#### Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion:

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- A. the financial report of the Australian Workers Union Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch is in accordance with the Union's rules, including:
  - a. giving a true and fair view of the Union's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - b. complying with Australian Accounting Standards (Including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Union's rules;
- B. The financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.
- C. In accordance with section 257(5) of the RO Act in our opinion the general purpose financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and the following;
  - In relation to any recovery of wages activity;

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- a. that the scope of the audit encompassed recovery of wages activity;
- b. that 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 Industry Registrar, including;
  - i. any fees charged to or reimbursements of expenses claimed from members and others for recovery of wages activity; and
  - ii. any donations or other contributions deducted from recovered money; and

b. any other requirements imposed by these Reporting Guidelines or the RO Act.

iemo K H PERRY & CØ (MAYFIELD) CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

ÍREVOR J RAMSÁY

Dated at MAYFIELD this

day of OCTOBER 2013.

### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

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### **INCOME STATEMENT**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	NOTE	2013 \$	2012 \$
Revenue	2	2,546,680	2,613,511
Depreciation and amortisation expenses		( 133,462)	( 143,104)
Employee benefits expense		(1,033,116)	( 999,339)
Finance costs	3	( 41,887)	( 64,371)
Legal fees		( 19,412)	( 765)
Sustentation fees		( 262,689)	( 299,792)
Other expenses		( 737,950)	( 795,866)
Profit before income tax		318,164	310,274
Income tax expense	4	-	-
Profit attributable to the members of the Union		318,164	310,274
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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

## NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

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### **BALANCE SHEET**

### AS AT 30 JUNE 2013

	NOTE	2013 \$	2012 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS	<i>c</i>		
Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables	6	942,793 59,291	716,913
Inventories	/ 8	17,223	30,903 14 278
Other current assets	9	14,857	8 703
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,034,164	776,857
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Financial assets	10	1,612	1,612
Property, plant & equipment	11	2,179,653	2,036,810
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		2,181,265	2,038,422
TOTAL ASSETS			2,815,279
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	12	97,152	67,469
Financial liabilities	13	164,780	214,395
Short-term provisions	14	164,780 114,439	114,161
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES			396,025
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		Madaaaaaa <b>a</b>	
Financial liabilities	13	434,211 77,202	329,856
Long-term provisions	14	77,202	
TOTAL NON LIABILITIES			409,776
TOTAL LIABILITIES			805,801
NET ASSETS		2,327,645	2,009,479
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Retained earnings		2,327,645	2,009,479
TOTAL EQUITY		2,327,645	2,009,479

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

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	\$ Retained Earnings	\$ Total
Balance at 1 July 2012	2,009,479	2,009,479
Profit attributable to members	318,164	318,164
Balance 30 June 2013	2,327,645	2,327,645

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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### CASH FLOW STATEMENT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	NOTE	2013 \$	2012 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from members Payments to suppliers and employees Interest received Other investing income received		2,070,800 (2,099,236) 6,307 469,573	(2,005,141) 36,682
Net cash provided by operating activities	5	447,444	634,974
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds on disposal of plant and equipment		( 276,305)	( 327,137) 94,259
Net cash (used in) investing activities		( 276,305)	( 232,878)
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of borrowings Proceeds from borrowings		( 235,185) 180,444	( 390,531) 164,635
Net cash (used in) financing activities		54,741	( 225,896)
Net increase in cash held Cash at beginning of financial year	6		176,200
Cash at end of financial year	6	942,793	716,913

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#### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

#### NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report covers Australian Workers Union Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch as an individual entity. The Australian Workers Union Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch is a trade union registered and domiciled in Australia.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* For the purpose of preparing the report the general purpose financial statements the reporting Union is a not-for-profit entity.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are present below. They have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable by the measurement at fair value of selected non current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. 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) Revenue

Revenue from members is recognised according to the period of membership subscription. Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets. Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the member. Investment property revenue is recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the lease term so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the net investment. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

#### (b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

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#### (c) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

#### (d) Employee benefits

Provision is made for the Union's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measure at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related oncosts. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits.

### (e) Income tax

No provision for income tax is necessary, as the Union (being a registered Industry Trade Union) is exempt from tax under s.50-15 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act* 1997.

#### (f) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on a first-in-first-out basis.

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#### (g) Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost of fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Property

Building improvements are shown at the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Plant & equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses. The carrying amount of plant & equipment is reviewed annually by committee to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the Income Statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

#### Depreciation

The depreciable amount of fixed assets excluding building improvements, is depreciated on a diminishing basis over their useful lives to the Union commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Building improvements are depreciated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciation assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation rate
Buildings	2.5 %
Motor vehicles	18.75%
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	10%-40%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

An assets' carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the income statement.

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#### (h) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the entity reviews the carrying values of its tangible 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 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 in the income statement. Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Union estimates the recoverable amount of the cash generating unit to which the asset belongs.

#### (i) **Comparative Figures**

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

#### (j) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The committee evaluates estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Union.

#### Key estimates – Impairment

The Union assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Union and its assets that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

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### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

NOTE 2: REVENUE	2013 \$	2012 \$
Revenue - Contributions received		2,042,079
<ul> <li>Rent received</li> <li>Training income</li> <li>Other income</li> <li>Interest received</li> </ul>	-	479,089 5,000 50,660 36,683
Total Revenue		2,613,511
(a) Interest revenue from Other persons	6,307	36,682
Total interest revenue	6,307	36,682
NOTE 3: PROFIT		
Expenses:		
Finance costs: - external	41,887	64,371
Total finance costs	41,887	64,371 

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### NOTE 4: INCOME TAX EXPENSE

No provision for income tax is necessary as "Trade Unions" are exempt from income tax under section 50-15 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act* 1997

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### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	2013 \$	2012 \$
NOTE 5: CASH FLOW INFORMATION	Ψ	Ψ
Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit after Income Tax		
Profit after income tax		310,274
Non-cash flows in profit Depreciation		143,104
Changes in assets and liabilities (Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables (Increase)/decrease in inventories (Increase)/decrease in other current assets Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables Increase/(decrease) in provisions	( 2,440)	1,279 14,558 ( 13,922) 27,428 
NOTE 6: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Reconciliation of cash		
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the cash flow statement is reconciled to items in the balance sheet as follows:		
Cash and cash equivalents	942,793	716,913
NOTE 7: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Other receivables	59,291	36,963

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NOTE 8: INVENTORIES	2013 \$	2012 \$
Current At cost Finished goods	17,223	14 <b>,</b> 278
NOTE 9: OTHER ASSETS		
Prepayments	14,857	8,703
NOTE 10: FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Available for sale financial assets	1,612	1,612
(a) Available-for-sale financial assets comprise:		
Listed investments	1,612	1,612
Total available-for-sale assets	1,612	1,612 ======

Available-for-sale financial assets comprise investments in the ordinary share capital of various entities. There are no fixed returns or fixed maturity date attached to these investments.

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NOTE 11: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT Building improvements	
At cost Accumulated depreciation	2,342,655 2,096,595 ( 510,151) ( 457,741)
Total Building improvements	1,832,504 1,638,854
Furniture, fittings and equipment	
At cost Accumulated depreciation	520,506 490,261 ( 395,412) ( 365,604)
Total furniture, fittings and equipment	125,094 124,657
Motor vehicles	
At cost Accumulated depreciation	549,519 549,519 ( 327,465) ( 276,222)
Total Motor vehicles	222,053 273,297
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	2,179,653 2,036,810

In accordance with a decision of the National Executive of the Union, the Branch is entitled to the rental income of the freehold property within the Branch's designated area. In return for this, the Branch is responsible for all maintenance and capital costs in relation to the properties. Accordingly, improvements to the properties have been capitalised and depreciated over the expected term in which the Branch will receive and economic benefit from the improvements.

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### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

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### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

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### NOTE 11: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (continued)

Movement in the carry amounts for each class of plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year

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·	Building Improvements	Furniture Fittings & Equipment	Motor Total Vehicles
	\$	\$	\$\$
Balance at 1 July 2011	1,690,560	91,462	171,574 1,953,596
Additions	693	59,042	267,402 327,137
Depreciation expense	( 52,399)	( 25,847)	( 64,858) ( 143,104)
Disposals	-	-	(100,821) (100,821)
Balance at 30 June 2012	1,638,854	124,657	273,297 2,036,810
Additions	246,060	30,245	- 276,305
Depreciation expense	( 52,410)	( 29,808)	( 51,244) ( 133,462)
Disposals	-	-	
Carrying amount at 30 June 2013	1,832,504	125,094	222,053 2,179,653

#### NOTE 12: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Trade payables	97,152	67,469
NOTE 13: FINANCIAL LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Bank loan secured	49,242	64,458
Hire purchase liabilities	115,538	149,937
	164,780	214,395
NON CURRENT		
Bank loan secured	434,211	329,856
	434,211	329,856

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	2013 \$	2012 \$
NOTE 13: BORROWINGS (continued)	Ŧ	Ť
(a) Total current and non current secured liabilities:		
Bank loan	483,453	394,313
· ·		394,313
<ul><li>(b) The carrying amounts of non current assets pledged as security are disclosed in the accounts of the National body of the Union as under Rule 51 the Union's rules, the National Executive has control of all property of the union.</li><li>(c) The bank loan is secured by a registered first mortgage</li></ul>		
over the freehold properties controlled by the Union		
NOTE 14: PROVISIONS		
Office Holders: Annual leave Long service leave	54,787	80,355 58,821
		139,176
Other Employees: Annual leave Long service leave	36,698 22,415	33,806 21,099
	59,113	54,905
Total employee provisions	191,641 	194,081
Current Non-Current	114,439 77,202	114,161 79,920

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NOTE 15: SALARIES		2013 \$	2012 \$
As at 1 July 2012 the following to the full- time elected official			
Branch Secretary Assistant Branch Secretary Branch President Branch Organiser (Note the above rates of pay be The following analysis of salar year is given in compliance with	ies paid during the		
of the Fair Work (Registered C Paid to office holders Paid to employees Termination packages		590,219 247,490 	552,563 248,505 
NOTE 16: AUDITORS' RE	MUNERATION		
Remuneration of the auditor - auditing or reviewing the fina	ncial report	14,000  14,000	14,000

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### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

#### NOTE 17: SEGMENT REPORTING

The Union operates predominantly in one business and geographical segment being the provision of Trade Union services.

#### NOTE 18: UNION DETAILS

The registered office and principle place of business of the Union is:

161 Maitland Road MAYFIELD NSW 2304

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#### **NOTE 19: RELATED PARTY INFORMATION**

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

Transactions with related parties

Sustentation fees paid to the Australian Workers Union, National Office during the year totaled \$262,689 (2012: \$299,792).

### NOTE 20: NOTICE REQUIRED BY \$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 of Fair Work Australia:

- 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 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).

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### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

#### NOTE 21: ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES REQUIRED UNDER THE RO ACT

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In accordance with the requirements of Section 255 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the following necessary disclosures are made:

i) INCOME STATEMENT ITEMS OF REVENUE Compulsory levies raised from members or appeals for voluntary contributions: Donations or Grants income ITEMS OF EXPENSE Expenses paid to employers for payroll deduction costs incurred relating to membership contributions. Affiliation fees/subscriptions to organisations with an interest In industrial matters 46,486 31,338 Compulsory levies imposed on the Union Donations or Grant expenses 34,841 43,565 Employee Benefit Expenses: - Office Holders 590,219 552,563 - Employees (Other than Office Holders) 247,490 248,505 837,709 801,068 Attendance Fees/Allowance - Conferences and Meetings 1,172 5,814 Legal Costs and Related Expenses 19,412 765 Expenses incurred in connection with meetings of members, councils, committees, panels to other bodies for which the Union was wholly or partly responsible. Penalties imposed under the Act or Regulations

### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

#### ABN 81 309 714 429

#### **COMPILATION REPORT**

#### TO AUSTRALIAN WORKERS UNION

#### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN BRANCH - FEDERAL

#### Scope

On the basis of the information provided by the Union, we have compiled, in accordance with APS9: Statement of Compilation of Financial Reports, the following special purpose financial report comprising the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30 June 2013 as set out on pages 6 to 24.

The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial report has been prepared is for the confidential use of the committee of management and members. Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements have not been adopted in the preparation of this special financial report.

The committee of management are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Union's rules and are appropriate to meet the needs of the committee and members of the Union.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summaries the financial information which the Union provided into a financial report. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

To the extent permitted by law, we do not accept liability for any loss or damage which any person other than the Union, may suffer arising from any negligence on our part. No person should rely on the special purpose financial report without having an audit or review conducted.

The special purpose financial report was prepared for the benefit of the committee of management and the members of the Union and the purpose identified above. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial report.

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K H PERRY & CO (MAYFIELD) CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS 161 MAITLAND ROAD MAYFIELD NSW 2304

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Dated at MAYFIELD this

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day of OCIOBER 2013.

### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN BRANCH - FEDERAL

### ABN 81 309 714 429

### STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	2013 \$	2012 \$
INCOME		
Contributions	2,042,330	2,042,079
Rent received	469,573	479,089
Other income	28,470	50,660
Interest received	6,307	36,683
Training income	-	5,000
TOTAL INCOME	2,546,680	2,613,511

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report of K H Perry & Co

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# NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN BRANCH - FEDERAL

### ABN 81 309 714 429

### STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

TOTAL INCOME	2013 \$ 2,546,680	2012 \$ 2,613,511
EXPENDITURE		
Advertising	22,068	38,206
Affiliation fees	46,486	31,338
Audit fees	14,000	14,000
Bank fees and charges	4,059	4,268
Branch executive expenses	2,451	2,020
Caretaker	73,656	62,033
Cleaning expenses	16,580	13,359
Commissions	13	35
Computer expenses	46,626	36,743
Delegates and members expenses	34,763	11,925
Depreciation	133,462	146,943
Donations	38,841	43,565
Electricity	74,483	47,538
Fringe benefits tax	9,292	9,294
Functions and entertainment	35,010	37,448
Funeral benefit	36	36
Insurance	77,879	81,592
Interest	41,887	64,371
Internet expenses	2,941	2,988
Land tax	9,942	10,600
Legal fees	19,412	765
Meeting expenses	1,172	4,702
Motor vehicle expenses	49,636	50,014
National office levies – IR	7,839	-
Office expenses	9,030	8,432
Payroll tax	56,738	46,632
Printing, postage and stationery	30,059	42,676
Professional fees	3,665	1,165
Provision for annual leave	278	24,559
Provision for long service leave	( 2,718)	2,869
Rates and strata fees	45,896	40,564
Repairs and maintenance	71,056	127,769
	973,341	1,008,449

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report of K H Perry & Co

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### STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

Expenditure carried forward from prior page	2013 \$ 973,341	2012 \$ 1,008,449
Salaries and wages	764,053	801,068
Security service	8,561	8,695
Seminar and conference expenses	31,554	28,486
Staff amenities	1,103	1,112
Subscriptions	-	600
Superannuation	96,805	89,496
Sustentation fees	262,689	299,792
Telephone	43,499	23,083
Travel and accommodation	45,247	40,830
Uniforms	1,664	1,626
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2,228,516	2,303,237
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	318,164	310,274

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Compilation Report of K H Perry & Co

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#### NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH - FEDERAL

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### CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY OR OTHER AUTHORISED OFFICER

#### s268 OF FAIR WORK (REGISTERED ORGANISATIONS) ACT 2009

I Richard John Downie, being the Secretary of the Australian Workers Union Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch certify:

- (a) that the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report for the year ended 30 June 2013, referred to in s268 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*; and
- (b) that the full report was provided to members on 223 October 2013; and

RICHARD J DOWNIE BRANCH SECRETARY

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19th day of November 2013. Dated at MAYFIELD this

#### THE AUSTRALIAN WORKERS' UNION NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH

### MINUTES OF BRANCH EXECUTIVE MEETING 8/10/2013 4.30 P.M. 161 MAITLAND RD MAYFIELD

CHAIRMAN: T. Callinan

#### MINUTE SECRETARY: J. Boyd

ATTENDANCE:, J. Hicks, T. Matheson, G. Sissingh, M. Hughes, R. Parkinson, E. Lawless, K. Thomson, W. Pringle, R. Downie, P. Delaney, J. Boyd, T. Callinan.

APOLOGIES: B. Slavin, V. Smolarz, N. Freund, J. Zycki. MOVED P. Delaney, SECONDED T. Matheson, that the apologies be accepted.	CARRIED
SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS: MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED R. Parkinson, for a suspension in a allow or David Nash from K.H. Perry & Co. to present the Financial Report for year ended 30/6/2013.	standing orders to
<b>RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS</b> : MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED E. Lawless for the resumption of	f standing orders. CARRIED
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MOVED K. Thomson, SECONDED P. Delaney that the minutes of the previous meeting be taken as read	CARRIED
BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil	
<b><u>NEW MEMBERS</u></b> : 42 new members were submitted for the month August and 24 for September 2013. MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED J. Boyd that they be added to the register, if found correct.	CARRIED
<b>LEAVERS:</b> 13 members became inactive during August 2013 and 30 for September 2013. MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED T. Matheson, that the resignations be accepted.	CARRIED
<u>NEW_DELEGATES</u> : No new delegates were submitted.	
BRANCH ACCOUNTS: R. Downie tabled ME Bank Credit card account, iphone & ipad account and 2013 Feder	ral ALP election
expenditure . MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED T. Matheson that the accounts be endorsed.	CARRIED
GENERAL BUSINESS CONT'D	

MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED W. Pringle that this Branch Executive endorse the 2012-2013 Newcastle, Central Coast and Northern Regions Branch Audit reports, conducted by Auditors K.H. Perry & Co. CARRIED

MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED J. Boyd that the Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch Executive acknowledge the work done by K.H. Perry & Co. Auditors, in particular David Nash and that the Branch endorses the aforementioned auditors be retained for the 2013/2014 financial year.

Meeting closed 6.15p.m. <u>Next Meeting</u>: 4.30p.m. Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 Followed by the Federal Branch AGM commencing at 4.45p.m. and the State Branch AGM commencing at 5.15p.m.

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# AWU MEMBERS

AWU MEMBERS AGM of the Federal Registered The Australian Workers Union - Newcastle, Central Coast and Northern Regions Branch will be held on - TUESD AY - 19 th November, 2013 at 4:15 AWU Board Room, Level 3 161 Mailgand Rd, Mayfield All financial members are invited to attend - Financia the office or download from the website http://newcastle.awu.net.au .Richard Downie (Sec. 2 Contraction of the second se

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	Date: Tuesday 12th November 2013 Add to Calendar	Location: AWU Boardroom, Level 3 The Ironworker Centre 161 Maitland Rd Mayfield	Description: Monthly Branch Executive meeting for Newcastle Branch Executive members commences at 4.30p.m.
:	:		Branch Executive members, please submit your apology if you are unable to attend.
	Newcastle Branch Annua	l General Meeting	
	, Date:	Location:	
	Tuesday 19th November 2013 Add to Calendar	AWU Boardroom, Level 3 161 Maitland Road Mayfield	Description: The Annual General Meeting of the Federal Registered The Australian Workers' Union - Newcastle, Central Coast & Northern Regions Branch will be held Tuesday 19th November 2013 commencing at 5.00p.m. followed by The Annual General Meeting of the State Registered T
	Newcastle Branch Execu	tive Meeting	
	Date: Tuesday 10th December 2013 Add to Calendar	Location: AWU Boardroom, Level 3 The Ironworker Centre 161 Maitland Rd Mayfield	Description: Monthly Branch Executive meeting for Newcastle Branch Executive members commences at 4.30p.m.
			Branch Executive members, please submit your apology if you are unable to attend.
	NSW School Holidays		
	Date:	Location:	
	Saturday 21st December	NSW	Description:
	Add to Calendar		NSW School Holidays
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#### AUSTRALIAN WORKERS' UNION NEWCASTLE, CENTRAL COAST & NORTHERN REGIONS BRANCH

#### MINUTES OF FEDERAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 19/11/13 5.50 PM 161 MAITLAND RD MAYFIELD

CHAIRMAN: Tony Callinan

SECRETARY: Richard Downie

MINUTE SECRETARY: John Boyd

**<u>ATTENDANCE</u>**: as per attendance book

APOLOGIES: W. McGuinness

MOVED P. Delaney, SECONDED V. Smolarz that the apologies be accepted.

CARRIED

### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

MOVED W. Pringle, SECONDED P. Delaney that the minutes of the previous meeting be taken as read. CARRIED

#### ACCOUNTS:

R. Downie, Secretary, reported on 2013 Financial accounts that were submitted following availability to the membership on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2013 and endorsement by the Branch Executive on 8/10/13 after the presentation by K.H. Perry & Co. Pty Ltd as per Industrial Relations Act 1996.

MOVED R. Downie, SECONDED J. Boyd that this Federal Branch Annual General meeting endorse the Branch Accounts for financial year ending 30/6/2013 be adopted and be lodged with the Registrar. CARRIED

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:** Nil

#### **<u>REPORTS</u>:**

R. Downie reported on:

• Onesteel family fun day

• Moly-Cop (Comsteel) Forge closure and Melt shop reduction of hours under negotiation

- Branch thank you to Tony Morgan and Glenn Ford as past Branch Executive members
- Thanked all Officials, Branch Executive Members and staff for their hard work over the last 12 months.

MOVED V. Smolarz, SECONDED P. O'Brien, that the report be accepted.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS: Nil

Meeting closed 6.10p.m.



17 July 2013

Mr Richard Downie Branch Secretary The Australian Workers' Union - Newcastle, Central Coast and Northern Regions Branch

Sent by email: richardd@australianworkersunion.com

Dear Mr Downie,

### Re: Lodgement of Financial Report - [FR2013/284]

### Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act)

The financial year of the Newcastle, Central Coast and Northern Regions Branch of The Australian Workers' Union (the reporting unit) ended on 30 June 2013.

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 January 2014 (that is the period within 6 months and 14 days of 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 regarding financial reporting under the RO Act are provided on the Fair Work Commission website at: <u>Financial Reporting Fact Sheets</u>.

The documents can be emailed to <u>orgs@fwc.gov.au</u>. If it is envisaged that the financial report cannot be lodged by the due date you are requested to contact this office <u>prior</u> to the due date to discuss the issue.

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 \$33,000 for a body corporate and \$6,600 for an individual per contravention) being imposed upon an officer whose conduct led to the contravention and/or your organisation.

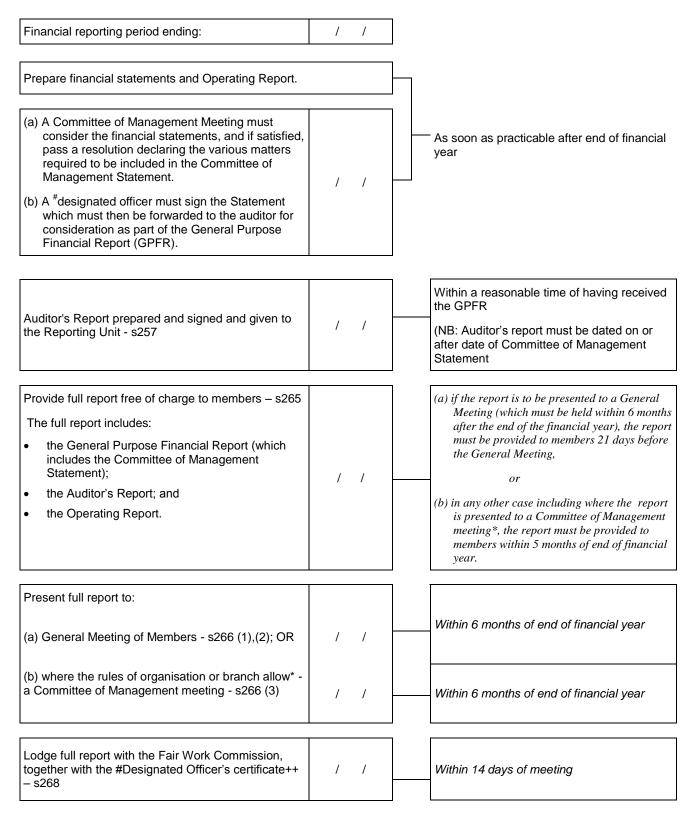
Should you seek any clarification in relation to the above, please contact me on (03) 8661 7936 or via email at <u>robert.pfeiffer@fwc.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Pfeiffer Senior Adviser Regulatory Compliance Branch

11 Exhibition Street Melbourne VIC 3000 GPO Box 1994 Melbourne VIC 3001

### TIMELINE/ PLANNER



<sup>\*</sup> 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.

<sup>#</sup> 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.

<sup>++</sup> 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.