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Ref: FR2006/205 [128V]

Mr Peter Tighe National Secretary CEPU National Office Suite 701, Level 7 1 Rosebery Avenue ROSEBERY NSW 2018

Dear Mr Tighe

Financial Return - year ending 31 March 2006

Our records show your organisation's financial year ended recently. This letter outlines some of the things you must do to meet your financial reporting obligations and when you have to do them. For simplicity, we will call the documents you have to lodge with us your *financial return*.

New legislation

This letter is intended as guide to the law applicable on the date of this letter and should not be used as a substitute for legal or accounting advice. We only summarise some of the reporting requirements in this letter. More detailed information is at the end of this letter.

The legislation has changed since your last return. In May 2003 the Industrial Registrar wrote to all organisations forwarding a number of facts sheets outlining the major changes made by Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 ('RAO' ¹). While the immediate changes affected the rules and elections in organisations, the changes affecting financial returns involve a longer lead time.

The key differences under the new legislation affecting financial returns are:

- a reduced financial reporting cycle (now maximum periods of 5 or 6 months depending on internal arrangements of organisation)
- a greater emphasis given to Australian Accounting Standards
- the introduction of a new report, known as an Operating Report (broadly similar in concept to a Director's Report under the corporations legislation)
- extensions of time are limited to one month
- restructured penalty provisions involving more extensive use of Civil Penalties
- the introduction of the Industrial Registrar's Reporting Guidelines
- organisations and their branches to report according to their financial structures, known as 'reporting units'.

We recommend you discuss the new requirements with your accountant or auditor.

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Registration and Accountability of Organisations Schedule (RAO) (Schedule 1B to the Workplace Relations Act 1996)

Reporting Unit

One of the new concepts of the RAO legislation is that reporting entities are known as "reporting units". Where an organisation is **not** divided into branches the reporting unit is the whole of the organisation. Where an organisation **is** divided into branches each branch will be a reporting unit unless the Industrial Registrar has determined a division of the organisation into reporting units on an alternative basis. We can discuss this with you if you need more information.

For simplicity, we will refer to your organisation as a reporting unit in this letter.

Industrial Registrar's Guidelines

The Industrial Registrar's reporting guidelines set out certain disclosure requirements in addition to those prescribed by Australian Accounting Standards having in mind the nature of organisations registered under the Workplace Relations Act.

The disclosure requirements prescribed by the reporting guidelines are directed towards providing members of the reporting unit with information to enable them to gauge the performance of the committee of management and other holders of office in relation to the financial management of the reporting unit. In addition, the reporting guidelines seek to improve the quality of information available to users of the financial report about the reporting unit's economic support of, or economic dependency on, other reporting units of the organisation.

Timeline Planner and Checklist

We have attached a <u>Timeline/Planner</u> (Attachment A) to help you **plan** your financial return and carry out all the necessary steps. We have also attached a <u>Document Checklist</u> (Attachment B) to **check** your documents before lodging them in the Registry. Both documents are abbreviated summaries of the relevant provisions of the RAO Schedule, RAO Regulations and the Industrial Registrar's Reporting Guidelines.

In the following section we describe some of the documents your reporting unit must prepare and the sequence of their preparation and completion.

Three Reports

Your reporting unit must prepare two reports <u>as soon as practicable</u> after its financial year, which, together with the Auditor's Report, comprise the reporting unit's financial return.

1. **General Purpose Financial Report** - this must comply with the Australian Accounting Standards and the Industrial Registrar's Reporting Guidelines. The GPFR consists of:

Financial Statements containing:

- a profit and loss statement, or other operating statement; and
- · a balance sheet; and
- · a statement of cash flows; and
- any other statements required by the Australian Accounting Standards; and

Notes to the Financial Statements containing:

- · notes required by the Australian Accounting Standards; and
- information required by the Industrial Registrar's Reporting Guidelines under section 255); and

Committee of Management Statement as required by the Registrar's Reporting Guidelines (a sample certificate for illustrative purposes is at Attachment C)

2. **Operating Report** - this report includes a review of your <u>reporting unit's</u> principal activities for the year and other specified information.

Your reporting unit must appoint an auditor to audit the GPFR and to provide:

an Auditor's Report.

First Meeting (Committee of Management)

For simplicity, we will call the meeting at which the committee of management first considers the GPFR the first meeting. At the first meeting your committee, if satisfied that all is in order, will resolve to express its opinion on the GPFR and complete a Committee of Management Statement.

The Auditor

After the first meeting, the auditor takes the GPFR and the Committee of Management Statement and prepares a report on the GPFR. In practice, your auditor may have already completed most of his or her examination of your accounts. The auditor may only be waiting on the Committee to pass the required resolution and make the Statement before signing the report the same day.

Informing Your Members

Your <u>reporting unit</u> must provide free of charge to the general membership, copies of the GPFR, the Operating Report and the Auditor's Report. RAO calls these the "full report". Under certain circumstances, your reporting unit can provide a more limited *concise report*.

The reporting unit can meet its obligation to provide copies of the full or concise report to members by publishing the report in a journal that is available to the members free of charge.

A reporting unit may meet this obligation in whole or in part by publication of the report in a journal published on a web site on the Internet dependent on:

- a. the extent of the accessibility of the members of the reporting unit to the Internet; and
- b. that the members are notified by the reporting unit in the usual manner in which it communicates with its members that the report has been so published at a specified Internet address.

The report must be provided within 5 or 6 months from the end of the financial year, depending on the internal arrangements of the organisation for the presentation of its financial reports.

The Second Meeting - if it is a General Meeting of Members

After providing the full report to members it must be presented to a general meeting of members. For simplicity this is referred to as the *second meeting*.

Your reporting unit must always allow a minimum of 21 days for members to receive the full report before presenting it to a general meeting of members (s265(5)). The purpose of the interval and the second meeting is to enable the members to have time to consider the report and, if they wish, to attend the second meeting to discuss it.

If the rules of the organisation permit a general meeting to be a series of meetings held at different locations, the full report may be presented to such a series of meetings. In this case the 'date' of the general meeting is taken to be the date of the last meeting in the series (see s266(2)).

The Second Meeting - if it is a Committee of Management Meeting

If the rules of your organisation contain a provision that allows up to 5% of members to demand a general meeting to be held consider the report (see s266(3)), it is permissible to present the report directly to a Committee of Management meeting.

Lodge full report within 14 days of meeting

You must lodge a copy of the full report and any concise report in the Industrial Registry within 14 days of the second meeting. For your convenience you are encouraged to lodge the material electronically (see eFiling Tab at www.airc.gov.au).

The Secretary (or another officer appropriately authorised under the rules of the organisation) must *certify* that the full report is a copy of the one provided to members <u>and</u> presented to the second meeting and provide the date of the meeting (a sample certification for illustrative purposes is at *Attachment D*).

When we receive your return we will check that it includes the information you must provide your members and that you have provided it to them correctly.

Complying with time limits

This letter has outlined some of the steps in preparing and lodging your return. Many of the steps must be completed within fixed time limits.

Failure to complete them in time could make your reporting unit or its officers liable to financial or "civil penalties".

Extensions of Time

We appreciate that sometimes circumstances beyond your reporting unit's control may delay completion of a financial return. If you believe your reporting unit is going to be unable to meet a time limit tell us as soon as you know. We can advise you if the step is one for which you may apply under RAO to the Industrial Registrar for extra time to complete. The maximum extra time allowed can be no more than one month.

Reduced Reporting Requirements

If your reporting unit meets certain conditions, some of these reporting requirements can be reduced. Such conditions might be where the annual income of the reporting unit (where the reporting unit is the whole of the organisation) is less than \$100,000, or where the reporting unit has no financial affairs in the financial year, or where the financial affairs of the reporting unit are encompassed by the financial affairs of its counterpart State industrial association.

Contact the Registry

We encourage you to contact the Registry on (02) 8374 6666 as early as possible if you believe preparation or lodgment of your return will be delayed or if you have any queries. We can offer you advice on procedure but we cannot give you legal or accounting advice.

Information on AIRC Website

We recommend you and your accountant/auditor refer to the following documents on the Commission's website at www.airc.gov.au:

- RAO Schedule and RAO Regulations
- Registrar's Reporting Guidelines All GPFR's must comply with these Guidelines. Please note that the Guidelines set out requirements that are *in addition* to those required by the Australian Accounting Standards.
- RAO Fact Sheets These Fact Sheets explain the new requirements of the RAO Schedule many of them deal with financial reporting matters.

Yours sincerely

For Deputy Industrial Registrar

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4 April 2006

TIMELINE/ PLANNER

Financial reporting period ending:	1 1]
FIRST MEETING:	<u> </u>] as soon as practicable
Prepare General Purpose Financial Report (including Committee of Management Statement in accordance with C of M resolution) and Operating Report - s253(1), s254(1)	1 1	as soon as practicable after end of financial year
		- 1
Auditor's Report prepared and signed and given to the Reporting Unit - s257	1 1	within a reasonable time of having received the GPFR
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Provide full report free of charge to members.		
(a) if the report is to be presented before a General Meeting (which must be held within 6 months after the end of the financial year), the report must be provided to members 21 days before the General Meeting, or		
(b) in any other case including where the report is presented to a Committee of Management meeting, the report must be provided to members within 5 months of end of financial year.	1 1	
(obligation to provide full report may be discharged by provision of a concise report s265(1))		
CECOND MEETING.		, 1
SECOND MEETING:		
Present full report to:		
(a) General Meeting of Members - s266 (1),(2), or	/ /	within 6 months of end of financial year
(b) where rules of organisation allow, a Committee of Management meeting - s266 (3)	1 1	within 6 months of end of financial year
		- 1
Lodge full report (including any concise report) in the Industrial Registry together with secretary's certificate (or other officer authorised by the rules of the organisation) - s268	1 1	within 14 days of meeting

Note: The legislation makes limited provision for extensions of time concerning the provision of the full report to members and the presentation of the full report to a general meeting etc however the maximum extra time allowed can be no more than one month.

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Attachment B

Documents Checklist

You can use this checklist as soon as possible after the financial year ends to ensure you have all the necessary documents prepared and that those documents contain all information required by RAO.

You can also use this checklist to ensure all documents in your financial return are complete before lodging them in the Registry.

No	Document	√
1	General Purpose Financial Report	
	Does the report contain a Profit and Loss Statement?	
	Does the report contain a Balance Sheet?	\dashv
_	Does the report contain a Statement of Cash Flows?	+
	Does the report contain notes to the financial statements as required by AAS and the	
	reporting guidelines?	
	Does the report contain all other information required by the reporting guidelines?	
2	Committee of Management Statement	
	Is the statement signed by the officer responsible for undertaking functions necessary to	
	enable the reporting unit to comply with RAO?	
	Is the statement dated?	
	Is the statement in accordance with a resolution of the committee?	
	Does the statement specify the date of the resolution?	-
	Does the statement contain declarations required by the reporting guidelines?	
3	Auditor's Report	
_	Is the Report dated and signed by the auditor?	
	Is the name of the auditor clear?	
	Are the qualifications of the auditor on the report?	
	Has the auditor expressed an opinion on all matters required?	
4	Operating Report	
	Is the report signed and dated?	
_	Does the report provide the number of members?	
	Does the report provide the number of employees?	"
	Does the report contain a review of principal activities?	
	Does the report give details of significant changes?	
	Does the report give details of right of members to resign?	1
	Does the report give details of superannuation trustees?	
	Does the report give details of membership of the committee of management?	
5	Concise report*	
6	Certificate of Secretary or other Authorised Officer	
	Is the certificate signed and dated?	+
	Is the signatory the secretary or another officer authorised to sign the certificate?	
	Is the date that the report was provided to members stated?	
	Is the date of the Second Meeting at which the report was presented stated?	
_	Does the certificate state that the documents are copies of those provided to members?	
· · · ·	Does the certificate state that the documents are copies of those presented to the Second	
	Meeting?]

^{*} This is an optional way of providing documents to members (see RAO s265(3) and RAO Reg. 161).

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Committee Of Management Statement

On [date of meeting] the Committee of Management of [name of reporting unit] passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) of the reporting unit for the financial year ended [date]:

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

- (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 Industrial Registrar;
- (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;
- (e) during the financial year to which the GPFR relates and since the end of 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 including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - (iii) the financial records of the reporting unit have been* kept and maintained in accordance with the RAO Schedule and the RAO Regulations; and
 - #(iv) where the organisation consists of 2 or more reporting units, 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) the information sought in any request of a member of the reporting unit or a Registrar duly made under section 272 of the RAO Schedule has been* furnished to the member or Registrar; and
 - #(vi) there has been* compliance with any order for inspection of financial records made by the Commission under section 273 of the RAO Schedule.

For Committee of Management: [name of designated officer per section 243 of the RAO Schedule]

Title of Office held:

Signature:

Date:

- * Where compliance or full compliance has not been attained set out details of non compliance instead.
- # Where not relevant these may be modified accordingly (e.g. in (vi) "No orders have been made by the Commission under section 273 of the RAO Schedule during the period."

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Certificate of Secretary or other Authorised Officer¹

s268 of Schedule 1B Workplace Relations Act 1996

I [name] being the [title of office] of the [name of the organisation] certify:

- that the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report, [and the concise report]², referred to in s268 of the RAO Schedule; and
- that the [full report OR concise report]3, was provided to members on [insert date]; and
- that the full report was presented to [a general meeting of members <u>OR</u> the last of a series of general meetings of members <u>OR</u> a meeting of the committee of management]³ of the reporting unit on [insert date]; in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.

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Signature
Date:

¹RAO regulation 162 prescribes the designated officer for the purpose of RAO schedule s268 as:

- (a) the secretary; or
- (b) an officer of the organisation other than the secretary who is authorised by the organisation or by the rules of the organisation to sign the certificate mentioned in that paragraph.

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²Only applicable where a concise report is provided to members

³Insert whichever is applicable

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Dear Mr Tighe

Re: Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia – National Office - Outstanding Financial Documents - Workplace Relations Act 1996

The Accounts and Audit Part of Schedule 1 of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* requires, as a general rule, that the audited financial statements of a reporting unit of a registered organisation, be lodged in the Industrial Registry within 6 months and 14 days from the end of its financial year.

To date, the Registry has no record of lodgement of the financial reports of the above named reporting unit for the year ended 31 March, 2006. For details of these provisions and organisations' financial reporting obligations please refer to the Registry's earlier correspondence.

In particular there is no record of lodgement of copies of:

- the general purpose financial report;
- · the auditor's report; or
- the operating report,

These three reports are referred to as the "full report".

Section 268 of the RAO Schedule¹ requires that a copy of the full report be lodged in the Registry within 14 days (or such longer period a Registrar allows) after the full report is presented to a general meeting of members (or to a committee of management meeting if the rules make provision consistent with s266(3)).

Section 266 (1) requires that the full report be presented to the meeting within 6 months of the end of the financial year. Therefore, lodgement of the documents in the Registry was required by **15 October, 2006.**

Section 305(2)(ze) of the RAO Schedule is a civil penalty provision. It provides that a failure to meet the requirements of s268 is a contravention of that civil penalty provision. The Federal Court may on application of the Industrial Registrar impose a pecuniary penalty on the person or organisation whose conduct contravened the civil penalty provision.

I also draw your attention to the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 9 of the RAO Schedule which set out the general duties of officers and employees of organisations and their branches in relation to financial management.

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¹ Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996

In the absence of lodgement of a copy of the full report, I request you state in writing by **8 November**, **2006**:

- whether the auditor has audited the general purpose financial report and if so, the date on which the auditor signed the audit report
- · whether the committee of management has prepared the operating report
- whether the full report has been provided to members, and if so, when
- whether the full report provided to the members has been presented to a general or committee of management meeting, and if so, when
- when a copy of the full report will be lodged in the Industrial Registry.

The full report when lodged must be accompanied by a certificate of the secretary or other authorised officer that the documents lodged are copies of the documents provided to members and presented to the general or committee of management meeting in accordance with s266.

If you wish to discuss this letter, please contact me on (02) 8374 6618. In reply please quote: **FR2006/205.**

Yours sincerely

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18 October, 2006

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Dear Mr Tighe

Re: Outstanding Financial Statements and Accounts for the CEPU National Office for the year ending 31 March 2006 (FR2006/205)

I refer to the previous correspondence from the Registry dated 18 October 2006, a copy of which is attached, regarding the abovementioned outstanding financial statements and accounts for the year ending 31 March 2006.

To date, no response has been received to this letter and the financial return is now substantially overdue.

Would you please advise me in writing by **Tuesday 6 March 2007** when you anticipate that this return will be lodged in the Registry.

Yours sincerely

Barry Jenkins

Deputy Industrial Registrar

20 February 2007

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- whether the full report has been provided to members, and if so, when
- whether the full report provided to the members has been presented to a general or committee of management meeting, and if so, when
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Yours sincerely

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18 October, 2006

23 March 2007

Stephen Kellet Australian Industrial Registry Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street East Sydney NSW 2011



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Lodgement of Financial Returns of the CEPU National Office, for year ending 31 March 2006 (FR2006/205)

Dear Stephen,

Pursuant to s268 of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, please find attached the Certificate of Secretary for the National office, for the year ending 31 March 2006.

Please accept my sincere apologies for the delay in remitting the above financial returns. I have appended to this letter the statements for the CEPU above-mentioned office.

If you have any queries in relation to the documents remitted, please contact the undersigned.

NATIONAL OFFICE

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Yours faithfully,

Peter Tighe

NATIONAL SECRETARY



Certificate of Secretary

S268 of Schedule 1B Workplace Relations Act 1996

I, Peter Tighe, being the National Secretary of the Communications Electrical Plumbing Division certify:

That the full report of the CEPU National Office was provided to members the first week in August 2006; and

That the full report was presented to a meeting of the committee of management of the reporting unit on 25^{th} August 2006; in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.

Signed:	18.		
Data	22 March 2007		
Date:	23 March 2007		



FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

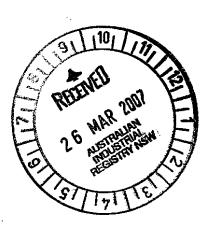


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DIRECTOR'S REPORT (continued)

COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRICAL ELECTRONIC ENERGY INFORMATION POSTAL PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES OF AUSTRALIA - NATIONAL COUNCIL ABN 78 117 032 302

OPERATING REPORT

This Operating Report covers the activities of the Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia – National Council, for the financial year ended 31 March 2006, the results of those activities and any significant changes in the nature of those activities during the year.

1. Principle Activities of the Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia –National Council

- iplementation of the decisions of the National Executive and National Council.
- Implementation of the union's organising agenda, including direct assistance and strategic advice on particular sector or site organising projects, the training and development of officials and assistance to Divisions and branches on planning and resourcing campaigns.
- Industrial support including representation of industry grievances, advice on legal and legislative matters, pursuing relevant changes to the conditions of eligibility rules of the union, and responding to other unions' rules applications where they impact on membership of the CEPU.
- The administration of federal industrial relations system, industrial returns, advising peak Councils on major test cases (such as living wage) and making submissions to Government and industry on behalf of the CEPU.
- National media and communications to members via Divisions and to the broader community via media releases in support of campaigns, video and film development, and targeted publications.
- National bargaining in key multi Divisional national industries, and assistance to Divisions on legal and industrial relations matters by request.

The national office has consulted with the ACTU on the development of claims on behalf of all Australian workers and their families. Where appropriate, the national office has assisted branches in the implementation of relevant decisions via the variation of awards.

The national office has also been involved in lobbying and negotiations with different levels of Government and key industry organisations around issues of importance to CEPU members.

2. The National Council's Financial Affairs

There have been no significant changes in the national office financial affairs. A small service fee is paid for each financial member.

During the 2005/6 financial year, the national office funded a number of legal actions on behalf of membership interests.

3. Right of Members to Resign.

All members of the Union have the right to resign from the Union in accordance with Divisional Rules of the Union (and Section 174 of the Workplace Relations Act); namely, by providing written notice addressed and delivered to the Secretary of the relevant Divisional Branch, including via email.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (continued)

4. Superannuation Trustees

Peter Tighe is an officer of the National Office and is a Trustee and Member of the Board of Directors of the C+Bus, a multi Divisional Superannuation Fund.

5. Membership of the Union

There were 135,579 members of the union as at 31 March 2006.

 Employees of the Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia – National Council

As at 31 March 2006 the National Council employed no full time employees and no part-time employees.

7. National Executive

The following persons were members of the National Executive, during the year ending 31 March 2006.

Brian Baulk National President
Colin Cooper National Vice President
Peter Tighe National Secretary
Earl Setches National Assistant Secretary
Bernard Riordan NSW Branch Secretary - Ele

Bernard Riordan

Dean Mighell

Southern States Branch - Electrical Division

Richard Williams

QLD Branch Secretary - Electrical Division

Steve McCarney

NSW Branch Secretary - Plumbing Division

NSW Branch Secretary - Plumbing Division

Tony Murphy

TAS Branch Secretary - Plumbing Division

Jorgen Gullestrop

QLD Branch Secretary - Plumbing Division

Jim MetcherNSW P & T Branch Secretary - Communications DivisionPaul KellyP & T WA Branch Secretary - Communications DivisionGary CarsonWA T & S Branch Secretary - Communications DivisionSharelle HerringtonAffirmative Action Assistant Secretary - Communications DivVivette HorrexNSW T & S Assistant Branch Secretary - Communications Div

PETER TIGHE, NATIONAL SECRETARY

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
Revenue from ordinary activities	2	916,925	297,612
Other expenses from ordinary activities		(922,594)	(288,367)
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax expense (income tax revenue)		(5,669)	9,245
Income tax revenue (income tax expense) relating to ordinary activities			
Profit from ordinary activities after related income tax expense (income tax revenue)	3	(5,669)	9,245
Total changes in equity other than those resulting from transactions with owners as owners	8	(5,669)	9,245

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash assets	4	5,790	72,040
Receivables	5	752,318	91,898
Other	6	9,933	4,250
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		768,041	168,188
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CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	7	695,794	90,272
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		695,794	90,272
TOTAL LIABILITIES		695,794	90,272
NET ASSETS			<u>77,916</u>
EQUITY			
Retained profits	9	72,247	<u>77,916</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	. 8	72,247	<u>. 77,916</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from customers		255,170	277,787
Payments to suppliers and employees		(322,755)	(376,003)
Interest received		1,335	1,391
Net cash used in operating activities	13(b)	(66,250)	(96,825)
Net decrease in cash held	,	(66,250)	(96,825)
Cash at beginning of financial year		72,040	168,865
Cash at end of financial year	13 (a)	<u>5,790</u>	<u>72,040</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views) and the Workplace Relations Act, 1996. The financial statements have also been prepared on the basis of historical costs and do not take into account changing money values, or except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the company in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the company is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(b) Cash

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and at call deposits with banks or financial institutions, investments in money market instruments maturing within less than two months and net of bank overdrafts.

(c) Revenue

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets. Other revenue is recognised when the right to receive the revenue has been established.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(d) 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 expense. Receivables and payables in the Statement of Financial Position are shown inclusive of GST.

(e) Comparative Figures

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	Note	2006 S	2005 \$
NOTE 2: REVENUE			
Operating activities			
- rendering of services		48,883	49,148
- interest	2(a)	1,335	1,391
- member subscriptions		251,707	247,073
- other revenue		615,000	-
		<u>916,925</u>	297,612
(a) Interest from:			
- other persons		1,335	1,391
NOTE 3: PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Profit (losses) from ordinary activities before income tax expenses (income tax revenue) has been determined after:			
(a) Expenses			
Borrowing costs:			
- other persons		52	
Remuneration of the auditors for			
- audit or review services			2,700
NOTE 4: CASH ASSETS			
Cash at bank		5,790	72,040
NOTE 5: RECEIVABLES			
CURRENT	•		
Other debtors		<u>752,318.</u>	91,898
NOTE 6: OTHER ASSETS			
CURRENT			
Prepayments		9,933	4,250
NOTE 7: PAYABLES			
CURRENT			
Unsecured liabilities			20 ===
Trade creditors		689,906	90,798
Sundry creditors and accruals		5,888	(526)
		695,794	90,272

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	Note	2006 \$	2005 \$
NOTE 8: EQUITY			
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		77, 916	68,671
Total changes in equity recognised in the statement of financial performance		(5,669)	9,245
Total equity at the reporting date		<u>72,247</u>	<u>77,916</u>
NOTE 9: RETAINED PROFITS			
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year		<i>7</i> 7,916	68,671
Net profit (loss) attributable to members of the entity		(5,669)	9,245
Retained profits at the end of the financial year		72,247	<u>77,916</u>

NOTE 10: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND ASSETS

Contingent Liabilities

There are no known contigent liabilities as at balance date or to the date of this report.

NOTE 11: EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

There was no events significant subsequent to balance date and upto the date of this report.

NOTE 12: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following persons were members of the National Executive, during the year ending 31 March 2006.

Brian Baulk	National President
Colin Cooper	National Vice President
Peter Tighe	'National Secretary
Earl Setches	` National Assistant Secretary
Bernard Riordan	"NSW Branch Secretary – Electrical Division
Dean Mighell	'Southern States Branch – Electrical Division
Richard Williams	QLD Branch Secretary - Electrical Division
Steve McCarney	NSW Branch Secretary – Plumbing Division
Tony Murphy	TAS Branch Secretary – Plumbing Division
Jorgen Gullestrop	QLD Branch Secretary – Plumbing Division
Jim Metcher	NSW P & T Branch Secretary – Communications Division
Paul Kelly	P & T WA Branch Secretary — Communications Division
Gary Carson	WAT & S Branch Secretary - Communications Division
Sharelle Herrington	Affirmative Action Assistant Secretary - Communications Div
Vivette Horrex	NSW T & S Assistant Branch Secretary - Communications Div

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	Note	2006 \$	2005 \$
NOTE 13: CASH FLOW INFORMATION			
(a) Reconciliation of cash			
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:			
Cash at bank		5,790	72,040
(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit from ordinary activities after income tax			
Profit (Loss) from ordinary activities after income tax		(5,669)	9,245
Changes in assets and liabilities			
Increase in receivables		(660,420)	(18,434)
Increase in other assets		(5,683)	•
Increase/(decrease) in payables		605,522	(87,637)
Cash flows from operations		(66,250)	(96,826)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

NOTE 14: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(a) Interest Rate Risk

The company's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates and the effective weighted average interest rates on classes of financial assets and financial liabilities, is as follows:

	Ave Effe	ghted rage ctive st Rate	Floating Interest Rate		Non Interest Bearing		Total	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005
Financial Assets:	%	%	S	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash	0.07	0.07	5,790	72,640	-	-	5,790	72,040
Receivables	-	-			762,251	96,148	762,251	<u>77.714</u>
Total Financial Assets			5,790	72,640	762,251	96,148	768,041	149,754
Financial Liabilities:								
Trade and sundry creditors	-	-			695,794	90,272	695,794	90,272
Total Financial Liabilities					695,794	90,272	695,794	90,272

NOTE 15: COMPANY DETAILS

The registered office of the company is:

Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services of Australia - National Council

Level 7, 1 Rosebery Avenue

Rosebery NSW 2018

NOTE 16: INFORAMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OR REGISTRAR

In accordance with the requirements of the workplace Relations Act, 1996 the attention is drawn to the provisions of Sub-Section (1), (2), and (3) of section 272 of Schedule 1B which read as follows:

- (1) A member of the reporting unit, or a registrar, 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 less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.
- (3) A reporting unit must comply with the application made under subsection (1).

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

On (Date of Meeting) the committee of Management of Communication Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia – National Council passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) of the reporting unit for the financial year ended 31 March 2006.

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

- (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 Industrial Register;
- (c) the financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the CEPU- National Council for the financial year to which they relate;
- (d) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the CEPU- National Council will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable;
- (e) during the financial year to which the GPFR relates and since the end of the financial year:
 - meetings of the committee of management were held in accordance with the rules of the organization including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - the financial affairs of the CEPU- National Council have been managed in accordance with the rules of the organization including the rules of branch concerned; and
 - (iii) the financial records of the CEPU- National Council have been kept and maintained in accordance with Schedule 1B to the Workplace Relations Act 1996 and the Workplace Relations (Registration and Accountability of Organisation) Regulations 2003; and
 - (iv) the financial records of the CEPU- National Council have been as far as practicable, in consistent manner to each of the other branches of the organization; and
 - (v) no information has been sought in any request of a member of the CEPU- National Council or a Registrar duly made under section 272 of Schedule 1B to the Workplace Relations Act 1996; and
 - (vi) no order have been made by the Industrial Registrar under section 273 of Schedule 1B to the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

For the National Executive

Peter Tighe

National Secretary

31.8.06

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRICAL ELECTRONIC ENERGY INFORMATION POSTAL PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES OF AUSTRALIA - NATIONAL COUNCIL

Scope

We have audited the financial report of Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services of Australia - National Council for the financial year ended 31 March 2006 comprising the Directors' Declaration, Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements.

The company's directors are responsible for the financial report. We have conducted an independent audit of this financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the company.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services of Australia - National Council is in accordance with:

- (a) the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 March 2006 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) other mandatory professional requirements in Australia.

Pinker Arnold & McLoughlin Suite 1 Level 2 420 Forest Road Hurstville NSW 2220

Richard Charles Pinker

August 2006

Partner

Hurstville NSW

DISCLAIMER TO THE MEMBERS OF COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRICAL ELECTRONIC ENERGY INFORMATION POSTAL PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES OF AUSTRALIA - NATIONAL COUNCIL

The additional financial data presented on page 13 is in accordance with the books and records of the company which have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our statutory audit of the company for the financial year ended 31 March 2006. It will be appreciated that our statutory audit did not cover all details of the additional financial data. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and we give no warranty of accuracy or reliability in respect of the data provided. Neither the firm nor any member or employee of the firm undertakes responsibility in any way whatsoever to any person (other than Communications Electrical Electronic Energy Information Postal Plumbing and Allied Services of Australia - National Council) in respect of such data, including any errors of omissions therein however caused.

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Richard Charles Pinker

Partner

Sugust 2006

Hurstville NSW

PRIVATE INFORMATION FOR THE DIRECTOR ON THE 2006 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
INCOME		
Other professional income	48,883	49,148
Interest	1,335	1,391
Membership subscriptions	251,707	247,073
Other income	615,000	-
TOTAL INCOME	916,925	297,612
LESS EXPENSES		
Affiliation fees	251,707	. 251,741
Audit fees	2,700	2,700
Bank charges	33	2
Conference/Seminar costs	•	2,639
Donations (Advertising & media)	635,000	4,000
Interest paid	52	-
Legal costs	11,430	5,388
Printing and stationery	3,780	-
Secretarial Services	5,142	4,897
TUTA	12,750	17,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	922,594	288,367
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)	(5,669)	9,245



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Mr Peter Tighe National Secretary, CEPU Suite 701, Level 7, 1 Rosebery Avenue ROSEBERY NSW 2018

Dear Mr Tighe

Re: Lodgement of Financial Statements and Accounts – National Office, CEPU – year ending 31 March 2006 (FR2006/205)

I refer to the abovementioned financial statements and accounts which were lodged in the Registry on 26 March 2007.

The legislative requirements appear to have been met. I take this opportunity however to mention the following:

Donations over \$1,000

The amount for Donations in the Detailed Profit and Loss Statement on page 13 shows as \$635,000. If this total amount included any single donation exceeding \$1,000, a separate statement providing relevant particulars is required to be lodged under s237 of the RAO Schedule. If this is the case and you have not already done so, this should be lodged as soon as possible.

The documents have been filed.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Kellett

Statutory Services Branch

16 April 2007,