Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street, East Sydney, NSW 2011 Telephone: (02) 8374 6666 Fax: (02) 9380 6990

Ref: FR2003/44-[128V-CTSV]

Mr Len Cooper
Branch Secretary
Victorian Telecommunications & Services Branch
Communications Division
CEPU
71 Cromwell Street
COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066

Dear Mr Cooper

Re: CEPU - Communications Division - Victorian Telecommunications & Services Branch Financial Reporting Obligations under *Workplace Relations Act 1996*

This is a courtesy letter to remind you of the financial reporting obligations of the abovenamed body under the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* ('the Act') for the financial year ended 31 March, 2003.

The legislative scheme set out in Part IX, Division 11 of the Act is directed at ensuring that a registered organisation or a branch of such an organisation discharges obligations of accountability to its members in relation to its financial affairs through proper and regular disclosure of financial information. The various steps of the financial reporting requirements must be carried out within the time-scales prescribed by the legislation so as to ensure the relevance of the financial information provided to the members.

Now that the financial year has ended, it is timely that you put in train the various steps of the financial reporting requirements. To assist you with this process I have enclosed for your information a notice summarising these requirements including the time-scales prescribed by the legislation.

Please note that a branch of an organisation may be exempted from the obligations arising under Part IX, Division 11 in respect of a financial year by satisfying a Registrar that the branch did not have any financial affairs during the financial year. An application under subsection 271A(1) of the Act must be made within 90 days (unless extended by a Registrar) after the end of the financial year.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 8374 6618 if you wish to discuss the financial reporting requirements, especially if you anticipate any difficulty in meeting any step in the time-scales prescribed.

Yours sincerely

Belinda Penna

E-mail: belinda.penna@air.gov.au

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1 April 2003



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29th September 2003

Deputy Registrar
Australian Industrial Relations Commission
80 William Street
EAST SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Sir,



Application for extension to sign Financial Statements

Please be advised that we act as auditor of the following Unions which have a 31st March balance date: -

- CEPU Communications Division
 Telecommunications and Service Branch (Victoria)
 Fig. 1
- 2. CEPU Communications Division Divisional Conference

We wish to apply for an extension of time to sign the financial statements under registration 113(b) of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, for the abovementioned Unions as we have been unable to obtain all necessary information to complete our audit.

Due to the elections held this year there has been a change in committee of management of the Divisional Conference and as a result we are still awaiting decisions by the executive committee which will affect the results of both the abovenamed Unions.

Yours sincerely,

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TREVOR M. WEIR

Partner

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Yr Ref: TMW/JB/CWU440

Mr Trevor Weir Partner MSI Ragg Weir Chartered Accountants PO Box 325 HAWTHORN VIC 3122

Dear Mr Weir

Re: CEPU Victorian Telecommunications and Service Branch - Audit of financial accounts for the year ending 31 March 2003

FR 2003/44

Thank you for your letter dated 29 September 2003 requesting an extension of time to complete your report in relation to the abovenamed branch for the financial year ending 31 March 2003.

I am satisfied that, for reasons outside your control, it was not practicable for you to complete within the prescribed period the report referred to in subsection 276(1) of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*. Therefore, under regulation 113, I grant an extension of time for the completion of the auditor's report to 30 November 2003.

Yours sincerely

Deputy Industrial Registrar

8 October 2003

Ref: VB 03/325 23 December 2003

Stephen Kellett Deputy Registrar Australian Industrial Registry Level 8 Terrace Towers 80 William Street East Sydney NSW 2011

Fax: 02 9380 6990

Dear Mr Kellett

FINANCIAL REPORT

Please find attached the Branch Financial report for the 2002/2003 financial year.

The following motion was carried at the 19th of November 2003 Committee Of Management meeting.

"That after reception and careful consideration of the documents put forward, we believe that this is a fair and accurate summary of the report, accounts and statements of the Communications, Electrical and Plumbing Union, Communications Division. Telecommunications and Services Branch, Victoria for the year ended 31st March 2003."

Also that a certified balance sheet in respect of the year ending the 31st March 2003, with the auditor's report thereon, shall be published, distributed and presented to members in accordance with the provisions of the Industrial Relations Act and Regulations. Further that the Secretary be authorised to circulate the abridged version of the report to all members".

The abridged Finance Report was circulated to members on the 25th November 2003 via post, email and fax. Document attached, our ref: SLD 03/209.

The General Meeting of members to consider the Financial Report was held on the 10th December 2003. The following motion was carried.

"That after reception and careful consideration of the documents put forward, we believe that this is a fair and accurate summary of the report, accounts and statements of the Communications, Electrical and Plumbing Union, Communications Division. Telecommunications and Services Branch, Victoria for the year ended 31st March 2003."

Yours faithfully,

LEN COOPER Branch Secretary

Attach/. SLD 03/209

Branch Financial Report



COMMUNICATIONS UNION (CEPU)

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Telecommunications And Services Branch Victoria

Len Cooper Branch Secretary

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Rec'd 30/12/03 8P 2/1/04



COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION Telecommunications & Services Branch

General Meeting

Your Chance To Have A Say

Wednesday 10th December 2003 71 Cromwell St Collingwood

General Meeting 6.30 PM

MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING

To check up on previous decisions

CORRESPONDENCE

For your information

MOTION FOR MEMBERS DECISION

REPORTS

On latest developments

GENERAL BUSINESS

Whatever you want to raise

NOTE:

BRANCH FINANCE REPORT ATTACHED

Motions For Members Decision:

ANNUAL BRANCH FINANCE REPORT FOR ADOPTION

Motion 1: From A Member

That prior to the next Federal Parliamentary general election, in addition, to any other electoral activities such as campaigning in marginal electorates, the Victorian T & S Branch of the CEPU will sponsor a major rally to be held in or near the Melbourne CBD on a Saturday or Sunday before that general election to campaign against:

- The further direct and indirect privatisation of Telstra, NDC and joint ventures;
- The outsourcing of Telstra's, NDC's and joint ventures functions;
- The continual involuntary retrenchment of the corporations permanent workforce;
- The casualisation of the workforce;
- The industrial relations programme of the Federal Government.

That other branches of the CEPU, the ACTU, the Victorian Trades Hall Council, other unions, community groups and the general public be invited to participate in this rally.

Motion 2: From A Member

That this General Meeting as a service to members endorses the continuance of the Special Election edition Newsletter. That future editions of this newsletter be dispatched to all members who are electors prior to the release of the ballot papers via distributors/shop stewards or at home.

Motion 3: From A Member

That in future, a notice of an Annual General Meeting of the Victorian T & S Branch, be dispatched to all members who are eligible to attend. If a member does not have a distributor or a shop steward, the notice must be sent to his/her home.

Motion 4: From A Member

That any candidate's statement submitted for inclusion in the Special Election edition Newsletter which falls within the word limit shall not be censored unless it contains racist, sexist, homophobic or xenophobic material or material defamatory at law.

LEN COOPER
Branch Secretary

COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA) ABN 13 511 341 559

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2003 COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA) ABN 13 511 341 559

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 ST MARCH, 2003

	2003 \$	2002 \$
RECEIPTS	Ψ	Ψ
Members contributions	1,183,662	1,286,477
Interest received	2,508	4,806
Sundry income	<u>7,379</u>	<u>27,894</u>
TOTAL INCOME	1,193,549	1,319,177
LESS EXPENDITURE		
Administrative expense	380,783	265,113
Affiliation & capitation fees	343,035	349,965
Depreciation expense	12,913	17,804
Employee benefit expense	619,194	797,599
Occupancy expense	35,072	<u>35,175</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>1,390,997</u>	<u>1,465,656</u>
DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	\$ <u>(197,448)</u>	\$ <u>(146,479)</u>
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 ST MARCH, 2003		
Balance general fund as at 1 st April, 2002	(209,916)	(63,437)
Less deficit for the year	(197,448)	(146,479)
	(407,364)	(209,916)
Add special fund balance as at 31st March, 2003	60,329	<u>58,107</u>
TOTAL ACCUMULATED LOSSES	\$ <u>(347,035)</u>	\$ <u>(151.809)</u>
Represented by:		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash assets	135,396	172,547
Prepayments	6,274	5,755
Receivables	53,221	122,864
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>194,891</u>	<u>301,166</u>
OTHER ASSETS		
Other financial assets	1,366	1,366
Office equipment & motor cars @ WDV	50,151	<u>62,191</u>
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	<u>51,517</u>	<u>63,557</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>246,408</u>	<u>364,723</u>
LESS LIABILITIES		
Creditors	371,659	319,347
Employee provisions	<u>221,784</u>	<u>197,185</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>593,443</u>	516,532
NET LIABILITIES	\$ <u>(347,035)</u>	\$ <u>(151,809)</u>
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Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Comparative Figures

COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA) ABN 13 511 341 559

INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO MEMBER OR REGISTRAR

In accordance with the requirements of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of sub sections (1), (2) and (3) of Section 274, which read as follows:-

(1) Application of Information

A member of an Organisation, or a registrar, may apply to the Organisation for specified prescribed information in relation to the Organisation.

(2) Provision of Information

An Organisation shall, on application made under sub section (1) by a member of the Organisation or a registrar, make the specified information available to the member or registrar in such manner, and within such time, as is prescribed.

(3) Function of Registrar

A registrar may only make an application under sub section (1) at the request of a member of the Organisation concerned, and the registrar shall provide to a member information received because of an application made at the request of the member.

Penalty: \$1,000

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Union will provide a copy of the report, accounts and statements free of charge to any member who requests them.

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA)

We certify that the above summary is a fair and accurate summary of the report, accounts and statements of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) for the year ended 31st March, 2003. Our Auditors Report on the financial statements dated 19th November, 2003, on the accounts did not contain particulars of any deficiency, failure or shortcoming as referred to in the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

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TREVOR M. WEIR

PARTNER

REGISTERED COMPANY AUDITOR

Melbourne:

25th November, 2003

	NOTE	2003 \$	2002 \$
Revenues from ordinary activities	3	1,193,549	1,319,177
Administration expenses		(342,990)	(237,435)
Affiliation and capitation fees		(343,035)	(349,965)
Depreciation expenses	4	(12,913)	(17,804)
Employee benefits expense		(619,194)	(797,599)
Occupancy expenses		(35,072)	(35,175)
Other expenses from ordinary activities		(37,793)	(27,678)
Loss from ordinary activities before income tax expenses	4	(197,448)	(146,479)
Income tax expense	1(a)		
Net loss		(197,448)	(146,479)
Total changes in equity	13	\$ <u>(197,448</u>)	\$ <u>(146,479</u>)

COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA)
ABN 13 511 341 559

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2003

NOTE	2003 \$	2002 \$
5 6 7	135,396 53,221 <u>6,274</u> 194,891	172,547 122,864 <u>5,755</u> 301,166
8 9	50,151 1,366 51,517	62,191 1,366 63,557
	<u>246,408</u>	364,723
10 11	371,659 <u>221,784</u> <u>593,443</u>	319,347 197,185 516,532
	<u>593,443</u>	<u>516,532</u>
	\$ <u>(347,035</u>)	\$ <u>(151.809</u>)
13	(347,035)	(151,809)
	\$ <u>(347,035</u>)	\$ <u>(151,809)</u>
	5 6 7 8 9	\$ 5

	NOTE	INFLOW (OUTFLOW) 2003 \$	INFLOW (OUTFLOW) 2002 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
General Fund Other receipts Members' dues Interest received Payments to suppliers & employees		41,694 1,222,715 4,983 <u>(1,297,146)</u> <u>(27,754</u>)	15,557 1,337,187 3,833 (1,529,897) (173,320)
Special Fund Interest received Payments to suppliers and employees		3,505 (29) 3,476	1,537 (28) 1,509
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED/(USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	15(b)	(24,278)	(171,811)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds on sale of fixed assets Purchase of fixed assets			2,000
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED/(USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITES	i	(873)	2,000
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from borrowings Repayment of borrowings CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITY	TES	(12,000) (12,000)	80,000
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		(37,151)	(89,811)
Cash at beginning of reporting period		<u>172,547</u>	262,358
CASH AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD	15(a)	\$ <u>135,396</u>	\$ <u>172,547</u>

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, **U**rgent Issues Group Consensus Views and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the requirement of the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical cost and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Union 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 is necessary as "Trade Unions" are exempt from income tax under Section 50-15 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.
- (b) Property, Plant and Equipment

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

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Union to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from those assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows which will be received from the assets' employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line or a reducing balance basis over the useful lives of the assets to the Union commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

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

Class of Fixed AssetsDepreciation RateOffice furniture and equipment5% - 35%Motor vehicles22.5%Employee amenities7.5%

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

(c) Leases

Lease payments under operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

(d) Employee Entitlements

Provision is made for the Union's liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee entitlements expected to be settled within one year together with entitlements arising from wages and salaries, annual leave which will be settled after one year, have been measured at their nominal amount.

Annual leave has been calculated for all employees and officials on the basis of their terms of employment.

(e) Cash

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand, at banks and on deposit.

(f) Revenue

Revenue from membership subscriptions is recognised on an accrual basis.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

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

(g) 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 Tax 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 statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

(h) Going Concern

The continuing operations of the Union and the ability to pay its debts in the normal course is dependent upon the financial support of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia, Communications Division, Divisional Conference.

The Divisional Conference has confirmed that it will provide to the branch the financial assistance necessary to ensure that the branch is able to pay its debts as and when they fall due and enable the branch to continue as a going concern. The Divisional Conference agrees that they will be responsible for all past liabilities at the 31st March 2003 and future liabilities of the branch

If the Union is unable to continue as a going concern, it may be required to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities other than in the normal course of business and at amounts different from those stated in the financial report.

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont.)

(i) Comparative Figures

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

Note 2 – Information To Be Provided To Members Or Registrar

In accordance with the requirements of the Workplace Relations Act, 1996, the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of sub-sections (1), (2) and (3) of Section 274, which read as follows:-

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Penalty: \$1,000

	2003 \$	2002 \$
Note 3 – Revenue		
Revenues from operating activities Members' dues Interest received Other	1,183,662 2,508 <u>7,379</u>	1,286,477 4,806 <u>27,894</u>
	1,193,549	1,319,177

Note 4 – Loss from ordinary activities

Net gain and expenses

Loss from ordinary activities before income tax expense includes the following specific net gains and expenses:

	NOTE	2003	2002
		\$	\$
Note 4 – Loss from ordinary activities (cont.)			
Expenses Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		12,913	17,804
Remuneration of auditor: - audit services - other services		12,950 1,850	12,545 10,755
Note 5 – Current Assets - Cash Assets			
General Fund Cash on hand Cash at bank		1,250	1,250
- General account - Joint fund		54,842 52	44,591 11,493
- Union dues account		1,729	1,537
Cash on deposit - Employee entitlements - General account		1,704	11,696
- General account		<u>16,385</u> <u>75,962</u>	46,022 116,589
Special Fund	12	7 770	7.705
Cash at bank Deposits on call		7,776 997	7,795 997
Term deposit		<u>50,661</u> <u>59,434</u>	<u>47,166</u> 55,958
		\$ <u>135,396</u>	\$ <u>172,547</u>
Note 6 – Current Assets - Receivables			
General Fund			
Members' dues in arrears Less doubtful debt provision		72,946 (26,526)	106,388 (42,555)
Sundry debtors Organised Personnel Placements Pty Ltd		5,906	47,183 9,699
organisod i orodniom idoomonio i y Liu		52,326	120,715
Special Fund Accrued Income	12	895	2 1/10
ACCIDED INCOME			2,149
		\$ <u>53,221</u>	\$ <u>122,864</u>

COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA) ABN 13 511 341 559 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS					
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH,	, 2003 (Cont.)		2003 \$	2002 \$	
Note 7 – Current Assets – Other					
Prepayments		\$_	6,274	\$ <u>5,755</u>	
Note 8 – Non-current Assets – Propert and Equipment	y, Plant				
Employee amenities – at cost Less accumulated depreciation Employee amenities at W.D.V.		<u>-</u>	3,558 (3,503) 55	3,558 (3,491) 67	
Motor vehicles – at cost Less accumulated depreciation Motor vehicles at W.D.V.		 -	77,564 (69,843) 7,721	77,564 <u>(67,601)</u> <u>9,963</u>	
Office furniture and equipment – at cost Less accumulated depreciation Office furniture and equipment at W.D.V.		 	341,652 (299,277) 42,375	340,779 (288,618) 52,161	
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUI	PMENT	\$_	<u>50,151</u>	\$ <u>62,191</u>	
Movements in carrying amounts		••	0.55		
Balance at the beginning of year Additions Disposal	Employee amenities \$ 67 -	Mot vehick 9,96	es and equipment \$ \$	Total \$ 62,191	
Depreciation expense	<u>(12)</u>	(2,24	<u>(10,659</u>) (12,913)	
Carrying amount at the end of financial year	\$ <u>55</u>	\$ <u>7,72</u>	<u>21</u> \$ <u>42,375</u>	\$ <u>50,151</u>	
Note 9 – Non-Current Assets – Other Financial Assets					
Units in unit trust Shares in Credit Union Shares in New International Bookshop Shares in Telstra		-	500 20 100 746	500 20 100 <u>746</u>	
		\$_	<u>1,366</u>	\$ <u>1,366</u>	
Amounts realisable within one year Amounts not realisable within one year		\$_	1,366 1,366	1,366 \$ 1,366	

	2003 \$	2002 \$
Note 10 – Current Liabilities – Payables		
Loan National Office Members' dues paid in advance Sundry creditors	68,000 39,274 <u>264,385</u> \$ <u>371,659</u>	80,000 33,664 205,683 \$ <u>319,347</u>
Note 11 – Current Liabilities – Provisions		
Employee entitlements - Provision for annual leave - Provision for long service leave - Provision for deferred salaries	79,685 104,300 <u>37,799</u>	79,392 104,153 <u>13,640</u>
	\$ <u>221,784</u>	\$ <u>197,185</u>
Note 12 – Special Fund Balance		
Opening balance Add receipts: - interest	58,107 2,251	56,154 1,981
Less expenses: - bank charges	(29)	(28)
Closing balance	\$ <u>60,329</u>	\$ <u>58,107</u>
Accrued income Cash at bank Deposits at call Term deposit	895 7,776 997 50,661 \$60,329	2,149 7,795 997 <u>47,166</u> \$58,107
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	2003 \$	2002 \$
Note 13 – Equity		
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year Total changes in equity recognised in the statement of	(151,809)	(7,283)
financial performance Movement in Special Fund	(197,448) 2,222	(146,479) 1,953
Total equity at the end of the financial year	\$ <u>(347,035</u>)	\$ <u>(151,809</u>)

Note 14 - Segment Reporting

The Union operates predominantly in one industry, being the Communications sector. The business operates predominantly in one geographical area being Victoria, Australia.

Note 15 - Cash Flow Information

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the financial statements as follows:

General fund		
Cash on hand	1,250	1,250
Cash at bank	54,894	56,084
Deposits at call	3,433	13,233
Term deposits	16,385	46,022
·	75,962	116,589
Special Fund		
Cash at bank	7,776	7,795
Deposits at call	997	997
Term deposit	<u>50,661</u>	<u>47,166</u>
	<u> </u>	<u>55,958</u>
Total Cash	\$ <u>135,396</u>	\$ <u>172,547</u>

		2003 \$	2002 \$
Note '	15 – Cash Flow Information (cont.)		
(b)	Reconciliation of Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities to Net Deficit Net deficit - general fund Net surplus - special fund Depreciation Loss on sale of motor vehicle Loan written off - OPP Provision for deferred salaries Provision for doubtful debts Movement in assets and liabilities: - (increase)/decrease in members' dues in arrears - (increase)/decrease in sundry debtors - (increase)/decrease in accrued income - (increase)/decrease in prepayments - increase in members' dues in advance - increase/(decrease) in creditors - increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	(197,448) 2,222 12,913 9,699 24,159 (16,029) 33,442 41,277 1,254 (519) 5,610 58,702 440	(146,479) 1,953 17,804 1,029 (8,581) (19,455) 60,970 (18,413) (444) 4,849 1,414 (19,953) (46,505)
	Net cash provided/(used by) by operating activities	\$ <u>(24,278)</u>	\$ <u>(171,811)</u>

- (c) The Union has no credit stand-by or financing facilities in place.
- (d) There were no non-cash financing or investing activities during the period

Note 16 - Financial Instruments

(a) Interest Rate Risk Exposures

The Union'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:

2003	Note Weighted		Fixed Interest Rate Maturing Floating Non-interest				
		Effective Interest Rate	Interest Rate	Within 1 Year	Within 1 to 5 Years	bearing	TOTAL
		2003 %	2003 \$	2003 \$	2003 \$	2003 \$	2003 \$
Financial Assets							
Cash	5	5.0	67,100	67,046	-	1,250	135,396
Receivables	6	-	-	-	-	53,221	53,221
Other fin an cial assets	9	-			-	1,366	1,366
Total Financial Assets		-	67,100	67,046	-	55,837	189,983
Financial Liabilities							
Payables	10	-		-		371,659	371,659
Total Financial Liabilities		-		-		371,659	371,659
Net Financial Assets/(Lia	bilities)	-	67,100	67,046	-	(315,822)	(181,676)

2002	Note	Weighted	Fixed Interest Rate Maturing				
		Average Effective Interest Rate	Floating Interest Rate	Within 1 Year	Within 1 to 5 Years		
		2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002
		%	\$	\$	\$,\$	\$
Financial Assets	_		70.400	47.400	40.000	4.050	470 5 47
Cash	5	5.0	78,109	47,166	46,022	1,250	172,547
Receivables	6	-	-	-	-	122,864	122,864
Other financial assets	9	-		-	-	1,366	1,366
Total Financial Assets		-	78,109	47,166	46,022	125,480	296,777
Financial Liabilities Payables	10	_	ı	_	_	319,347	319,347
1 ayables	10					010,041	010,011
Total Financial Liabilities			-		<u>.</u>	319,347	319,347
Net Financial Assets/(Liabilities)		78,109	47,166	46,022	(193,867)	(22,570)	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2003 (Cont.)

2003	2002
\$	\$

Note 16 – Financial Instruments (cont.)

Reconciliation of Net Financial Assets to Net Assets

Net Financial assets as above		(181,676)	(22,570)
Non-Financial assets and liabilities:			
Prepayments	7	6,274	5,755
Plant and equipment	8	50,151	62,191
Employee entitlements	11	(221,784)	<u>(197,185</u>)
Net liabilities per statement of financial position		\$ <u>(347,035</u>)	\$ <u>(151,809</u>)

(b) Credit Risk Exposures

The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, at balance date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount, net of any provisions for doubtful debts, as disclosed in the statement of financial position and notes to the financial statements.

The Union does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the Union.

(c) Net Fair Values of Financial Assets and Liabilities

For all financial assets and liabilities listed in Note 16(a) above, the net fair value approximates their carrying amounts. No financial assets and financial liabilities are readily traded on organised markets in standardised form. The aggregate net fair values and carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities are disclosed in the statement of financial position and in the notes to financial statements.

Note 17 - Welfare Fund

This fund has not been included in the accounts of the C.E.P.U. Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria). This fund has not been audited.

COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC, ENERGY, INFORMATION, POSTAL, PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA)
ABN 13 511 341 559
ACCOUNTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

I, Leonard Cooper, being the officer responsible for keeping the accounting records of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) certify that as at 31st March, 2003, the number of members of the organisation was 3,978.

In my opinion:-

- (i) the attached accounts show a true and fair view of the financial affairs of the organisation as at 31st March, 2003;
- (ii) a record has been kept of all monies paid by, or collected from members, and all monies so paid or collected have been credited to the bank account to which those monies are to be credited, in accordance with the rules of the organisation;
- (iii) before any expenditure was incurred, approval of the incurring of the expenditure was obtained in accordance with the rules of the organisation;
- (iv) with regard to funds of the organisation raised by compulsory levies or voluntary contributions from members, or funds other than the general fund operated in accordance with the rules, no payments were made out of any such fund for purposes other than those for which the fund was operated;
- (v) no loans or other financial benefits, other than remuneration in respect of their full time employment with the organisation, were made to persons holding office in the organisation; and
- (vi) the register of members of the organisation was maintained in accordance with the Act.

LEONARD COOPER -- BRANCH SECRETARY

Melbourne: 19th November, 2003

ELECTRONIC, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRICAL, ENERGY. INFORMATION. PLUMBING AND ALLIED SERVICES UNION OF AUSTRALIA, COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICES BRANCH (VICTORIA) ABN 13 511 341 559 **COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE**

We, Burt MacKenzie Blackburne and Doreen Lesley McDonald being two members of the Committee of Management of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria), do state on behalf of the Committee and in accordance with a resolution passed by the Committee, that:-

- in the opinion of the Committee of Management, the attached accounts show a true and fair (i) view of the financial affairs of the organisation as at 31st March, 2003;
- in the opinion of the Committee of Management, meetings of the Committee were held during (ii) the year ended 31st March, 2003, in accordance with the rules of the organisation;
- to the knowledge of any member of the Committee, there have been, during the financial year to (iii) which the accounts relate, no instances where records of the organisation or other documents (not being documents containing information made available to a member of the organisation under sub section 274 (2) of the Workplace Relations Act 1996), or copies of those records or documents, or copies of the rules of the organisation, have not been furnished, or made available, to members in accordance with the requirements of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, the Regulations thereto, or the rules of the organisation; and
- the organisation has complied with sub sections 279 (1) and (6) of the Act in relation to the (iv) financial accounts in respect of the year ended 31st March 2002, and the Auditor's Report thereon.

BURT MACKENZIE BLACKBURNE

DOREEN LESLEY McDONALD

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Melbourne:

19th November, 2003



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ABN 13 511 341 559
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To The Members Of The Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria):

Scope

We have audited the financial report of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) for the year ended 31st March, 2003, as set out on pages 1 to 15. The Union's Committee of Management and Accounting Officer is responsible for the financial report. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Union.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to 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 as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly, in accordance with Accounting Standards, Workplace Relations Act 1996, other mandatory professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views), and statutory requirements, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Union'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.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (cont.)

Audit Opinion

In our opinion:-

- (a) There were kept by the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria), in respect of the year ended 31st March, 2003, satisfactory accounting records, including:
 - (i) record of the sources and nature of the income of the organisation (including income from members); and
 - (ii) records of the nature and purpose of the expenditure of the organisation.
- (b) The attached accounts and statements are prepared in accordance with Section 273 of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, and are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of:
 - (i) the financial position of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) as at 31st March, 2003; and
 - (ii) the financial performance and deficit of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) for the year ended on that date.
- (c) We have received all the information and explanation we requested for the purposes of our audit.
- (d) The financial report is drawn up in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

TREVOR M. WEIR

PARTNER

Melbourne: 19th November, 2003



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ABN 13 511 341 559
COMPILATION REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2003

To Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria)

Scope

On the basis of the information provided by the Committee of Management of Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) we have complied, in accordance with APS 9: Statement of Compilation of Financial Reports the special purpose financial report of Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union Of Australia, Communications Division, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Victoria) for the period ended 31st March 2003 comprising the attached Statement of Income and Expenditure.

The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial report has been prepared is to provide financial information to the members. Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements have not been adopted in the preparation of the special purpose financial report.

The Committee of Management is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Union's Constitution and are appropriate to meet the needs of the Committee of Management for the purpose of complying with the Union's Constitution.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information which the Committee of Management 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 Union and the purpose identified above. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial report.

MSI RAGG WEIR

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Melbourne: 19th November, 2003

	2003 \$	2002 \$
OPERATING INCOME	Ψ	Ψ
Members' dues Interest received Reimbursement of motor vehicle expenses Sundry income	1,183,662 2,508 6,240 1,139	1,286,477 4,806 7,620
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ <u>1,193,549</u>	\$ <u>1,319,177</u>
LESS OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Affiliation fees: - Australian Labour Party - Ballarat Trades Hall Council - Bendigo Trades Hall Council - Geelong Trades Hall Council - Miscellaneous - Victorian Trades Hall Council Bank charges and interest Books, periodicals, etc Campaigns Car hire and fares Commission paid Compulsory levy Computer charges Debt collection expenses Depreciation Fringe benefits tax General expenses Insurance Light, power and cleaning Loan written off — OPP Long service leave paid Meals, travel and accommodation Members and organisers Motor vehicle expenses	8,253 625 90 235 230 20,369 22,854 403 25,000 4,381 1,064 1,949 2,470 5,590 12,913 1,357 11,497 5,334 24,910 9,699 2,345 3,624 3,010 33,662	7,242 375 90 284 225 3,264 22,974 233 4,534 1,050 2,509 943 11,420 17,804 2,821 4,559 4,331 24,701 48,081 5,093 3,481 44,495
Newspapers Office assistance Payroll tax Postage and delivery charges Printing and stationery Professional services: - Accountancy and audit fees - Computer consultant	7,701 27,478 11,901 27,271 14,600 1,349	215 4,785 40,358 19,481 33,722 23,300 2,610
- Legal fees	2,125	2,784

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report on page 18.

	2003 \$	2002 \$
OPERATING EXPENDITURE (cont.)		
Provision for annual leave	293	(19,631)
Provision for deferred salaries	24,159	(8,581)
Provision for doubtful debts	(16,029)	(19,455)
Provision for long service leave	146	(26,874)
Rates and taxes	10,161	10,474
Recruitment assistance and services	101,086	-
Recruitment consultant	27,297	_
Rental of equipment and storage	4,144	3,699
Repairs and maintenance	14,598	10,069
Salaries and allowances:		
- employees	87,239	83,472
- officials	389,759	584,639
Staff amenities	2,693	4,873
Superannuation contributions	86,736	92,151
Telephone and facsimile	51,267	72,289
Training and education	245	90
Transfer of members' dues to C.E.P.U. National	040.000	000 405
Communications Division	313,233	338,485
Workcover	<u>(319</u>)	1,163
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	1,390,997	1,464,627
OPERATING DEFICIT	(197,448)	(145,450)
ADD NON OPERATING INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) Profit/(loss) on sale - fixed assets		(1,029)
DEFICIT FOR YEAR	\$ <u>(197,448</u>)	\$ <u>(146,479</u>)

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Mr. Len Cooper
Branch Secretary, Telecommunications and Services Branch (Vic)
CEPU
71 Cromwell Street
COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066

Dear Mr. Cooper

Re Financial Return for CEPU - Communications Division - Victorian Telecommunications and Services Branch - for year ended 31 March 2003 (FR 2003/44)

I refer to the financial return lodged in the Registry on 30 December 2003.

Before the documents can be filed I draw your attention to the following:

Note 1 (h) contained on page 5 of the Auditor's Report states that the continuing operations of the Union and the ability to pay its debts in the normal course is dependent upon the continued financial support of the CEPU Divisional Conference

The Registrar is required under section 280(2) of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 ('the Act') to investigate any deficiency, failure or shortcoming set out in the report of an auditor. However, an investigation is not required if the Registrar is satisfied that the deficiency, failure or shortcoming is trivial or will be remedied in the following financial year. In your letter dated 24 March 2003 in relation to the previous year's financial statements, you advised that the next round of cuts should assist to "bring the accounts back into the black".

I therefore seek your comments in relation to this ongoing concern.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 8374 6509 should you wish to discuss any of these matters.

Yours sincerely,

Peter McKerrow Assistant Manager

02 February 2004

Ref: VB 04/63 25 March 2004

Mr McKerrow Deputy Industrial Registrar Australian Industrial Registry Level 8 Terrace Towers 80 William Street East Sydney NSW 2011



Dear Mr McKerrow,

Financial Return for CEPU – Communications Division, T& S Branch Victoria

As a result of deliberations at the Divisional level of the union the Communications Division of the CEPU took a formal decision to support the Branch subject to the Branch taking certain measures to ensure viability into the future.

The measures include budget monitoring and cost supervision, monthly reports to the Divisional Executive, repayment of capitation fees outstanding in a fixed time frame and assistance to the Branch in restructuring its costs.

As a result the Branch has "downsized" by another 3 industrial staff this financial year and along with other cost reductions should be able to resolve its financial difficulties over the next financial year.

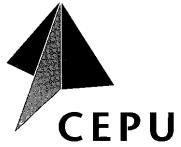
Please find attached, decisions taken by the Divisional Executive and the Committee of Management (Vic) in respect of the above issues.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us,

Yours faithfully,

LEN COOPER Branch Secretary M. 0438 389 302

Enc/. Decision 77 – CEPU Comm Div.(EX 04/12)



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DECISION 77 BUDGET PREPARED FOR THE T&S VICTORIAN BRANCH

"That Divisional Executive, having noted its powers and responsibilities under Rule 46 – Divisional Conference and Divisional Executive Authority Over Branches, endorses the monthly, itemised budget for the Victorian T&S Branch as tabled at this meeting less expenditure of \$25,000 against salaries and recruitment and directs the Secretary of the Branch to adhere to that budget and to report on Branch compliance with that budget to Divisional Executive by the 15th day of each calendar month henceforth.

The monthly report to contain at least the following information:

- (a) Income and Expenditure per month for each item on the Profit and Loss report compared to the budget for the month.
- (b) Income and Expenditure for the year to date for each item on the Profit and Loss report compared to the budget for the year.
- (c) A statement from the Branch Secretary that all invoices (creditors and debtors) have been entered.

The first report will be provided to Divisional Executive by the 15th of November 2003 for the period ending 30th October.

It is recognised by the Divisional Executive that there will be a requirement for the Victorian T&S Branch to reduce its current staff and reasons if it is to meet the 2003/2004 budget and ongoing financial commitments to the Divisional Conference.

To assist in the achievements of reduction, the Divisional Secretary and Divisional President be authorised to meet with the Victorian T&S Branch Executive to determine how the staff and resource reduction can be actioned and to report back to Divisional Executive by 17th October 2003.

Divisional Executive notes that the budget requires the payment of \$25,000 per quarter to be paid by the 4th week of April, July, October, January each year, for repayment of outstanding Divisional contributions in addition to the payment of normal Divisional Conference contributions. The first payment is to occur prior to 30th January 2004.

Any expenditure above any line item of the budget or outside of the budget or any new expenditure for employment, consultancy or the provision of services, will require the approval of the Divisional Secretary and Divisional President prior to the expenditure being incurred.

In the case of disagreement the matter will be referred to Divisional Executive or Conference.

Failure to adhere to the budget or the above compliance measures may constitute a failure to comply under Rule 46 and invoke further Divisional Executive actions.

Further that in order that the Victorian T&S Branch Auditors can finalise their 2002/2003 accounts, the Divisional Executive authorises the Divisional Secretary to provide the Victorian T&S Branch Secretary with the letter of comfort in the following terms:

'I confirm that the Divisional Conference will provide to your Branch the financial assistance necessary to ensure that it is able to pay its debts as and when they fall due and enable the Branch to continue as a going concern. The Divisional Conference agrees that they will be responsible for all past liabilities at the 31st March 2003 and future liabilities of the Branch.

I confirm that the Divisional Conference has the financial capacity to provide such support'.

Subject to the Branch Secretary providing by close of business Friday, 10th October 2003 a letter of assurance to the Divisional Secretary that no outstanding liabilities other than those outlined in the Branch audited accounts of 2002/03 exist.

Further, this assurance to also state that no other outstanding abnormal liabilities have been incurred by the Branch from 1st April 2003 to 10th October 2003."



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Mr Len Cooper **Branch Secretary** Victorian T & S Branch **CEPU Communications Division** 71 Cromwell Street COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066

Dear Mr Cooper

Re: Lodgement of Financial Statements and Accounts for the CEPU Communications Division, Victorian Telecommunications and Services Branch for the year ending 31 March 2003 (FR2003/44)

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated 25 March 2004, in which you advise details of measures taken by the branch to ensure its future financial viability.

Following the receipt of this additional information the financial statements and accounts have been filed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Belinda Penna

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for Deputy Industrial Registrar

6 April 2004