Australian Government



Australian Industrial Registry

Mr John Sutton National Secretary National Office Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union PO Box Q235 QVB Post Office SYDNEY NSW 1230

Dear Mr Sutton

### Re: Lodgement of Financial Statements and Accounts – Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union - National Office – for year ending 31 December 2007 (FR2007/529)

I refer to the abovementioned financial statements and accounts which were lodged in the Registry on 2 July 2008.

As the legislative requirements have been met, the documents have been filed.

Yours sincerely,

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Statutory Services Branch

16 July 2008



2 July 2008

Industrial Registrar Australian Industrial Registry L 8/ 80 William Street Sydney NSW 2011

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### Re: Financial Returns

Please find enclosed herewith the financial returns of the Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union National Office for the year ending 31 December 2008.

Please confirm receipt at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Jóhn Sutton National Secretary CFMEU



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## Construction, Forestry Mining and Energy Union NATIONAL OFFICE

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

#### SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

Pursuant to Section 268 of Schedule 1 of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, I, John David Sutton certify that the auditor's report, accounts and statements of the CEMEU National Office for the year ended 31 December 2007, annexed hereto and provided to members on and after 15 May 2008 are copies of the documents presented to the meeting of the National Executive Committee on 23 June 2008.

National Secretary CFMEU

2 July 2008

# CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING AND ENERGY UNION NATIONAL OFFICE

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#### **OPERATING REPORT**

Your Committee of Management present their Operating Report on the Union for the year ended 31 December 2007.

#### Committee of Management

The names of Committee of Management (COM) in office at any time during the year are:

Name	Position
Tony Maher	National President
John Sutton	National Secretary
Peter Murray	National Executive Committee
Andrew Vickers	National Executive Committee
Michael O'Connor	National Executive Committee
Leo Skourdoumbis	National Executive Committee
Jane Calvert	National Executive Committee
Albert Littler	National Executive Committee
Tim Woods	National Executive Committee
Dave Noonan	National Executive Committee
Lindsay Fraser	National Executive Committee
Chris Price	National Executive Committee
Tom Watson	National Executive Committee
Kevin Reynolds	National Executive Committee
Andrew Ferguson	National Executive Committee
Martin Kingham	National Executive Committee

1/1/2007 to 31/12/2007 1/1/2007 to 29/5/2007 29/5/2007 to 31/12/2007 1/1/2007 to 31/12/2007 1/1/2007 to 31/12/2007 1/1/2007 to 31/12/2007

**Period of Appointment** 

#### Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Union during the year were: -

- Adherence to the rules of the Union in furtherance of the objects of the Union consistent with the industrial relations legislation.
- Implementation of the decisions of the National Executive Committee.
- Industrial support including assistance with legal and legislative matters.

#### **Results of Activities**

The result for the year was a Profit of \$15,537. (2006: Loss of \$3,624).

The Union has been involved in lobbying and negotiating with different levels of Government and key industry organisations around issues of importance to the broader CFMEU, including but not limited to health and safety issues, industrial and compensation matters, superannuation entitlements and environmental matters impacting the CFMEU membership.

The Union has successfully recruited new members in conjunction with a national objective of recruitment and training.

#### Significant Changes in Nature of Activities

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

#### OPERATING REPORT Continued

#### Significant Changes in Financial Affairs

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

#### Membership of the Union

There were 103,850 members of the Union as at 31 December 2007 (2006: 118,000).

#### Rights of Members to Resign

All members of the Union have the right to resign in accordance with Rule 11(1) of the Union Rules (and section 174 of the Workplace Relations Act), namely, by providing written notice addressed and delivered to the Union Secretary.

#### Employees of the Union

As at 31 December 2007 the Union employed 3 full time employee (2006: 2).

#### Superannuation Trustees

Mr John Sutton was the National Secretary of the Union for the year and is a director of United Super Pty Ltd which acts as Trustee of C Bus.

Mr Dave Noonan is a director of United Super Pty Ltd which acts as Trustee of C Bus.

Mr Andrew Ferguson holds an alternate directorship (on behalf of Mr John Sutton and Mr Dave Noonan) of United Super Pty Ltd which acts as Trustee of C Bus.

Mr Albert Littler is a director of United Super Pty Ltd which acts as Trustee of C Bus. Mr Martin Kingham holds an alternate directorship (on behalf of Mr Albert Littler) of United Super Pty Ltd which acts as Trustee of C Bus.

Mrs Jane Calvert is a director of the Timber Industry Superannuation Scheme (TISS).

Mr Michael O'Connor is a director of TISS and FIRST.

Mr Tim Woods is a director of the Pulp and Paper Workers Superannuation Fund.

No officer or member of the Union acts:

- (i) as a trustee of a superannuation entity or an exempt public sector superannuation scheme; or
- (ii) as a director of a company that is a trustee of a superannuation entity or an exempt public sector superannuation scheme.

John Sutton

Dated this 23 day of May 2008.

#### COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENTS' CERTIFICATE

On 30<sup>th</sup> April 2008, the Committee of Management of the Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union – National Office passed the following resolution in relation to the financial report of the Union, for the year ended 31 December 2007:

The Committee of Management declares in relation to the general purpose financial report that in its opinion:

- a) The financial statements and notes comply with 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 Union for the financial year to which they relate;
- d) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Union will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- e) During the financial year to which the general purpose financial report relates and since the end of that year:-
  - (i) Meetings of the Board of Management were held in accordance with the rules of the Union; and
  - (ii) The financial affairs of the Union have been managed in accordance with the rules of the Union; and
  - (iii) The financial records of the Union have been kept and maintained in accordance with the RAO Schedules and the RAO Regulations; and
  - (iv) The financial records of the Union have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner to each other reporting unit of the organisation; and
  - (v) No information has been sought in any request of a member of the Union or by a Registrar duly made under section 272 of the RAO Schedule; and
  - (vi) No orders have been made by the Commission in regard to inspection of financial records under section 273 of the RAO Schedule.

Signed for and on behalf of the Committee of Management by:

John Sutton

Dated this 23day of May 2008.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CONSTRUCTION, FORESTRY, MINING AND ENERGY UNION – NATIONAL OFFICE

#### Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union – National Office ("the Union"), which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2007 and the Income Statement, Statement of Changes in Equity and Cash Flow Statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the Committee of Management Statement.

#### Committee of Management's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Union's Committee of Management are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and 3 of Chapter 8 of Schedule 1 of the Workplace Relations Act 1996. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies, and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In Note 1, the Committee of Management also state, in accordance with Australian Standard AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements, that compliance with the Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies with IFRS.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

#### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

OF THE CONSTRUCTION, FORESTRY, MINING AND ENERGY UNION – NATIONAL OFFICE (Continued)

#### AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion, the general purpose financial report of the Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union – National Office is in accordance with:

- (a) The Workplace Relations Act 1996, including:
  - (i) Giving a true and fair value of the Union's financial position as at 31 December 2007 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) Complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.
- (b) The requirements imposed by Part 3 of Chapter 8 of Schedule 1 of the Act.

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Chartered Accountants 98 Kembla Street Wollongong NSW 2500 Dated this 23 day of May 2008.

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M L Gleeson Registered Company Auditor

Liability limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation

#### INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

	·	2007	2006
	NOTES	\$	\$
Revenue	3_	889,847	1,080,773
Expenses			
Affiliation Fees		287,608	281,001
Employee Benefits		283,146	482,692
Depreciation and Amortisation Expense		8,632	7,630
Meeting and Conferences		61,987	91,633
Operating Expenditure		232,937	221,441
		874,310	1,084,397

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007

	NOTES	2007 \$	2006
CURRENT ASSETS	NOTES	Ψ	Ψ
Cash and Cash Equivalents	. 4	661,190	351,737
Frade and Other Receivables	5	61,997	137,873
Other	6	16,211	4,520
FOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	-	739,398	494,130
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant & Equipment	7	29,176	29,097
OTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	_	29,176	29,097
TOTAL ASSETS		766,574	523,227
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables	8	249,487	55,220
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rade and Other Payables Provisions GST Liability		111,070	94,829
		111,070 23,624	94,829 6,322
Trade and Other Payables Provisions GST Liability TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		111,070 23,624 384,181	94,829 6,322 156,371
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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Opening Balance as at 1 January	366,856	370,480
Net Result Attributable to Members	15,537	(3,624)
Closing Balance as at 31 December	382,393	366,856

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#### CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	NOTES	2007 \$	2006 \$
Receipts from Members Receipts from Interest Receipts from Sitting Fees Other income received		896,018 25,530 44,175 -	989,473 4,715 22,654 256,386
Payments to Suppliers and Employees NET PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	12(A) _	(647,559) 318,164	(1,113,324) 159,904
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment NET USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	-	- (8,711) (8,711)	23,005 (29,880) (6,875)
NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD CASH AT THE START OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	- 12(P)	309,453 351,737 661,190	153,029 198,708 351,737
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	12(B)		

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

#### 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, including Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the requirements imposed by the reporting Guidelines or Part 3 of Chapter 8 of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act, 1996.

The financial report is for the entity Construction Forestry Mining and Energy Union – National Office, as an individual entity. This organisation is registered under the Workplace Relations Act 1996 and domiciled in Australia. In accordance with the Act the Union is a body corporate and has perpetual succession. By virtue of this method of incorporation, the Union is not subject to the Corporations Act 2001.

The financial report complies with all Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) in their entirety.

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.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

#### Reporting Basis and Conventions

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis, except were specifically stated, and is based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected financial assets for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

#### **Accounting Policies**

#### (a) PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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

#### Plant and Equipment

Plant and Equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

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 these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Union and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the Income Statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

# 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# (a) <u>PLANT & EQUIPMENT</u>

#### Depreciation

The depreciation amount of all fixed assets including capitalised lease assets (where applicable) is depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives to the Union. The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Furniture, Fittings and Equipment	7.50 - 20%
Motor Vehicles	20%

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

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

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

#### (b) INCOME TAX

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

#### (c) **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Provision is made in respect of the Union's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by officers and employees to balance date.

Long service leave is accrued in respect of all officers and employees with more than 5 years service. Related on-costs are included in these provisions.

Contributions are made to employee superannuation funds and are charged as expenses where incurred.

#### (d) <u>REVENUE</u>

Revenue from capitation fees are recognised on an accruals 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).

# 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (e) <u>FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS</u>

#### Recognition

Financial instruments are initially measured at cost on trade date, which included transaction costs, when the related contractual rights or obligations exist. Subsequent to initial recognition these instruments are measured as set out below.

#### Loans and Receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### Held-to-Maturity Investments

These investments have fixed maturities, and it is the Union's intention to hold these investments to maturity. Any held-to-maturity investments held by the Union are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### Available-for-Sale Financial Assets

Available-for-sale financial assets include any financial assets not included in the above categories. Available-for-sale financial assets are reflected at fair value. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are taken directly to equity.

#### **Financial Liabilities**

Non-derivative financial liabilities are recognised at amortised cost, comprising original debt less principal payments and amortisation.

#### Impairment

At each reporting date, the Union assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

#### (f) <u>IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS</u>

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

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

# 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (g) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS.

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the Balance Sheet.

#### (h) GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GST)

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

Cash flows are presented in the Cash Flow Statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

#### (i) <u>COMPARATIVE FIGURES</u>

Where required, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation in the current financial year.

#### 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 272 of Schedule 1B which reads as follows:

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

2007 2006 \$ \$ 3. **OPERATING PROFIT FROM ORDINARY** ACTIVITIES Profit from ordinary activities is arrived at after taking into account (a) REVENUE: **Operating Activities** 805,633 797,017 **Capitation Fees** 44,175 22,654 Sitting Fees 25,530 4,715 Interest Received 14,509 256,387 Other Income 889,847 1,080,773 (b) EXPENSES Depreciation of Non-Current Assets 5,145 4,846 Motor Vehicles Plant & Equipment 3,487 2,784 7,630 8,632 **Total Depreciation** 16,241 149,106 Movements In Employee Entitlements Bad Debts: Receivables 9,456 **Remuneration of Auditors** - Auditing the Financial Report 8,860 10,790 3,370 2,870 - Accounting & Taxation Services CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS 4. 700 400 Cash on Hand Cash at Bank 147,654 58,543 **Business Direct Savings** 292,794 512,836 661,190 351,737

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		NOTES	2007 \$	2006 \$
5.	TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		·	·
	Current Sundry Debtors		25,109	102,742
	Accounts Due from Branches – Capitation Fees	14	36,888	35,131
	TOTAL RECEIVABLES	=	61,997	137,873
	(i) The funds advanced have no set repayment date. Interest is not	charged on th	e amount advanced	
	Amounts Relating to:- CFMEU – Construction & General Division		14,365	28,696
			-	-
	CFMEU – FFTS Division CFMEU – Mining & Energy Division		-	95,131
	CFMEU – Forest & Forestry Products Division		-	
	CFMEU – Construction & General Division, NSW Brand	<b>~</b> h	36,888	14,046
	CFMEU – FFTS Division – NSW Branch		-	-
			51,253	137,873
6.	OTHER			
	Prepayments		16,211	4,520
7.	PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT			
	FURNITURE, FITTINGS & EQUIPMENT			
	At Cost Accumulated Depreciation	_	13,131 (6,250) 6,881	4,420 (2,763) 1,657
	MOTOR VEHICLES			
	At Cost		28,016	28,016
	Accumulated Depreciation	_	(5,721)	(576)
		_	22,295	27,440
	TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		29,176	29,097

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007 Continued

#### 7. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT Continued

#### **Movements In Carrying Amounts**

Movements in the carrying amounts (written down values) for each class of property, plant and equipment between the start and end of the current financial year.

		FURNITURE, FITTINGS & EQUIPMENT	Мото		
	Balance at Start of Year	1,657	27,440	29,097	
	Additions	8,711		- 8,711	
	Disposals – Assets				
	Amort/Depreciation Expense	(3,487)	(5,14	5) (8,632)	
	Disposals – Accum Dep'n				
	Balance at End of Year	6,881	22,295	5 29,176	
				2007	2006
•				. <b>\$</b>	\$
8.	TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES				
	Sundry Creditors			249,487	55,220
	Amounts Relating to:-				
	CFMEU – Mining & Energy Division			93,000	3,000
	CFMEU – Forest & Forestry Products Div CFMEU – Construction & General Divisio			91,250 4,457	- 21,563
	CHMED - Construction & General Divisio	/11		188,707	24,563
9.	PROVISIONS				
Э.	FROVISIONS		Provision for Annual Leave	Other Employee Entitlements	TOTAL
	Opening balance at 1 January 2007		\$ 37,654	\$ 57,175	<b>\$</b> 94,829
	Amounts Transferred In		-07,004		
	Additional provisions		15,107	5,021	20,128
	Amounts Paid Out		(3,887)	_,	(3,887)
	Balance at 31 December 2007		48,874	62,196	111,070
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	(a) Analysis of ageing of provision	S			
	Current			111,070	94,829
	(b) Number of Employees at Balanc	ce Date	_	3	22
	(c) Total Employee Benefits Attribu	table to:			
	Office Holders			101,972	91,192
	Staff			9,098	3,637
	—			111.070	94 829
	_			111,070	94,829

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#### **10. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

A contingent liability may exist in relation to debts incurred by the Divisions of the Union for which the National Office may become liable under the rules of the Union. Disclosure for such liabilities are not brought to account in the National Office on the basis that each Division is a separate reporting entity responsible for disclosing its own contingent and other liabilities.

The Union and specified officials are being sued for as yet unspecified damages in an action arising from an alleged industrial dispute. The National Executive is of the opinion that the action can be successfully defended by the Union which is challenging the action. Given the complex nature of this action and advice of legal counsel, it is not practicable to estimate the potential financial impact, if any, of this action at this time.

The information usually required by AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets, is not disclosed on the grounds it can be expected to prejudice seriously the outcome of the litigation.

#### 11. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The principal source of income for the Union is capitation fees from its Divisions. Accordingly, the National Office is economically dependent on the ability of the Divisions to continue to service the needs of its members on industrial and workplace matters

12. CASH FLOW INFORMATION	2007 \$	2006 \$
(A) RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATIONS WITH OPERATING RESULT	l	
Net Operating Result	15,537	(3,624)
Non-Cash Flows in Net Result		
Depreciation Increase / (Decrease) in Employee Benefits Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	8,632 16,241 -	7,630 77,618 7,533
Changes in Assets and Liabilities		
(Increase) / Decrease in Sundry Debtors (Increase) / Decrease in Prepayments Increase / (Decrease) in Sundry Creditors Increase in Tax Liability	75,876 (11,691) 196,267 17,302	192,456 (1,151) (121,098) 540
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATIONS	318,164	159,904
(B) RECONCILIATION OF CASH		
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Cash Flow Statement is reconciled to terms in the Balance Sheet as follows:		
Cash [Note 4]	661,190	351,737

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12.	CAS		2007 \$	2006 \$
	(C)	NET CASH FLOWS (EXCLUDING GST) RELATING TO ANOTHER REPORTING UNITS OF THE ORGANISATION ARE AS FOLLOWS:		
		CFMEU – Construction and General Division CFMEU – Mining and Energy Division CFMEU – Forest and Forest Products Division CFMEU – Construction and General Division – WA Branch	502,012 150,381 145,618 - 798,011	679,580 301,156 142,467 10,000 1,113,203
13.	LEC	GAL AND PROFESSIONAL FEES & EXPENSES		
	Ame TOT	ounts received, or due and receivable, by the auditor for: Auditing Accounting fees Legal Expenses AL	8,860 3,370 	10,790 2,870 35,058 48,718
	_	<ul> <li>al Expenses relate to the following matters:</li> <li>Duties of Officers</li> <li>Liability of Unions under Work Choices</li> <li>Policy Report</li> <li>Union Rules</li> </ul>	- - - - -	5,086 15,250 12,000 2,722 35,058

# 14. AMOUNTS DUE FROM DIVISIONS - CAPITATION FEES (Amounts are Inclusive of GST)

	BALANCE OWING (31.12.06)	Amounts Charged	CASH RECEIVED	BALANCE OWING (31.12.07)
Construction and General Division	-	534,786	(534,786)	-
Forest & Forest Products Division	35,131	134,137	(132,380)	36,888
Mining & Energy Division	-	136,710	(136,710)	
	35,131	805,633	(803,876)	36,888

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007

#### 15. ORGANISATION DETAILS

The Union is a Trade Union registered and domiciled in Australia. The registered office and principle place of business of the Union is: Level 12, 276 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

#### 16. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

- (a) No matter or circumstance has arisen since the end of the year that has significantly affected or may significantly affect:
  - (i) the operations of the Union;
  - (ii) the results of those operations; or
  - (iii) the state of affairs of the Union, in subsequent financial years.
- (b) The financial report was authorised for issue in May 2008 by the Board of Management.

#### 17. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION

#### **Key Management Personnel**

- Mr John Sutton (National Secretary from 1 July 2007)
- Mr Dave Kelly
- Mr Hamish Quinn
- Mr Sean Marshall

2007 \$	2006 \$
248,339	203,068
38,412	18,849
2,734	10,294
289,485	232,211
	\$ 248,339 38,412 2,734

#### 18. RELATED PARTY INFORMATION

#### (a) MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Persons holding positions within the Union and as members of the Board of Management during the year:

Name	Position
➤ Tony Maher	National President
John Sutton	National Secretary
Peter Murray	National Executive Committee
Andrew Vickers	National Executive Committee
Michael O'Connor	National Executive Committee
Leo Skourdoumbis	National Executive Committee
Jane Calvert	National Executive Committee
<ul> <li>Albert Littler</li> </ul>	National Executive Committee
Tim Woods	National Executive Committee
Dave Noonan	National Executive Committee
Lindsay Fraser	National Executive Committee
<ul> <li>Chris Price</li> </ul>	National Executive Committee
Tom Watson	National Executive Committee
Kevin Reynolds	National Executive Committee
Andrew Ferguson	National Executive Committee
Martin Kingham	National Executive Committee

# 18. RELATED PARTY INFORMATION

#### (b) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### Other related parties

- i) Rent and Outgoings were paid to the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Mining and Energy Division totaling \$nil (2006: \$11,050).
- ii) Administration fees were paid to the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Mining and Energy Division totaling \$nil (2006: \$11,363).
- iii) Rent and Administration charges were paid to Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union – Construction and General Division totaling \$80,371 (2006: \$21,563).
- iv) Directors fees were received from Eraring Energy Ltd for Mr John Maitland \$nil (2006: \$13,955).
- v) Directors fees totaling \$20,532 (2006: \$8,699) were received from the Construction & Building Industry Super (CBUS) by the Union in respect of board attendances by Mr John Sutton.
- vi) Directors fees totaling \$7,500 (2006: \$nil) were received from ACIRT by the Union in respect of board attendances by Mr John Sutton.
- vii) Directors fees totaling \$20,081 (2006: \$nil) were received from ISPT by the Union in respect of board attendances by Mr John Sutton.

#### 19. OPERATING LEASE AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS

#### (a) Operating Lease Commitment

A commitment exists in respect of the sub-lease of floor area within premises situated at Pitt Street, Sydney. The maximum amount committed plus the maximum extension of options is as follows :-

	2007 \$	2006 \$
The total operating lease commitments are:		
Due within 1 year	78,411	65,889
Due within 1-2 years	-	-
	78,411	65,889

#### (b) Capital Expenditure Commitment

A capital commitment exists for the redevelopment of the CFMEU website. The total commitment for the National Office is 20% of the full costs of \$53,410 of which 50% is due in the 2007 year.

The total capital expenditure projects are:

Due within 1 year	-	5,341
Due within 1-2 years	-	-
		5,341

#### 20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Union's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, local money market instruments, short-term investments, accounts receivables and payable and loans to related parties.

The group does not have any derivative instruments at balance date.

The main risks the Union is exposed to through its financial instruments are interest rate risk and credit risk.

#### (a) Interest Rate Risk

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:

2007	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rates	Floating Interest Rate		EREST RATE URING BETWEEN 1 & 5 YEARS	Non Interest Bearing	TOTAL
	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets						
Cash at Bank	5.45%	661,190	-	· _	· _	661,190
Receivables					61,997	61,997
Total Financial Assets		661,190	-		61,997	723,187
Financial Liabilities						
Trade & Sundry Creditors	-	-			249,487	249,487
Total Financial Liabilities		······································			249,487	249,487
2006	Weighted Average	FLOATING	FIXED INTEREST RATE MATURING		Nev	<b>T</b>
	Effective Interest Rates	INTEREST RATE	WITHIN 1 YEAR	Between 1 & 5 Years	Non Interest Bearing	TOTAL
	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets						
Cash at Bank	5.36%	351,737	-	-	-	351,737
Receivables	-		-	<u> </u>	138,702	138,702
Total Financial Assets		351,737	<del></del>		138,702	490,439
Financial Liabilities						
Trade & Sundry Creditors	-	-	-	-	55,220	55,220
Total Financial Liabilities	-				55,220	55,220

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## 20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### b) Credit Risk

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 of those assets, as disclosed in the Balance Sheet and Notes to the Financial Statements.

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

#### (c) Net Fair Values

The net fair values of all assets and liabilities approximate their carrying value. No financial assets and financial liabilities are readily traded on organised markets in standardised form.

#### 21. ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES REQUIRED UNDER THE RAO SCHEDULE

In accordance with the requirements of Section 255 of Schedule 1B [the Registration and Accountability of Organisations (RAO) schedule], the following necessary disclosures are made:

	· · ·	2007 \$	2006 \$
i)	ITEMS OF REVENUE Donations or Grants Income		<del>_</del>
ii)	ITEMS OF EXPENSE		
	Affiliation fees/subscriptions to organisations with an interest in industrial matters.	287,608	282,419
	Donations or Grant Expenses.		
	•		-
		-	
	•		-
			-
			-
		-	
	•		-
	• General (< \$1,000)	1,750	350
		64,250	33,350
	Employee Benefits Expense:		
	- Office Holders	113,838	132,337
	- Employees (Other than Office Holders)	133,569	39,567
	-	247,407	171,904
	Expenses incurred in connection with meetings of members, councils, committees, panels to other bodies		
	for which the Union was wholly or partly responsible.	93,903	91,633
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