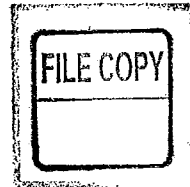




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AUSTRALIA

24 June 2010

Ms Jane Calvert
National President, Forestry & Furnishing Products Division
Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
148-152 Miller Street
WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003



Dear Ms Calvert

Lodgment of Financial Accounts and Statements - Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union, FFPD Victorian Divisional Branch (FR2007/567)

Thank you for your reply to my letter dated 9 June 2010 regarding the auditor's qualification in the abovementioned financial report.

On the basis of your advice, the documents have now been filed.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Kellett
Statutory Services Branch
Fair Work Australia



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23 June 2010

Mr Stephen Kellett
Statutory Services Branch
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80 William Street
East Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Mr Kellett

**Re: Lodgment of Financial Accounts and Statements –
Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union, FFPD Victorian
Divisional Branch (FR 2007/567)**

We refer to your letter dated 9 June 2010 regarding the Auditors' qualification regarding uncertainty about the accuracy of recoverability of the sundry debtor of \$1,022,957.

When the above financial accounts were audited, no financial accounts of the company which owes the debt were available to the auditor hence the auditor qualified the financial accounts of the Victorian Divisional Branch.

The sundry debtor relates to expenses paid by the Union on behalf of the company. These expenses relate to the National Administration Centre which at the time was being run by the company.

The balance owing of \$1,022,957 is recoverable from the company which owns the land and buildings at 148 – 152 Miller Street West Melbourne Vic 3003 and this debt would be repaid if the land and building were sold. The company is not likely to sell the property in the foreseeable future and the debtor has been classified as non current asset in the audited financial accounts of the Union. The Victorian Divisional Branch from 1 January 2009 is now part of the Number 1 Branch and the debtor would continue as a non current asset in these financial accounts.

The financial accounts of the Company will be available in the future. At this stage the accounts may not be available prior to the auditor signing the 31 December 2008 financial accounts.

Please contact the writer or Mr Barry Disken at this office, if you require any further explanations of the qualification.

Yours sincerely

Jane Calvert

National President



FAIR WORK
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9 June 2010

Mr Barry Disken
Financial Controller, Forestry & Furnishing Products Division
Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
148-152 Miller Street
WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003



Dear Mr Disken

Lodgment of Financial Accounts and Statements - Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union, FFPD Victorian Divisional Branch (FR2007/567)

Thank you for lodging the abovementioned financial accounts and statements which were received by Fair Work Australia on 4 June 2010.

Under s332, the General Manager must investigate whenever an auditor sets out any defect, irregularity, deficiency, failure or shortcoming, but not if, after consultation with the reporting unit, he or she can be satisfied that the matter is trivial or will be remedied in the following financial year.

Accordingly, before filing the documents I seek, on behalf of the General Manager, your advice regarding the Auditor's qualification regarding uncertainty about the accuracy or recoverability of the sundry debtor of \$1,022,957 due to unavailability of documentation, specifically your advice that could so satisfy the General Manager.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Kellett
Statutory Services Branch
Fair Work Australia

**CERTIFICATE BY SECRETARY OR PRESCRIBED
DESIGNATED OFFICER**

S268 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

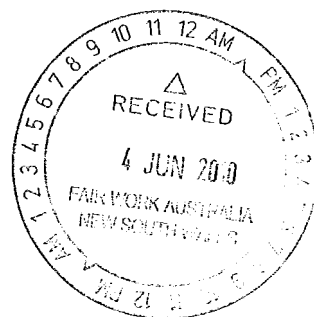
I, Michael O'Connor prescribed designated officer, certify that the enclosed documents lodged, consisting of the general purpose financial report of the Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch for the year ended 31 December 2007.

- are copies of the documents provided to members from 21 April 2010.
- were subsequently presented to a meeting in accordance with section 266, being a meeting committee of management held on 1 June 2010.



National Secretary
Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy Union
Forestry, Furnishing Building and Manufacturing Division

Date 2 June 2010



**CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION
FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS
AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION -
VICTORIAN FORESTRY NO 2 BRANCH
ABN 30 267 473 953**

**FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

**CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION
FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION -
VICTORIAN FORESTRY NO 2 BRANCH
ABN 30 267 473 953**

OPERATING REPORT

In accordance with Section 254 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the Divisional Executive of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division on behalf of the Committee of Management of the Construction, Forestry Mining Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products Division - Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch ('Union / Reporting Unit'), presents the Operating Report of the Reporting Unit for the financial year ended 31 December 2007.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Union during the past year fell into the following categories:

- Promoting the interests of Victorian Forest and Forest Products workers.
- Implementing the decisions of the Divisional Branch Committee of Management, National Divisional Executive and National Divisional Conference.
- Implementing the union's organising & industrial agenda, including direct assistance and strategic advice to members, assistance to members on planning and resourcing campaigns, bargaining, training and development of shop stewards and officials.
- Support and representation of individual member grievances, advice on legal and legislative matters.
- Lobbying and negotiations with different levels of Government and key industry organisations around issues of importance to Forest and Forest Products workers.
- Management of the Unions financial and membership systems.

Operating Result

The operating loss of the Union for the financial year was \$380,083 (2006: Operating Profit \$223,036). No provision for tax was necessary as the Union is exempt from income tax.

Significant Changes

No significant changes in the Union's state of affairs occurred during the financial year.

Pursuant to a special committee meeting dated 5 August 2008 it was resolved that the assets and liabilities of the Reporting Unit be transferred to the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division which would henceforth be responsible for all financial matters pertaining to the Reporting Unit. Separate financial reports of the Reporting Unit will no longer be prepared subsequent to 31 December 2008.

Except for the above no matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Union, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Union in future financial years.

Rights of Members

Subject to the Rule 11 of the Union's rules and Section 174 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, members of the Union have the right to resign from membership by providing written notice addressed to and delivered to the Secretary of the Union.

Superannuation Officeholders

Jane Calvert is an officer of the Union, and Director of the Superannuation Trustee Company: Timber Industry Superannuation Scheme Pty Ltd (TISS Pty Ltd).

As of 1 July 2008, the Timber Industry Superannuation Scheme and Pulp and Paper Workers Superannuation Fund merged with the FIRST Superannuation Fund to form a combined entity known as FIRST Superannuation Fund.

No other 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.

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OPERATING REPORT continued

Other Prescribed Information

In accordance with Regulation 159 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009:

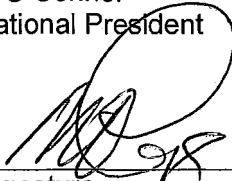
- (a) the number of persons that were, at the end of the financial year to which the report relates, recorded in the register of members for Section 230 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and who are taken to be members of the Union under section 244 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 was 1,863.
- (b) the number of persons who were, at the end of the financial year to which the report relates, employees of the Union, where the number of employees includes both full-time and part-time employees, measured on a full-time equivalent basis was 7.
- (c) the names of each person who have been a member of the Committee of Management of the Union at any time during the reporting period, and the period for which he or she held such a position were;

Name	Position
Kim Mason	Divisional Branch President (appointed 10 August 2007)
Ian Mullen	Divisional Branch President (resigned 10 August 2007)
Ian Mullen	Divisional Branch Senior Vice President (appointed 10 August 2007)
Kim Mason	Divisional Branch Senior Vice President (resigned 10 August 2007)
Danny Maynard	Divisional Branch Vice President (resigned 31 December 2008)
Jane Calvert	Divisional Branch Secretary
Darren Rounds	Divisional Branch Assistant Secretary (resigned 9 October 2007)
Heather Rillo	Divisional Branch Trustee (AA) (resigned 31 December 2008)
Ken Tonkin	Divisional Branch Trustee (resigned 31 December 2008)
Karyn Coghetto	Divisional Committee of Management (AA)
Kerryn Doll	Divisional Committee of Management (AA)
Ian Fullerton	Divisional Committee of Management
Eddie Humphries	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Victor Illuk	Divisional Committee of Management
Steven Lohse	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Seamus McGowan	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 22 February 2007)
Craig Power	Divisional Committee of Management
Josh Ritalick	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Neil Saunders	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Kim Sheppard	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 20 June 2008)
Kevin Wylie	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)

Committee members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Committee of Management:

M O'Connor
National President



Signature

J Calvert
National Secretary



Signature

Melbourne: 23 March 2010

**CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION
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**INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$
Revenue	3	845,928	1,245,510
Administration expense	4	(259,916)	(34,290)
Affiliation sustentation fees and compulsory levies expense	4	(223,253)	(234,190)
Borrowing costs expense	4	(29,079)	(24,046)
Communication expense		(36,777)	(34,902)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	4	(2,046)	(3,684)
Employee benefits expense	4	(653,189)	(491,262)
Motor vehicle expense	4	(30,879)	(41,552)
Occupancy expense		-	(47,755)
Bad debts and provisions for doubtful debts		62,161	(24,425)
Other expenses	4	<u>(53,033)</u>	<u>(86,368)</u>
Profit/(loss) before income tax expense		(380,083)	223,036
Income tax expense	1(a)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net profit/(loss) attributable to members		<u>(380,083)</u>	<u>223,036</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION
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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007**

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	597,124	696,341
Trade and other receivables	6	196,922	234,357
Other current assets	7	<u>17,164</u>	<u>20,128</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>811,210</u>	<u>950,826</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Trade and other receivables	6	1,022,955	1,012,840
Property, plant and equipment	8	6,763	4,384
Financial assets	9	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,029,728</u>	<u>1,017,234</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,840,938</u>	<u>1,968,060</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	680,807	417,245
Short-term provisions	12	<u>217,626</u>	<u>228,227</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>898,433</u>	<u>645,472</u>
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings	11	<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>1,348,433</u>	<u>1,095,472</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>492,505</u>	<u>872,588</u>
EQUITY			
Reserves		456,646	456,646
Retained profits		<u>35,859</u>	<u>415,942</u>
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>492,505</u>	<u>872,588</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

	Retained earnings	Asset realisation reserve	Capital reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2006	192,906	359,793	96,853	649,552
Profit attributable to members of parent entity	223,036	-	-	223,036
Balance at 1 January 2007	415,942	359,793	96,853	872,588
Loss attributable to members of parent entity	(380,083)	-	-	(380,083)
Balance at 31 December 2007	35,859	359,793	96,853	492,505

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

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Membership contributions		806,766	941,835
Other revenue		71,678	108,352
Interest received		26,887	32,613
Interest paid		(2,079)	(24,046)
Payments to suppliers & employees		<u>(997,693)</u>	<u>(942,609)</u>
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities	18b	<u>(94,441)</u>	<u>116,145</u>
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
John Curtin Fund		-	25,166
Purchase of property, plant & equipment		(3,640)	(380)
Purchase of motor vehicle		(6,591)	-
Proceeds from the sale of motor vehicle		5,455	-
Proceeds from the sale of land & buildings		-	100,796
Proceeds from the sale of financial assets		<u>-</u>	<u>200,000</u>
Net cash provided by/ (used in) investing activities		<u>(4,776)</u>	<u>325,582</u>
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of borrowings		<u>-</u>	<u>(100,612)</u>
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>(100,612)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(99,217)	341,115
Cash at beginning of year		<u>696,341</u>	<u>355,226</u>
Cash at end of year	18a	<u>597,124</u>	<u>696,341</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR RECOVERY OF WAGES ACTIVITY
CASH BASIS - FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Cash assets in respect of recovered money at beginning of year	-	-
Receipts		
Amounts recovered from employers in respect of wages etc	-	-
Interest received on recovered money	-	-
	-	-
Total receipts	-	-
Payments		
Deductions of amounts due in respect of membership for:-		
- 12 months or less	-	-
- greater than 12 months	-	-
Deductions of donations or other contributions to accounts or funds of:-		
- the reporting unit	-	-
- other entity	-	-
Deductions of fees or reimbursements of expenses	-	-
Payments to workers in respect of recovered money	-	-
	-	-
Total payments	-	-
Cash assets in respect of recovered money at end of year	-	-

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

The financial report of Construction Forestry Mining Energy Union Forest & Furnishing Products Division Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch 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 and is based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets, and financial assets and financial liabilities for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

Accounting Policies

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. Revenue

Revenue from membership is recognised on a receipt basis.

This is a change in accounting policy from the previous years when revenue has been 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).

c. Leases

Lease payments for 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. Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Union review the carrying value of the tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being 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.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

e. 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.

f. Property, Plant and Equipment

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

Property

Freehold land and buildings are measured on the fair value basis, being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction. It is the policy of the Union to have an independent valuation every three years, with annual appraisals being made by the committee of management.

The revaluation of freehold land and buildings has not taken account of the potential capital gains tax on assets acquired after the introduction of capital gains tax.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is measured on the cost basis.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the committee of management 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 including buildings and capitalised leased assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives to the Union commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Plant and equipment	7.5% - 40%

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

g. Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Union's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits expected to be settled within one year together with benefits arising from wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave which will be settled after one year, have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled plus related on-costs. Other employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits.

Contributions are made by the Union to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

h. Financial Instruments

Recognition

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

Financial Assets

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 nominal value.

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 a current value based on either amortising or revaluing the investment on a straight line basis to its face value at maturity. Any adjustment is debited or credited to interest.

Fair Value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

Impairment

At each reporting date, the Union assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

i. 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 Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

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

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

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

j. Comparative Figures

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

k. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

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

Key Estimates

The committee of management members assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the union that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value in use calculation performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporates a number of key estimates.

Key Judgements

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

NOTE 2: INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OR FAIR WORK AUSTRALIA

In accordance with the requirements of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of sub-sections (1), (2) and (3) of Section 272 of Schedule 1B which read as follows: -

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

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

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
NOTE 3: REVENUE		
Operating activities		
Membership subscriptions	747,391	868,148
Interest	26,859	31,412
Office administrative and other services	55,000	71,000
Others	16,678	33,174
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	-	241,776
	845,928	1,245,510
Total revenue		

NOTE 4: LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

Loss from ordinary activities before income tax expense has been determined after:

EXPENSES

Administration expense

Ballot fees	-	571
Bank charges	1,356	1,438
Consulting fees	1,055	-
Insurance	14,412	8,818
Legal fees	34,133	10,680
National Office administration charges	203,640	-
Postage and freight	1,126	1,582
Printing and stationery	3,514	726
Remuneration of auditor		
- audit	-	7,500
- other services	-	2,130
Staff amenities	680	845
	259,916	34,290

From 1 January 2007, audit fees are paid for on behalf of this Branch by the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union National Office.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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	2007	2006
	\$	\$
NOTE 4: LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES continued		
Affiliation, sustentation fees and compulsory levies		
Affiliation fees:		
- Australian Labour Party	8,085	15,877
- Trades and Labour Councils		
- Ballarat	608	608
- Geelong	130	163
- Gippsland	-	116
- South West	100	98
- Victorian Trades Hall	7,904	7,661
Sustentation fees:		
- CFMEU Forestry and Furnishing Products Division National Office	174,412	167,085
Compulsory Levies:		
- CFMEU Forestry and Furnishing Products Division National Office		
- ACTU Industrial Campaign	30,350	13,687
- Branch levy	-	27,273
- Victorian Trades Hall Council		
- campaign levy	828	801
- women's levy	460	445
- young unionists levy	376	376
	223,253	234,190
 Borrowing costs expense		
Interest paid	29,079	24,046
 Depreciation and amortisation expense		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	2,046	3,684

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	2007 \$	2006 \$
NOTE 4: LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES continued		
Employee benefits expense		
Salaries and allowances		
- elected officials	67,067	105,710
- employees	416,213	268,427
Superannuation contributions		
- elected officials	9,200	16,847
- employees	45,290	38,343
Provision for annual leave		
- elected officials	6,001	6,441
- employees	8,672	(24,682)
Termination payments		
- employees	89,803	-
Provision for long service leave		
- elected officials	7,587	13,246
- employees	(21,464)	4,292
Provision for sick leave		
- elected officials	975	6,349
- employees	(5,469)	(1,132)
Provision for RDO		
- elected officials	5,277	-
- employees	4,072	-
Provision for recognition of service		
- elected officials	7,339	18,773
- employees	(23,593)	(11,456)
Other		
- fringe benefit tax	833	13,882
- health and well being allowance	273	1,659
- payroll tax	25,547	23,081
- Work cover levy	9,566	11,482
	653,189	491,262
Motor vehicle expense		
Rental expense on operating lease	833	7,780
Other expenses	30,046	33,772
	30,879	41,552

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	2007 \$	2006 \$
NOTE 4: LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES continued		
Other expenses		
Conferences and meetings		
- Committee of Management	2,285	10,570
- Executive committee	-	1,384
Donations:		
- Ballarat Trades Hall	336	-
- ALP Mount Gambier, Brad Coates Campaign	-	20,000
- West Gippsland Football league	-	(110)
- Sponsorship of Carter Holt Harvey Myrtleford Members	534	-
Other expenses	49,527	54,524
	52,682	86,368

NOTE 5: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash on hand	-	100
Cash at bank	499,282	601,219
Cash at bank – John Curtin Fund	97,842	95,022
	597,124	696,341

NOTE 6: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

CURRENT		
Owing by CFMEU FFPD National Office	25,191	-
Owing by CFMEU FFPD New South Wales Divisional Branch	9,087	-
Owing by CFMEU Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch	2,080	-
Owing by CFMEU FFPD Tasmanian Divisional Branch	2,688	-
Owing by CFMEU FFTS Victorian Divisional Branch	29,131	29,131
Members contributions	-	138,972
Sundry debtors	127,190	135,499
Accrued income	1,555	1,582
	196,922	305,184
Less provision for impairment		
- members contributions	-	(70,827)
	196,922	234,357

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	2007	2006
	\$	\$
NOTE 6: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES continued		
NON CURRENT		
Sundry debtors	572,955	562,840
Sundry debtors (owing to John Curtin Fund)	450,000	450,000
	1,022,955	1,012,840

NOTE 7: OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

Prepayments	17,164	20,128
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NOTE 8: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and equipment – at cost	60,965	57,325
Less accumulated depreciation	(54,202)	(52,941)
	6,763	4,384
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		

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.

	Motor Vehicles \$	Plant and equipment \$	Total \$
Balance at the beginning of year	-	4,384	4,384
Additions	6,591	3,640	10,231
Disposals	(6,591)	-	(6,591)
Amortisation/depreciation expense	-	(1,261)	(1,261)
Carrying amount at the end of financial year	-	6,763	6,763

NOTE 9: FINANCIAL ASSETS

Shares in unlisted company	10	10
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	2007	2006
	\$	\$
NOTE 10: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
Owing to CFMEU Forestry & Furnishing Products Division National office	101,436	63,250
Owing to CFMEU Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch	8,948	-
GST Collected	(23,162)	11,860
Sundry creditors		
- Owing to John Curtin Fund	130,869	48,247
- Other	363,936	197,917
John Curtin Fund	98,780	95,971
	<u>680,807</u>	<u>417,245</u>
 NOTE 11: BORROWINGS		
NON CURRENT		
John Curtin Fund - unsecured	<u>450,000</u>	<u>450,000</u>
 NOTE 12: PROVISIONS		
Employee entitlements:		
Provision for annual leave		
- elected officials	25,085	19,084
- employees	23,403	14,731
	<u>48,488</u>	<u>33,815</u>
Provision for long service leave		
- elected officials	39,684	32,097
- employees	14,776	36,238
	<u>54,460</u>	<u>68,335</u>
Provision for sick leave		
- elected officials	11,855	10,880
- employees	14,637	20,106
	<u>26,492</u>	<u>30,986</u>
Provision for RDO		
- elected officials	5,277	-
- employees	4,072	-
	<u>9,349</u>	<u>-</u>
Provision for recognition of service		
- elected officials	43,105	35,766
- employees	35,732	59,325
	<u>78,837</u>	<u>95,091</u>
Total Employee Entitlements	<u>217,626</u>	<u>228,227</u>
Number of employees at year end	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>

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**NOTE 13: KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION
AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The names of committee of management of the Reporting Unit who held office during the financial year are:

Name	Position
Kim Mason	Divisional Branch President (appointed 10 August 2007)
Ian Mullen	Divisional Branch President (resigned 10 August 2007)
Ian Mullen	Divisional Branch Senior Vice President (appointed 10 August 2007)
Kim Mason	Divisional Branch Senior Vice President (resigned 10 August 2007)
Danny Maynard	Divisional Branch Vice President (resigned 31 December 2008)
Jane Calvert	Divisional Branch Secretary
Darren Rounds	Divisional Branch Assistant Secretary (resigned 9 October 2007)
Heather Rillo	Divisional Branch Trustee (AA) (resigned 31 December 2008)
Ken Tonkin	Divisional Branch Trustee (resigned 31 December 2008)
Karyn Coghetto	Divisional Committee of Management (AA)
Kerryn Doll	Divisional Committee of Management (AA)
Ian Fullerton	Divisional Committee of Management
Eddie Humphries	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Victor Illuk	Divisional Committee of Management
Steven Lohse	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Seamus McGowan	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 22 February 2007)
Craig Power	Divisional Committee of Management
Josh Ritalick	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Neil Saunders	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)
Kim Sheppard	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 20 June 2008)
Kevin Wylie	Divisional Committee of Management (resigned 31 December 2008)

- (a) The aggregate amount of remuneration paid to elected officials during the financial year for salaries was \$67,067 (2006: \$105,710). The aggregate amount paid during the financial year to a superannuation plan in connection with the retirement of elected officials was \$9,200 (2006: \$16,847).
- (b) The aggregate amount of remuneration paid to other persons on the committee of management was as follows: -
- loss of wages \$1,019 (2006: \$1,070).
 - travel \$Nil (2006: \$1,499).
- (c) Apart from the above, there were no other transactions between the officers of the Reporting Unit other than those relating to their membership of the Reporting Unit and reimbursement by the Reporting Unit in respect of expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties. Such transactions have been on conditions no more favourable than those which it is reasonable to expect would have been adopted by parties at arm's length.

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NOTE 14: EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

Pursuant to a special committee meeting dated 5 August 2008 it was resolved that the assets and liabilities of the Reporting Unit be transferred to the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division which would henceforth be responsible for all financial matters pertaining to the Reporting Unit. Separate financial reports of the Reporting Unit will no longer be prepared subsequent to 31 December 2008.

NOTE 15: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no contingent liabilities at the date of this report.

NOTE 16: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The principle source of income for the Reporting Unit is from membership fees. The Reporting Unit is economically dependent upon the membership levels and fees.

NOTE 17: SEGMENT REPORTING

The reporting unit operates predominantly in one industry, being the forest and forest product sector. The business operates predominantly in one geographical area being Victoria, Australia.

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	2007 \$	2006 \$
NOTE 18: CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
a. Reconciliation of Cash		
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statements of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:		
Cash on hand	-	100
Cash at bank	499,282	601,219
Cash in special purpose fund assets	97,842	95,022
	597,124	696,341
b. Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Net Profit/(loss) attributable to members		
Net profit/(loss)	(380,083)	223,036
Depreciation	2,046	3,684
Loss on sale of fixed assets	351	8,172
Profit on sale of land and buildings	-	(241,776)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	98,147	(1,056,788)
Increase in trade and other receivables owing to the sale of land and buildings	-	1,012,840
(Increase)/decrease in other current assets	2,964	(4,848)
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	263,562	133,126
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	(10,601)	11,831
Increase/(decrease) in provision for doubtful debt	(70,827)	26,868
	(94,441)	116,145
c. Credit Stand-by Arrangement and Loan Facilities		
There are no credit or loan facilities.		
d. There were no non-cash financing or investing activities during the period.		
e. Net cash outflows relating to another reporting unit of the organisation are as follows:		
CFMEU – Forest & Forestry Products Division National Office	(270,889)	-
CFMEU – Forest & Forestry Products Division WA Branch	(351)	-
CFMEU – Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch	(2,333)	-
CFMEU – Forest & Forestry Products Division – NSW Branch	(837)	-
CFMEU – Forest & Forestry Products Division – SA Branch	(10,165)	-
	(284,575)	-

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NOTE 19: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

a. Financial Risk Management

The Union's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, local money market instruments, accounts receivable and payable.

The Union does not have any derivative instruments at 31 December 2007.

i. Treasury Risk management

A finance committee consisting of senior committee members meet on a regular basis to analyse currency and interest rate exposure and to evaluate treasury management strategies in the context of the most recent economic conditions and forecasts

ii. Financial Risks

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

Foreign Currency Risk

The Union is not exposed to fluctuations in foreign currencies.

Liquidity Risk

The association manages liquidity risk by monitoring forecast cash flows and ensuring that adequate unutilised borrowing facilities are maintained.

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 impairment 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 association.

Price Risk

The Union is not exposed to any material commodity price risk.

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NOTE 19: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS Continued

b. 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 those financial assets and financial liabilities, is as follows:

2007	Note	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate	Floating Interest Rate	Fixed Interest Rate Maturing			TOTAL
				Within 1 Year	1 to 5 Years	Non-interest bearing	
		%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets							
Cash at bank	5	4.35	586,992	-	-	10,132	597,124
Receivables	6	-	-	-	-	1,219,877	1,219,877
Investments	9	-	-	-	-	10	10
Total Financial Assets			586,992	-	-	1,230,019	1,817,011
Financial Liabilities							
Payables	10	-	-	-	-	680,807	680,807
Bank loans	11	5.0	-	-	450,000	-	450,000
Total Financial Liabilities			-	-	450,000	680,807	1,130,807
Net Financial Assets/(Liabilities)			586,992	-	(450,000)	549,212	686,204
2006	Note	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate	Floating Interest Rate	Fixed Interest Rate Maturing			TOTAL
		%	\$	Within 1 Year	1 to 5 Years	Non-interest bearing	\$
Financial Assets							
Cash at bank	5	4.2	686,109	-	-	10,232	696,341
Receivables	6	-	-	-	-	1,247,197	1,247,197
Investments	9	-	-	-	-	10	10
Total Financial Assets			686,109	-	-	1,257,439	1,943,548
Financial Liabilities							
Payables	10	-	-	-	-	417,245	417,245
Bank loans	11	5.0	-	-	450,000	-	450,000
Total Financial Liabilities			-	-	450,000	417,245	867,245
Net Financial Assets/(Liabilities)			686,109	-	(450,000)	840,194	1,076,303

c. Net Fair Values

The net fair values of listed investments have been valued at the quoted market bid price at balance date adjusted for transaction costs expected to be incurred. For other assets and other liabilities the net fair value approximates their carrying value. No financial assets and financial liabilities are readily traded on organised markets in standardised form other than listed investments.

Financial assets where the carrying amount exceeds net fair values have not been written down as the Union intends to hold these assets to maturity.

The aggregate net fair values and carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities are disclosed in the balance sheet and in the notes to the financial statements.

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NOTE 20: ACCOUNTING POLICY AMENDMENTS

The following Australian Accounting Standards issued or amended are applicable to the Branch but not yet effective and have not been adopted in the preparation of the financial statements at the reporting date.

AASB Amendment	Standards Affected	Outline of Amendment	Application Date of Standard	Application Date for Branch
AASB 2005-10: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards	AASB 1: First time adoption of AIFRS AASB 4: Insurance Contracts AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements AASB 114: Segment Reporting AASB 117: Leases AASB 1023: General Insurance Contracts AASB 1038: Life Insurance Contracts AASB 139: Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement	The disclosure requirements of AASB 132: Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation have been replaced due to the issuing of AASB 7: Financial Instruments: Disclosures in August 2005. These amendments will involve changes to financial instrument disclosure within the financial report. However, there will be no direct impact on amounts included in the financial report as it is a disclosure standard.	01.01.2007	01.07.2007
AASB 7: Financial Instruments: Disclosures	AASB 132: Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation	As above.	01.01.2007	01.07.2007

NOTE 21: ENTITY DETAILS

The registered office is:
148-152 Miller Street
WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

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COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

On 23 March 2010 the Divisional Executive of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division on behalf of the Committee of Management of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch ("Union/Reporting Unit") passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) of the reporting unit for the financial year ended 31 December 2007:

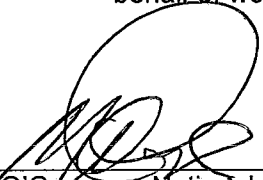
The Committee of Management declares in relation to the GPFR that in its opinion:

- (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 General Manager of Fair Work Australia;
- (c) the financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the reporting unit for the financial year to which they relate;
- (d) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the reporting unit will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (e) during the financial year 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 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009; 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 General Manager of Fair Work Australia duly made under section 272 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 has been furnished to the member of General Manager of Fair Work Australia; and
 - (vi) there has been compliance with any order for inspection of financial reports made by the Commission under section 273 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.


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**COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE
continued**

- (f) in relation to recovery of wages activity:
- (i) the financial report on recovery of wages activity has been fairly and accurately prepared in accordance with the requirements of the reporting guidelines of the General Manager of Fair Work Australia; and
 - (ii) the committee of management caused the auditor to include in the scope of the audit required under subsection 257(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 all recovery of wages activity by the reporting unit in which revenues had been derived for the financial year in respect of such activity; and
 - (iii) no fees or reimbursements of expenses in relation to recovery of wages activity or donations or other contributions were deducted from moneys recovered from employers on behalf of workers other than reported in the financial report on recovery of wages activity and the notes to the financial statements; and
 - (iv) that prior to engaging in any recovery of wages activity, the organisation has disclosed to members by way of a written policy all fees to be charged or reimbursement of expenses required for recovery of wages activity, and any likely request for donations or other contributions in acting for a worker in recovery of wages activity; and
 - (v) no fees or reimbursements of expenses in relation to recovery of wages activity or donations or other contributions were deducted from moneys recovered from employers on behalf of workers until distributions of recovered money were made to the workers.



M. O'Connor – National Secretary



J. Calvert – National President

Melbourne: 23 March 2010

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION - VICTORIAN FORESTRY NO 2 BRANCH

We have audited the accompanying financial report of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union, Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch (the reporting unit), 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 significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the committee of management's declaration of the reporting unit during the financial year.

Committee of management's responsibility for the financial report

The reporting unit'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 the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009. This responsibility includes establishing, implementing 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.

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 judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the 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.

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Independence

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

Basis for Qualified Audit Opinion

Included in the balance sheet are amounts owing from a debtor of \$1,022,957. We have been unable to satisfy ourselves regarding the accuracy of the amount or its recoverability as financial statements for this debtor are not available for our examination.

Qualified Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments if any as might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves on the sundry debtor of \$1,022,957 referred to above, the financial report of the reporting unit:

- (a) is in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, other requirements imposed by these Reporting Guidelines or Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, including:
 - (i) presenting fairly the reporting unit's financial position as at 31 December 2007 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) or International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.
- (b) properly and fairly report all information in relation to recovery of wages activity required by the reporting guidelines of Fair Work Australia, including:
 - (i) any fees charged to or reimbursements of expenses claimed from members and others for recovery of wages activity; and
 - (ii) any donations or other contributions deducted from recovered money.

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Chartered Accountants

L.S. Wong

L.S. WONG
Partner,
Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and
holder of a current public practice certificate

Melbourne: 26 March 2010

COMPILATION REPORT

TO CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION - VICTORIAN FORESTRY NO 2 BRANCH

Scope

On the basis of the information provided by the Committee of Management of Construction Forestry Mining Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division - Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch (Reporting Unit) we have compiled, in accordance with APS 9: Statement of Compilation of Financial Reports the special purpose financial report comprising the Detailed Profit and Loss Statement of Construction Forestry Mining Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division - Victorian Forestry No 2 Branch for the year ended 31 December 2007 as set out on pages 29 and 30.

The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial report has been prepared is to provide financial information to the Committee of Management. No Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements have 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 and are appropriate to satisfy the needs of the Committee of Management.

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 reporting unit, 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 reporting unit and its members 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

MSI RAGG WEIR
Chartered Accountants

Melbourne:

26 March 2010

**CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY UNION
FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION -
VICTORIAN FORESTRY NO 2 BRANCH
ABN 30 267 473 953**

**DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
OPERATING INCOME		
Membership contributions	747,391	868,148
Interest received	26,859	31,412
Office administrative and other services	55,000	71,000
Sundry income	16,678	33,174
Profit on disposals of fixed assets	-	241,776
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TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	845,928	1,245,510
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LESS OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Affiliation fees		
- Australian Labour Party	8,085	15,877
- CFMEU FFPD National Office	174,412	167,085
- Trades & Labour Council:		
Ballarat	608	608
Geelong	130	163
Gippsland	-	116
South West	100	98
- Victorian Trades Hall Council	7,904	7,661
Bad debts	2,228	-
Ballot fees	-	571
Bank charges	1,356	1,438
Buildings outgoing	-	43,612
Campaign expenses	-	978
Cleaning	-	4,143
Computer expenses	15,829	9,243
Conference expenses	1,794	496
Consulting fee	1,055	-
Depreciation	2,046	3,684
Donations	870	19,890
Fringe benefits tax	833	13,882
Health and well being allowances	273	1,659
Insurances	14,413	8,818
Interest paid	29,079	24,046
Journal expenses	105	-
Levies paid	32,014	42,583
Loss on sale of fixed asset	351	8,172
Meeting expenses:		
- Committee of Management	2,285	10,570
- Executive Committee	-	1,384
- Other	1,019	797
Members benefits	257	684
Motor vehicle expenses	30,046	33,772
National Office administration charges	203,640	-
Payroll tax	25,547	23,081
Postage & freight	1,126	1,582
Printing & stationery	3,514	726

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report on page 28.

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**DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2007**

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE (continued)		
Professional services:		
- Accountancy & audit fees	-	9,630
- Legal fees	34,133	10,680
Provision for annual leave	14,673	(18,241)
Provision for doubtful debt	(64,388)	24,425
Provision for long service leave	(13,875)	17,538
Provision for sick leave	(4,494)	5,217
Provision for RDO	9,349	-
Provision for recognition of service	(16,254)	7,317
Relocation expenses	-	972
Rental of motor vehicles	833	7,780
Repairs & maintenance	10,999	545
Salaries:		
- elected officials	67,067	105,710
- employees	338,212	268,427
Staff amenities	679	845
Sundry expenses	17,589	4,038
Superannuation:		
- elected officials	9,200	16,847
- employees	45,290	38,343
Telephone	20,843	23,901
Termination Payments		
- employees	89,803	-
Trainee organisers	78,000	24,818
Training and seminars	390	3,679
Travelling expenses	17,477	11,050
Unfair dismissals	-	52
WorkCover	9,566	11,482
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TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE	1,226,011	1,022,474
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PROFIT / (LOSS) FOR YEAR	(380,083)	223,036

This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report on page 28.



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23rd December 2009
Stephen Kellett
Statutory Services Branch
AIR
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NSW 2011
By email: stephen.kellett@airc.gov.au

Dear Stephen,

Lodgement of Financial Statements & Accounts for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2008, FFPD Division & Branches & Sub Branches; Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

As you are aware these reports have been delayed because of the major organisational restructure we have undertaken. We are still finalising the reports but here is an update on progress.

2007

In relation to the following entities:

- FFPD National Office; FFPD Branches of NSW, Vic Forestry, Sth Australian, Tasmanian, Western Australian and PPW; PPW Sub Branches of Maryvale, Melbourne, Millicent, Nowra, Sydney, Burnie, Boyer, Wesley Vale and Tasmania

These reports are well advanced and we expect to be able to lodge them in March 2010.

2008

In relation to the following entities:

- FFPD National Office; FFPD Branches of NSW, Vic Forestry, Sth Australian, Tasmanian, Western Australian and PPW; PPW Sub Branches of Maryvale, Melbourne, Millicent, Nowra and Sydney.

We expect to be able to lodge these reports in June 2010.

We will keep you informed of our progress.

In the meantime please contact me if you need further information or wish to discuss this matter.

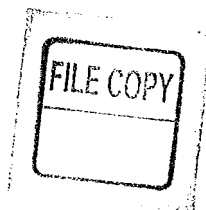
Sincerely

Jane Calvert
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Fair Work
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Mr Michael O'Connor
National Secretary, FFPD Division
Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
148-152 Miller Street
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Dear Mr O'Connor,

**Lodgment of outstanding Financial Statements and Accounts – FFPD Division and
Branches - Schedule 1 of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 (RAO Schedule) –
for years ended 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2008**

I write to seek your formal advice in relation to the outstanding financial returns for the above years.

I understand from a conversation on the telephone in May with Mr Barry Disken that extended delays in lodgment were resulting from the Division's auditors' requirements for their preparation.

I would greatly appreciate it if I could be advised in writing of the circumstances affecting the preparation of the reports and broadly when you anticipate being in a position to lodge them.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Kellett
Statutory Services Branch

7 July 2009



Australian Government
Australian Industrial Registry

28 May 2009

Mr Barry Disken
Financial Controller, FFPD Division
Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
PO Box 661
CARLTON SOUTH VIC 3053



Dear Barry,

**Lodgment of outstanding Financial Statements and Accounts for years ended 31 December 2007
and 31 December 2008 – FFPD Division and Branches - Schedule 1 of the Workplace Relations
Act 1996 (RAO Schedule)**

Further to our discussion by telephone today, I write to seek your formal advice on the status of the outstanding financial returns for the above years. If you could set out the circumstances affecting the preparation of the reports and broadly when you anticipate being in a position to lodge them, that would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Kellett', written in a cursive style.

Stephen Kellett
Statutory Services Branch

cc. Michael O'Connor
National Secretary
CFMEU FFPD

PENNA, Belinda

From: Barry Disken [bdisken@cfmeuffpd.org]
Sent: Friday, 21 November 2008 5:55 PM
To: PENNA, Belinda
Subject: Outstanding Financial Reports

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Belinda,
Copy of fax send on the 11 November 2008.

Regards
BARRY DISKEN
Accountant & Financial Controller
CFMEU - Forestry & Furnishing Products Division

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Belinda Penna
Australian Industrial Registry

By fax to : (02) 9380 6990

11th November 2008

Dear Belinda,

Re: Construction Forestry Mining & Energy Union -- FFPD Divisional Office and Branches for year ending 31 December 2006 & 2007

Thank you for your correspondence of the 21st October 2008 regarding the above matter.

We have previously informed the AIR of the reason for the delay in lodgement and we appreciate your ongoing patience. The Divisional restructure we have undertaken will ensure that these delays are not repeated in future.

In relation to the remaining outstanding 2006 GPFR I can report the following lodgement schedule:

- Melbourne Sub Branch has been lodged;
- Tasmanian Branch & Vic. Forestry Branch by the 14th November 2008;
- National Office by the 12th December 2008.

In relation to the outstanding 2007 GPFR I can report the following lodgement timetable:

- Nowra PPW Sub Branch by the 12th December 2008;
- Maryvale PPW Sub Branch by the 12th December 2008;
- NSW, Vic Forestry, Sth Australian, Tasmanian, Western Australian, PPW Branches and PPW Sub Branches of Melbourne, Millicent, Sydney and Tasmania & Divisional reports by the end of the 2008 calendar year, although if we run out of time for the requisite meetings, these reports may not be lodged until early 2009.

We will update you on progress on the 14th December 2008.

Please contact Jane Calvert, Divisional President, CFMEU FFPD on (03) 92749200 or jcalvert@cfmeuforestry.org if you need to discuss this further.

Regards

Michael O'Connor
National Secretary
CFMEU FFPD
c/c A. Millar & PPW Sub Branch Secretaries, D. Kirner, S. McLean, J. Calvert, C. Smith, B. Disken



**Forestry & Furnishing
Products Division**

Facsimile

To: Mr Barry Jenkins
Facsimile No: 9655 0401
From: Michael O'Connor, National Secretary, CFMEU FFPD
Date: 1 August 2008
No of pages (incl this one): 2
Re: CFMEU FFPD – Outstanding Financial Statements 2007

Dear Mr Jenkins,

Following is a letter addressed to Mr Steve Teece of the Australian Industrial Registry, in relation to the CFMEU FFPD Outstanding Financial Statements for 2007.

A copy is forwarded for your information.

Sincerely,

Michael O'Connor
National Secretary
Forestry & Furnishing Products Division
CFMEU



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Mr Steve Teece
Australian Industrial Registry
By email to: Steve.teece@air.gov.au

cc: Mr Barry Jenkins
By fax to : 9655 0401

1st August 2008

Dear Mr Teece,

**Re: Construction Forestry Mining & Energy Union – FFPD Forestry
Furnishing Building Products & Manufacturing Division
Outstanding Financial Documents – Workplace Relations Act 1996**

Thank you for the recent correspondence to all CFMEU FFPD reporting entities in regard to various outstanding 2007 financial statements.

As discussed with Barry Jenkins, the CFMEU FFPD is undertaking a restructure of the Division to reduce the number of reporting entities from fourteen down to two. The small size of most of our current reporting units has caused considerable administrative difficulty for the reporting units in complying in a timely manner. Since late 2007 the Divisional Office have been largely carrying out the work to enable these requirements to be met, which has meant we can ensure compliance but with some delay.

In relation to the remaining outstanding 2006 GPFR I can report the following lodgement schedule:

- Melbourne Sub Branch, Tasmanian Branch & Vic. Forestry Branch by the 8th August; and
- the Divisional report by the end of September 2008.

In relation to the outstanding 2007 GPFR I can report the following lodgement timetable:

- the Nowra PPW Sub Branch by the end of August;
- the Maryvale PPW Sub Branch by the end of September; and
- the NSW, Vic Forestry, Sth Australian, Tasmanian, Western Australian, PPW Branches and PPW Sub Branches of Melbourne, Millicent, Sydney and Tasmania & Divisional reports by the end of November.

We will update you on progress at the end of September 2008.

Please contact Jane Calvert, Divisional President, CFMEU FFPD on (03) 92749200 or jcalvert@cfmeuforestry.org if you need to discuss this further.

Regards

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CFMEU Forestry & Furnishing Products Division

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Ms Jane Calvert
Divisional Branch Secretary
CFMEU - FFPD - Victorian Branch (No.2 Branch)
148-152 Miller Street
WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

Dear Ms Calvert

**Re: Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union-FFPD- Victorian Branch (No.2 Branch)
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.

I note that we have received correspondence from Jane Calvert of your Division advising us of the current status of financial documents for reporting units within the Division for the year ending 31 December 2006 but the Registry has not received advice in relation to the status of outstanding reports for the year ended 31 December 2007.

To date, the Registry has no record of lodgement of the financial reports of the above named reporting unit for the year ended 31 December, 2007.

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

- the general purpose financial report (which includes the Committee of Management Statement);
- the auditor's report; and
- 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 **16 July, 2008.**

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.

¹ Schedule 1 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 **12 August, 2008**:

- whether a Committee of Management Statement and an Operating Report have been prepared;
- 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 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 Designated Officer's Certificate certifying 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.

You can access the Commission's website where a new site has been created dealing with:

- RAO Fact sheets - These Fact Sheets explain the requirements of the RAO Schedule - many of them deal with financial reporting matters.
- Financial Reporting Sample Documents - Sample Committee of Management's Statement, Designated Officer's Certificate and checklists for illustrative purposes.
- Registrar's Reporting Guidelines - The GPFR 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 Schedule and RAO Regulations

These documents can be accessed at: <http://www.airc.gov.au/registered/FR/information.htm>.

The Registry strongly encourages your organisation to lodge documents electronically by either:

- Sending an email with the documents attached to: orgs@air.gov.au
- Sending the documents by fax to: (03) 9655 0410

If you wish to discuss this letter, please contact me on (02) 8374 6507. In reply please quote: **FR2007/567**.

Yours sincerely



Steve Teece

E-mail: steve.teece@air.gov.au

24 July 2008



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Ms Jane Calvert
Divisional Branch Secretary
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Dear Ms Calvert

Financial Return - year ending 31 December, 2007

Our records show the 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*.

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.

Information on AIRC Website

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

- [RAO Schedule](#)
- [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 requirements of the RAO Schedule - many of them deal with financial reporting matters.

Reporting Unit

Under the provisions of the Registration and Accountability of Organisations Schedule (RAO), Schedule 1 of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*, 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 use the term "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 Timeline/Planner (*Attachment A*) to help you **plan** your financial return and carry out all the necessary steps. We have also attached a Document Checklist (*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 as soon as practicable 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:
 - (a) 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
 - (b) 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 including disclosures related to any recovery of wages activity ; and
 - (c) Committee of Management Statement as required by the Registrar's Reporting Guidelines (a sample certificate for illustrative purposes is at Attachment C) including declarations related to the recovery of wages activity.
2. **Operating Report** - this report includes a review of your reporting unit's principal activities for the year and other specified information.

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

3. 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 reporting unit 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 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 and 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".

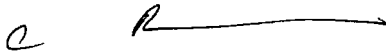
Extensions of Time

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.

Contact the Registry

We encourage you to contact the Registry on (02) 8374 6618 or by e-mail at belinda.penna@air.gov.au 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 procedures but we cannot give you legal or accounting advice.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a small 'c' followed by a long, horizontal, slightly wavy line.

For Deputy Industrial Registrar...
21 January 2008

TIMELINE/ PLANNER

Financial reporting period ending:	/ /	
FIRST MEETING: Prepare General Purpose Financial Report (including Committee of Management Statement in accordance with C of M resolution) and Operating Report - s253(1), s254(1)	/ /	as soon as practicable after end of financial year
Auditor's Report prepared and signed and given to the Reporting Unit - s257	/ /	within a reasonable time of having received the GPFR
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. <i>(obligation to provide full report may be discharged by provision of a concise report s265(1))</i>	/ / 	
SECOND MEETING: Present full report to: (a) General Meeting of Members - s266 (1),(2), or (b) where rules of organisation allow, a Committee of Management meeting - s266 (3)	/ / 	within 6 months of end of financial year within 6 months of end of financial year
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	/ /	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.

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?	
	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?	
	Does the statement contain declarations relating to any recovery of wages activity?	
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?	
	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).

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.

[Add the following if any recovery of wages activity has been undertaken during the financial year]

- (f) in relation to recovery of wages activity:
 - (i) the financial report on recovery of wages activity has been fairly and accurately prepared in accordance with the requirements of the reporting guidelines of the Industrial Registrar; and
 - (ii) the committee of management caused the auditor to include in the scope of the audit required under subsection 257(1) of the RAO Schedule all recovery of wages activity by the reporting unit in which revenues had been derived for the financial year in respect of such activity; and
 - (iii) no fees or reimbursements of expenses in relation to recovery of wages activity or donations or other contributions were deducted from moneys recovered from employers on behalf of workers other than reported in the financial report on recovery of wages activity and the notes to the financial statements; and
 - (iv) that prior to engaging in any recovery of wages activity, the organization has disclosed to members by way of a written policy all fees to be charged or reimbursement of expenses required for recovery of wages activity, and any likely request for donations or other contributions in acting for a worker in recovery of wages activity; and

- (v) no fees or reimbursements of expenses in relation to recovery of wages activity or donations or other contributions were deducted from moneys recovered from employers on behalf of workers until distributions of recovered money were made to the workers.

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."

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 OR the last of a series of general meetings of members OR a meeting of the committee of management]*³ of the reporting unit on *[insert date]*; in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.

Signature

Date:

¹*RAO 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.

²*Only applicable where a concise report is provided to members*

³*Insert whichever is applicable*