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

## Ref: FR2006/600-[105N-WAT]

Mr P Ferreira Honorary Branch Secretary CFMEU FFPD Western Australian Branch PO Box 169 KWINANA WA 6966

Dear Mr Ferreira

#### Financial Return - year ending 31 December, 2006

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 <a href="https://www.airc.gov.au">www.airc.gov.au</a>:

- 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.

#### 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 <a href="www.airc.gov.au">www.airc.gov.au</a>).

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

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

#### Complying with time limits

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

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

#### **Extensions of Time**

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

#### **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

For Deputy Industrial Registrar

betinde Penn

18 January 2007

# **TIMELINE/ PLANNER**

1 1	
1 1	as soon as practicable after end of financial year
1 1	within a reasonable time of having received the GPFR
1 1	within 6 months of end of financial year within 6 months of end of financial year 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.

CMS AIR \_\_\_\_\_\_ DOC020A.DOC

### Attachment B

# **Documents Checklist**

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

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

No	Document	✓						
1	General Purpose Financial Report							
	Does the report contain a Profit and Loss Statement?	+						
	Does the report contain a Balance Sheet?							
	Does the report contain a Statement of Cash Flows?							
	Does the report contain a statement of 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?	$\top$						
	Are the qualifications of the auditor on the report?							
	Has the auditor expressed an opinion on all matters required?	1						
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?	- }						

<sup>\*</sup> This is an optional way of providing documents to members (see RAO s265(3) and RAO Reg. 161).

CMS AIR			DOC020A.DOC

DOC020A.DOC

# **Committee Of Management Statement**

On		_/		[date	of me of rep	meet		the	Comm		of		agemer		of
purp	ose finan	icial re	eport (GPFF		•	_				-			date]:	gei	lerai
The	Committe	ee of l	Manageme	nt decla	res in rela	tion to t	he GPFI	R that in	its opin	ion:					
(a)	e Committee of Management declares in relation to the GPFR that in its opinion:  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)			statements		, ,		•						•	pos	ition
` '	and o	cash	flows o	f the	reporting	g unit	for	the fir	nancial	year	to	which	they	re	late;
(d)			isonable gro and payabl		o believe	that the	e reportir	ng unit w	ill be al	ole to pa	y its d	ebts as	and wh	nen	they
(e)	during	the	financial	year	to which	the	GPFR	relates	and	since	the	end	of tha	t y	/ear:
	(i)		tings of th							accorda	ance v	with th	e rules	of	the
	(ii)		financial aff nisation inc							in acco	rdance	e with	the rule	s of	f the
·	(iii)		inancial red Schedule					been* k	ept and	d mainta	ined i	n acco	rdance	with	the
	#(iv)	have	re the orgar be been* kep organisation	t, as far											
	#(v)		nformation er section 2												nade
	#(vi)		e has bee imission un						ection	of fina	ncial ı	records	made	by	the
[Add	the follo	wing i	if any recov	ery of w	ages activ	vity has	been un	dertaker	n during	the fina	ncial y	/ear]			
(f)	in rela	ation t	co recovery	of wage	s activity:										
	(i)		e financial cordance w												ed in
-	(ii)	un	e committe der subsec nich revenue	tion 257	(1) of the	RAO S	chedule	all recov	ery of	wages a	activity	by the	reportin		
	(iii)	oth oth	fees or re her contribu her than re ancial state	itions wo	ere dedud in the fin	cted fro	m mone	ys recov	vered f	rom em	ployers	s on be	ehalf of	wor	rkers
•	(iv)	by red	at prior to e way of a covery of w orker in reco	written ages ac	policy al tivity, and	l fees t any like	to be ch ely reque	narged o	r reiml	ourseme	ent of	expens	ses requ	uired	d for

CMS AIR \_\_\_

	(v)	other contributions were deduc	expenses in relation to recovery of wages activity or donations or sted from moneys recovered from employers on behalf of workers noney were made to the workers.
	For Comm	nittee of Management:	[name of designated officer per section 243 of the
	RAO Sche	edule]	,
	Title of Off	ïce held:	
	Signature:		
	Date:		•
*	Where comp	oliance or full compliance has not t	been attained - set out details of non compliance instead.
		elevant these may be modified acc under section 273 of the RAO Sc	cordingly (e.g. in (vi) "No orders have been made by the chedule during the period."

# Certificate of Secretary or other Authorised Officer<sup>1</sup>

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

unit on [insert date]; in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.
Signature
Date:

- (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.

CMS AIR \_\_\_

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>RAO regulation 162 prescribes the designated officer for the purpose of RAO schedule s268 as:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Only applicable where a concise report is provided to members

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Insert whichever is applicable



CONSTRUCTION
FORESTRY
MINING
ENERGY
LINION

FORESTRY & FURNISHING PRODUCTS DIVISION 18<sup>th</sup> May 2007

Mr B. Jenkins
Deputy Industrial Registrar
Level 8, Terrace Towers
80 William Street
East Sydney NSW 2011

Dear Sir,

# Application for Extensions of Reporting Time Period S265 (5) RAO Schedule

I am writing on behalf of all of the entities listed below and under the authority of the National Executive of the Forestry & Furnishing Products Division of the CFMEU to seek an extension of time for the provision of reports consistent with s265 (5) of the RAO Schedule.

The Division is in the process of centralising administration, finance and reporting functions for all of the Branches and Sub-Branches of the Division. To date, the entities detailed below have had these functions transferred to our new National Administration Centre and we anticipate this will occur with the remainder of the relevant entities in coming months.

This activity has created a significant volume of work and a number of operational issues have had to be addressed that have caused minor delays in our ability to meet the reporting timetable without seeking an extension.

The specific CFMEU entities to which this extension request applies are:

- Forestry & Furnishing Products Division National Office
- Victorian Forestry (No. 2) Branch
- South Australian (No. 3) Branch
- West Australian (No. 4) Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' (No. 7) Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Melbourne Sub-Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Boyer Sub-Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Burnie Sub-Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Sydney Sub-Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Wesley Vale Sub-Branch

We have prioritised the preparation of the financial reports for the New South Wales (No. 1) Branch and I am advised that these are on track to be completed without it being necessary for us to seek an extension for that entity.



148 – 152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3003

PH: (03) 9274 9200 FAX: (03) 9274 9284 Email: info@cfmeuforestry.org

ABN 91 691 430 210

If discussion is required or any confirmation is necessary, please contact our Assistant National Secretary, Tim Woods (who is also Secretary of our Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch) on 03 9274 9230 or at t.woods@cfmeuppw.org

For reference, the auditor of all of these entities is Mr Barry Disken of MSI Ragg Weir who was appointed by the Divisional National Executive.

Yours sincerely.

Michael O'Connor National Secretary

cc. Divisional National Executive, FFPD, CFMEU



Mr Michael O'Connor National Secretary CFMEU FFPD 148-152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003



Dear Mr O'Connor

### Re: Applications for Extension of Time - s265(5) RAO Schedule

I refer to your letter dated 18 May 2007 on behalf of the Forestry & Furnishing Products Division, requesting an extension of time for the following financial reporting units to submit their financial reports for the year ended 31 December 2006:

- Forestry & Furnishing Products Division National Office (FR2006/559)
- Victorian Forestry (No.2) Branch (FR2006/596)
- South Australian (No.3) Branch (FR2006/586)
- West Australian (No.4) Branch (FR2006/600)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' (No.7) Branch (FR2006/580)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Melbourne Sub-Branch (FR2006/575)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Boyer Sub-Branch (FR2006/572)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Burnie Sub-Branch (FR2006/573)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Sydney Sub-Branch (FR2006/579)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Wesley Vale Sub-Branch (FR2006/581)

Under s265(5) I may extend the period specified in s265(5)(b) for the National Office and the Branches above to provide their full or concise reports to members by no more than one month, namely from 5 months to no more than 6 months from the end of the financial year.

I hereby allow the extension of time until 30 June 2007, which is the latest date allowed under the RAO Schedule.

I apologise for the delay in processing your request.

Yours sincerely

Barry Jenkins

Deputy Industrial Registrar

29 June 2007



Mr Michael O'Connor National Secretary CFMEU FFPD 148-152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

Dear Mr Q'Connor

# Re: Applications for Extension of Time - s265(5) RAO Schedule

I refer to your letter dated 18 May 2007 on behalf of the Forestry & Furnishing Products Division, requesting an extension of time for the following financial reporting units to submit their financial reports for the year ended 31 December 2006:

- Forestry & Furnishing Products Division National Office (FR2006/559)
- Victorian Forestry (No.2) Branch (FR2006/596)
- South Australian (No.3) Branch (FR2006/586)
- West Australian (No.4) Branch (FR2006/600)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' (No.7) Branch (FR2006/580)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Melbourne Sub-Branch (FR2006/575)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Boyer Sub-Branch (FR2006/572)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Burnie Sub-Branch (FR2006/573)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Sydney Sub-Branch (FR2006/579)
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Wesley Vale Sub-Branch (FR2006/581)

Under s265(5) I may extend the period specified in s265(5)(b) for the National Office and the Branches above to provide their full or concise reports to members by no more than one month, namely from 5 months to no more than 6 months from the end of the financial year.

I hereby allow the extension of time until 30 June 2007, which is the latest date allowed under the RAO Schedule.

I apologise for the delay in processing your request.

Yours sincerely

Barry Jenkins

Deputy Industrial Registrar

29 June 2007



Mr Michael O'Connor National Secretary CFMEU FFPD 148 -152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

Dear Mr O'Connor

# Re: Outstanding Financial Statements and Accounts for the FFPD Divisional Office, Branches and Sub-Branches for the year ending 31 December 2006

I refer to our previous correspondence dated 29 June 2007, allowing an extension of time for a number of financial reporting units within the FFPD under s265(5) of the RAO Schedule (copy attached).

The period of time allowed under the legislation for the time to be extended has expired, and the financial statements and accounts are now all significantly overdue.

In order to comply with legislative requirements the financial statements and accounts for each of the reporting units should be lodged in the Registry, under cover of a Secretary's certificate in accordance with s268 of the RAO Schedule, without further delay.

If you are unable to lodge the documents at this time please advise the Registry in writing, by no later than 28 September 2007, of the reasons preventing lodgement for each of the reporting units.

I note that, although it is not included in the correspondence dated 19 June 2007, the FFPD National Administration Centre is also completing the financial return for the Pulp & Paper Workers Millicent Sub-Branch.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact Steve Teece of the Registry by email at steve.teece@air.gov.au or by telephone on 02 8374 6516.

Yours sincerely

Barry Jenkins

Deputy Industrial Registrar

20 September 2007



CONSTRUCTION
FORESTRY
MINING
ENERGY
UNION

FORESTRY & FURNISHING PRODUCTS DIVISION

27<sup>th</sup> September 2007

Mr B. Jenkins Deputy Industrial Registrar Australian Industrial Registry Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street EAST SYDNEY NSW 2011



Dear Mr Jenkins

RE: Outstanding Financial Statement and Accounts for the FFPD Divisional Office, Branches and Sub-Branches for the Year Ending 31 December 2006

Thank you for your correspondence of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2007.

While significant progress has been made to complete the financial statements and accounts of the FFPD's financial reporting units, there is still considerable work to be completed to finalise all of the financial statements and accounts.

Our current expectation for lodgement of the accounts of each of the entities are detailed below.

Entity	Expected Lodgement
Forestry & Furnishing Products Divisional National	End November 2007
Office	
Victorian Forestry (No. 2) Branch	End November 2007
South Australian (No. 3) Branch	End October 2007
West Australian (No. 4) Branch	Before end October
	2007
Pulp & Paper Workers' (No. 7) Branch	End November
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Melbourne Sub-Branch	End 2007
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Boyer Sub-Branch	End 2007
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Burnie Sub-Branch	End 2007
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Sydney Sub-Branch	End 2007
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Wesley Vale Sub-Branch	End 2007
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Millicent Sub-Branch	End 2007

We have put in place considerable steps and provided additional resources to complete the current financial statements and accounts and also to ensure that the same situation does not arise again. The specifics are as follows.

The Division has engaged an additional permanent accounts employee into our National Administration Centre.

The Division has engaged additional contract and temporary accounting resources whose sole focus is on preparation and completion of financial statements and audit documentation.

National Office 148 – 152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3003

PH: (03) 9274 9200 FAX: (03) 9274 9284

ABN 91 691 430 210

Most significantly, effective 1<sup>st</sup> October 2007, we have appointed a Chartered Accountant to the permanent position of Accountant and Financial Controller. That person is Mr Barry Disken who is currently the auditor provided by our audit firm, MSI Ragg Weir. Subsequent to Mr Disken's commencement on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2007, MSI Ragg Weir will continue to provide our audit services.

Since early July 2007, the Division has allocated Assistant National Secretary, Tim Woods to lead and manage the National Administration Centre, with a focus on completing all of the Division's audit and compliance obligations. We anticipate maintaining that high level leadership involvement on a continuing basis.

Further, the Division is actively pursuing a reduction in the number of reporting entities in order to reduce the number and complexity of the Division's transactions. In particular, all of the Sub-Branches of the Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch are currently expected to relinquish their status as separate reporting entities (as some have already done) effective 31st December 2007.

One of the complexities of these revised operational arrangements is that completion of some of the entities is dependant upon the completion of the financial statements and accounts of other entities. Most significantly, to complete the requirements for the Divisional National Office, each of the Branch financial statements and accounts has to have been completed.

As we have advised previously, the centralisation of the accounting and financial functions of the Division and its financial reporting entities into our National Administration Centre is a substantial activity for the Division. We remain confident that the additional resources and the increased collective and high level scrutiny the National Administration Centre provides will ensure that our past and current situations will not reoccur in the future.

The Division understands that the financial statements and accounts are significantly overdue. We are committed to resolving the current situation immediately and ensuring that they do not arise again.

To ensure that we keep the Registry up to date, I will provide a written update by 26<sup>th</sup> October 2007. If further information or details are required in the meantime, please contact Assistant National Secretary, Tim Woods on 03 9274 9200 or 0419 352 869.

Yours sincerely

Michael O'Connor

NATIONAL SECRETARY

MOon



Mr Tim Woods
Assistant National Secretary
CFMEU FFPD
148-152 Miller Street
WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

Dear Mr Woods

# Outstanding Financial Statements and Accounts for the FFPD Divisional Office, Branches and Sub-Branches for the year ending 31 December 2006

I refer to the letter dated 27th September 2007 from the FFPD National Secretary Mr Michael O'Connor, providing advice regarding the progress towards lodgement of the outstanding financial statements and accounts for the following reporting units

- FFPD Divisional National Office
- Victorian FFPD Branch
- South Australian FFPD Branch
- Western Australian FFPD Branch
- Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch
- P&PW Melbourne Sub-Branch
- P&PW Boyer Sub-Branch
- P&PW Burnie Sub-Branch
- P&PW Sydney Sub-Branch
- P&PW Wesley Vale Sub-Branch
- P&PW Millicent Sub-Branch

In his letter Mr O'Connor advised that a further written update on the position of the documents would be lodged by 26th October 2007.

To date, this report has not been received.

Could you please advise what progress has been made towards the lodgement of these overdue documents?

#### Pulp & Paper Workers' Tasmanian Sub-Branch

Following alterations to the rules of the FFPD that were certified on 29 June 2007, the Pulp & Paper Workers' Boyer, Burnie and Wesley Vale Sub-Branches ceased and the Pulp & Paper Workers' Tasmanian Sub-Branch was established.

I would like to remind you of your obligations under section 233(2) of Schedule 1 of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* (the RAO Schedule). This section requires the organisation to lodge the following:

- a record of the name of any branch which has commenced or ceased operation
- a copy of the *list of offices* in the sub-branch (if any)
- a copy of the names, postal addresses and occupations of the persons holding such offices
- a record of the address of the sub-branch office

• a declaration signed by you or other prescribed officer that the information being lodged is a correct statement of the information contained in the organisation's records.

Please provide this information to the Registry in writing by no later than 12 December 2007.

If you would like to discuss this letter please contact me on 02 8374 6504.

Yours sincerely

J

Barry Jenkins Deputy Industrial Registrar

4 December 2007



CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY MINING ENERGY

NOINU

FORESTRY &
FURNISHING
PRODUCTS
DIVISION

National Office 148 – 152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3003

PH: (03) 9274 9215 FAX: (03) 9274 9284 Email: info@cfmeuforestry.org

ABN 91 691 430 210

www.cfmeuforestry.org

12 December 2007

Mr B. Jenkins
Deputy Industrial Registrar
Australian Industrial Registry
Level 8, Terrace Towers
80 William Street
EAST SYDNEY NSW 2011

Dear Mr Jenkins

Outstanding Financial Statement and Accounts for the FFPD Divisional Office, Branches and Sub-Branches for the Year Ending 31 December 2006

Thank you for your correspondence of 4<sup>th</sup> December 2007.

I am writing to advise the current status of our program to complete the 2006 audits of the below listed entities. The status at this date is outlined in the following table.

Entity	Status
Forestry & Furnishing Products Divisional National Office	Complete Feb 08
Victorian Forestry (No. 2) Branch	Complete Feb 08
South Australian (No. 3) Branch	Signed, 1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting
West Australian (No. 4) Branch	Lodged before 31.12.07
Pulp & Paper Workers' (No. 7) Branch	Complete Feb 08
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Melbourne Sub-Branch	Complete prior Feb 08
Pulp & Paper Workers' - Boyer Sub-Branch*	Complete prior Feb 08
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Burnie Sub-Branch	Complete prior Feb 08
Pulp & Paper Workers' - Sydney Sub-Branch*	Signed, 1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Wesley Vale Sub-Branch*	Complete prior Feb 08
Pulp & Paper Workers' – Millicent Sub-Branch	Signed, 1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting

\* In 2007, the Boyer, Burnie and Wesley Vale Sub-Branches of the Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch were merged to form the Tasmanian Sub-Branch. As part of that restructure, the Sub-Branches have since ceased to conduct independent financial affairs and have entirely and completely consolidated their funds, including their assets, liabilities, income and expenditure into the funds of the Pulp & Paper Workers' Branch. As this occurred progressively across 2007, we now propose to subsume the Tasmanian Sub-Branch financial activities as activities of the Branch and to report on that basis for 2007.

We will continue to provide updates and would like to thank the Registry for its assistance and invite you to request any further information that may be required at any time.

Yours sincerely

Fim Woods

Assistant National Secretary

RECEIVED

1 7 DEC 2007

AUSTRALIAN
REGISTRY NSW

MEU

Mod ZI II ON

Mod ZI II ON

cc. Michael O'Connor, National Secretary, FFPD Division, CFMEU



CONSTRUCTION FORESTRY

MINING

ENERGY

UNION

FORESTRY & FURNISHING PRODUCTS DIVISION

21st January 2008

Mr B. Jenkins Deputy Industrial Registrar Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street East Sydney NSW 2011

Dear Sir,

### **Western Australian Branch**

# 2006 Audited Financial Statements

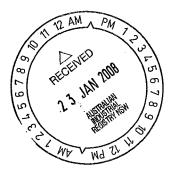
Please find enclosed the audited financial statements, Secretary's Certificate, Operating Report and other required documents for the submission of the above financial statements.

If further information is required, please contact our Accountant and Financial Controller, Mr Barry Disken on 03 9274 9200.

Yours sincerely,

m Woods

Assistant National Secretary



National Office 148 – 152 Miller Street WEST MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3003

PH: (03) 9274 9215 FAX: (03) 9274 9284 Email: info@cfmeuforestry.org

ABN 91 691 430 210

# Certificate of Secretary or other Authorised Officer

S268 of Schedule 1B Workplace Relations Act 1996

- I, Paul Ferreira, being the Secretary of the WA Branch of the Forestry & Furnishing Products Division of the Construction, Forestry, Mining & Energy Union certify:
  - That the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report, referred to in s268 of the RAO Schedule; and
  - That the full report was provided to members on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2007; and
  - That the full report was presented to a meeting of the Committee of Management of the reporting unit on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2007 in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.

Signature:

Paul Ferreira - Branch Secretary

Date: 12th December 2007.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

#### **OPERATING REPORT**

In accordance with Section 254 of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, the Committee of Management present their Operating Report on the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Western Australia Divisional Branch, the relevant Reporting Unit for the financial year ended 31 December 2006.

#### **Principal Activities**

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

- Implementation of the decisions of the Branch Committee of Management.
- Implementation of the Union's organising agenda, including direct assistance and strategic advice on particular industry or site organising projects, training and development of officials.
- Industrial support including assistance with legal and legislative matters.
- The administration and variation of federal and state awards.
- Negotiation and registration of certified industrial instruments on behalf of members consistent with the objects of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, and the Union rules.
- Media and other communications to members and to the broader local communities of the Branch on issues affecting the rank and file.

## **Operating Result**

The operating loss of the Union for the financial year was \$17,678. No provision for tax was necessary as the Union is exempt from income tax.

#### Significant Changes

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

No matter 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 Union's rules and Section 174 of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, 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**

Mr. P Ferreria is an executive member of the Union and holds directorship of FIRST Superannuation Pty Ltd from the 10 April 2006.

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.

# OPERATING REPORT Continued

#### Other Prescribed Information

In accordance with Regulation 159 of the Workplace Relations (Registration and Accountability of Organisations) Regulations:

- (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 RAO Schedule and who are taken to be members of the Union under section 244 of the RAO Schedule was 312.
- (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 1.
- (c) the names of each person who have been a member of the Branch 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
Philip Robson	Branch President
John Cleary	Branch Senior Vice President
Michael Hammond	Branch Vice President
Paul Ferreria	Branch Secretary
Rob Archibald	Branch Assistant Secretary
Troy Yates	Branch Trustee
John Davis	Branch Trustee (Resigned 13 December 2006)
Michael Koch	Committee of Management (Resigned 11 March 2006)
Ronald Rose	Committee of Management
Graeme Bell	Committee of Management
Gary Jaeschke	Committee of Management

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:

Paul Ferreria - Branch Secretary

Gary Jaeschkle – Committee of Management

Perth: 27 October 2007

### INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	Note	2006 \$	2005 \$
Revenue	3	107,249	94,016
Administration expense Compulsory levies and sustentation fees Depreciation expense Employee benefits expense Motor vehicle expense Telephone and facsimile expense Travel expense	4 4 4 4	(9,062) (24,167) (1,087) (64,950) (8,847) (6,142) (10,672)	(8,022) (19,627) (1,025) (63,916) (7,054) (5,400) (4,484)
Loss before income tax expense	4	(17,678)	(15,512)
Income tax expense	1(a)		
Net loss attributable to members		(17,678)	(15,512)

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2006

	Note	2006 \$	2005 \$
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables Other current assets	5 6 7	25,333 1,853 3,455	14,939 - -
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		30,641	14,939
NON CURRENT ASSETS Plant and equipment	8	4,706	5,793
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		4,706_	5,793
TOTAL ASSETS		35,347	20,732
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade and other payables Short term provisions	9 10	177,754 3,414	148,875 -
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		181,168_	148,875
TOTAL LIABILITIES		181,168_	148,875
NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)		(145,821)	(128,143)
EQUITY Accumulated losses		(145,821)	(128,143)
TOTAL EQUITY		(145,821)	(128,143)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	Retained earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 January 2005	(112,631)	(112,631)
Loss attributable to members	(15,512)	(15,512)
Balance at 31 December 2005	(128,143)	(128,143)
Loss attributable to members	(17,678)	(17,678)
Balance at 31 December 2006	(145,821)	(145,821)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	Note	2006 \$	2005 \$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Receipts from members Interest received Payments to suppliers and employees		107,183 66 (96,855)	93,952 64 (91,898)
Net cash provided (used) in operating activities	16(b)	10,394	2,118
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Part Repayment of National Office Debt		<u> </u>	(10,000)
Net cash provided (used) in investing activities			(10,000)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held Cash at beginning of year		10,394 14,939	(7,882) 22,821
Cash at end of year	16a	25,333	14,939

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR RECOVERY OF WAGES ACTIVITY CASH BASIS - FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
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	<u>-</u>	
Total receipts		
Payments Deductions of amounts due in respect of membership for: 12 months or less - greater than 12 months	- 	<u>-</u>
Deductions of donations or other contributions to accounts or funds of: the reporting unit - other entity	- -	<u>-</u>
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

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

#### 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, Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

The financial report of Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Western Australia Divisional 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. Plant and Equipment

Each class of plant and equipment is carried at cost, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

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, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis or a reducing balance 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 Motor vehicle Depreciation Rate 18.75%

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

# NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

#### c. 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.

#### d. 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.

### e. 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.

#### f. 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.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

# NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

#### g. Revenue

Revenue from membership is recognised on a receipt 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).

#### 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 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.

### i. Comparative Figures

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

#### j. Critical Accounting Estimates and 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 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.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

#### NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

#### k. Going Concern

The Union has a net current asset deficiency of \$150,527 and a net asset deficiency of \$145,821. The continuing operations of the Union and the ability to pay its debts as and when they fall due is dependent upon the continuing financial support of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union(CFMEU) Forestry and Furnishing Products Division.

The CFMEU Forestry and Furnishing Products Division has confirmed that it will provide to the Union the financial assistance necessary to ensure that the Union is able to pay its debts as and when they fall due and enable the Union to continue as a going concern. This assistance will be provided for a period of one year from the date of these accounts.

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

#### NOTE 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 1 which read as follows: -

- (1) A member of a reporting unit, or a Registrar, may apply to the reporting unit for specified prescribed information in relation to the reporting unit to be made available to the person making the application.
- (2) The application must be in writing and 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).

	2006 \$	2005 \$
NOTE 3: REVENUE		
Operating activities Members contributions Interest received	107,183 66	93,952 64
Total revenue	107,249	94,016

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
NOTE 4: LOSS FOR YEAR		
Loss before income tax expense has been determined after:  Expenses		
Administration expense Bank charges Computer expenses Insurance Membership computer expense Meeting expense Office expenses Petty cash expense Postage, printing and stationery Subscriptions Remuneration of auditor - audit - other services	564 31 501 769 227 1,714 1,320 961 1,112 1,863	696 - 551 - 2,297 - 2,248 - 2,230 - 8,022
	9,062	0,022
Compulsory levies and sustentation fees Compulsory levy: - Australian Council of Trade Unions Industrial Relations campaign - CFMEU Forestry and Furnishing Products Division National Office Sustentation fee: - CFMEU Forestry and Furnishing Products Division National Office	1,500 1,231 21,436 24,167	837 - 18,790 19,627
Depreciation expense Motor Vehicle	1,087	1,025
Employee benefit expense Salaries - elected officials Superannuation - elected officials Provision for annual leave - elected officials Fringe benefits tax Workcover	53,644 7,530 3,414 266 96	55,146 8,869 (1,065) 276 690 63,916
NOTE 5: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash on hand Cash at bank	25,233 100	14,839 100
	25,333	14,939

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
NOTE 6: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
CURRENT GST receivable Sundry debtors	1,838 15	- -
	1,853	-
NOTE 7: OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		
CURRENT Prepayments	3,455	
NOTE 8: PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Motor vehicle – at cost Less accumulated depreciation	6,818 (2,112) 4,706	6,818 (1,025) 5,793
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	4,706	5,793
Movements In Carrying Amounts  Movements in the carrying amounts (written down values) for each claequipment between the start and end of the current financial year.	ass of property,	plant and
Balance at start of year Additions Disposals Depreciation expense	Motor Vehicle 5,793 - - (1,087)	Total 5,793 (1,087)
Balance at end of year	4,706	<u>(1,087)</u> 4,706
NOTE 9: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	1,700	4,700
Trade creditors & accruals GST liability	4,249 -	- 968
CFMEU – Forestry & Furnishing Products Division - National Office	173,505	147,907
	177,754	148,875

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
NOTE 10: PROVISIONS		
CURRENT Employee benefits – annual leave	3,414	_
Number of Employees at year end	1	1

# NOTE 11: KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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
Philip Robson	Branch President
John Cleary	Branch Senior Vice President
Michael Hammond	Branch Vice President
Paul Ferreria	Branch Secretary
Rob Archibald	Branch Assistant Secretary
Troy Yates	Branch Trustee
John Davis	Branch Trustee (Resigned 13 December 2006)
Michael Koch	Committee of Management (Resigned 11 March 2006)
Ronald Rose	Committee of Management
Graeme Bell	Committee of Management
Gary Jaeschke	Committee of Management

- (a) The aggregate amount of remuneration paid to elected officials during the financial year for salaries was \$53,644. The aggregate amount paid during the financial year to a superannuation plan in connection with the retirement of elected officials was \$7,530.
- (b) There was no remuneration paid to other persons on the committee of management.
- (c) There were no other transactions between the officers of the Union other than those relating to their membership of the Union and reimbursement by the Union 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.

#### **NOTE 12: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

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

#### NOTE 13: EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

There are no events subsequent to the reporting date and to the date of this report which will have a material effect on the financial report for the year ended 31 December 2006.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

#### **NOTE 14: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE**

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

#### **NOTE 15: SEGMENT REPORTING**

The Union operates predominantly in one industry, being the Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing sector. The business operates predominantly in one geographical area being in Western Australia.

		2006 \$	2005 \$
N	OTE 16: 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	100
	Cash at bank	25,233	14,839
		25,333	14,939
b.	Reconciliation of Net Cash provided by (used in ) Operating Activities to Net Loss Net loss	(17,678)	(15,512)
	Non Cash Items Depreciation Provision for employee entitlements Changes in Assets and Liabilities (Increase)/decrease in receivable (Increase)/decrease in prepayments Increase/(decrease) in payables	1,087 3,41 <b>4</b> (1,853) (3,455) 28,879	1,025 (1,065) - - 17,670
	Cash flows used in operations	10,394	2,118
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 4,659 CFMEU - Forest & Forestry Products Division SA Branch (2,845)

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

#### **NOTE 17: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

#### 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 those financial assets and financial liabilities, is as follows:

		Weighted Average	Floating Interest Rate	Fixed Interest Ra	ate Maturing		
	Note		morost rate	Within 1 Year	1 to 5 Years	Non- interest bearing	TOTAL
2006		%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets							
Cash at bank	5	0.95	25,233	-	-	100	25,333
Receivables	6	N/A				1,853	1,853
		_	25,233			1,953_	27,186
Financial Liabilities							
Payables	9	N/A	-		-	177,754	177,754
Net Financial (Liabilities)		-	25,333	<del>-</del> -		(175,801)	(150,568)
2005 Financial Assets							
Cash at bank	5	0.95	14,839			100	14,939
			14,839			100	14,939
Financial Liabilities							
Payables	9	N/A			-	148,875	148,875
Net Financial (Liabilit	ies)		14,839	<u> </u>		(148,775)	(133,936)

#### 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 of those assets, net of any provisions for impairment of debts, 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 debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the Union.

#### 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.

#### **NOTE 18: ENTITY DETAILS**

The registered office is: 11 Pindney Place ORELIA WA 6167

#### **COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE**

On 27 October 2007 the Committee of Management of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Western Australia Divisional 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 2006:

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

- (a) the financial statements and notes comply with the Australian Accounting Standards;
- (b) the financial statements and notes comply with the reporting guidelines of the Industrial 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; 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 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 of Registrar; and
  - (vi) there has been compliance with any order for inspection of financial reports made by the Commission under section 273 of the RAO Schedule.

# 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 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 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.

Paul Ferreria - Branch Secretary

Gary Jaeschke // Committee of Management

Perth: 27 October 2007



#### LEVEL 2, 50 BURWOOD ROAD, HAWTHORN

P.O. Box 325, Hawthorn, Victoria 3122, Australia Tel +613 9819 4011 Fax +613 9819 6780 Web www.raggweir.com.au Email raggweir@raggweir.com.au

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF CONSTRUCTION, FORESTRY, MINING AND ENERGY UNION FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION – WESTERN AUSTRALIA DIVISIONAL BRANCH

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union Forestry, Furnishing, Building Products and Manufacturing Division – Western Australia Union (the reporting unit), which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 December 2006, 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 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.

## 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.



#### LEVEL 2, 50 BURWOOD ROAD, HAWTHORN

P.O. Box 325, Hawthorn, Victoria 3122, Australia
Tel +613 9819 4011 Fax +613 9819 6780
Web www.raggweir.com.au
Email raggweir@raggweir.com.au

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT continued

TO THE MEMBERS OF CONSTRUCTION, FORESTRY, MINING AND ENERGY UNION FORESTRY, FURNISHING, BUILDING PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURING DIVISION – WESTERN AUSTRALIA DIVISIONAL BRANCH

#### Independence

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

#### Auditor's opinion

In our opinion the financial report of the reporting unit:

- (a) is in accordance with the provisions of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, other requirements imposed by these Reporting Guidelines or Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the RAO Schedule, including:
  - (i) presenting fairly the reporting unit's financial position as at 31 December 2006 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and 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 the Industrial Registrar, including:
  - (i) any fees charged to or reimbursements of expenses claimed from members and others for recovery of wages activity; and
  - (ii) any donations or other contributions deducted from recovered money.

MBI RaggWeit

**MSI RAGG WEIR** 

Chartered Accountants

L.S. WONG

Partner.

Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and holder of a current public practice certificate

Melbourne: 31 October 2007



Mr Tim Woods
Assistant National Secretary, Forestry & Furnishing Products Division
Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
148-152 Miller Street
WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

Dear Mr Woods

Re: Lodgement of Financial Statements and Accounts – Western Australian Branch – for year ending 31 December 2006 (FR2006/600)

I refer to the abovementioned financial statements and accounts which were lodged in the Registry on 23 January 2008.

The documents have been filed.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Kellett

Statutory Services Branch

29 January 2008