*Workplace Relations Act 1996* s.189 of Schedule 1B - arrangement for conduct of an election

# The Master Grocers' Association of Victoria Limited (E2005/138)

### T. NASSIOS DEPUTY INDUSTRIAL REGISTRAR

MELBOURNE, 15 JULY 2005

Arrangement for conduct of election.

### DECISION

[1] On 7 July 2005, the abovenamed organisation lodged in the Industrial Registry the prescribed information in relation to elections for the following offices;

Directors (3)

President Vice President

[2] I am satisfied that elections for the abovenamed offices are required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the elections by the Australian Electoral Commission.

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ATTENTION:	Mr. Rob Pfeiffer		
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FROM	Leon Blignaut		

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Hi Rob

Election of officers

I refer to our telephone conversation on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2005 regarding the above matter and attach, please find, an application pertaining to the election of officers and the required statement. The elections are a two step process being the election of "directors" who then in turn elect a President and a Vice-President. The entire process is subject to timelines making time of essence. I have Emailed the unsigned documents to you. Please call me if there are any problems or comment.

Regards. Leon Blignaut

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The Industrial Registrar Australian Industrial Relations Commission Nauru House, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne 6 July 2005

For Attention: Mr. Rob Pfeiffer

Dear Sir,

### Election for Offices - Master Grocers Association of Victoria ("MGAV")

As an Organisation registered under the *Registration and Accountability of Organisations Schedule* (the *"RAO Schedule"*) we hereby request that arrangements be made for the conduct of an election by the Australian Electoral Commission under s 189 of the said *RAO Schedule*.

We furnish the following information under Regulation 138 of the Workplace Relations (Registration and Accountability of Organisations) Regulations:

- a) An election is required for the offices of directors of the MGAV under clause 21 of its rules.
- b) The reason for the election is that the office of the directors is due to expire in the normal course of events under clause 21.6 of the rules.
- c) An election is required for the offices of three (3) directors.
- d) Under clause 21.19 of the rules, notice that nominations are required for the election of a director, must be sent to each member by the returning officer at least 72 days before the annual general meeting. The annual general meeting ("AGM") of the MGAV must be held no earlier than 31 August 2003 and no later than 30 November 2003 under clause 20.1 of the rules. The returning officer must receive nominations for the offices of directors no later than 5pm 21 days after the electoral officer under clause 21.24 of the constitution sent nomination forms to members. At this stage the AGM is planned for a date in November depending on arrangements for a timeframe with the AEC.
- e) The rules do not provide for a day on which the roll of voters is to be closed. Under the rules ballot papers are posted to members (clauses 25.5 and 25.8) and the closing date for the ballot shall be determined by the electoral officer which shall not be later than noon on the second day before the AGM.
- f) A direct voting system is used in the conduct of an election.

We also request that arrangements be made for the conduct of a further election for the positions of President and Vice President by the Australian Electoral Commission under s 189 of the *RAO Schedule*. Under clause 24.2 of the MGAV rules, the board ("officers") of the MGAV, must annually elect from their ranks a President and a Vice President. Notice that nominations are required for the offices of President and Vice President shall be sent by the returning officer to each Director no more than seven days after each AGM. Such notice shall state a closing date for nominations which will be no more than

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14 days from the date on which the notice is sent by the returning officer. Each notice shall contain a nomination form.

We attach a statement under Regulation 138(2) of the *(Registration and Accountability of Organisations) Regulations* that the above information is lodged under s 189(1) of the said Schedule. Do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or Leon Blignaut should you require any further information.

Yours faithfully

oď Rod Allen

President Master Grocers Association of Victoria 2

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STATEMENT under Regulation 138(2) of the Workplace Relations (Registration and Accountability of organisations) Regulations

I, Rod Allen, a director and officer of the Master Grocers Association of Victoria, hereby certify that the information contained in the attached letter dated  $6^{th}$  July 2005 is information lodged under s 189(1) of the RAO Schedule.

Dated 6th July 2005

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