

FAIR WORK Australia

17 May 2010

Mr Sam Roberts Branch Secretary National Union of Workers General Branch PO Box 343 NORTH MELBOURNE VIC 3051

By email: nuwgeneral@nuw.org.au

Dear Mr Roberts,

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 ("RO Act")

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009 ("RO Regulations")

Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2009 - FR2009/10147

I acknowledge receipt of the financial report and concise report for the National Union of Workers – **South Australian** Branch for the year ended 30 June 2009 and also acknowledge receipt of signed and dated copies of documents relating to those reports the financial report and a revised designated officer's certificate also relating to those reports dated 6 May 2010.

The documents were lodged on 2 March 2010, 12 April 2010 and 11 May 2010 respectively.

The documents have been filed.

Although the documents have been filed, I would like to comment on some other issues arising from the financial report. I make the following comments to assist you when you prepare the next financial report. You do not need to take any further action in respect of the documents already lodged in relation to these particular matters.

Branch Merger

On 12 August 2009 the SA, WA and QLD Branches were abolished and merged into the Central Branch which was then renamed the General Branch – as per NUW Transitional Rule 76.

As previously discussed with the former Secretary of the General Branch, Mr Doug Stevens, please arrange for financial reports to be lodged for the SA, WA and QLD Branches for the period 1 July to 11 August 2009 – as per the attached letter from Mr Stevens dated 18 November 2009.

Operating Report

Please ensure that the full name and exact position (e.g. Secretary) of the person signing the operating report appears in the operating report.

Independent Audit Report

Auditor's Professional Qualifications

The independent auditor's report for both the <u>full report</u> and <u>concise report</u> should confirm that the auditor is an 'approved auditor' – i.e. that the auditor is a member of CPA Australia, The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia or the National Institute of Accountants *and* holds a current Public Practice Certificate – see section 256 of the RO Act and Regulation 4 of the RO Regulations. A statement in the independent audit report that the person undertaking the audit is a 'Registered Company Auditor' would satisfy these requirements.

Committee of Management Statement

Please ensure that the full name and exact position (e.g. Secretary) of the person signing the committee of management statement appears in the committee of management statement. Also the date of the committee of management's resolution pertaining to the statement must be identified in accordance with Item 24 of the Reporting Guidelines.

Income Statement

Fees for payroll deductions

Fees for payroll deductions need to be disclosed in accordance with Item 11(a) of the Reporting Guidelines.

Conference & Meeting Allowances and Conference & Meeting Expenses

In accordance with Item 11(i) and (k) of the Reporting Guidelines conference & meeting allowances; and conference & meeting expenses must be separately disclosed.

Finance Costs

In accordance with AASB 101(82)(b) the financial report must separately disclose finance costs such as interest and bank charges (assuming such expense items have been incurred).

Cash Flow Statement

Cash outflows to another reporting unit of the organisation must be separately disclosed in accordance with Item 15 of the Reporting Guidelines. This would normally include the payment of capitation fees / sustentation fees (however described) to the national office of an organisation.

Notes to the Financial Statements

In the notes to the financial statements the Branch did not disclose the accounting policy it adopted and used for the recognition of employee benefits such as annual leave and long service leave. An entity must disclose in the summary of significant accounting policies the measurement basis (or bases) used in preparing the financial statements and the other accounting policies used that are relevant to an understanding of the financial statements: AASB 101(117). This includes the accounting policy adopted for employee benefits (see AASB 119).

Concise Report

There was no note in the concise report which stated that the concise report was provided pursuant to a committee of management resolution as required by section 265(2) of the RO Act. Please ensure that reference is made to the resolution if and when you prepare the next concise report.

Statement of Loans, Grants and Donations ("LGD Statement")

I acknowledge receipt of the LGD Statement for the National Union of Workers – **South Australian** Branch for the year ended 30 June 2009.

The document was lodged on 22 April 2010.

Please take note in future that a LGD Statement must be lodged with FWA within 90 days after the end of each financial year in accordance with section 237 of the RO Act.

Legislation

In future years please ensure that the financial report refers to the relevant provisions of the current legislation:

- Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009
- Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009

The *Reporting Guidelines* previously issued by the Industrial Registrar continue to apply under the above legislation – see <u>http://www.fwa.gov.au/index.cfm?pagename=regorgsfrguidelines</u>.

Your attention to the abovementioned matters when preparing future documents will be much appreciated.

Please note, once the financial report has been filed the documents and relevant correspondence will appear on our registered organisation website at <u>http://www.e-airc.gov.au/080vsab/financial</u>, with the exception of the LGD Statement which will not be published in any form.

Should you wish to discuss any matters contained in this letter I may be contacted on (03) 8661 7988 or by e-mail at tom.cagorski@fwa.gov.au.

Yours faithfully,

Tom Cagorski Law Graduate Tribunal Services & Organisations





DS/CC

Ref: G09D-097 18 November 2009

Mr A Schultz Research Officer Fair Work Australia Email: Andrew.schultz@fwa.gov.au

Dear Andrew

Re: National Union of Workers - Central/General Branch

I refer to your correspondence concerning financial reports of various branches of the National Union of Workers as a result of the abolishing of the WA, QLD and SA branches on 12 August 2009 and their subsequent merger into the Central Branch which was renamed the General Branch.

- 1. We agree that financial returns should be prepared for the WA, QLD and SA branches for the period from 1 July 2009 to 11 August 2009 as these entities have ceased to exist.
- 2. We believe however that separate financial returns should not be required for the Central Branch for the period from 1 July 2009 to 11 August 2009.
- 3. The following support this contention:
 - 1. Unlike the WA, QLD and SA branches, the Central branch has not ceased to exist; it merely changed its name to "General Branch".
 - 2. The Central branch absorbed the WA, QLD and SA branches and has continued to operate.
 - 3. It is an unnecessary cost to the members of preparing and auditing the financial returns for the period from 1 July 2009 to 11 August 2009, and then again for the period of 12 August 2009 to 30 June 2010.
 - 4. The preparation of the financial returns for the period from 1 July 2009 to 11 August 2009 for the Central Branch would have limited use to the members.
 - 5. An audited financial return of the Central/General Branch for the year from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 will adequately meet the needs of members.

I trust that you will agree with our reasoning and inform us accordingly.

Yours faithfully

DOUG STEVENS BRANCH SECRETARY



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Workplace Relations Act 1996

S268 of Schedule 1B Workplace Relations Act 1996

I, Sam Roberts being the Branch Secretary of the National Union of Workers General Branch certify:

- That the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report, and the concise report for the South Australian Branch, referred to in s268 of the RAO Schedule; and
- The concise report was provided to members on the 6^{th} of May 2010; and
- That the full report was presented to a meeting of the Branch Committee of Management of the reporting unit on 25 February 2010 in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.



DATED: 6th day of May 2010

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DS/SB

Our Ref: G10A-102

25 February 2010

The Registrar Australian Industrial Relations Commission GPO Box 1994 MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Dear Registrar

Re: <u>National Union of Workers General Branch Financial Reports for Year</u> ending 30 June 2009

Please find attached a copy of the National Union of Workers Queensland, South Australia and Western Australian Branch's financial reports for the year ending 30 June 2009.

The financial reports were presented to a meeting of the Branch Committee of Management for approval on 25 February 2010.

Also attached is a certificate signed by the Branch Secretary that the documents lodged are copies of those presented to the Branch Committee of Management.

If you require any further information, please contact Branch Secretary Doug Stevens.

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- That the full report was presented to a meeting of the Branch Committee of Management of the reporting unit on 25 February 2010 in accordance with section 266 of the RAO Schedule.

DATED: 26 February 2010

Herend DOUG STEVENS

BRANCH SECRETARY

CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

OF

NATIONAL UNION OF WORKERS SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH ABN 82 303 586 373

For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

NATIONAL UNION OF WORKERS SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

ABN: 82 303 586 373

CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

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Operating Result

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Significant Changes

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Superannuation Office Holders

To the best of our knowledge and belief no officers or employees of the Branch is, by virtue of their office on the Branch Committee of Management of the National Union of Workers, South Australian Branch:

- a Trustee of a superannuation entity or exempt public sector superannuation scheme;
- a Director of a company that is a trustee of a superannuation entity of an exempt public sector superannuation scheme; and
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For and on Behalf of the Committee of Management

BRANCH

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On *J^{AU}Deterrished* 2009 the Branch Committee of Management of the National Union of Workers, South Australian Branch passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) of the Branch for the year ended 30 June 2009.

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

- (a) the financial report and notes comply with the Australian Accounting Standards;
- (b) the financial report and notes comply with the reporting guidelines of the Industrial Registrar;
- (c) the financial report and notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the branch for the financial year ended 30th June, 2009.
- (d) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Branch will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (e) during the financial year ended 30th June 2009 and since the end of the financial year;
 - (i) meetings of the Branch Committee of Management were held in accordance with the rules of the organisation and the rules of the Branch; and
 - (ii) loans to members of \$13,700 were not approved in accord with Rule 35 Except for these payments, the financial affairs of the Branch have been managed in accordance with the rules of the organisation and the rules of the Branch; and
 - (iii) the financial records of the Branch have been kept and maintained in accordance with the RAO Schedule and the RAO Regulations; and
 - (iv) the financial records of the Branch have been kept, as far a practicable, in a consistent manner to each of the other branches of the organisation; and
 - (v) no information has been sought in any request of a member of the branch or a Registrar under section 272 of the RAO Schedule; and
 - (vi) no order for inspection of the financial records was made by the Commission under section 273 of the RAO Schedule.
- (f) during the financial year ended 30th June 2009 the Branch did not participate in any recovery of wages activity.

For the Branch Committee of Management

BRANCH Date:

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CONSISE FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET As at 30 June 2009

	To Jun 2009 \$	To Jun 2008 \$
CURRENT ASSETS Cash Receivables Other TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	193341 8285 <u>6144</u> 207770	234901 8876 <u>2981</u> 246758
NON CURRENT ASSETS Property, Plant & Equipment	503912	532532
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS	503912	532532
TOTAL ASSETS	711682	779290
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u> Payables Financial Liabilities Provisions	101430 9106 <u>78382</u>	84214 11295 <u>99900</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	188918	195409
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Provisions TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	<u>1465</u> 1465	<u> </u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	190383	206009
NET ASSETS	\$521299	\$573281
EQUITY Reserves Retained Surplus	1128 <u>520171</u>	1128 572153
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS	\$521299	<u> </u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 30th June 2009

	Total	Total Asset Retained Surplus Retained S		Retained Surplus
	_	Revaluation	General Fund	Distress Fund
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1/7/2008	573280	1128	83102	489049
Less Surplus(Deficit) for Year	<u> </u>		(51583)	(398)
CLOSING BALANCE 30/6/2009	\$521299	<u>\$1128</u>	\$31520	\$488651

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NATIONAL UNION OF WORKERS SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from members Operating receipts Payments to suppliers and employees Interest received NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	882371 76368 (1004064) <u>10637</u> (34688)	879039 71814 (912802) <u>13817</u> 51868
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Fixed asset purchase Proceeds on sale of fixed assets NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN)	(15973) <u>11290</u>	(15227)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(4683)	(15227)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from/Repayment of Borrowings		Les Alta
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	(39371)	36641
CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	223606	186965
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	<u>\$184235</u>	<u>\$223606</u>

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CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME STATEMENT For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

INCOME	To Jun 2009 \$	To Jun 2008 \$
Membership Contributions	882371	879039
Distress Fund	33475	31297
NUW NSW Branch Distress Fund	10000	01201
Rent	26914	35052
Interest	10637	13817
Other Operating Income	5979	5465
	969376	964670
	04540	04760
Affiliation Fees	24510	24750
Audit	8345	9054
Campaign Expenses	1818	28960
Computer Expenses	18791	4213
Conference Travel and Organising	23192	14559
Depreciation Plant Equipment Building	29147	25363
Donations	8693	7215
Employee Benefit Expenses Election Exes	503168 30248	453821
Entertainment Public Relations	13727	11458
Funeral Benefits	3000	4000
Insurance Inc Mem Journey	26185	32245
Member Services	(7139)	30581
Motor Vehicle Expenses	32419	26769
National Office Sustentation Fee	147003	130485
Office Occupancy	44316	42135
Picnic Expenses	17871	13524
Printing and Stationery, Publications & Poatage	24245	17315
Telephone and Fax	23364	18836
Trade Union Education	10368	6832
Other Expenses	32312	51337
S. A. Store & Assoc Wkrs	5765	
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	1021357	953452
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	(\$51981)	<u>\$11218</u>

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NOTES TO CONCISE REPORT

Note 1. Basis of Preparation of the Concise Report

The concise financial report is an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30thJune 2009. The concise financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports, and the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

The financial statements, specific disclosures and other information included in the concise financial report are derived from and are consistent with the full report of the National Union of Workers SA Branch for the year ended 30th June 2009. The concise financial report cannot be expected to provide as detailed an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of the National Union of Workers SA Branch as the full 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 1B 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 must specify the period within which, and the manner in which, the information is to be made available. The period must not be less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.

[3] A reporting unit must comply with an application made under subsection (1).

A copy of the full audited accounts will be supplied free of charge to the members who request them.

CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT For The Year Ended 30/6/09

Independent Auditors Report to the Members

The accompanying concise financial report of National Union of Workers, SA Branch, comprises the Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2009, the Income Statement, Statement of Changes in Equity and Cash Flow Statement for the year then ended, derived from the audited financial report of National Union of Workers, SA Branch, for the year ended 30 June 2009. The Concise Financial Report does not contain all the disclosures required by the Australian Accounting Standards.

The Branch Committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Concise Financial Report in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: *Concise Financial Reports* (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), statutory and other requirements. The responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation of the Concise Financial Report; selecting and applying the appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditors Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Concise Financial Report based on our audit procedures. We have conducted an independent audit, in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, of the financial report of National Union of Workers, SA Branch, for the year ended 30 June 2009. Our audit report on the financial report for the year was signed and was not subject to any modification. The Australian 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 the for year is free from material misstatement.

Our procedures in respect of the Concise Financial Report included testing that the information in the Concise Financial Report is derived from, and is consistent with, the financial report for the year, and examination on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts, and other disclosures. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the Concise Financial Report complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: *Concise Financial Reports*.

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

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional ethical pronouncements. We confirm that the independence declaration provided to the Committee of the National Union of Workers, SA Branch, would be in the same terms if provided to the Committee as at the date of this audit report.

CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT For The Year Ended 30/6/09

Independent Auditors Report to the Members (cont'd)

Qualified Auditors Opinion

Our Audit report was made subject to the following qualification.

- 1. The transfer of \$162,000 on 9/7/09 out of the branch had the effect of the date of cessation of the South Australian Branch having insufficient working capital.
- 2. No provision has been made in the accounts for redundancies.
- 3. We have relied on written assurance from the National Office that all liabilities of the S.A. Branch will be met.
- We consider the following transfers of the funds out of the bank account should not have been made –
 9/7/09 \$162,000 (Re banked after the Branch ceased to be operational)
 30/4/09 \$167,765 Re banked 25/6/09 \$162,000
- 5. Loans to members of \$13,700 were not approved in accord with Rule 35 of the Rules.

Subject to this Qualification

In our opinion, the Concise Financial Report of National Union of Workers, SA Branch, for the year ended 30 June 2009 complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports. and the requirements of the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

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Address: 138 Gilles Street Adelaide

Dated this	The	day of	December	2009

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NATIONAL UNION OF WORKERS SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH ABN 82 303 586 373

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 - (vi) no order for inspection of the financial records was made by the Commission under section 273 of the RAO Schedule.
- (f) during the financial year ended 30th June 2009 the Branch did not participate in any recovery of wages activity.

For the Branch Committee of Management

BRANCH Date:

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BALANCE SHEET As at 30 June 2009

		To Jun 2009 \$	To Jun 2008 \$
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u> Cash Receivables Other TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	Note 3 Note 4 Note 5	193341 8285 <u>6144</u> 207770	234901 8876 <u>2981</u> 246758
NON CURRENT ASSETS Property, Plant & Equipment	Note 6	503912	532532
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSET	S	503912	532532
TOTAL ASSETS		711682	779290
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u> Payables Financial Liabilities Provisions	Note 7 Note 8 Note 9	101430 9106 7 <u>8382</u>	84214 11295 99900
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1	188918	195409
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Provisions	Note 9	1465	10600
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABIL	ITIES	1465	10600
TOTAL LIABILITIES		190383	206009
NET ASSETS		\$520171	\$573281
EQUITY Reserves Retained Surplus	Note 9	1128 <u>521299</u>	1128 <u>572153</u>
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS		<u>\$521299</u>	<u>\$573281</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 30 ^{°°} June 2009				
	Total	Asset	Retained Surplus	Retained Suplus
		Revaluation	General Fund	Distress Fund
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening Balance 1/7/2008	573280	1128	83102	489049
Less (Deficit) for Year	<u>(51981)</u>		<u>(51583)</u>	(398)
CLOSING BALANCE 30/6/2009	\$521299	\$1128	\$31520	488651

TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE AUDIT REPORT & NOTES TO REPORT

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NATIONAL UNION OF WORKERS SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from members Operating receipts Payments to suppliers and employees Interest received NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES 3(b)	882371 76368 (1004064) <u>10637</u> (34688)	879039 71814 (912802) <u>13817</u> 51868
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Fixed asset purchase Proceeds on sale of fixed assets NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(15973) <u>11290</u> (4683)	(15227) _ 15227
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from/Repayment of Borrowings		
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	<u>(39371)</u>	36641
CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	223606	186965
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR 3(a)	<u> </u>	<u>\$223606</u>

TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE AUDIT REPORT & NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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INCOME STATEMENT For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

		To Jun 2009	To Jun 2008
INCOME		\$	\$
Membership Contributions		882371	879039
Distress Fund		334 7 5	31297
NUW NSW Branch Organising		10000	
Rent		26914	35052
Interest		10637	13817
Other Operating Income		5979	5465
		969376	964670
EXPENDITURE			
Affiliation Fees	Note 13	24510	24750
Audit		8354	9054
Campaign Expenses		1818	28960
Computer Exes		18791	4213
Conference Travel and Organisir	ng	23192	14559
Depreciation Plant and Equipment		29147	25363
Donations	-	8693	7215
Election Exes		30248	
Employee Benefit Expenses	Note 11	503168	453821
Entertainment Public Relations		13727	11458
Funeral Benefits		3000	4000
Insurance Inc Memb Journey		26185	32245
Member Services		(7139)	30581
Motor Vehicle Expenses		32419	26769
National Office Sustentation Fee		147003	130485
Office Occupancy		44316	42135
Picnic Expenses		17871	13524
Printing and Stationery, Publicati	ons & Postage	24245	17315
Telephone and Fax	-	23364	18836
Trade Union Education		10368	6832
Other Expenses	Note 10	32312	51337
S.A. Store & Assoc Wkrs	Note 14	5765	
		1021357	953452
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR TH	<u>E YEAR</u>	(\$51981)	<u>\$11218</u>

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, and the Workplace Relations Act 1996. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the presentation of this financial report are represented below. They have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial report is for the entity National Workers Union South Australian Branch, as an individual entity. The National Workers Union South Australian Branch is an organisation registered under the Workplace Relations Act 1996. The National Workers Union South Australian Branch is a Branch of the registered organisation. In accordance with the Act the Union is a body corporate and has perpetual succession.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

The following summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the economic entity in the preparation of the financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Revenue

Contributions and Rent are accounted for on a cash receipts basis. Otherwise, the concept of accruals accounting has been adopted in the preparation of the financial statements.

(b) Income Tax

No provision for Income Tax is necessary as the Union is exempt from Income Tax under Section 50 – 15 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

NOTE 2. WORKPLACE RELATIONS ACT 1996

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, which reads

- (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 must specify the period within which, and the manner in which, the information is to be made available. The period must not be less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.
- (3) A reporting unit must comply with an application made under sub section (1).

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

NOTE 3. CASH FLOW INFORMATION

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(a)	Reconciliation of Cash Cash at the end of the financial year as Shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follow	2009	2008
	Cash on Hand	\$ 750	\$ 750
	Cheque Account	(9106)	(11295)
	Cash at Bank & Deposits	192591	234151
		\$184235	\$223606
(b)	Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit from Ordinary Activities after Income Tax		
	Profit (Loss) from Ordinary Activities	(51981)	11218
	Non Cash Flows in profit from ordinary activities:		
	Profit/Loss on Sale of Plant Depreciation & Building Write Down	4156 29147	27687
	Provision for Doubtful Debts	170	935
	Changes in Assets & Liabilities: Decrease(Increase) in Receivables	3366	(7920)
	Decrease(Increase) in other Assets	(3163)	(2981)
	(Decrease)Increase in Accounts Payable	14270	31849
	(Decrease)Increase in Provisions	(30653)	(8920)
	Cash Flows from Operations	\$34688	\$51868
NOTE 4.	RECEIVABLES Accounts Receivable - Other	2009 \$ 2945	2008 \$ 3936
	- Loans to Members	<u>7170</u>	8626
	Less Provision for Doubtful Debts	10115 (1830)	12562 3686
		\$8285	<u> \$8876</u>

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (Cont'd) For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

NOTE 5.	OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	2009 \$	2008 \$
	General Fund - Prepaid Expenses	6144	

NOTE 6. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

(1) Land & Buildings at 46 Greenhill Road WAYVILLE are in the name of "National Union of Workers of 25 undivided 100th Parts – of 552 Victoria Street NORTH MELBOURNE VIC.

(2) Land & Buildings at 46 Greenhill Road WAYVILLE were valued on 30/6/05 by Frank Knight Valuations (SA) Certified Practising Valuer, N. Bell, for LUCREF Pty Ltd.

		2009 \$	2008 \$
	Land & Building at Cost – Greenhill Road	487500	487500
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	26252	19689
		461248	467811
	Motor Vehicles at Cost	72386	97530
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	(37361)	<u> (46064)</u>
		35025	51466
	Office Furniture & Equipment at Cost	36010	57982
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	28370	<u>(44727)</u>
		7640	<u> </u>
	TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	\$503912	\$532532
NOTE 7.	PAYABLES		
	CURRENT		
	Accounts Payable:	13090	35155
	Grant unspent (Note 15)		602
	Payroll Liabilities	13522	
	GST Liabilities	16418	15650
	Payable to NUW NSW	28814	
	Payable to National Office	29586	<u>32807</u>
	TOTAL PAYABLES	<u>\$101430</u>	<u>\$84214</u>

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (Cont'd) For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

NOTE 8.	FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	2009	2008
	Cheque account Commonwealth Bank	\$ (9,106)	\$ (11,295)
NOTE 9.	PROVISIONS	2009 \$	2008 \$
(a)	Provision for Long Service Leave Opening Balance Add Increase (Decrease) in Provision	66,900 (<u>24,458)</u>	49,000 <u>17,680</u>
	CLOSING BALANCE - Elected Officers \$19,637 - Other Staff \$22,805	\$42,442	\$66,900
(b)	Provision for Annual & Other Leave Opening Balance Add Increase (Decrease) in Provision	43,600 <u>(6,195)</u>	70,200 <u>(26,600)</u>
	CLOSING BALANCE - Elected Officers \$12,073 - Other Staff \$31,527	\$37,405	\$43,600
NOTE 9.	RESERVES Asset Revaluation Reserve	\$1,128	\$1,128
NOTE 10.	OTHER EXPENSES		
(a)	Donations in excess of \$1,000 Other ea < \$1000 ALP Campaigns Neil Sachse Foundation NUW Victoria	2,693 1,000 5,000	1,865 5,350
(b)	Commission Deducted by Employers	<u>\$8,693</u> 3,020	<u>\$7,215</u> <u>3,009</u>
NOTE 11.	PAYMENTS BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES Salaries & Allowances Elected Officers – Salaries & Allowances Other Staff - Salaries & Allowances	\$ 95,097 411,657	\$ 67,665 332,804
	Fringe Benefits - Elected Officers - Other Staff	26,991 29,631	25,584 12,053
	Superannuation - Elected Officers - Other Staff	14,722 53,395	14,277 49,487

TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE AUDIT REPORT

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS (Cont'd) For the Year Ended 30 June 2009

NOTE 12. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Branch operates as a Trade Union and provides employee support to Members.

		2009	2008
NOTE 13.	AFFILIATION FEES ALP	10 000	11 000
	S.A. Unions	10,880 13,300	11,823
	Other	330	12,768 169
	Oulei	\$24,510	\$24,750
		<u></u> \$24,510	<u></u>
NOTE 14. S.A. Store & Assoc Workers Benevolent Assoc Inc			
	Transfer to Assoc	167,765	
	25/6/09 Return of Funds from Assoc	162,000	
	Net Payment	\$5,765	
NOTE 15.	GRANT SAFEWORK SA		
	Grant	80,000	
	Expenditure		
	Salary & Oncosts	63,431	52,571
	Training	4,640	10,050
	Motor Vehicle Expenses	6,494	7,565
	Computer	1,542	
	Printing, Stationery, Postage		3,890
	Telephone & Facsimile		1,888
	Travel	1,276	·
	Sundry Expenses	3,219	3,434
	Total Expenditure	80,602	79,398
	Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$602)	\$602
	Add Bal B/Fwd	602	
	Grant unspent at 30/6/09	<u>NIL</u>	602

NOTE 16. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

1. On 12/8/09 the NUW S.A. Branch ceased operations. On this date its assets & liabilities became part of the General Branch of the National Union of workers

2. On 9/7/09 \$162,000 was transferred out of the Commonwealth Bank "Distress" Account of the NUW. An amount of \$162,720 was returned on 18/9/09 after the date of cessation of the branch.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

Scope

The Financial Report and the Responsibility of the Branch Committee of Management and Branch Secretary The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash low statement, accompanying notes to the financial statements and the Branch Committee of Management's statement for the National Union of Workers South Australian Branch, for the year ended 30 June 2009. The Branch Committee of Management and the Branch Secretary are responsible for the preparation and rue and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Workplace Relations Act 1996. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

Audit Approach

Ne have conducted and independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the Branch. Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards in order to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the nherent limitations of internal controls, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the Workplace Relations Act 1996, including compliance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Branch's financial position and its performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows.

We formed our Audit Opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- Examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report; and
- Assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness
 of significant accounting estimates made by the Branch Committee of the Management and the Branch
 Secretary.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on nternal controls.

Independence

in conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

Audit Qualification

- 1. The transfer of \$162,000 on 9/7/09 out of the branch had the effect of the date of cessation of the South Australian Branch having insufficient working capital.
- 2. No provision has been made in the accounts for redundancies.
- 3. We have relied on written assurance from the National Office that all liabilities of the S.A. Branch will be met.
- 4. We consider the following transfers of the funds out of the bank account should not have been made -

9/7/09 \$162,000 (Re banked after the Branch ceased to be operational) 30/4/09 \$167,765 Re banked 25/6/09 \$162,000

5. Loans to members of \$13,700 were not approved in accord with Rule 35 of the Rules.

Subject to these Qualifications

In our opinion the general purpose financial report of the National Workers Union South Australian Branch is properly drawn up,

- so as to present fairly the financial position of the Branch as at 30/6/09 and of the performance for the year then ended.
- the financial report is in accordance with the provisions of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 as amended and
- Australian Accounting Standards (including mandatory professional reporting requirements)

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C. WELLINGTON, F.C.P.A

To the Branch Committee National Union of Workers SA Branch

Auditor Independence Declaration

I declare that to the best of my knowledge & belief during the year ended 30.6.09 there have been

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements in relation to the audit and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professionl conduct in relation to the audit.

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The Secretary The General Branch Mr D Stevens PO BOX 343 North Melbourne Vic 3051

Dear Mr Stevens,

Re audit for the y/e 30/6/09.

As a result of the audit we noted / consider

- 1. Loans, the Distress Fund
 - Not all new loans were approved.
 - Some loan repayments appear to have been banked in the general account as contributions. We consider the loans may be less than the list at 2/6/09 because of further repayments, ie some loan balances have not been updated.
 - Monies transferred to the Store & Assoc Workers Benevolent Assoc Bank include \$190 loan repayments.
- EFT payments were made solely by the office manager who banks & records all transactions.
 It is usual to have 2 electronic signatures (excl the office manager) for internal control purposes.
- 3. There was lack of documentation
 - eg delegates commission total paid \$3,845.94
 - eg Gauchos \$834.90 20/3/09

In the latter no details were noted as to business purpose. Most forms for travel etc were not signed as authorisation for payment.

4. Reimbursement of expenses were not offset or often obvious. Because of this we could not reconcile T Abdou's loan.

- 5 Fringe Benefit Tax
 - Mileage was noted no declarations were signed.
 - Entertainment was understated eg the Union Race Day payment of \$2,000 was allocated to Donations.
- 6. A Travel allowance for less than one overnight should be included on the PAYG certificate.
- 7 As drawn to our attention provisions for leave were not set aside in cash.
- 8 PAYG Certificates were not written for
 - Delegates Commission \$4,053.11
 - Contract wages (no ABN or TFN supplied) \$12,040
 - Cleaning (no ABN or TFN supplied)

Documentation was insufficient. In our opinion the union would be liable for tax, workcover & some superannuation on most of these payments as the work was done under supervision in the office.

- 9 Wages
 - G Everton had superannuation paid of a fixed monthly amount (the terms of contracting appear to have changed).
 - Tim Palmer had 12% Super paid. (There were written instructions for more).
 - T Abdou had Long Service leave paid after 4yrs. There was no start date for previous employment.
 - T Abdou was paid his 5th year increment in a lump sum.
 - M Hajistassi had substantial sick leave paid without a certificate.
- 10 For 2008 & 2009 National Office was underpaid a total of \$1,868 Sustentation fees.
- 11 Loan repayments were not made consistently to the Distress fund by the General Fund.
- 12 There was no register of receipt books in use or used.

Such lack of Internal Controls makes for a very time consuming audit.

Yours Faithfully

C Wellington

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The Secretary The General Branch Mr D Stevens PO BOX 343 North Melbourne Vic 3051

Dear Mr Stevens,

We enclose audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30/6/09.

Would you please get the necessary signatures & return for the audit signature.

Prior to our signature we request,

- confirmation by BGL & Associates P/L, that the building is to be shown in the SA Branch balance sheet up to & including 12/8/09.
- signature of the attached letter on letterhead &
- confirmation from the National Branch of the NUW that all liabilities of the NUW SA Branch will be met, at & up to 12/8/09.

Please contact us should there be any queries re the above.

We reserve the right to change the audit report depending on the above replies.

Yours Sincerely

C. WELLINGTON 18/11/09