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Registered Organisations Commission

8 November 2017

Mr John Oliver Branch Secretary United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Queensland Branch

By e-mail: <u>ufu@ufuq.com.au</u>

Dear Mr Oliver

United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Queensland Branch Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2017 - FR2017/193

I acknowledge receipt of the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2017 for the United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Queensland Branch (UFUA-QLD). The financial report was lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission (ROC) on 18 October 2017.

The financial report has now been filed. You are not required to take any further action in respect of the report lodged.

Whilst the 2017 report has been filed the following should be addressed in the preparation of the next financial report.

1. References to General Manager, Fair Work Australia and Fair Work Commission

Following the enactment of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Act 2016*, the Registered Organisations Commission is the new regulator for registered organisations, with effect from 1 May 2017. Please ensure that references to 'General Manager' are changed to 'Commissioner' and references to 'Fair Work Australia' or 'Fair Work Commission' are changed to 'Registered Organisations Commission'.

2. Operating Report

Membership of Committee of Management

The UFUA-QLD Operating Report states that the Names of Committee of Management members and period positions held during the financial year were attached.

Regulation 159(c) of the RO Regulations requires the Operating Report to disclose the name of each person who has been a member of the Committee of Management of the reporting unit at any time during the reporting period, and the period for which he or she held such a position.

This information is required to be included as part of the signed Operating Report and not as an attachment.

3. Committee of Management statement

Date of resolution

Paragraph 36(a) of the Reporting Guidelines requires that the Committee of Management statement be made in accordance with such resolution as is passed by the Committee of Management. Paragraph 36(b) requires the statement to specify the date of passage of the resolution. Whilst the statement included the date of signature as required by paragraph 36(d), the date of the resolution was omitted.

4. General Purpose Financial Report (GPFR)

Future Australian Accounting Standards

Australian Accounting Standard AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors paragraph 30 requires that the entity disclose Australian Accounting Standards issued but not yet effective with an assessment of the future impact on the entity.

This information has not been provided.

Policy in Relation to Employee Benefits

Australian Accounting Standard AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements paragraphs 117 and 122 require an entity to disclose significant accounting policies including, where applicable, the policy in relation to employee benefits.

The accounting policy for employee benefits for the UFUA-QLD has not been disclosed.

Disclosure of employee provisions to office holders and other employees

The Reporting Guidelines also require either the Statement of Financial Position or the notes to disclose any liability for employee benefits in respect of office holders and other employees (items 20(c) and 20 (d)). Item 20(c) and 20(d) of the reporting guidelines also requires these provisions to be separately disclosed as follows:

- Annual leave;
- Long service leave;
- Separation and redundancies; and
- Other employee provisions.

The employee provisions note to the financial statements has disclosed annual leave and long service leave separately for office holders and employees, but does not separately disclose separation and redundancies and other employee provisions provided for officers and employees.

The Reporting Guidelines require that all employee and office holder provisions be detailed separately (refer to items 20(c) and 20(d)).

Please note that Reporting Guideline 21 states that if the activities identified in item 20 have not occurred in the reporting period, a statement of this effect must be included in the GPFR.

Activities under Reporting Guidelines (RG) not disclosed

Item 13 of the RG states that if the activities identified in items 10 and 11 have not occurred in the reporting period, a statement to this effect must be included in the notes to the GPFR. I note that no such disclosure has been made.

If no undertaking to provide financial support has been received/provided the following statements should be included:

The UFUA-QLD's ability to continue as a going concern is not reliant on the agreed financial support of another reporting unit.

The UFUA-QLD's has not agreed to provide financial support to ensure another reporting unit has the ability to continue as a going concern.

5. Auditor's Statement

Should be addressed to members

Item 22 of ASA700 states "The auditor's report shall be addressed, as appropriate, based on the circumstances of the engagement." Item A21 of ASA700 states "Law, regulation or the terms of the engagement may specify to whom the auditor's report is to be addressed in that particular jurisdiction. The auditor's report is normally addressed to those for whom the report is prepared...".

In this instance the report is prepared for the members of the reporting unit. Accordingly, the Auditor's statement is required to be addressed to the Members of the United Firefighters Union of Australia, Queensland Branch.

Should you wish to discuss the matters raised in this letter, or if you require further information on the financial reporting requirements of the Act, I may be contacted on (03) 9603 0707 or by email at <u>ken.morgan@roc.gov.au</u>

Yours faithfully

KEN MORGAN Financial Reporting Advisor Registered Organisations Commission

UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION OF AUSTRALIA

QLD BRANCH

s.268 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

Certificate By Prescribed Designated Officer¹

Certificate for the year ended 30 June 2017

I John Oliver being the Branch Secretary of the United Firefighters Union of Australia QLD Branch certify:

- that the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report for the [name of the reporting unit] for the period ended referred to in s.268 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009; and
- that the full report was provided to members of the reporting unit on 8th September 2017 and
- that the full report was presented to a meeting of the committee of management of the reporting unit on 9 October 2017 in accordance with s.266 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

Signature of prescribed designated Officer... 1.....

Name of prescribed designated officer:John Oliver

Title of prescribed designated officer:Branch Secretary

Dated: 7 November 2017

Regulation 162 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009 defines a 'prescribed designated officer' of a reporting unit for the purposes of s.268(c) as:

⁽a) the secretary; or

⁽b) an officer of the organisation other than the secretary who is authorised by the organisation or by the rules of the organisation to sign the certificate mentioned in that paragraph.

United Firefighters Union of Australia Queensland Branch

Operating Report

for the year ended 30 June 2017

The Committee of Management presents its operating report on the Reporting Unit for the year ended 30 June 2017.

Review of principal activities, the results of those activities and any significant changes in the nature of those activities during the year

United Firefighters Union is a Trade Union whose members are firefighters in Queensland. The Union acts on their behalf in all industrial matters and there have been no significant changes in those activities during the year.

Significant changes in financial affairs

Nil

Right of members to resign

A member has the right to resign from the Union under Rule 8 – Resignation – written notice addressed the Branch Secretary.

Officers or members who are superannuation fund trustee(s) (include position details) or director of a company that is a superannuation fund trustee

No Trustees on Superannuation Board – Firefighters are all under Q-Super – Government Super Fund.

Number of members

2472

Number of employees

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Names of Committee of Management members and period positions held during the financial year

See attached

Signature of designated officer:

Name and title of designated officer:	BRANCH	SECRETARY	JOHN	CLIVER
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Dated: 8.9.17

• Offices and Office Holders in the Organisation 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

Name of Office (include any offices that are vacant)	Name of Office Holder	Postal Address of Office Holder	Occupation of Office Holder	Date in office
Secretary	John Oliver	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Paid official	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
President	Larry Cullen	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Assistant Secretary	Shane Malley	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Branch President (Snr)	Peter Draper	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Branch President (Jnr)	Peter Chalmers	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Executive member	Ron Raverty	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Executive member	Mark Gale	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Executive member	Sean Wulff	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Northern Region Officer Delegate	Jamie Ryder	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17

Northern Region Firefighter Delegate	Michael Wilson	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Far Northern Region Officer Delegate	Guy Bulmer	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Far Northern Region Firefighter Delegate	Vasilios (Bill) Mantgaris	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Central Region Officer Delegate	Charlie Fenton	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Central Region Firefighter Delegate	Greg Harris	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
South West Region Officer Delegate	John Burrows	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
South West Region Firefighter Delegate	Nathan Price	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
North Coast Region Officer Delegate	Shane Pasterfield	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
North Coast Region Firefighter Delegate	Ron Kettlwewell	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Brisbane Region Officer Delegate	Ryan Wood	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Brisbane Region Officer Delegate	Paul Omanski	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17

Brisbane Region Firefighter Delegate	Dean McNulty	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 1/5/17
Brisbane Region Firefighter Delegate	Richard McCluskey	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Brisbane Region Firefighter Delegate	Wayne McLean	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
South East Region Officer Delegate	Kerry Cumner	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
South East Region Firefighter Delegate	Vacant	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
South East Region Firefighter Delegate	Paul Gray	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Senior Officer Delegate	Ashley Rowe	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Auxiliary South Delegate	Vacant	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter (Aux)	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Auxiliary North Delegate	Alison Howearth	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Firefighter (Aux)	1/7/16 to 30/06/17
Communication Officer Delegate	Vacant	c/- united Firefighters Union QLD, Ground Floor, 286 Montague Road, West End QLD 4101	Communications Officer	1/7/16 to 30/06/17



18 October 2016

Registered Organisations Commission GPO Box 2983 MELBOURNE VIC 3001 Email: regorgs@roc.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: 2017 Financial Returns

Please find attached the unions' financial documents for year ending 30 June 2017. Also enclosed is the Secretary's certificate, operating report and contact details for our Committee of Management.

These documents were presented to the Committee of Management meeting held on the 8th September 2017 and a resolution was passed. Copies of the financial statements were then made available on the internet and members were advised via fax and email on the 11th September 2017.

The Annual General Meeting was called for on the 9th October 2017 however, due to a lack of quorum, these documents were presented to the Committee of Management meeting on the 9th October 2017 and were accepted.

Yours faithfully

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John Oliver Branch Secretary

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UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION OF AUSTRALIA QLD BRANCH YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
REVENUE			
Contributions – United Firefighters			
Union of Aust Union of Employees Qld		213,636	307,623
Interest Received - Bank		1,310	1,754
Other Income		1,794	4,112
		216,740	313,489
EXPENSES			
Affiliation Fees – UFU of Australia		159,076	152,932
Affiliation Fees - ALP		11,000	13,000
Affiliation Fees – ACTU		13,584	10,036
Audit Fees		1,250	3,500
Employee Expenses	9	25,136	24,172
Grants and Donations		363	1,182
Industrial Campaign Costs		1,114	1,495
Conference and Meeting Expenses	9	14,059	35,945
General & Administrative Expenses		3,772	11,128
Depreciation - Office Equipment		438	399
Amortisation		60	60
Not Operating Sum lug /(Deficit) for your		<u>229,852</u> (13,112)	<u> </u>
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for year		(13,112)	39,040
Other Comprehensive Income			<u> </u>
Total Comprehensive Income for the Yea	ar	(13,112)	59,640

The above should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	10	244,972	264,651
Trade Receivables – UFU of Australia	10	-	-
Other Receivables	10	5,500	5,500
		250,472	270,151
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant & Equipment			
Office Equipment - at cost	11	2,191	2,191
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(1,013)	(575)
		1,178	1,616
Intangible Assets			
Trademark - at cost	11	1,200	1,200
Less Accumulated Amortisation		(120)	(60)
		1,080	1,140
TOTAL ASSETS		252,730	272,907
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade Payables	10	1,346	1,199
Other Payables	10	8,452	18,800
Employee Provisions - Annual Leave	12	4,249	2,015
		14,047	22,014
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Employee Provisions - Long Service Leave	12	902	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		14,949	22,014
NET ASSETS		237,781	250,893
NET ASSETS			230,093
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Balance as at 1 July 2016		250,893	191,253
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year		(13,112)	59,640
BALANCE AS AT 30 JUNE 2017		237,781	250,893

The above should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED FUNDS

	\$
Balance 30 June 2015	191,253
Surplus (Deficit) for Year	59,640
Balance 30 June 2016	250,893
Surplus (Deficit) for Year	(13,112)
Balance 30 June 2017	237,781

The above should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts - Contributions:		
United Firefighters Union of Aust Union of Employees Qld	213,636	307,623
UFU of Australia	390	1,110
Receipts – Interest Received	1,310	1,754
Receipts - Other	1,404	3,723
Payments to Suppliers & Employees:		
- UFU of Australia	(172,658)	(153,304)
- Other	(63,761)	(82,936)
Net Cash Outflow from Operating Activities 5	(19,679)	77,970
Investing Activities		
Purchase of Plant & Equipment	-	(915)
Purchase of Intangible Assets		(1,200)
	-	(2,115)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash held	(19,679)	75,855
Cash at beginning of the Financial Year	264,651	188,796
Cash at the end of the Financial Year	244,972	264,651

The above should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

RECOVERY OF WAGES ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Cash Assets in respect of recovered money at beginning of year	-	-
Receipts	-	-
Payments	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Cash Assets in respect of recovered money at end of year		<u> </u>

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the notes

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements and have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that apply for the reporting period and the Fair Work (Registered Organisation) Act 2009. For the purpose of preparing the general purpose financial statements, the United Firefighters Union of Australian Qld Branch is a not for profit entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and in accordance with the historical cost, except for certain assets and liabilities at measured at fair value, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. Except where stated, no allowance is made for the effect of changing prices on the results or the financial position. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars.

(a) Comparative Amounts

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

(b) Accounting Judgements and Estimates

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(i) Critical Accounting Estimates and Assumptions

The Branch makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates by definition seldom equal the related actual results. There are no estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities.

(ii) Critical Judgements in applying the Branch's Accounting Principles

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

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

(c) New Australian Accounting Standards

Adoption of New Australian Accounting Standard Requirements No accounting standard has been adopted earlier than the application date stated in the standards.

(d) Revenue

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Revenue from subscriptions & contributions is accounted for on an accrual basis and is recorded as revenue in the year to which it relates.

Interest revenue is recognised as received.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods & services tax.

(e) Affiliations, Capitation Fees and Levies

Affiliations, capitation fees and levies are recognised on an accrual basis and recorded as a revenue and/or expense in the year to which they relate.

(f) Cash

Cash is recognised at its nominal amount. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with bank and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturity of 3 months or less.

(g) Taxation

United Firefighters Union of Australia Qld Branch is exempt from income tax under division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. The Union still has obligation for the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and Fringe Benefits Tax.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of GST except:

- where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office; and
- for receivables and payables.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

(g) Taxation(cont'd)

The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is classified within operating cash flows.

(h) Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Contingent liabilities and contingent assets are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position but are reported in the relevant notes. They may arise from uncertainty as to the existence of a liability or asset or represent an existing liability or asset in respect of which the amount cannot be reliably measured. Contingent assets are disclosed when settlement is probable but not virtually certain, and contingent liabilities are disclosed when settlement is greater than remote.

(i) Office Furniture and Equipment Asset Recognition Threshold

Purchases of office furniture and equipment are recognised initially at cost in the Statement of Financial Position. The initial cost of an asset includes an estimate of the cost of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located.

Office Furniture and Equipment is measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciable office furniture and equipment are written off to their estimated residual values over their estimated useful life. Depreciation rates (useful lives), residual values and methods are reviewed at each reporting date and necessary adjustments are recognised in the current, or current and future reporting periods, as appropriate.

Depreciation rates applying to each class of depreciable asset are based on the following useful lives:

	2017	2016
Office Furniture and	5 to 10 years	5 to 10 years
Equipment		

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

(i) Office Furniture and Equipment (cont'd) Derecognition

An item of equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in the profit and loss.

(j) Intangibles

Intangible assets with finite lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is recognised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. The useful life of intangible assets are as follows:

	2017	2016
Trademark Cost	10 to 20 years	10 to 20 years

Derecognition

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset are recognised in profit and loss when the asset is derecognised.

(k) Impairment for Non Financial Assets

All assets are assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period to the extent that there is an impairment trigger. Where indications of impairment exist, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated and an impairment adjustment made if the asset's recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from the asset. Where the future economic benefit of an asset is not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate future cash flows, and the asset would be replaced if the Branch were deprived of the asset, its value in use is taken to be its depreciated replacement cost.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

(I) Going Concern

The Branch is reliant on the agreed financial support of the United Firefighters Union of Australia, Union of Employees Queensland to continue on a going concern basis.

2 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There were no events that occurred after 30 June 2017, or prior to the signing of the financial statements, that would have a material effect on these financial statements.

3 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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The statement of comprehensive income details the related party transactions with the United Firefighters Union of Australia and the United Firefighters Union of Australia, Union of Employees Queensland.

The members of the Branch Committee of Management are also members of the Committee of Management of the United Firefighters Union of Australia, Union of Employees Queensland.

Transactions with related parties are on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions. Outstanding balances for sales and purchases at the year end are unsecured and interest free and settlement occurs in cash. There have been no guarantees provided or received for any related party receivables or payables.

ŀ	FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT	2017	2016
		\$	\$
	Financial Assets		
	Cash and Cash at Bank (unrestricted)	244,972	264,651
	Other Receivables	5,500	5,500
	Carrying Amount of Financial Assets	250,472	270,151
	Financial Liabilities		
	Trade and Other Payables	9,798	19,999
	Carrying Amount of Financial Liabilities	9,798	19,999

Cash, cash at bank, other receivables and other payables are short term instruments in nature whose carrying amount is equivalent to fair value. The cash and cash equivalents are held in high quality financial institutions.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

5 RECONCILIATION OF NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR TO NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	(13,112)	59,640
Adjustment for Non Cash Item - Depreciation	498	459
and Amortisation		
Change in Operating Assets & Liabilities		
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables		6,762
Increase/(Decrease) in Payables	(10,201)	9,184
Increase/(Decrease) in Provisions	3,136	1,925
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from		
	(10 (70)	
Operating Activities	(19,679)	77,970

6 LIQUIDITY RISK

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the Branch might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations in relation to financial liabilities. The Branch manages this risk through the following mechanisms:-

- preparing forward cash flow analysis in relation to its operational activities.
- maintaining a reputable credit profile.
- investing surplus cash with reputable financial institutions.

The Branch also receives support from the United Firefighters Union of Australia, Union of Employees Queensland as outlined in Note 3.

Credit Risk

Credit risk refers to the risk of any default on any type of debt owing to the Union. The Union is exposed to credit risk on its memberships fees, trade debtors, and other debtors. The Union manages this credit rate risk by continually reconciling members amounts due against monies received and regular reporting to identify outstanding amounts owed.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the value of financial instruments or cash flows associated with instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The Union is exposed to interest rate fluctuations on its cash at bank. Interest rate risk is managed by continually reviewing the cash balances and transferring excess funds to term deposit accounts that earn a better rate of return.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

7 SECTION 272 FAIR WORK (REGISTERED ORGANISATIONS) ACT 2009

In accordance with the requirements of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of Section 272 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, which read as follows:

Information to be provided to members or general manager.

- (1) A member of a reporting unit, or the General Manager of Fair Work Australia, may apply to the reporting unit for specified prescribed information in relation to the reporting unit to be made available to the person making the application.
- (2) The application must be in writing and must specify the period within which and the manner in which the information is to be made available. The period must be not 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).

8 REVENUE

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No transactions occurred during the financial year in relation to the following sources of revenue.

- capitation fees
- levies
- grants or donations

EXPENSES 2017 2 \$	2016 \$
Employee Expenses:	4
Other Employees	
Employees - Office Holders:	
Wages and Salaries 19,130	16,754
Superannuation 2,870	2,965
Leave and Other Entitlements 3,136	1,925
Separation and Redundancies -	-
Other Employee Expenses -	2,528
25,136	24,172
Total Employee Expenses25,136	24,172

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

9 EXPENSES (Cont'd)

Meeting Expenses:		
Fees & Allowances Meeting and Conferences	6,535	11,914
Conference and Meeting Expenses	7,524	24,031
	14,059	35,945
Grants and Donations		
Grants - greater than \$1,000		.=
- less than \$1,000	-	
Donations - less than \$1,000	363	1,182
- greater than \$1,000		
	363	1,182

No transactions occurred during the financial year in relation to the following items of expenditure.

- capitation fees
- expenses incurred as consideration for employees making payroll deduction of membership subscriptions
- compulsory levies
- legal expenses
- penalties

10 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Current Assets	2017 \$	2016 \$
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Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash at Bank	189,884	210,857
Cash on Hand	-	-
Short Term Deposits	55,088	53,794
Other		
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	244,972	264,651
Trade and Other Receivables		
Receivables from other Reporting Units	-	-
Less Provision for Doubtful Debts	-	
Receivables from other Reporting Units (net)		
Other Receivables		
Prepayments	5,500	5,500
Total Other Receivables	5,500	5,500
Total Trade and Other Receivables (net)	5,500	5,500
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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

10	STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Cont'd)	2017 \$	2016 \$
	Liabilities		
	Current Liabilities		
	Trade Payables	1,346	1,199
	GST Payable	318	8,968
	Other Creditors & Accruals	8,134	9,832
		9,798	19,999

As at 30 June 2017 there were no liabilities in relation to:-

- payments to employers in relation to the collection of membership subscriptions
- other reporting units .
- legal services

11 NON CURRENT ASSETS

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Office Furniture and Equipment

At Cost	2,191	2,191
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,013)	(575)
Total Office Furniture and Equipment	1,178	1,616

Reconciliation of the opening and closing Balances of Office Furniture & Equipment

As at 1 July Gross Book Value Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment Net Book Value 1 July	2,191 (575) 1,616	1,276 (176) 1,100
Additions: By Purchase Depreciation Expense Net Book Value 30 June	(438) (438)	915 (399) 516
Net Book Value as at 30 June represented by: Gross Book Value Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment Net Book Value 30 June Intangible Assets	2,191 (1,013) 1,178	2,191 (575) 1,616
Trademark At Cost Less Accumulated Amortisation	1,200 (120) 1,080	1,200 (60) 1,140 15

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

11	NON CURRENT ASSETS (Cont'd)	2017 \$	2016 \$
	Reconciliation of the opening and closing Balances	10 1 10	Ŧ
	As at 1 July Gross Book Value Accumulated Amortisation and Impairment Net Book Value 1 July	1,200 (60) 1,140	
	Additions: By Purchase Depreciation Expense Net Book Value 30 June	(60)	1,200 (60) 1,140
12	EMPLOYEE PROVISIONS		
	Annual Leave: Office Holders Other Employees Long Service Leave: Office Holders Other Employees	4,249 	2,015
13	REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS		
	Value of the Services Provided Financial Statement Audit Services Other Services Total Remuneration of Auditors	1,250 1,250	3,500
14	KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION		
	Short Term Employee Benefits: - Salary - Annual Leave Accrued - Other Employee Expense Total Short Term Employee Benefits	19,130 2,234 21,364	16,754 1,925 <u>2,528</u> 21,207
	Post Employment Benefits: - Superannuation Total Post Employment Benefits	<u>2,870</u> 2,870	2,965
	Other Long Term Benefits: - Long Service Leave Total Other Long Term Benefits	902	

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

14	4 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION (Cont'd)	2017 \$	2016 \$
	Separation Benefits	-	-
	Redundancies	-	-
	Total	25,136	24,172

15 OTHER ACQUISITIONS OF ASSETS OR LIABILITIES

During the financial year the Branch has not acquired an asset or liability as a result of:-

- (a) An Amalgamation under Part 2 of Chapter 3 of the RO Act.
- (b) A restructure of branches of the organisation.
- (c) A determination by the General Manager under subsection 245(1) of the RO Act of an alternative reporting structure for the organisation.
- (d) A revocation by the General Manager under subsection 249(1) of the RO Act of a certificate issued to an organisation under subsection 245(1).
- (e) A business combination.

16 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED FUNDS

No transaction occurred during the financial year in relation to:-

- funds or accounts in respect of compulsory levies.
- transfers or withdrawals to a fund, account or controlled entity where these were kept for a specific purpose.
- a general fund.

17 RECOVERY OF WAGES ACTIVITIES

No recovery of wage activity was undertaken by the Branch during the financial year.

18 ADDITIONAL BRANCH INFORMATION

The Branch operates within Queensland. The address of the Branch is 286 Montague Road, West End, Qld.

19 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no contingent liabilities at the 30 June 2017.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

We, being two members of the Branch Committee of the United Firefighters Union of Australia Qld Branch, do state on behalf of the Committee and in accordance with a resolution passed by the Committee, that:

The Committee of Management declares that in its opinion:

- (a) The Financial Statements and Notes comply with Australian Accounting Standards;
- (b) The Financial Statements and Notes comply with the reporting guidelines of the General Manager;
- (c) The Financial Statements and Notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the branch for the financial year to which they relate;
- (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 year ended 30 June 2017 and since the end of that year.
 - (i) Meetings of the committee of management were held in accordance with the rules of the Branch; and
 - (ii) The financial affairs of the branch have been managed in accordance with the rules of the Branch including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - (iii) The financial records of the branch have been kept and maintained in accordance with Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009; and
 - (iv) As the organisation consists of two or more reporting units, the financial records of the branch have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner to each of the other branches of the organisation;
 - (v) The information sought in any request of a member of the branch or a General Manager duly made under section 272 of Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 has been furnished to the member or General Manager; and
 - (vi) There has been compliance with any order for inspection of financial records made by the General Manager of The Fair Work Commission under section 273 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

(f) During the financial year ended 30 June 2017 the branch did not participate in any recovery of wages activity.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Branch Committee of Management which was duly passed on the

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Branch Secretary

Branch Executive Member

Dated: 8-9-17

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the general purpose financial report of United Firefighters Union of Australia Qld Branch, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in accumulated funds and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and branch committee of management's statement for the year then ended.

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the United Firefighters Union of Australia Qld Branch as at 30 June 2017, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the requirements imposed by Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

The branch committee of management and the branch secretary of the Branch are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009. This responsibility also 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.

As part of my audit of the financial statements I have concluded that management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2017 is appropriate.

The branch did not undertake any recovery of wages activity during the reporting period as noted in the committee of management statement paragraph (f). No opinion can be provided in relation to recovery of wages activity.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted the audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the branch in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The branch committee of management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is in the operating report accompanying the financial report.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon (cont'd)

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Committee of Management for the Financial Report

The branch committee of management and the branch secretary of the branch are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and for such internal control as the committee of management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the branch committee of management and the branch secretary of the branch are responsible for assessing the branch's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intend to liquidate the branch or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report (Cont'd)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

I declare that I am an approved auditor, a member of Chartered Accountants Australia New Zealand and hold a current Public Practice Certificate.

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Registered Company Auditor

Morris & Batzloff Chartered Accountants 96 Lytton Road, East Brisbane

Dated: Bit September 2017

Registered Number (as registered by the RO Commission under the RO Act): AA2017/84