**Note 1 ‑ Statement of Significant Accounting Policies**

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial statements. They have been consistently applied in the current and previous periods unless otherwise stated to ensure the financial information satisfies the concept of relevance and reliability.

 **(a) Statement of Compliance**

The trustees have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the superannuation fund is a non-reporting entity because the members are able to command the preparation of tailored reports so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs and there are no other users dependent on the financial statements. The financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the legislative requirements of the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* and *Regulations 1994* and the provisions of the Trust Deed. The trustees have determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet their needs.

 **(b) Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis using historical costs convention unless stated otherwise. For investments and financial liabilities, they are measured at market values.

The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the functional currency of the fund.

 **(c) Use of Accounting Estimates and Judgments**

The preparation of financial statements requires the trustees to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstance, the results of which form the basis of making the judgments. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future period affected.

 **(d) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks or financial institutions and short‑term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

 **(e) Foreign Currency**

Any foreign currency transactions during the financial year are brought to account using the exchange rate in effect at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency monetary items at reporting date are translated at the exchange rate existing at reporting date. Exchange differences are recognised in the operating statement in the period in which they arise.

**(f) Valuation of Assets**

 *Investment*

An investment is initially recognised when as a result of past transactions or events, the Fund controls the future economic benefits expected to flow from the asset.

The investment assets are firstly recorded at cost, being the fair value of the consideration given. After initial recognition, they are measured at market value. Gains or losses arising from changes in market value are recognised on the Operating Statement in the periods in which they occur.

Market value as defined in s10 of *SISA 1993*, in relation to an asset, means the amount that a willing buyer of the asset could reasonably be expected to pay to acquire the asset from a willing seller if the following assumptions were made:

1. that the buyer and the seller dealt with each other at arm’s length in relation to the sale;
2. that the sale occurred after proper marketing of the asset;
3. that the buyer and the seller acted knowledgeably and prudentially in relation to the sale.

As disposal costs are generally immaterial unless otherwise stated, market value approximates fair value.

Market values for various types of investment have been determined as follows:

1. listed securities, government and other fixed interest securities for which there is a readily available market quotation, the valuation is recorded as the last quoted sale price as at the close of business on reporting date. If the listed securities are foreign, they are also converted to Australian dollars using the exchange rate at the close of business on the reporting date;
2. unit trusts and managed funds are stated by reference to the unit redemption price quoted by the fund manager at the end of the reporting period;
3. unlisted investments are stated at the Trustees’ valuation based on estimated market value at balance date; or where necessary, upon external valuers’ expert opinions;
4. Investment properties are carried at market value and are held for the purpose of generating long‑term rental yields and capital appreciation. The Trustees give consideration to the value of the investment property each financial year and revalue when a significant event occurs or when deemed appropriate. Where an external valuation has been obtained, the valuation is based on objective and supportable data and has been carried out by a property valuation service provider or qualified independent valuer as appropriate.

*Financial Liabilities*

The Fund initially recognises a financial liability on the date it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities including credit balances of hedging instruments and derivatives are measured at market values as at the reporting date. Any change in market values of the financial liabilities since the beginning of the reporting period shall be included in the profit or loss for the reporting period. As disposal costs are generally immaterial, unless otherwise stated, market value approximates fair value.

*Receivables and Payables*

Current assets such as accounts receivable, which are expected to be recovered within twelve months after the reporting period, are carried at nominal amounts which approximate the fair values.

Accounts payable are recognised when the Fund becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Fund and are carried at nominal amounts which are equivalent to fair values.

**(g) Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Fund and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable. The following recognition criteria relate to the specific items of revenue the Fund receives:

*Interest*

The interest revenue is recognised by the Fund on a cash receipt basis, unless the Fund chooses the accrual method and the amount can be reliably measured by reference to the principal outstanding and using the effective interest rate of the instrument calculated at the acquisition or origination date.

*Dividend Revenue*

The entitlement to a dividend is based on the date the shares are quoted ex‑dividend; the actual dividend revenue is recognised by the Fund when it is received.

*Distribution Revenue*

Distributions from unit trusts and managed funds are recognised as at the date the unit value is quoted ex‑distributions and if not received at the end of the reporting period, are reflected in the statement of financial position as a receivable at market value.

*Rental Income*

Rent from investment properties is recognised by the Fund on a cash receipt basis.

*Movement in market values*

Changes in the market value of investments are determined as the difference between the market value at balance date or consideration received (if sold during the year) and the market value as at the prior year end or cost (if the investment was acquired during the period). All movements are recognised in the Operating Statement.

*Contributions and Rollovers In*

Contributions and rollovers in are recognised when the control and the benefits from the revenue have been attained and are recorded by the Fund, gross of any taxes, in the period to which they relate.

**(h) Income Tax**

The income tax on the benefits accrued as a result of operations for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax expense is recognised in the Operating Statement.

Current income tax expense is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable in respect of the taxable income for the year using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. Current tax liabilities (assets) are therefore measured at the amounts expected to be paid to (recovered from) the relevant taxation authority.

Deferred income tax expense reflects movements in deferred tax liability balances during the year as well as any unused tax losses.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the assets are realised or the liabilities are settled and their measurements also reflect the manner in which the Trustees expect to recover or settle the carrying amounts of the related assets or liabilities.

Deferred tax assets relating to temporary differences and unused tax losses are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the benefits of the deferred tax assets can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent it is no longer probable that the related tax benefits will be realised.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists and it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when a legally enforceable right of set-off exists, they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the fund intends to settle the tax assets and liabilities on a net basis in future when they are realised.

The financial report was authorised for issue on [AuthorisationDate] by the directors of the trustee company.