

Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing  
and Allied Services Union of Australia

*Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

**DECLARATION - CORRECTING REPORT TO CEPU OPERATING REPORT**

lodged pursuant to s.268

I, Allen Hicks, of Suite 408, Level 4, 30-40 Harcourt Parade, Rosebery, in the state of New South Wales, declare:

1. I am the National Secretary of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia, an organisation registered under the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the Act).
2. Pursuant to s.268 of the Act, for the periods ended 31 March 2013; 31 March 2014; 31 March 2015 and 31 March 2016, the full financial reports, including the operating reports, of the CEPU National Council were lodged with the Fair Work Commission (FWC) in FR2013/110, FR2014/53, FR2015/55 and FR2016/66 respectively.
3. An independent audit report into the membership figures reported in the committee of management operating reports for the reporting periods 31 March 2013; 31 March 2014 and 31 March 2015, conducted by Stannards Accounting (the Stannards audit) in 2016, was lodged with the FWC on 11 November 2016. The Stannards audit found the following variances with the figures reported in the operating reports:

YE 31 March	2013	2014	2015
Reported	110,000	98,383	113,387
Auditted	115,218	114,394	109,169
Variance	5,218	16,011	(4,218)

4. On 13 March 2017, in response to the findings of the Stannards audit, a decision by correspondence with a return date of the 20 March 2017, was submitted to the National Council to authorise the National Secretary to amend the committee of management operating reports for the years ended 31 March 2013, 31 March 2014 and 31 March 2015 to reflect the membership figures resulting from the Stannards audit.
5. The report of the Stannards audit of the membership figures included an audited membership figure of 109,169 for the operating report as at 31 March 2015. However, the operating report for the period ended 31 March 2016, which was lodged with the FWC on 29 September 2016, stated that the membership figure for the reporting period ending 31 March 2015 was 107,344. Unfortunately, that figure of 107,344 was incorrect. The figure should have been 109,169. To correct this, the National Council in the decision by correspondence referred to above, approved a correction to the operating report for the period ended 31 March 2016 as follows:

*"Number of Members*

*The number of persons that were, at the end of the financial year to which the report relates, recorded in the register of members for s.230 of the Act and who are taken to be members of the Union under s.244 of the Act is: 108,524 (2015: ~~107,344~~ 109,169). The 2015 financial statements recorded membership at 113,387 and after a subsequent review and independent audit this number was changed to ~~107,344~~ 109,169.*

This has been published on the CEPU website for the information of members.

Signed: 

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Name: Mr Allen Hicks  
Date: 23 March 2017