

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

**REVIEW OF THE FOUR MAJOR BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
SUPERANNUATION SECTOR**

REST

REST95QW: Regarding any investments you have with ME Bank, please provide the following:

- a. The capital invested each year for the past five years.
- b. The accumulated valuation of investments for the past five years.
The dividends received from those investments for the past five years.

Answer:

Rest is not, and has never been, a shareholder of ME Bank. ME Bank does not manage any investments for Rest.

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REST96QW: If you are an investor in ME Bank, have you individually (or in collaboration with other funds), ever commissioned reports into its valuation in the past decade?
a. And if so, how many reports and in what year?
b. Were any commissioned to be completed by the UK-based group, LEK?
And please provide copies.

Answer:

Rest is not, and never has been, a shareholder of ME Bank.

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- REST97QW:** According to reports in the *Australian Financial Review* superannuation fund, Hostplus, redefined the definition of 'illiquid assets' ('Hostplus warned of liquidity "perfect storm"', *Australian Financial Review*, 18 May 2020). Therefore, can you please advise:
- a. How you define 'illiquid assets' within your fund, including details of holdings and timeframes?
 - b. How you define 'liquid assets' within your fund, including details of holdings and timeframes?
 - c. How long each of these definitions have been used?
 - d. What prompted any switch to these definitions?
 - e. What the prior definitions were before any switch?

Answer:

Rest manages liquidity consistently with the accounting concepts. Accordingly, Rest considers an asset to be liquid if it can be readily converted into cash in a short amount of time, and illiquid if it cannot. Rest recognises that any asset can become illiquid in certain market conditions.

Rest's Liquidity Policy ensures that the fund has sufficient financial resources to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due. Rest's Liquidity Policy sets out processes to ensure there are sufficient assets to satisfy Rest's liabilities in all market conditions. Rest's Liquidity Policy is reviewed regularly.

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- REST98QW:** Have you completed a skills audit in the past five years of the following:
- a. Your board of directors?
 - b. Your investment committee?
 - c. And if not, why not?
 - d. And if so, presently what gaps are identified?

Answer:

Rest conducts a range of processes to ensure that the Board and Investment Committee maintain the range of skills and experience needed to execute the obligations to Rest members.

- a) The Rest board has completed the following processes in recent times:
 - i. The Board annually completes a self-assessment review process to assess that the members of the Board meet the “fit and proper” standards as per the requirements of Prudential Standard SPS 520 Fit and Proper. This review includes assessment against a skills matrix for the Board, which is assessed on a collective response, to ensure that the Board as a whole has the skills required, and on an individual basis to assess skills, knowledge and experience of each Director.
 - ii. Rest is a signatory to the AIST Governance Code, which includes requirements to conduct an annual skills analysis.
 - iii. In addition to the annual processes, the Rest Board engages an external consultant to conduct a skills audit of the Board at least every three years. External reviews were completed in December 2018 and again in 2020, as there had been a number of changes in the Board’s composition over 2019 to 2020.
- b) The Fund has recently undertaken a comprehensive (external) review of the Fund’s Investment Governance structure, the ongoing role of the Investment Committee within this structure and the skills, knowledge and experience required on the Investment Committee. The Board is in the process of amending the charter and membership of the Investment Committee arising from this review.
- c) N/A
- d) In the past two external reviews of the Board’s skills, knowledge and experience, the review has focused on those skills which will be most relevant in the context of the strategy of the fund for the future. As examples, the reviews have identified the need to supplement skills particularly in the area of technology and data management, as well as the need to ensure the continuity of the knowledge, skills and experience in the financial services industry over time.

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- REST99QW:** Prior to appointment, have employees fulfilling fiduciary roles had their investment performance track record assessed before fees?
- a. And if not, why not?
 - b. And if not prior to appointment, have they following appointment?
And if so, on what timeframe?

Answer:

Rest has employment processes which require candidates to be assessed against selection criteria reflecting the responsibilities of the role and the knowledge, experience, qualifications and competencies required for the role. For candidates to investment management roles, where relevant this will include an assessment of prior investment performance and/or appropriate aptitude testing.

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REST100QW: Can you please provide data to complete this table for your unlisted asset holdings based on their geographic spread:

Answer:

Country/Region	Share of fund asset value*		Share of fund income*	
	\$	%	\$	%
North America (inc USA)	2,027,230,604	3.52%	162,276,685	2.56%
- United States specifically	2,027,230,604	3.52%	162,276,685	2.56%
South America	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Asia (inc China)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
- China specifically	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Africa	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Europe (not inc UK)	224,877,048	0.39%	17,709,329	0.28%
Europe (inc UK)	517,468,967	0.90%	40,881,993	0.64%
- United Kingdom specifically	292,591,919	0.51%	23,172,664	0.37%
Australasia (inc Aus)	7,610,564,830	13.19%	600,190,848	9.47%
- Australia specifically	7,128,624,359	12.35%	562,172,121	8.87%

* Prepared on a similar basis as prior answers, and including the following assumptions:

- Analysis as at 31 December 2019 and includes unlisted Property, Infrastructure and Agriculture asset classes but excludes Credit and Private Equity asset classes.
- "Share of fund asset value" for unlisted assets shown per region as at 31 Dec 2019.
- "Share of fund income %" per region estimated using each unlisted asset class performance contribution to 1 year Core Strategy return to 31 Dec 2019, weighted according to each unlisted asset class FUM allocation per region.
- "Share of income \$" per region assumes annual estimated all-Rest \$ income to 31 December 2019 (assuming Core Strategy 1 year % return applied to average all-Rest FUM balance as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2019), weighted to "% Share of fund income" per region.

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REST101QW: Please provide a copy of your Constitution.

Answer:

All Rest's corporate governance documents and policies are available on the Rest website at:
<https://rest.com.au/about-rest/corporate-governance>

Attached is the consolidated (as at 5 December 2019) Constitution of Retail Employees Superannuation Pty Ltd, which is the corporate trustee of the Retail Employees Superannuation Trust.

CONSTITUTION

RETAIL EMPLOYEES SUPERANNUATION PTY LIMITED

PRELIMINARY

1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions

Where commencing with a capital letter:

"A Director" means a director nominated by the Member Sponsor;

"Alternate Director" means a person appointed as an Alternate Director under Article 24;

"Appointor" means the Sponsor entitled to hold the shares held by the Nominee;

"B Director" means a Director nominated by an Employer or an Employer organisation or association.

"Board" and **"Directors"** means the Directors for the time being or such number of them as have authority to act for the Company, acting as a body;

"Corporations Act" means the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) and the regulations promulgated there under as amended from time to time;

"Director" includes a person appointed as a director of the Company and for the time being acting as an attorney for a director or as an Alternate Director;

"Disqualified Person" has the meaning ascribed to it in the SIS Act;

"Employer" has the same meaning as in the trust deed for Plan;

"Employer Sponsor" means at a particular time, any entity, organisation or association that has nominated a person to be a "B" Director and that person is a "B" Director at that time;

"Fit and Proper" in relation to a person, means a person who is fit and proper in accordance with the Fit and Proper Policy;

"Fit and Proper Policy" means the Chapter in the Plan's Compliance Manual titled 'Retail Employees Superannuation Trust Fit and Proper Policy' or any replacement policy adopted by the Board under Article 26.4(a), as amended from time to time;

"Member Sponsor" means the Shop, Distributive and Allied Employees' Association;

"Nominee" means an individual person holding shares on behalf of a Member Sponsor;

"Officer" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Corporations Act;

"Plan" means the superannuation fund created by the deed of trust dated 2 December 1987 made by the Company as trustee establishing the superannuation fund known as the Retail Employees Superannuation Trust;

"Plan member" means a person who is a Member of the Plan;

"Responsible Person" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Superannuation Law;

"Retail industry" means that part of the Australian economy that comprises entities, organisations or associations that employ in Australia;

or otherwise engage in Australia persons wholly or principally for their labour in retail, fast food, warehousing, modelling and hair and beauty, and includes:

- (a) the Member Sponsor and the Employer Sponsors; and
- (b) persons eligible for membership of the SDA;

"SDA" means the Shop, Distributive and Allied Employees' Association;

"Shareholder" means a person whose name is entered as a member in the register of members kept by the Company;

"SIS Act" means the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* (Cth) and the regulations promulgated there under as amended from time to time;

"Sponsor" means the Member Sponsor and any entity that is an Employer Sponsor;

"Superannuation Law" means:

- (a) the Corporations Act;
- (b) the SIS Act;
- (c) any replacement or additional Commonwealth or State law which applies to the Company.

1.2 References to sections and this Constitution

Unless provided otherwise, a reference to:

- (a) any statute or other law includes any regulations, standards, licence conditions, rules, modification orders, class orders, declarations, enforceable determinations, rulings or relief and any other instruments issued under it and any consolidations, amendment, extension, replacement or re-enactment of any of them;
- (b) this Constitution, where amended, means this Constitution as so amended; and
- (c) an expression has, in a provision of this Constitution that deals with a matter dealt with by a particular provision of the Superannuation Law, the same meaning as in that provision of the Superannuation Law.

1.3 **Presumptions of interpretation**

Unless the context otherwise requires, a word which denotes:

- (a) the singular denotes the plural and vice versa;
- (b) any gender denotes the other genders; and
- (c) a person denotes an individual and a body corporate.

1.4 **Application of Superannuation Law**

Except so far as the contrary intention appears in this Constitution, an expression has, in a provision of this Constitution that deals with a matter dealt with by a particular provision of the Superannuation Law, the same meaning as in that provision of the Superannuation Law.

2. **SHAREHOLDERS**

At any time when the Company is registered as a proprietary company the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) the right to transfer shares is restricted in the manner herein provided;
- (b) the number of Shareholders of the Company (counting joint holders of shares as one person and not counting any person in the employment of the Company or of its subsidiaries or any person who while previously in the employment of the Company or its subsidiaries was and thereafter has continued to be a Shareholder of the Company) is limited to fifty; and
- (c) any invitation to the public to subscribe for, and any offer to the public to accept subscriptions for, any shares in or debentures of the Company or to deposit money with, any offer to the public to accept deposits of money with, the Company for fixed periods or payable at call whether bearing or not bearing interest is prohibited.

3. **SHAREHOLDER QUALIFICATION**

3.1 **Eligibility**

Whilessoever the Company is a trustee of the Plan:

- (a) each share in the class of "A" shares shall be held by the Member Sponsor or its Nominee or Nominees as determined by the Member Sponsor; and
- (b) the shares in the class of "B" shares shall be held by each "B" Director in equal numbers.

The number of A shares and B shares on issue must be equal. All shares are subject to divestment as set out in Article 3.3.

3.2 **Nominee Shareholder**

Whilessoever a share is held by a Nominee, that Nominee shall notify the

Company of the name of his or her Appointor.

3.3 **Loss of Eligibility**

- (a) If a Shareholder of "A" shares or, in the case of a Nominee, his or her Appointor, ceases to be the Member Sponsor then that Shareholder and, if applicable, its Nominee, shall cease to be eligible to hold their shares and must transfer all their shares to the Member Sponsor as may be nominated by the Directors by notice in writing.
- (b) Upon a "B" Director ceasing to be a Director, the share or shares held by that "B" Director must be transferred by that "B" Director to the person who succeeds him or her in the office of "B" Director.
- (c) If a Shareholder is wound up, dies, becomes bankrupt or insolvent, or becomes mentally incompetent then that Shareholder shall cease to be eligible to hold its shares and must (through the person legally empowered to deal with the shares), if requested in writing by the Company following a resolution of the Board, transfer those shares:
 - (i) in the case of "A" shares, to the person nominated by the Member Sponsor; and
 - (ii) in the case of "B" shares where the "B" shares are held by a "B" Director, to the person who succeeds the "B" Director in that office.
- (d) If any person who in conformity with the provisions of this Article is required to transfer any shares defaults in immediately transferring those shares upon being requested to do so in writing by the Company, that person must be treated as having appointed the Directors and Secretary of the Company individually to be the attorney of that person to sign a transfer on behalf of the person in default and a transfer by any Director or Secretary shall be as effective as if it were duly executed by the person in default and a receipt of a Director or Secretary for the purchase money is a good discharge to the transferee who is not bound to see to the application of the purchase money.
- (e) In the event of any transfer of shares in conformity with the provisions of this Article 3.3, the shares must be transferred for no consideration.
- (f) Any notice in writing required to be given by the Directors if not signed by the Directors may be signed by the Secretary.

4. **CAPITAL**

The capital of the Company is ten thousand dollars divided into ten thousand shares of one dollar (\$1.00) each, made up of:

5,000 "A" shares

5,000 "B" shares

5. GENERAL MEETING

The Directors may convene and arrange to hold a general meeting of the Company whenever they think fit and must do so if required under the Corporations Act.

6. NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETINGS

6.1 Notice of General Meeting

Subject to the provisions of the law relating to special resolutions, 14 days' notice at the least (exclusive of the day on which the notice is served or deemed to be served, but inclusive of the day for which notice is given) specify the place the day and the hour of the meeting and in the case of special business the general nature of that business shall be given in the manner hereinafter mentioned, or in such other manner (if any), as is prescribed by the Company in general meeting, to such persons as are under the regulations of the Company entitled to receive such notices from the Company; but, with the consent of all the Shareholders entitled to receive notice of such particular meeting, that meeting may be convened by such shorter notice and in such manner as those Shareholders think fit.

6.2 Accidental omission of notice does not invalidate meeting

The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by, any Shareholder shall not invalidate the proceedings at any meeting.

7. SPECIAL BUSINESS

All business shall be deemed special that is transacted at an extraordinary meeting, and all that is transacted at an ordinary meeting, with the exception of the consideration of the accounts, balance-sheets, and the report of the Directors and auditors prescribed by the Corporations Act, and the election of Directors and other Officers in the place of those retiring.

8. PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

8.1 Quorum

No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of Shareholders is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business. A quorum shall consist of two thirds of the total number of Shareholders.

8.2 Failure to form a quorum

If within fifteen (15) minutes from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present the meeting, if convened upon the requisition of Shareholders, shall be dissolved and in any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within fifteen (15) minutes from the time appointed, the meeting shall be dissolved.

8.3 Chairperson

The chairperson (if any) of the Board shall preside as chairperson at every

general meeting of the Company.

8.4 **Chairperson absent**

If there is no such chairperson, or if at any meeting that person is not present within fifteen (15) minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting or is unwilling to act as chairperson, the Shareholders present may choose some one of their number to be the chairperson.

8.5 **Adjournment of meeting**

The chairperson may with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting) adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place. When a meeting is adjourned for ten (10) days or more at any one time notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an ordinary meeting. Save as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

8.6 **Method of vote**

Subject to Article 8.9, at any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on show of hands unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by a Shareholder present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, and, unless a poll is so demanded, a declaration by the chairperson that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried, or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the book of the proceedings of the Company, shall be conclusive evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution. A resolution shall not be passed unless at least two thirds of the total number of Shareholders have voted in favour of the resolution.

8.7 **Demand for poll**

If a poll is duly demanded it shall be taken in such manner as the chairperson directs, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.

8.8 **Chairperson shall not vote in that capacity**

Whether on a show of hands or on a poll, the chairperson of the meeting at which the show of hands takes place or at which the poll is demanded shall not unless the chairperson is also a Shareholder be entitled to a vote, but any other person presiding may exercise any vote to which that person is entitled.

8.9 **Timing for poll**

A poll demanded on the election of a chairperson or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time as the chairperson or of a person presiding at the meeting directs.

9. VOTES OF SHAREHOLDERS

9.1 Entitlement to vote

Each "A" Shareholder present shall have the number of votes equal to the number of "B" Shareholders present and each "B" Shareholder present shall have the number of votes equal to the number of "A" Shareholders present. For the purposes of this Article "present" shall mean "present in person or by proxy". If no Shareholders of the other class exist then each Shareholder shall have one vote.

9.2 Shareholder of unsound mind

A Shareholder who is of unsound mind or whose person or estate is liable to be dealt with in any way under the law relating to mental health may vote whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by that Shareholder's committee or by the Public Trustee or by such person as properly as the management of that Shareholder's estate and any such committee trustee or other person may vote by proxy or attorney.

9.3 Votes may be personal or by proxy or attorney

On a poll vote may be given either personally or by proxy or by attorney.

10. PROXIES

10.1 Appointment of proxies

The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of that Shareholder's attorney duly authorised in writing or, if the appointer is a corporation either under the seal or under the hand of an Officer or attorney so authorised. A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company.

10.2 Deposit of proxies

The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority shall be deposited at the registered office of the Company not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote, and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.

10.3 Instrument appointing proxy

Any instrument appointing a proxy may be in the following form or any other form which the Directors approve:-

"Retail Employees Superannuation Pty Limited"

I, _____ of

being a Shareholder of Retail Employees Superannuation Pty Limited

hereby appoint _____ of

as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf at the (ordinary

or extraordinary as the case may be) general meeting of the Company to be held on the

day of _____ and any adjournment thereof.

Signed this _____ day of _____ 20____

10.4 Proxy may demand or join poll

The instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a poll.

11. CORPORATIONS ACTING BY REPRESENTATIVES AT MEETINGS

Any corporation which is a Shareholder of the Company may, by resolution of its Directors or other governing body, authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the Company, and the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation which that person represents as that corporation could exercise if it were an individual Shareholder of the Company.

12. APPOINTMENT AND RETIREMENT OF DIRECTORS

12.1 Number of Directors

- (a) Until otherwise determined in accordance with this Constitution, the number of Directors must be not less than 6 nor more than 10 and shall comprise equal numbers of "A" Directors and "B" Directors.
- (b) The Company may by resolution, increase or reduce the number of Directors PROVIDED THAT the number of "A" Directors and "B" Directors shall remain equal at all times.

12.2 Appointment of "A" Directors

- (a) Subject to Article 12.1, the Member Sponsor shall be entitled to nominate for appointment the "A" Directors.
- (b) Nomination for appointment of an A Director shall be by notice in writing to the Board signed by the Member Sponsor.
- (c) Subject to Article 12.3A(a), the appointment of an "A" Director takes effect on the tabling of the notice of nomination for appointment at the next Board meeting following the passing of a resolution by the Directors that the nominee is a Fit and Proper person to be appointed as a Director.
- (d) No appointment may be made unless there is a vacancy to be filled.

12.3 Appointment of "B" Directors

Nominations for appointment of "B" Directors are to be made according to the following:

- (a) when a nomination is required, the Secretary will:

- (i) prepare a list of Employers within the Retail industry each of which employs at least 10,000 employees or such lesser number of employees within the Retail industry as determined by the "B" Directors from time to time or such percentage of the total number of Plan members as determined by the "B" Directors from time to time. In this respect, a single employer is taken to include its subsidiaries as defined in the Corporations Act;
 - (ii) that list will be set down in descending order;
 - (iii) prepare a list of organisations and associations that represent Employers within the Retail industry ("Employer associations") where the organisation or association represents not less than 100 Employers that collectively employ not less than 100,000 employees within the Retail industry or such lesser number of Employers or employees or both as determined by the "B" Directors from time to time;
- (b) seek up to two nominations from the Employer that is highest in the first list, unless that Employer has already nominated, or a related entity of the Employer at the time of nomination has already nominated, a person to the Board and that person is a Director at that time;
 - (c) if a nomination is still required, seek up to two nominations from the Employer that is next in the first list, unless that Employer has already nominated, or a related entity of the Employer at the time of nomination has already nominated, a person to the Board and that person is a Director at that time;
 - (d) if a nomination is still required, seek a nomination from each Employer association on the basis that an Employer association cannot nominate a person if there is at that time a Director who was nominated by an organisation or association that was an Employer association at the time of nomination;
 - (e) if a nomination is still required (including where an entity stated in paragraphs (b) to (d) does not nominate a person for any reason), seek a nomination from each of the remaining Employers in the first list other than from an Employer or any related entity of that Employer that has already nominated a person and that person is a Director.
 - (f) The "B" Directors must appoint one of their number to seek the relevant nomination. The form in which a nomination is sought must:
 - (i) be in writing;
 - (ii) request that the addressee responds in writing within the time determined by the "B" Directors;
 - (iii) provide sufficient information to the addressee as to the skills, knowledge and experience that the Board is seeking in relation to a person nominated for the Board; and
 - (iv) invite the addressee to ask any questions that they might have.
 - (g) The "B" Directors shall make all appointments of "B" Directors and shall only appoint a person as a "B" Director who has been

nominated in accordance with Article 12.3(a) - (e). Where there is more than one nomination to fill a vacancy the "B" Directors may select for appointment as a "B" Director any one of the persons nominated.

- (h) Subject to Article 12.3A(a), the appointment of a "B" Director takes effect after the last to occur of the passing of a resolution by the "B" Directors appointing the person as a "B" Director and the passing of a resolution by the Directors that the nominee is a Fit and Proper person to be appointed as a Director.
- (i) Subject to Article 12.3A(a), in the event there are no "B" Directors, the persons nominated in accordance with Article 12.3(a) - (e) shall be appointed as "B" Directors following the passing of a resolution by the Directors that the nominee is a Fit and Proper person to be appointed as a Director.
- (j) No appointment may be made unless there is a vacancy to be filled.

12.3A **Appointments generally**

- (a) All appointments of persons to the Board, including to fill a casual vacancy, and any re-appointment to the Board upon or following the expiry of a Director's term, must be in accordance with any policies and procedures determined by the Board from time to time.
- (b) The Constitution does not displace section 201H(1) of the Corporations Act but does displace section 201H(2) of the Corporations Act.¹

12.4 **Term of Office**

- (a) Directors, however appointed, are not required to retire from office at an annual general meeting of the Company.
- (b) The Board may determine:
 - (i) the length of term for which a Director is appointed to the Board; and
 - (ii) the maximum tenure limit for any Director.
- (c) An "A" Director may be removed at any time by the Member Sponsor giving notice in writing to the Company of the removal of the Director from office. The "A" Director the subject of the notice shall be removed from and cease to hold office at the time at the next meeting of Directors at which the notice is tabled or at the time specified in the notice.
- (d) A "B" Director, nominated in accordance with Article 12.3(a) - (e) and whose term or maximum tenure limit has not yet expired, is

¹ Under section 201H(1) of the Corporations Act, the directors may appoint a person as a director. Under section 201H(2), the company (by resolution of its members) must confirm the appointment within 2 months after the appointment is made. By Article 12.3A(b), section 201H(1) applies but section 201H(2) does not apply.

only entitled to hold office as long as his or her nomination remains current.

- (e) A Director whose term of office ceases in accordance with Article 12.4(b) shall cease to hold office at the earlier of the time at the next meeting of Directors held at which it is noted the person has retired as a Director or at the end of the next meeting of Directors.
- (f) On the Company being notified by the Employer Sponsor nominating a "B" Director that his or her nomination has ceased, that "B" Director shall cease to hold office as at the time determined by the "B" Directors and notified to the next meeting of Directors.

12.4A **Policies and processes**

The Board may determine policies and processes for the nomination, appointment, re-appointment and removal of Directors².

12.5 **Retirement**

A Director may retire from office by giving notice in writing to the Company of his or her intention to retire. A notice of resignation takes effect at the time which is the later of:

- (a) the time at the next Board meeting at which the notice is accepted or, if not specifically accepted, at the end of the next Board meeting held after receipt of the notice; or
- (b) the expiration of the period, if any, specified in the notice.

12.6 **Vacation of Office**

The office of a Director shall become vacant immediately on:

- (a) the person becoming an insolvent under administration;
- (b) the person becoming of unsound mind;
- (c) the Company becoming aware that the person is a Disqualified Person. The Secretary shall record this fact in the records of the Company;
- (d) the person becoming prohibited from being a Director by reason of an order made under the Superannuation Law.
- (e) Directors resolving that the Director is not a Fit and Proper person.

12.7 **Disqualified Person**

The Member Sponsor or Employer Sponsor nominating a Director on becoming aware the Director has become a Disqualified Person, shall give the Directors written notice that the Director has become a Disqualified

² Under section 203C of the Corporations Act, the company (by resolution of its members) may remove a director from office. SPS 510 requires the Board to establish and implement policies and processes to address various matters at a minimum: term; tenure; filling vacancies; the process of nomination; factors for assessing suitability of candidates; the appointment process; factors for reappointment; the process for resolving disputes about nominations, appointments, re-appointments and removal of directors; when and how a director will be removed; and voting rights in relation to the nomination, appointment, re-appointment and removal of a director.

Person and shall do so within 14 days of becoming aware. Any Director who has become a Disqualified Person, shall give the Directors written notice that the Director has become a Disqualified Person and shall do so immediately on becoming a Disqualified Person.

12.8 **Notice that a Director is not a Fit and Proper person**

The Member Sponsor or Employer Sponsor nominating a Director on becoming aware that the Director nominated by that person has ceased to be a Fit and Proper person, shall give the Board of Directors written notice of this fact and shall do so as soon as possible. Any Director who ceases to be Fit and Proper shall give the Board of Directors written notice that he or she is not a Fit and Proper person and shall do so immediately on ceasing to be a Fit and Proper person.

12.9 **Default in Appointment**

If a person entitled to nominate a person for appointment as Director fails to nominate a person for appointment or fails to end a nomination and that failure is likely to result in the Company breaching the requirements of the SIS Act as to equal Plan member and Employer representation on the Board, appointment and removal of Directors or the time limits within which a vacancy on the Board must be filled, then the Directors may act as the attorney of that person to carry out any acts necessary to ensure the Company does not breach the SIS Act.

12.10 **Eligibility for Appointment**

- (a) No person shall be appointed as a Director of the Company unless the person has consented in writing to the appointment and confirmed by statutory declaration that he or she is not a Disqualified Person.
- (b) No person shall be appointed as an "A" Director of the Company unless the person has certified that he or she is a Fit and Proper person or has otherwise been determined to be a Fit and Proper person in accordance with the Fit and Proper Policy.
- (c) No person shall be appointed as a "B" Director of the Company unless the person has certified that he or she is a Fit and Proper person or has otherwise been determined to be a Fit and Proper person in accordance with the Fit and Proper Policy.

12.11 **Vacancies to be Filled**

Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled within 90 days after the day on which the vacancy occurs.

12.12 **Confirmation of appointment**

As at 20 December 2018, the Company has confirmed by resolution at a general meeting of the Company, that all Directors holding office are properly in office and are to continue in office according to the terms of their appointment.

12.13 Representation rules

If:

- (a) the Regulator as defined in the SIS Act gives the Company notice under section 63 of the SIS Act that the Company must not accept any contributions made to the Plan from any Employer-Sponsor or Employer Sponsors; or
- (b) the Regulator gives to the Company notice of its intention to give a notice under section 63 of the SIS Act if the Shareholders do not alter the arrangements for appointing Directors to accord with arrangements acceptable to the Regulator, then the nomination provisions in Articles 12.2 and 12.3 will cease to apply and the Shareholders must liaise with each other in good faith, with the assistance of the Directors, to develop a replacement set of provisions that:
 - i. is appropriately representative of Plan members and employer-sponsors of the Plan; or
 - ii. otherwise satisfies the Regulator; or
 - iii. both.

12.14 Nominations generally

- (a) Before seeking nominations to fill a vacancy in the “A” Directors or the “B” Directors, the “A” Directors and the “B” Directors must liaise with each other in relation to the skills, knowledge and experience that any nominee should have, having regard to the Board’s Governance Policy, including the selection criteria.
- (b) If the vacancy is for an “A” Director, the “A” Directors must inform the Member Sponsor of the selection criteria and the skills, knowledge and experience that are expected in relation to any nominee. If the vacancy is for a “B” Director, the “B” Directors must inform the relevant Employer, Employers or Employer associations of the selection criteria and the skills, knowledge and experience that are expected in relation to any nominee.
- (c) In the case of a nomination for a vacancy in the “B” Directors, a nominating entity that is invited in writing to make a nomination will need to respond in writing after receiving the invitation whether it intends to make a nomination or nominations. The B Directors must determine the time by which a response to the invitation will need to be given. If a nominating entity invited to make a nomination responds by the stated time that it wishes to make a nomination or nominations, it may make a nomination or nomination in writing by the further time determined by the B Directors. If an entity permitted to make a nomination does not make a nomination by the stated time period, that entity will cease to be permitted to make a nomination and, if necessary, the next entity or entities in line according to Article 12.3 will be permitted to make a nomination if a person nominated by that entity is not already a Director. If this occurs, the process stated earlier in this paragraph must be repeated.

13. REMUNERATION

The remuneration of the Directors shall from time to time be determined by the Company in general meeting.

14. POWERS AND DUTIES OF DIRECTORS

14.1 Directors' general powers

The business of the Company shall be managed by the Directors who may pay all expenses incurred in setting up and registering the Company, and may exercise all such powers of the Company as are not by the Corporations Act or by this Constitution required to be exercised by the Company in general meeting, subject nevertheless to any regulations, being not inconsistent with the aforesaid regulations or provisions, as are prescribed by the Company in general meeting, but no regulation made by the Company in general meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Directors which would have been valid if that regulation had not been made.

14.2 Minutes

The Directors shall cause minutes to be made:-

- (a) of all appointments of all Directors, attorneys and Officers;
- (b) of the names of the Directors present at each meeting of the Company, the Directors and of any committee of Directors;
- (c) of all resolutions and proceedings at all meetings of the Company, the Directors and of any committee of Directors; and
- (d) every declaration of interest made by a Director (either generally or specifically) under Article 16.1(a).

Such minutes shall be signed by the chairperson of the meeting at which the proceedings were held or by the chairperson of the next succeeding meeting.

15. THE SEAL

The Directors shall provide for the safe custody of the seal, which shall only be used by the authority of the Directors or of a committee of the Directors authorised by the Directors to authorise the use of the seal, and every document to which the seal is affixed shall be signed by a Director and shall be countersigned by the Secretary or by a second Director or by some other person appointed by the Directors to countersign that document or a class of documents in which that document is included.

16. DIRECTOR'S INTERESTS

16.1 Disclosure of Director's interests in a contract

- (a) A Director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a contract or proposed contract with the Company must declare the nature of the Director's interest at a meeting of the Directors in accordance with Section 191 and 192 of the

Corporations Act.

- (b) The Secretary must record every declaration of interest in the minutes of the meeting at which it is made.
- (c) A Director is not to be treated as interested or to have been at any time interested in a contract or proposed contract merely because the contract or proposed contract has been or will be made with or for the benefit of or on behalf of a body corporate which by virtue of the Corporations Act is treated as related to the Company and the Director is a director of that body corporate.

16.2 **Director's contracts**

The following provisions of this Article are subject to Article 26:

- (a) Despite a failure by a Director to declare the nature of the Director's interest as required by this Constitution and the Corporations Act:
 - (i) a Director or intending director is not disqualified by holding office as director from contracting or entering into any arrangement with the Company, whether as vendor, purchaser or otherwise;
 - (ii) a contract or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Company in which a Director is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested, is not liable to be avoided; and
 - (iii) a Director is not liable to account to the Company for a profit realised from that contract or arrangement by reason of holding that office.
- (b) A Director and a firm in which the Director is interested may act in a professional capacity for the Company. The Director and that firm are entitled to remuneration for professional services as if the Director was not a director of the Company.
- (c) Nothing in this Article authorises a Director, or a firm in which the Director is interested, to act as auditor of the Company.

16.3 **Directors holding office of profit**

Subject to Article 26, a Director may hold any other office or place of profit under the Company (except that of auditor) in conjunction with the office of Director for the period and on the terms as to remuneration and otherwise as the Directors may determine.

16.4 **Participation where a Director is interested**

Subject to Article 26:

- (a) a Director may vote in respect of a contract or proposed contract with the Company in which the Director is directly or indirectly interested if the Director declares the nature of the interest as required by this Constitution and the Superannuation Law;
- (b) a Director may be counted in the quorum at a meeting at which there is considered a matter in which the Director is, directly or

indirectly, interested and in respect of which the Director is entitled to vote; and

- (c) a Director may attest the affixing of the Seal to a contract or arrangement entered into by the Director or in which the Director is, directly or indirectly, interested.

17. PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

17.1 Resolutions of the Board to be passed by at least two thirds majority

The Directors may meet together for the dispatch of business adjourned and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. Resolutions arising at any meeting shall not be passed unless at least two thirds of the total number of Directors have voted in favour of the resolution. The chairperson shall not have a vote unless that person is also a Director but shall not in any event have a casting vote. A Director may, and the Secretary on the requisition of a Director shall, at any time summon a meeting of the Directors.

17.2 Use of technology

A meeting of the Directors at which a quorum is present in person, by telephone or by other means of instantaneous communication shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities powers and discretions for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Directors.

17.3 Quorum

The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the Directors shall be two thirds of the total number of Directors.

17.4 Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy

The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body, but, if and so long as their number is reduced below the number fixed by or pursuant to the regulations of the Company as the necessary quorum of Directors, the continuing Directors may act for the purpose of summoning a meeting of Shareholders or of a class of Shareholders of the Company or for obtaining an instrument in writing from Shareholders or a class of Shareholders appointing a new Director, but for no other purpose.

17.5 Shareholders may elect the chairperson

The Shareholders may elect a chairperson of Directors' meetings who shall not be a Director and determine the period for which that person is to hold office; but if no such chairperson is elected or if at any meeting the chairperson is not present within five (5) minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present may choose one (1) of their number to be acting-chairperson of the meeting, any such acting-chairperson may exercise any vote to which that person might otherwise be entitled.

17.6 Delegations

- (a) Subject to Article 26, the Directors may from time to time delegate any of their powers and authorities to:

- (i) a committee of Directors;
- (ii) a Director;
- (iii) an employee or Officer of the Company; or
- (iv) any other person,

(each a Delegate), as the Directors think fit and may at any time revoke any such delegation.

- (b) Any Delegate shall in the exercise of the powers so delegated conform to any regulations that are imposed on the Delegate by the Directors and the requirements of the Superannuation Law.
- (c) A power exercised by a Delegate shall be deemed to have been exercised by the Directors.
- (d) A Delegate may at any time refer to the Directors any matter for consideration in lieu of such matter being considered by the Delegate.

17.7 Chairperson of the committee

Subject to Article 26.3, a committee may elect a chairperson of its meetings (who shall be a Director where required by Superannuation Law) and determine the period for which that person is to hold office; any chairperson so elected shall be entitled to vote on any resolution proposed of the committee.

17.8 Absence of chairperson

A committee may elect a chairperson of its meetings; if no such chairperson is elected, or if at any meeting the chairperson is not present within five (5) minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the members present may choose one (1) of their number to be chairperson of the meeting.

17.9 Resolutions of the committee to be passed by at least two thirds majority

Subject to Article 26.3, resolutions arising at any meeting of the committee shall not be passed unless at least two thirds of the total number of committee members, have voted in favour of the resolution.

17.10 Validity of acts notwithstanding defective appointment

All acts done by any meeting of Directors or of a committee of Directors, or by any person acting as a Director, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such Directors or persons acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified, shall be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a Director.

17.11 Circulating resolutions

A resolution in writing signed by all the Directors entitled to vote shall be equally effective as if passed at a Directors' meeting duly called and held.

Such resolution may consist of several documents in identical terms each signed by one or more Directors and shall operate from the date of the signature of the last Director to sign.

18 ACCOUNTS

18.1 Directors to keep accounts

The Directors shall cause to be kept proper books of account in which shall be kept full true and complete accounts of the affairs and transactions of the Company.

18.2 Accounts to be kept at registered office

The books of account shall be kept at the registered office of the Company, or at such other place or places as the Directors think fit, and shall always be open to the inspection of the Directors.

18.3 Inspection of accounts

The Directors shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and what times and places and under what conditions or regulations the accounts and books of the Company or any of them shall be open to the inspection of Shareholders not being Directors, and no Shareholder (not being a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the Company except as conferred by statute or authorised by the Directors or by the Company in general meeting.

18.4 Accounts laid before general meeting

The Directors shall from time in accordance with the Corporations Act cause to be prepared and to be laid before the Company in general meeting such profit and loss accounts, balance-sheets and reports as are required by the Corporations Act.

18.5 Accounts to be given to those entitled to notice of general meeting

A copy of any balance-sheet (including every document required by law to be annexed or attached thereto) which is to be laid before the company in general meeting together with a copy of the auditors' report shall not less than fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting be sent to all persons entitled to receive notices of general meetings of the Company.

19 AUDIT

Auditors shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with the provisions of the Superannuation Law.

20. NOTICES

20.1 Persons authorised to give notices

- (a) A notice by either the Company or a Shareholder in connection with this Constitution may be given on behalf of the Company or Shareholder by a solicitor, Director or Secretary of the Company or

Shareholder.

- (b) The signature of a person on a notice given by the Company may be written, printed or stamped.

20.2 **Method of giving notices**

In addition to the method for giving notices permitted by statute, a notice by the Company or a Shareholder in connection with this Constitution may be given to the addressee by:

- (a) delivering it to a street address of the addressee;
- (b) sending it by prepaid ordinary post (airmail if outside Australia) to a street or postal address of the addressee; or
- (c) sending it by facsimile to the facsimile number of the addressee.

20.3 **Notices to joint holders**

A notice may be given by the Company to the joint holders of a share by giving the notice to the first named joint holder of the share shown in the Register.

20.4 **Addresses for giving notices to Shareholders**

The street address or postal address of a Shareholder is the street or postal address of the Shareholder shown in the Register.

The facsimile number of a Shareholder is the number which the Shareholder may specify by written notice to the Company as the facsimile number to which notices may be sent to the Shareholder.

Until a person entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Shareholder gives notice to the Company of an address for the giving of notices, the address of that person is the address of the deceased or bankrupt Shareholder.

20.5 **Address for giving notices to the Company**

The street and postal address of the Company is the Company's registered office.

The facsimile number of the Company is the number which the Company may specify by written notice to the Members as the facsimile number to which notices may be sent to the Company.

20.6 **Time notice of meeting is given**

A notice of meeting given in accordance with this Constitution is to be taken as given, served and received:

- (a) if delivered in writing to the street address of the addressee, at the time of delivery;
- (b) if it is sent by post to the street or postal address of the addressee, on the business day after posting; or
- (c) if sent by facsimile to the facsimile number of the addressee at the

time transmission is completed.

20.7 **Time other notices are given**

A notice given in accordance with this Constitution is to be taken as given, served and received:

- (a) if delivered in writing to the street address of the addressee, at the time of delivery;
- (b) if it is sent by post to the street or postal address of the addressee, on the 2nd (5th if outside Australia) business day after posting; or
- (c) if sent by facsimile to the facsimile number of the addressee at the time transmission is completed.

20.8 **Proof of giving notices**

The sending of a notice by facsimile and the time of completion of transmission may be proved conclusively by production of a transmission report by the facsimile machine from which the notice was transmitted which indicates that a facsimile of the notice was sent in its entirety to the facsimile number of the addressee.

20.9 **Persons entitled to notice of meeting**

Notice of every general meeting must be given by a method authorised by this Constitution to:

- (a) every Shareholder;
- (b) every person entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a Shareholder who, but for the Shareholder's death or bankruptcy, would be entitled to receive notice of the meeting; and
- (c) the auditor for the time being of the Company.

No other person is entitled to receive notices of general meetings.

21. **SECRETARY**

A Secretary of the Company holds office on such terms and conditions, as to remuneration and otherwise, as the Directors determine.

22. **INDEMNITY & INSURANCE**

22.1 **Indemnity**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company indemnifies every person that is, or has been, an Officer or Responsible Person of the Company (or a subsidiary of the Company) against any liability whatsoever incurred by that person in his or her capacity as, or by reason of the person holding the position of, an Officer or Responsible Person of the Company including, but not limited to:

- (a) any liability to another person (other than the Company or a related body corporate); and

- (b) any liability for costs and expenses incurred by the person in defending any proceedings.

22.2 Insurance

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company may pay a premium in respect of a contract insuring a person who is, or has been an, Officer or Responsible Person of the Company (or a subsidiary of the Company) against any liability whatsoever incurred by that person in his or her capacity as, or by reason of, the person holding that office or position.

23. TRANSFER OF SHARES

The Directors must register shares transferred in accordance with Article 3.3. For all other transfers of shares, the Directors may in their discretion decline to register the transfer.

24. ATTORNEYS OF DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATE DIRECTORS

24.1 Appointment of attorney

- (a) Subject to Article 26, any Director may be represented at meetings of the Directors and otherwise act in the duties of his or her office by a duly authorised attorney under power who need not be a Shareholder of the Company but must be approved by the Board.
- (b) Every Power of Attorney authorising an attorney to act for a Director shall be deposited at the office of the Company together with such evidence of the due execution thereof as the Directors may require not less than one (1) day before the attorney becomes entitled to act under it.
- (c) Subject to Article 26, every attorney so appointed shall cease to be capable of acting if and when the Director who appointed him vacates office as a Director or revokes the appointment.
- (d) Subject to Article 26, every attorney so appointed so long as his or her appointment continues shall be entitled to exercise all the powers and discretions of the Director who appointed him.
- (e) Every attorney so appointed shall have his or her appointment immediately revoked upon the Directors resolving that he or she is a Disqualified Person or no longer a Fit and Proper person in accordance with the Fit and Proper Policy.

24.2 Appointment of Alternate Director by a Director

A Director with the approval of the holders of that class of share by whom the Director was appointed may appoint a person (who need not be a Shareholder of the Company) to be an Alternate Director in his or her place subject to Article 24.4 and so that:-

- (a) Any such appointment shall have effect and such appointee whilst he or she holds office as an Alternate Director shall be entitled to:
 - (i) notice of meetings of the Directors and to attend and vote and otherwise act as a Director in place of his appointor at any

meeting of Directors or committee of Directors at which the appointor is not present; and

- (ii) to execute documents as a Director in place of his appointor,

but that appointee shall ipso facto vacate office as an Alternate Director if and when the appointor vacates office as a Director or removes the appointee from office.

- (b) An appointment and removal under this Article shall be effected by notice in writing under the hand of the Director making the same given to the Secretary.
- (c) A Director may not be an Alternate Director.
- (d) A person may be appointed to act as an Alternate Director to more than one Director, but may represent only one Director at any meeting, and must announce at the start of the meeting which Director the person represents.
- (e) An Alternate Director shall not be taken into account in reckoning the minimum or maximum number of Directors allowed for the time being but he or she shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning whether a quorum is present at any meeting of the Directors attended by him at which he or she is entitled to vote.

24.3 **Appointment of Alternate Director by the Board**

The Board may appoint an Alternate Director in his own right to a committee and remove that Alternate Director from that committee and that Alternate Director is entitled to notice of and to attend committee meetings and exercise the powers conferred on committee members, but that appointee shall vacate office as an Alternate Director to a committee if and when the appointor vacates office as a Director.

24.4 **Requirements for appointment as an Alternate Director**

- (a) No person shall be appointed as an Alternate Director of the Company unless the person has consented in writing to the appointment and confirmed by statutory declaration that he or she is not a Disqualified Person.
- (b) No person shall be appointed as an Alternate Director of an "A" Director unless the person has certified that he or she is Fit and Proper or has otherwise been determined to be a Fit and Proper person in accordance with the Fit and Proper Policy.
- (c) No person shall be appointed as an Alternate Director of a "B" Director unless the person has certified that he or she is Fit and Proper or has otherwise been determined to be a Fit and Proper person in accordance with the Fit and Proper Policy.
- (d) A nominee is appointed as an Alternate Director following the passing of a resolution by the Directors that the nominee is a Fit and

Proper person to be appointed as an Alternate Director.

25. CHAIRPERSON

The Shareholders may elect a chairperson to preside at meetings of the Company or Directors meetings who shall not be a Director and they may determine the period for which such chairperson is to hold office; but if no such chairperson is elected or if at any meeting the chairperson is not present within five (5) minutes after the time appointed for holding same, the Directors present may choose one of their number to be acting chairperson of the meeting and any such acting chairperson may exercise any vote to which he may otherwise be entitled.

26. APPLICATION OF SUPERANNUATION LAW

26.1 When Superannuation Law applies

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Constitution to the contrary, this Article applies while the Company is the trustee of the Plan.

26.2 Company to comply with the Superannuation Law

The Company must comply with the requirements of the Superannuation Law to the extent that those requirements apply to the Company or the Plan.

26.3 Directors' proceeding to be in accordance with the Superannuation Law

Without limiting the generality of Article 26.2, the Directors must:

- (a) convene meetings of Directors and committee meetings and conduct such meetings; and
- (b) keep the minutes and records referred to in Article 14.2 in respect of matters affecting the Plan and all consents given under Articles 12.10(a) and 24.4,

in accordance with the requirements of the Superannuation Law.

26.4 Board's power to formulate Policies and registers

The Board must (if required by the Superannuation Law), or otherwise may from time to time:

- (a) **Fit and Proper Policy:** formulate and adopt a policy in relation to the eligibility for a person to be appointed, or to continue, as a Responsible Person, Director or an Officer (including, but not limited to, a policy in relation to the requisite fitness and propriety of a person to hold, and continue holding, the office of a Responsible Person, Director or an Officer);
- (b) **Remuneration Policy:** formulate and adopt a policy in relation to remuneration of Directors or Officers;
- (c) **Conflicts Policy:** formulate and adopt a policy in relation to the management of conflicts of interests and duties of Responsible Persons, Directors and any other Officer;

- (d) **Register of Gifts:** maintain and disclose a register of gifts received by the Company, its Responsible Persons, the Directors and any other Officer;
- (e) **Register of Interests and Duties:** maintain and disclose a register of duties and interests of the Company, its Responsible Persons, the Directors and any other Officer;
- (f) **other Policies and Registers:** formulate, adopt and maintain additional or replacement policies or registers,

in accordance with the Superannuation Law.

26.5 **Directors bound by policies and registers**

- (a) Each Director and Officer shall be bound to follow any policies adopted, and the requirements of any registers maintained, by the Board from time to time.
- (b) Without limiting Article 26.5(a), each Director and Officer must disclose any gifts and any relevant duties and interests in accordance with any Conflicts Policy adopted, or the requirements of any Register of Gifts or Register of Interests and Duties maintained, by the Board.

CONSOLIDATED VERSION

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

**REVIEW OF THE FOUR MAJOR BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
SUPERANNUATION SECTOR**

REST

REST102QW: Please provide details, including the event name, organising entity, ticket price and attendee(s) for the past decade of the tickets purchased for events and/or fundraisers for political parties or related entities, individual MPs and individual candidates for political office or the associated fundraising entities of political parties, individual MPs and individual candidates for political office.

Answer:

Rest has not purchased any tickets as described in the last decade.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

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SUPERANNUATION SECTOR**

REST

REST103QW: Do you currently have an art collection?
a. If so, can you advise its current valuation?
b. If so, can you advise where it is stored and/or exhibited?

Answer:

- a) No
- b) N/A

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

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REST

- REST104QW:** Do you engage proxy advisers?
- a. What are the terms of engagement for proxy advisers?
 - b. To what extent are they empowered to act on behalf of the entity?
 - c. Does their advice get provided to the board?
 - d. How often is advice submitted to the board?
 - e. Is their advice formally adopted by the board?
 - f. Are their positions publicly stated?
 - g. How does the board assess these positions concurrent with their duties as trustees and the sole purpose test?

Answer:

Yes, a number of proxy advisers are engaged by Rest and its investment managers to advise on voting decisions for our listed investments. The terms of engagement are confidential and commercially sensitive.

Proxy advisers provide advice only and do not act on Rest's behalf. Rest may direct an investment manager to vote on a matter in a particular way, although will only do so where it is considered to be in the best interests of Rest's members.

Key metrics of voting decisions are periodically reported to Rest's Investment Committee. Rest does not publicly state any voting intentions.

Rest always acts in the best interests of members and considers that the advice of reputable and engaged proxy advisers as one component in ensuring the best investment outcomes for members.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

REVIEW OF THE FOUR MAJOR BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SUPERANNUATION SECTOR

REST

- REST105QW:** Are you currently, or have you previously been, a member or subscriber of the ACTU Members Connect Program?
- a. If so, what is the timeframe of your membership?
 - b. What has been the annual fee year-on-year?
 - c. How have you assessed its value to your members?

Answer:

Rest have previously provided responses to the Committee regarding our participation in the ACTU Member Connect program in the following:

- Question in writing REST11QW
- Verbally in the hearing on 21 November 2019
- Questions taken on notice following the Committee hearing, noted as questions REST19QON and REST20QON
- Question in writing REST32QW

Rest engages the ACTU Member Connect program for distribution of information to members and prospective members.

- a) Since 2010 to current
- b) \$44,000
- c) The program is subject to an annual review in conjunction with other member outreach programs as a whole, taking into consideration potential reach and fit with other Rest activities.