NATIONAL INJURY INSURANCE AGENCY, QUEENSLAND

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Income User charges and fees		961	374
Levy	3	609,306	570,842
Interest	4	1,246	276
Other revenue	5	3,406	984
Total revenue		614,919	572,476
Net fair value gains on financial assets	4	511,182	274,435
Total Income		1,126,101	846,911
Expenses			_
Employee expenses	6	16,555	12,702
Supplies and services	7	34,741	29,470
Treatment, care and support	8	522,070	324,865
Grant expenses		404	371
Depreciation and amortisation		1,532	1,092
Other expenses	9	184	119
Total expenses		575,486	368,619
Operating result for the year		550,615	478,292
Total comprehensive income		550,615	478,292

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 June 2024

	Notes	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		42,752	4,174
Receivables	10	19,699	16,988
Prepayments		1,226	108
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	15 & 16	3,245,871	2,751,280
Total current assets		3,309,548	2,772,550
Non-current assets		-	
Property, plant and equipment		76	104
Intangible assets	11	9,775	8,966
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	15 & 16	1,370,643	1,000,636
Total non-current assets		1,380,494	1,009,706
Total assets		4,690,042	3,782,256
Current liabilities			
Payables	12	3,001	3,099
Accrued employee benefits	13	3,161	1,446
Provisions	14	204,926	137,938
Total current liabilities		211,088	142,483
Non-Current Liabilities			
Accrued employee benefits	13	401	1,490
Provisions	14	3,834,448	3,544,792
Total non-current liabilities		3,834,849	3,546,282
Total liabilities		4,045,936	3,688,765
Net assets		644,106	93,491
Equity			
Accumulated (losses)		(5,894)	(556,509)
Contributed equity		650,000	650,000
Total equity		644,106	93,491

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Accumulated Deficit \$'000	Contributed Equity \$'000	TOTAL \$'000
Balance as at 1 July 2022 Operating result	(1,034,801) 478,292	650,000 -	(384,801) 478,292
Balance as at 30 June 2023	(556,509)	650,000	93,491
Balance as at 1 July 2023 Operating result	(556,509) 550,615	650,000 -	93,491 550,615
Balance as at 30 June 2024	(5,894)	650,000	644,106

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 30 June 2024

Cash flows from operating activities	Notes	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Inflows: User charges and fees Levy Interest GST input tax credits from ATO GST collected from customers Other revenue		961 608,410 1,036 4,206 665 1,818	374 565,941 249 3,528 196 421
Outflows: Employee expenses Supplies and services Treatment, care and support GST paid to suppliers GST remitted to ATO Grants and subsidies Other expenses		(15,929) (10,980) (165,427) (2,427) (635) (404) (184)	(11,957) (9,032) (125,308) (2,106) (221) (371) (119)
Net cash provided by operating activities	CF-1	421,110	421,595
Cash flows from investing activities  Outflow:  Payments for other financial assets  Payments for intangible assets  Payments for property, plant and equipment		(380,200) (2,319) (13)	(417,800) (2,647) (9)
Net cash used in investing activities		(382,532)	(420,456)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		38,578	1,139
Cash and cash equivalents - opening balance		4,174	3,035
Cash and cash equivalents - closing balance		42,752	4,174

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 30 June 2024

#### NOTE TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

#### CF-1 Reconciliation of operating result to net cash provided by operating activities

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Operating surplus	550,615	478,292
Non-cash items included in operating result		
Net fair value (gains)/loss on other financial assets Queensland Investment Corporation management fee Depreciation and amortisation expense	(511,182) 25,372 1,532	(274,435) 20,811 1,092
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables Increase/(decrease) in provisions Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable Increase/(decrease) in accrued employee benefits (Increase)/decrease in prepayments	(885) 356,643 (492) 626 (1,118)	(4,094) 199,557 (372) 745 (1)
Net cash provided by operating activities	421,110	421,595

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a net basis with the Goods and Services Tax (GST) components of the cash flows shown as separate line items. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

#### 1. Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

#### (a) General Information

The National Injury Insurance Agency, Queensland (NIISQ Agency) is a statutory body established under the *National Injury Insurance Scheme (Queensland) Act 2016* (the Act). The Act commenced on 1 July 2016 establishing the National Injury Insurance Scheme Queensland (NIISQ) and the National Injury Insurance Scheme Fund, Queensland (the fund).

The head office and principal place of business for the NIISQ Agency is 275 George Street, Brisbane Qld 4000.

A description of the nature of the NIISQ Agency's operation and its principal activities are included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### (b) Compliance with Prescribed Requirements

NIISQ Agency is a not-for-profit entity, and these general-purpose financial statements are prepared on an accrual basis (except for the statement of cash flows, which is prepared on a cash basis) in accordance with:

- section 62(1) of the Financial Accountability Act 2009
- section 39 of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019
- applicable Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations
- Queensland Treasury's Minimum Reporting Requirements for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2023.

#### (c) Presentation

#### Currency and rounding

Amounts included in the financial statements are in Australian dollars and rounded to the nearest \$1,000 or, where that amount is \$500 or less, to zero, unless disclosure of the full amount is specifically required.

#### Comparatives

Comparative information reflects the audited 2022-23 financial statements except where restatement was necessary to be consistent with disclosures in the current reporting period. There have been no material restatements made to the comparative amounts.

#### Current / non-current classification

Assets and liabilities are classified as either 'current' or 'non-current' in the Statement of Financial Position and associated notes.

Assets are classified as 'current' where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as 'current' when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the NIISQ Agency does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as 'non-current'.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss comprising of investments managed by Queensland Investment Corporation (QIC) are classified as 'current' or 'non-current' based on the relative liquidity of the investments.

#### 1. Basis of Financial Statement Preparation (cont)

#### (d) Basis of Measurement

Historical cost is used as the measurement basis in this financial statement except for the following:

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss which are shown at fair value (Note 15); and
- Provisions (Note 14) and accrued employee benefits (Note 13) expected to be settled 12 or more months after the reporting date are measured at their present value.

#### (e) Judgement and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements necessarily requires the determination and use of certain critical accounting estimates, assumptions and management judgements that have the potential to cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Such estimates, judgements and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

NIISQ Agency places a high reliance on actuarial estimates provided by independent actuaries in calculating the provision for participants' treatment, care and support as at 30 June. Refer to Note 14.

NIISQ Agency also rely on actuarial estimates facilitated by Queensland Government State Actuary's Office, in calculating the Long Service Leave Liability as at 30 June. Refer to Note 13.

A high degree of judgement is involved in the fair value measurement of other financial assets. Refer to Note 16.

#### (f) Going Concern

NIISQ has considered the following points:

- For the year ended 30 June 2024, the NIISQ Agency has a net asset position of \$644.1 million (2023: \$93.5 million) and a net operating surplus of \$550.6 million (2023: \$478.3 million).
- The NIISQ Agency has generated a net operating cash inflow of \$421.1 million in 2023-24 (2023: \$421.6 million) and continue to project positive cash flows in further out years.
- The NIISQ Agency has a current asset balance of \$3,309.5 million and a current liabilities balance of \$211.1 million as at 30 June 2024. With a current ratio of 15.7, there is sufficient liquidity to continue to meet obligations as they fall due.

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) has therefore formed the view that the entity remains a going concern and the financial statements have been prepared on this basis.

#### (g) Authorisation of Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the Chief Executive Officer and the Director Finance, Risk & Assurance at the date of signing the Management Certificate.

#### 1. Basis of Financial Statement Preparation (cont)

#### (h) Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset, and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. Refer to Note 16 for more details on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

#### 2. Objectives and Principal Activities of the NIISQ Agency

The NIISQ Agency administers the NIISQ by facilitating the assessment and access to necessary and reasonable treatment, care and support for participants for their lifetime.

Established under the Act, NIISQ Agency commenced operations on 1 July 2016 as a statutory body. The NIISQ Agency is responsible for the administration of the NIISQ which includes developing and implementing processes, policies and guidelines. It assesses the eligibility of participants to enter the NIISQ, determines their interim and lifetime status in the NIISQ, coordinates and approves the payment of reasonable and necessary care and support services, and establishes and participates in dispute resolution processes within the provisions of the Act.

Section 232ZI of the *Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003* and section 60 of the Act, establishes the agreement for engagement of NIISQ Agency to administer claims on behalf of Self Insurers where they meet certain requirements. The agreement refers to the engagement of NIISQ Agency to provide the eligible worker the treatment, care and support as prescribed in the Act.

#### 3. Levy

Levies are recognised at the time they are legally payable by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) to the NIISQ Agency under Section 27 of the *Motor Accident Insurance Act 1994*. This occurs at the time the levies are paid by motorists to DTMR.

The NIISQ Agency levy is set annually in accordance with sections 97, 98 and 99 of the Act. A total pool amount representing calculations based on actuarial advice of the amount required to fully fund present and likely future liabilities, to meet other payments required to be made from the fund and to cover any other matters NIISQ Agency considers appropriate.

In the 2023-24 levy setting process, NIISQ Agency provided a copy of its calculations to the Insurance Commissioner who made a recommendation to the Treasurer regarding the setting of the levy. Upon approval by the Treasurer the amount is fixed by regulation.

Given the long-term nature of scheme liabilities, estimates of costs are very sensitive to underlying financial assumptions. To support year to year levy stability, actuarial advice underpinning the annual levy adopts long-term assumptions for Consumer Price Index (CPI), Wage Price Index (WPI) and the discount rate (2.5% p.a. and 3.0% p.a. and 4.5% p.a. respectively for 2024–25). In contrast, the estimate of scheme liabilities as at 30 June 2024 adopts market consistent assumptions (2.8% p.a. and 4.7% p.a. see Note 14).

#### 4. Investment Income

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Interest Net fair value gains on other financial assets	1,246 511,182	276 274,435
Total	512,428	274,711

The NIISQ Agency recognises other financial assets invested with QIC at fair value through profit or loss. The value of financial assets has been impacted by macro-economic conditions and the NIISQ Agency has considered the associated financial risks (Note 15 & 16). Gains/(losses) arising from changes in the fair value of the QIC investments are included in the operating result for the period in which they arise.

#### 5. Other Revenue

In 2023-24, other revenue consisted mainly of administrative fees charged to WorkCover Queensland and Self Insurers for providing eligible worker the treatment, care and support as prescribed in the Act (Note 21).

#### 6. Employee Expenses

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Employee benefits		
Wages and salaries	12,210	9,612
Employer superannuation contributions	1,710	1,317
Annual leave	1,314	919
Long service leave	407	160
Other employee benefits	-	44
Employee related expenses		
Payroll tax	755	582
Fringe benefit tax	17	12
Workers' compensation premium	89	34
Other employee related expenses	53	22
	16,555	12,702

#### 6. Employee Expenses (cont)

The number of employees as at 30 June, including both full-time employees and part-time employees, measured on a full-time equivalent basis (reflecting Minimum Obligatory Human Resource Information) is 113.92 (2023: 96.38).

#### Wages and salaries

Wages and salaries are recognised as an expense when services are performed. Wages and salaries due but unpaid at reporting date are recognised at the current remuneration rates as NIISQ Agency expects such liabilities to be wholly settled within 12 months of reporting date, the liabilities are recognised at undiscounted amounts.

#### Sick leave

Sick leave entitlements are non-vesting and are only paid upon valid claims for sick leave by employees. Sick leave is expensed in the reporting period in which the leave is taken by the employee.

#### Annual leave

For unpaid entitlements expected to be paid within 12 months, the liabilities are recognised at their undiscounted values as the impact is not considered to be material. Leave taken is expensed in the period at which it is payable.

#### Long service leave

Liabilities for long service leave are recognised on the same basis as those liabilities for accrued annual leave. Allowance for long service leave is made in accordance with the legal liability and has been calculated using the shorthand methodology in accordance with AASB 119 Employee Benefits.

#### Superannuation

Post-employment benefits for superannuation are provided through defined contribution (accumulation) plans or the Queensland Government's defined benefit plan (the former QSuper defined benefit categories now administered by the Government Division of the Australian Retirement Trust) as determined by the employee's conditions of employment.

Defined contribution plans - Contributions are made to eligible complying superannuation funds based on the rates specified in the relevant EBA or other conditions of employment. Contributions are expensed when they are paid or become payable following completion of the employee's service each pay period.

Defined benefit plan - The liability for defined benefits is held on a whole-of-government basis and reported in those financial statements pursuant to AASB 1049 *Whole of Government and General Government Sector Financial Reporting.* The amount of contributions for defined benefit plan obligations is based upon the rates determined on the advice of the State Actuary. Contributions are paid by the agency at the specified rate following completion of the employee's service each pay period. The agency's obligations are limited to those contributions paid.

#### Workers' compensation premiums

The NIISQ Agency pays premiums to WorkCover Queensland in respect of its obligations for employee compensation. Workers' compensation insurance is a consequence of employing employees, but is not

#### 6. Employee Expenses (cont)

counted in an employee's total remuneration package. It is not considered an employee benefit and is recognised separately as employee related expenses.

Key management personnel and remuneration disclosures are detailed in Note 20.

#### 7. Supplies and Services

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
QIC management fee	25,372	20,811
Contractors and consultants Professional services	2,494 1,593	2,949 1,183
Building services  Corporate services fee*	1,126 549	1,027 616
Corporate Administration Agency Queensland Treasury actuarial fee	217 128	200 125
Other supplies and services	3,262	2,559
Total	34,741	29,470

An expense is recognised when it is incurred, usually as goods or services are received or consumed.

Under AASB 16 Leases, lease arrangements with substantive substitution rights or of low value are recognised as an expense when incurred and exempt from recognition on the Statement of Financial Position. The NIISQ Agency's office accommodation falls under government-wide framework arrangements which are exempt under AASB 16 as the arrangements are categorised as procurement of services rather than as leases because the Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works has substantive substitution rights over the assets. As such, accommodation costs incurred by the NIISQ Agency are recognised under Building services.

<sup>\*</sup> Corporate support services provided by the Motor Accident Insurance Commission (MAIC) and Nominal Defendant (ND) to NIISQ per the tripartite memorandum of understanding (MOU) (Note 21).

#### 8. Treatment, Care and Support

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Lump sum	62,799	38,682
Attendant care	57,403	46,634
Q Health annual grant/fee	17,908	17,000
Equipment	6,727	4,926
Treatment and rehabilitation	6,167	4,548
Modifications	4,326	3,761
Assessment and review	2,687	2,355
Medical services	2,576	1,680
Participant related services	1,687	1,422
Accommodation and travel	1,086	726
Legal costs	1,014	1,201
Hospital services	747	2,189
Vocational and educational support	300	184
Total treatment, care and support excluding		
movement in provision	165,427	125,308
Movement in provision for treatment, care and support (refer to Note 14)	356,643	199,557
Total	522,070	324,865

Treatment, care and support relate to the necessary and reasonable benefits provided to participants in line with the Act, from date of acceptance into the NIISQ. Expenses are recognised in the reporting period in which they are incurred, via a movement in the provision for lifetime treatment, care and support or when the treatment, care and support has been provided. The total treatment, care and support cost excluding movement in provision for 2024 amounting to \$165.4 million is \$40.1 million higher than previous year of \$125.3 million, largely due to an increase in lump sum and attendant care costs. The increase in actual treatment, care and support is broadly in line with actuarial projections. The movement in provision for treatment, care and support is \$157.1 million higher in 2024 mainly due to changes in future economic and experience assumptions.

#### 9. Other Expenses

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Queensland Audit Office - external audit fees Sponsorships Insurance premiums (QGIF) Board & committee member fees Impairment losses on non-financial assets	96 37 31 18 2	57 15 32 15
	184	119

Total audit fees quoted by the Queensland Audit Office (QAO) relating to the 2023-24 financial statements are \$68,000 (2023: \$85,122). 2022-23 fees include \$28,622 for appointment of specialist fees by QAO for actuaries' audit, which were expensed in 2024.

#### 10. Receivables

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Trade debtors	1,694	491
Accrued levy income	16,012	15,117
GST receivable	457	410
GST payable	(39)	(9)
Accrued interest income	245	35
Accrued other income	1,330	924
Other receivables	_	20
Total	19,699	16,988

Receivables are measured at amortised cost which approximates their fair value at 30 June. The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically and a loss allowance is recognised for expected credit losses based on reasonable and supportable forward-looking information. Majority of NIISQ Agency's receivables are from Queensland and Australian Government entities and Self Insurers. No loss allowance is recognised for these receivables as there is very low credit risk attached to these balances. Refer to Note 16 for NIISQ Agency's credit risk disclosures. Where NIISQ Agency has no reasonable expectation of recovering an amount owed by a debtor, the debt will be written off.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-24

#### 11. Intangibles and Amortisation Expenses

Intangible asset - balances and reconciliations of carrying amount

	Internally generated software		Internally generated software works in progress		Total	
	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Gross Less: accumulated amortisation	13,635 (3,860)	11,036 (2,350)	- -	280	13,635 (3,860)	11,316 (2,350)
Carrying amount at 30 June	9,775	8,686	-	280	9,775	8,966
Represented by movements in carrying amount:						
Carrying amount at 1 July Acquisitions through internal	8,686	7,239	280	161	8,966	7,400
development	-	-	2,319	2,647	2,319	2,647
Transfers between asset classes Amortisation for period	2,599 (1,510)	2,528 (1,081)	(2,599) -	(2,528)	- (1,510)	(1,081)
Carrying amount at 30 June	9,775	8,686	-	280	9775	8,966

#### Recognition and Measurement

Intangible assets of NIISQ Agency are comprised of internally developed software. Intangible assets with a historical cost or other value equal to or greater than \$100,000 are recognised in the financial statements. Items with a lesser value are expensed. Any training costs are expensed as incurred.

There is no active market for any of the agency's intangible assets. As such, the assets are recognised and carried at historical cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Expenditure on research activities relating to internally generated intangible assets is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

Costs associated with the internal development of computer software are capitalised and amortised under the amortisation policy below. No intangible assets have been classified as held for sale or form part of a disposal group held for sale.

### 11. Intangibles and Amortisation Expenses (cont) Amortisation Expense

Intangible assets of the agency have finite useful lives and are amortised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful life to the agency. Straight line amortisation is used reflecting the expected consumption of economic benefits on a progressive basis over the intangible's useful life. The residual value of all the agency's intangible assets is zero.

#### Useful Life

Key Estimate: For this class of intangible asset the following amortisation rates are used:

Intangible Asset	Useful Life
Software internally generated	7-9 Years

#### **Impairment**

Intangible assets are assessed for indicators of impairment on an annual basis. If an indicator of possible impairment exists, the agency determines the asset's recoverable amount. Any amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount is recorded as an impairment loss.

Intangible assets are principally assessed for impairment by reference to the actual and expected continuing use of the asset by the agency, including discontinuing the use of the software. Recoverable amount is determined as the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value-in-use.

#### 12. Payables

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Payables to QIC Other payables	2,267 734	1,854 1,245
Total	3,001	3,099

Payables are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the nominal amount i.e., agreed purchase/contract price, gross of applicable trade and other discounts. Amounts owing are unsecured.

#### 13. Accrued Employee Benefits

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Current Salaries and wages outstanding Annual leave Long service leave	- 1,389 1,772	92 1,171 183
Total current accrued employee benefits	3,161	1,446
Non-current Long service leave	401	1,490
Total non current accrued employee benefits	401	1,490

The liability for employee entitlements to long service leave represents the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the NIISQ Agency resulting from employees' services provided up to the balance date.

Liabilities for employee entitlements which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are recognised at their present value, calculated using yields on Fixed Rate Commonwealth Government bonds of similar maturity.

Key estimates in determining the liability for employee entitlements includes future increases in wage and salary rates. Related on-costs have also been included in the liability.

#### 14. Provisions

#### Provision for Outstanding Lifetime Treatment, Care and Support Liability

Under the Act, NIISQ Agency meets Participants' Lifetime Care and Support Services Expenses for people severely injured in motor accidents. Entitlement to these services commenced on 1 July 2016.

Provisions are recorded when the NIISQ Agency has a present obligation, either legal or constructive as a result of a past event. The NIISQ Agency's liabilities for Participants' Lifetime Treatment, Care and Support are valued by NIISQ Agency's independent actuaries as at 30 June 2024 in accordance with AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets. They are measured as the present value of the expected future Scheme costs related to participants injured before 30 June 2024, whether or not they have entered the Scheme by that date.

The amount of provision during the year is provided by independent actuaries and is endorsed by the Chief Executive Officer. It is valued at \$4,039.4 million on 30 June 2024 (2023: \$3,682.7 million).

The liabilities for Lifetime Treatment Care and Support are measured at the present value of the expected future payments. The present values after discounting are as follows:

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Current		
Provision for treatment, care and support	204,926	137,938
Total current provisions	204,926	137,938
Non-current		
Provision for treatment, care and support 2-5 years Provision for treatment, care and support greater than 5 years	747,472 3,086,976	680,807 2,863,985
Total non-current provisions	3,834,448	3,544,792
Total	4,039,373	3,682,730

#### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-24

#### 14. Provisions (cont)

#### (a) Reconciliation of Movement in Provisions

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Balance at 1 July Prior periods	3,682,730	3,483,173
Support payments	(143,254)	(106,797)
Allocation of Queensland Health fee	(12,215)	(10,185)
Support admin expenses	(26,300)	(21,419)
Discount unwind	156,530	90,219
Effect of changes in assumptions and experience  Current period	(263,010)	(380,949)
Provision for current period	644,892	628,688
Net outstanding treatment, care and support liability	4,039,373	3,682,730

The liability for outstanding treatment, care and support includes future payments and administrative expenses for all participants and those injured before 30 June 2024 who are yet to be accepted by the Scheme. The liability is assessed by reviewing individual case files and uses statistics based on past experience, including external data, to estimate lifetime costs for current and future accepted participants. The scheme liability is measured as the present value of the expected future payments allowing for inflation and superimposed inflation.

The treatment, care and support expense represent the cost to the Scheme of people injured during the year to 30 June 2024 and revision of the estimated cost for people injured up to 30 June 2023.

#### (b) Key actuarial assumptions - participant numbers and average costs (inflated discounted)

For accepted participants, the average cost has been actuarially assessed based on each participant's age, injury severity, expected progress of the injury, and expected changes to required care and support needs over time. For participants who have not yet lodged or had their application accepted, the average cost allows for their expected age and injury severity mix.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023-24

#### 14. Provisions (cont)

#### 2024

	Number of participants		Average cost (excl CHE) *			
Injury type	Accepted to date	Not yet lodged or accepted	Total	Accepted to date (\$ million)	Not yet lodged or accepted (\$ million)	Total (\$ million)
Brain	576	25	601	4.1	4.9	4.2
Spinal	126	7	133	7.9	7.6	7.9
Other	29	2	31	2.4	4.9	2.5
Total	731	34	765	4.7	5.4	4.8

<sup>\*</sup> Case handling expense

#### 2023

	Number of participants			Avera	ge cost (excl (	CHE) *
Injury type	Accepted to date	Not yet lodged or accepted	Total	Accepted to date (\$ million)	Not yet lodged or accepted (\$ million)	Total (\$ million)
Brain	502	34	536	4.5	3.5	4.5
Spinal	108	6	114	9.7	9.8	9.7
Other	22	1	23	2.1	4.6	2.2
Total	632	41	673	5.3	4.5	5.3

<sup>\*</sup> Case handling expense

#### (c) Key actuarial assumptions - other

	2024	2023
Weighted average inflation <sup>1</sup>	2.84%	3.53%
Weighted average discount	4.69%	4.40%
Discounted mean term	20.4 years	19.7 years
Weighted average escalation of services by the NIISQ <sup>2</sup>	4.39%	NA
Case handling expense applied to payments excluding lump sums	11%	11%

<sup>1.</sup> The measures of inflation in these accounts including a change in definition from the 2023 accounts. 'Weighted average inflation' is lower reflecting a move from Average Weekly Earnings (AWE) to CPI and WPI measures.

On average scheme costs are expected to increase by 4.39% p.a. This is 1.55% higher than the weighted average inflation of 2.84% p.a (2023: 3.53%) and has been provided for in the actuarial assessment of the liability.

<sup>2.</sup> The 'weighted average escalation of services by the NIISQ' includes the expected growth in costs above CPI and WPI. For attendant care services this reflects cost growth above CPI including wage growth partially offset by expected productivity gains in the care economy. For other treatment, care and support this includes cost growth above WPI.

#### 14. Provisions (cont)

#### Sensitivity Analysis for the Valuation as at 30 June 2024

While the liability represents the best estimate based on information available at the reporting date, significant uncertainty exists due to the long-term nature of liabilities. In particular, participants' treatment, care and support needs and their costs are a function of many factors, including injury severity, its improvement and other individual circumstances, mortality assumptions, and market rates for attendant care and other treatment, care and support services. The long-term nature of liabilities also means that the liability is very sensitive to future financial assumptions, i.e. inflation and discount rates. The table below shows sensitivities to some of the actuarial assumptions used in the valuation. The sensitivities do not represent an upper or lower bound of the provision but rather provide an indication of the uncertainty inherent in the provision.

#### Sensitivities Analysis as at 30 June 2024 including Case Handling Expense (CHE)

Scenario	Inflated discounted liability (incl CHE) (\$ million)	Effect on Liability (\$ million)	Effect on Liability
Base	4,039		
1% p.a. decrease in discount rates	4,986	946	23%
Increase in the discounted mean term of 1 year	3,858	(181)	(4%)
10% reduction in IBNR * participant numbers	4,019	(20)	(1%)
10% increase in the average cost per Acquired Brain Injury participant	4,304	265	7%
10% increase in average cost per Spinal Cord Injury participant	4,151	111	3%
10% increase in the average cost per Other participant	4,047	8	0%
5% increase in care rates	4,202	162	4%
No allowance for improvement in brain injuries	4,350	311	8%
1% p.a. growth in care hours above benchmark	4,858	819	20%

<sup>\*</sup> Incurred but not reported

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#### 14. Provisions (cont)

Sensitivities Analysis as at 30 June 2023 including Case Handling Expense (CHE)

Scenario	Inflated discounted liability (incl CHE) (\$ million)	Effect on Liability (\$ million)	Effect on Liability
Base	3,683		
1% p.a. decrease in discount rates	4,505	822	22%
Increase in the discounted mean term of 1 year	3,538	(155)	(4%)
10% reduction in IBNR * participant numbers	3,662	(21)	(1%)
10% increase in the average cost per Acquired Brain Injury participant	3,931	249	7%
10% increase in average cost per Spinal Cord Injury participant	3,797	114	3%
10% increase in the average cost per Other participant	3,688	5	0%
5% increase in care rates	3,840	158	4%
No allowance for improvement in brain injuries	4,116	434	12%
1% p.a. growth in care hours above benchmark	4,401	718	20%

<sup>\*</sup> Incurred but not reported

#### 15. Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an investment in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price) regardless of whether that price is directly derived from observable inputs or estimated using another valuation technique.

Observable inputs are publicly available data that are relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Unobservable inputs are data, assumptions and judgements that are not available publicly, but are relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued.

Financial assets carried at fair value are categorised within the following fair value hierarchy:

Level 1	fair value measurements that reflect unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities;
Level 2	fair value measurements that are substantially derived from inputs (other than quoted prices included within level 1) that are observable, either directly or indirectly; and
Level 3	fair value measurements that are substantially derived from unobservable inputs.

The NIISQ Agency recognises financial assets invested with QIC at fair value through profit or loss. The fair value is measured at market value based on closing unit prices of QIC unlisted unit trusts. Fair value gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Classification of instruments into fair value hierarchy levels is reviewed annually.

#### 15. Fair Value Measurement (cont)

The fair value of receivables and payables is assumed to approximate the value of the original transactions.

The carrying amount for cash assets represents the fair value.

#### Fair value hierarchy level 1 and 2

None of the NIISQ Agency's valuation of financial assets are eligible for categorisation into level 1 and level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### Fair value hierarchy level 3

The NIISQ Agency invests in the NIISQ Trust Fund which is a closed fund with the NIISQ Agency being the only investor. While the NIISQ Trust Fund have unit price provided by the Fund Managers as an input to estimate the fair value, the market would not be considered active for level 1 nor level 2, therefore, they are considered to be level 3.

The fair value reported by the NIISQ Agency is based on QIC's determination of the investments' fair value. The valuations of the underlying investments are based on unobservable inputs and their fair value is determined by QIC via independent valuations in accordance with QIC's Investment Valuations Policy. Refer to Note 16(c) for the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to market changes.

#### 16. Financial Risk Disclosures

#### (a) Financial Instrument Categories

The NIISQ Agency has the following categories of financial assets and financial liabilities:

Category	Note	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000
Financial Assets Cash Receivables (amortised cost) Financial assets (fair value through profit or loss)	10	42,752 19,699 4,616,514	4,174 16,988 3,751,916
Total		4,678,965	3,773,078
Financial Liabilities Payables (amortised cost)	12	3,001	3,099
Total		3,001	3,099

#### 16. Financial Risk Disclosures (cont)

A financial asset is classified at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) if it is classified as held for trading or if so designated on acquisition. Financial assets at FVTPL are valued at fair value at balance date.

NIISQ Agency's financial assets at FVTPL consist of investments with QIC. These assets are classified as held for trading. A financial asset is classified in this category where it is acquired for selling or repurchasing in the near term, or if on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking.

No financial assets and financial liabilities have been offset and presented net in the Statement of Financial Position

#### (b) Financial Risk Measurement and Management Strategies

NIISQ Agency's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks - credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk.

Risk exposure is measured using a variety of methods:

Risk Exposure	Measurement Method
Credit risk	Earnings at risk
Liquidity risk	Maturity analysis
Market risk	Sensitivity analysis

#### (i) Credit Risk

Credit risk exposure refers to the situation where NIISQ Agency may incur financial loss as a result of another party to a financial instrument failing to discharge their obligation. Credit risk arises from financial assets (cash and cash equivalents, investments held with QIC and outstanding receivables).

The NIISQ Agency's maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying amount of its Financial Assets and Receivables as disclosed in Note 16(a) and the receivables disclosed in Note 10.

The NIISQ Agency seeks to reduce the exposure to credit risk in the following manner:

- invest in secure assets through QIC and regularly reviewing the investment strategy;
- monitor all funds owed on a timely basis; and
- assess credit risk exposure on an ongoing basis.

Cash and cash equivalents are held with banking and financial institutions through the whole-of-government banking arrangement.

The NIISQ Agency does not expect any material credit losses in relation to its receivables disclosed in Note 10. The debtor group comprises mostly of Queensland and Australian Government entities. They are expected to have an insignificant level of credit risk exposure having regard to the nature and credit ratings of these entities.

#### 16. Financial Risk Disclosures (cont)

#### (ii) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk refers to the situation where the NIISQ Agency may encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

The NIISQ Agency is exposed to liquidity risk in respect of its payables and future Participant Lifetime Treatment, Care and Support Expenses. NIISQ Agency's current payables and provisions are expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date.

The NIISQ Agency manages its exposure to liquidity risk by ensuring that the NIISQ Agency has sufficient funds available to meet its liabilities. This is achieved by monitoring the QIC investment funds and maintaining minimum cash balances within its bank account to meet both short-term and long-term cash flow requirements.

#### (iii) Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises of interest rate risk, price risk and foreign exchange risk.

The significant market risks to the NIISQ Agency are unit price and interest rate risks associated with its investments managed by QIC. Movements in interest rates and market prices of the financial instruments impact the fair values of NIISQ Agency's financial assets.

Interest rate risk also exists in relation to NIISQ Agency's cash held in interest bearing bank accounts.

Market risk is managed through regular reviews of the investment strategies between the State Investment Advisory Board, the NIISQ Agency and QIC via the Investment Management Agreement dated 4 December 2021.

#### (c) Market Risk Sensitivity Analysis

A sensitivity analysis has been performed assessing the impact to profit and loss if the unit price of the NIISQ Agency's investment funds change. The analysis is based on a range of reasonably possible changes to key risk variables applicable to the QIC investment funds as identified by QIC, including the RBA official cash rate, US Federal Reserve official cash rate, ASX 200, MSCI World ex Australia Equities Index, real estate capitalisation rate and exchange rate.

The NIISQ Agency's sensitivity to these possible changes are shown in the table below.

2024	Price Risk		Interest Rate Risk		Foreign Exchange Risk	
Investments	10% -10%		0.25%	-0.25%	10%	-10%
Investments	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
QIC Trust Fund	461,651	(461,651)	11,541	(11,541)	(461,651)	461,651
Total	461,651	(461,651)	11,541	(11,541)	(461,651)	461,651

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#### 16. Financial Risk Disclosures (cont)

2023	Price Risk		Interest	: Rate Risk	Foreign Exchange Risk	
Investments	10%	-10%	0.25%	-0.25%	10%	-10%
investments	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
QIC Trust Fund	375,192	(375,192)	9,380	(9,380)	(375,192)	375,192
Total	375,192	(375,192)	9,380	(9,380)	(375,192)	375,192

The market risk associated with the NIISQ Agency's cash and cash equivalents is immaterial.

#### 17. **Contingencies and Commitments**

There were no significant commitments or contingent assets or liabilities at 30 June.

#### 18. **Events Occurring After the Reporting Date**

There have been no post balance date events identified.

#### 19. Future Impact of Accounting Standards Not Yet Effective

At the date of authorisation of the financial report, the expected impacts of new or amended Australian Accounting Standards issued but with future effective dates are set out below:

#### AASB 17 Insurance Contracts

AASB 17 is mandatorily applicable to the Agency effective from reporting period after 1 July 2026.

The standard establishes the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts issued. The National Injury Insurance Scheme (Scheme) administered by the Agency falls within the scope of AASB 17 as an "insurance like arrangement".

The Agency has assessed the impact of the introduction of AASB 17 and consider them not to be significant. However, with the implementation date still a few years away and the potential for the AASB 17 requirements to continue to evolve, the Agency will continue to monitor updates from the Australian Accounting Standard Board and revise our disclosure accordingly.

#### 20. Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures

#### **Details of KMP**

The Treasurer and Minister for Investments is identified as part of the NIISQ Agency's KMP, consistent with additional guidance included in the revised version of AASB124 *Related Party Disclosures*.

The following details for non-Ministerial KMP include those positions that had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the NIISQ Agency during 2023-24. Key management personnel also provided services to MAIC and ND as part of their overall role.

Position	Position responsibility
Chief Executive Officer	Leads the efficient, effective and economic administration of the NIISQ Agency.
General Manager NIISQ	Responsible for the leadership and supervision, compliance and performance of the NIISQ Agency's participant care, legal services and claims, and service delivery and development functions.
General Manager Innovation & Delivery	Responsible for driving innovation and delivering business-led solutions at the NIISQ Agency.
General Manager Business Advisory & Services	Responsible for the leadership and supervision, compliance and performance of the NIISQ Agency's corporate service functions, including finance, risk and assurance, human resources, policy, communication, and analytics.

#### 20. Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures (cont)

#### Remuneration policies

The Treasurer's ministerial remuneration entitlements are outlined in the Legislative Assembly of Queensland's Members' Remuneration Handbook. The NIISQ Agency does not bear any cost of remuneration of Ministers. The majority of ministerial entitlements are paid by the Legislative Assembly, with the remaining entitlements being provided by Ministerial Services Branch within the Department of the Premier and Cabinet. As all Ministers are reported as KMP of the Queensland Government, aggregate remuneration expenses for all Ministers are disclosed in the Queensland General Government and whole-of-government Consolidated Financial Statements, which are published as part of Queensland Treasury's Report on State Finances.

The NIISQ Agency's KMP, with the exception of the CEO, are employed under the NIISQ Act and via employment contract/agreement between the executive and the Agency. The remuneration policy for the NIISQ Agency's KMP is aligned to the Senior Executive Service employment remuneration and conditions as set by the Queensland Public Service Commission.

Remuneration packages for KMP comprise the following components:

- Short term employee expenses which include:
  - o salaries, allowances and leave entitlements paid and provided for the entire year, or for that part of the year during which the employee was a key management person; and
  - o non-monetary benefits consisting of provision for motor vehicle related expenses together with fringe benefits tax applicable to the benefit.
- Long term employee expenses include amounts expensed in respect of long service leave entitlements earned.
- Post-employment expenses include amounts expensed in respect of employer superannuation obligations.
- Termination benefits are not provided for within individual contracts of employment. Contracts of employment provide only for notice periods or payment in lieu of notice on termination, regardless of the reason for termination.

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#### 20. Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures (cont)

#### **KMP** remuneration expense

2023-24

	Short term employee expenses		Long			
Position	Monetary Expenses	Non- Monetary	term employee expenses	Post- employment expenses	Termination benefits	Total expenses
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Chief Executive Officer <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
General Manager NIISQ	199	4	5	29	-	237
General Manager Business & Advisory Services	203	5	4	24	-	236
General Manager Innovation & Delivery	193	2	4	27	-	226
Total remuneration	595	11	13	80	-	699

<sup>1.</sup> This is a Queensland Treasury (QT) position and is not reported under KMP expenses as they were not employed directly by the NIISQ Agency. MAIC and ND charges a corporate support fee for services provided to NIISQ Agency. Further information including remuneration for this position can be found in the body of the MAIC and ND Annual reports under the section relating to Key Management Personnel and Remuneration.

#### 2022-23

Desikien	Short term employee expenses		Long term	Post-	Termination	Total
Position	I MODELARY I NOD- I EMPLOYEE I	employment expenses	benefits	expenses		
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Chief Executive Officer <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
General Manager NIISQ (from 30/01/2023)	88	3	2	9	-	102
General Manager Participant Care (to 29/01/2023) <sup>3</sup>	106	4	4	11	-	125
General Manager Innovation & Delivery	179	-	4	19	-	202
General Manager Business & Advisory Services (from 05/06/2023)	15	-	-	2	-	17

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#### 20. Key Management Personnel (KMP) Disclosures (cont)

2022-23

	Short term employee expenses		Long	Post-		
Position	Monetary Expenses	Non- Monetary	term employee expenses	employment expenses	Termination benefits	Total expenses
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Director Finance, Risk & Assurance (to 05/06/2023) 1 & 2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Director People, Policy & Communication (to 29/01/2023) <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Director People, Policy & Communication (from 08/02/2023 to 05/06/2023) <sup>2&amp;4</sup>	43	-	1	5	-	49
Director Analytics (to 05/06/2023) 1&2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Director Service Delivery & Development (to 29/01/2023) <sup>2</sup>	71	4	2	10	-	87
Director Legal & Claims Services (to 29/01/2023) <sup>2</sup>	88	4	2	11	-	105
Total remuneration	590	15	15	67	-	687

<sup>1.</sup> These are Queensland Treasury (QT) positions and are not reported under KMP expenses as they were not employed directly by the NIISQ Agency. MAIC and ND charges a corporate support fee for services provided to NIISQ Agency. Further information including remuneration for these positions can be found in the body of the MAIC and ND Annual reports under the section relating to Key Management Personnel and Remuneration.

#### **Performance Payments**

No KMP remuneration packages were provided for performance or bonus payments.

<sup>2.</sup> These positions were only considered as key management personnels up until the appointment of their direct General Manager

<sup>3.</sup> This position was replaced by the General Manager NIISQ from 30/01/2023.

<sup>4.</sup> This position was renamed to Director People, Culture & Communication on 27/06/2023.

#### 21. Related Party Transactions

Transactions with people/entities related to Key Management Personnel (KMP)

During the financial year there were no transactions with people or other entities related to KMPs of the NIISQ Agency.

#### Transactions with other Queensland Government-controlled entities

Queensland Treasury and Corporate Administration Agency provided the NIISQ Agency with administration and corporate support services during the financial year. The NIISQ Agency also has a corporate support services tripartite MOU in place with MAIC and ND for the receipt and provision of corporate support services between the three entities. These are disclosed in Note 7.

NIISQ Agency received levy income from the Department of Transport and Mains Road (DTMR) in accordance with the Act (Note 3).

NIISQ Agency incurred management fees from QIC for the management of the QIC unlisted unit trusts as disclosed in Note 7.

NIISQ Agency made payments from the fund in an amount determined by the Treasurer to any government entity that is responsible for providing public hospital services or emergency services as disclosed in Note 8.

NIISQ Agency provided grant funding to Metro South Hospital and Health Services for research and education projects including translation and implementation of an early Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) vocational rehabilitation framework to clinical practice in Queensland. The Agency also provided grant funding to multiple universities including James Cook University, Queensland University of Technology, The University of Queensland and University of the Sunshine Coast to support research and education projects relevant to the treatment, care and support of participants in the Scheme.

NIISQ Agency charged WorkCover Queensland an administrative fee for providing eligible worker the treatment, care and support as prescribed in the NIISQ Act 2016. Total charges relating to 2023-24 are \$3,333,167 (2023: \$816,001).

#### 22. Agency Transactions

NIISQ Agency arranges for the provision of services on behalf of the Self Insurers, makes payments for participants' lifetime treatment, care and support expenses and receives respective reimbursements. Reimbursements received during the year have not been included as revenue in the Statement of Comprehensive Income as the Self Insurers retain the liability. Similarly, payments made on behalf of the Self Insurers have not been included as expenses.

Amounts relating to 2023-24 are \$11,326,590 (2023: \$6,238,822).

#### 23. First year Application of New Accounting Standards or Change in Accounting Policy

#### Changes in Accounting Policies

The NIISQ Agency did not voluntarily change any of its accounting policies during 2023-24.

#### Accounting Standards Early Adopted

No Australian Accounting Standards have been early adopted for 2023-24.

#### Accounting Standards Applied for the First Time

No Australian Accounting Standards have been applied for the first time in 2023-24.

#### 24. Taxation

The NIISQ Agency is a statutory body as defined under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and is exempt from Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST). FBT and GST are the only Commonwealth taxes accounted for by the NIISQ Agency. GST credits receivable from, and GST payable to the ATO, are recognised (refer to Note 10).

#### 25. Climate Risk Disclosure

No adjustments to the carrying value of assets were recognised during the financial year as a result of climate-related risks impacting current accounting estimates and judgements. No other transactions have been recognised during the financial year specifically due to climate-related risks impacting the agency. The agency continues to monitor the emergence of material climate-related risks that may impact the financial statements of the agency, including those arising under the Queensland Government's Queensland 2035 Clean Economy Pathway, and other Queensland Government climate-related policies or directives.

#### MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

#### for the year ended 30 June 2024

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared pursuant to section 62(1) of the Financial Accountability Act 2009 (the Act), section 39 of the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and other prescribed requirements. In accordance with section 62(1)(b) of the Act we certify that in our opinion:

- (a) the prescribed requirements for establishing and keeping the accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- (b) the financial statements have been drawn up to present a true and fair view, in accordance with prescribed accounting standards, of the transactions of the National Injury Insurance Agency, Queensland for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 and of the financial position of the agency at the end of that year; and

We acknowledge responsibility under section 7 and section 11 of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019* for the establishment and maintenance, in all material respects, of an appropriate and effective system of internal controls and risk management processes with respect to financial reporting throughout the reporting period.

Signature

N Singleton

B Bus (Insurance), MBA

Chief Executive Officer

23 August 2024

Signature

R McLean

BCom/LLB (Hons), CA

Director Finance, Risk & Assurance

23 August 2024



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Chief Executive Officer of the National Injury Insurance Agency, Queensland

#### Report on the audit of the financial report

#### **Opinion**

I have audited the accompanying financial report of the National Injury Insurance Agency, Queensland (the entity)

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the management certificate.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- b) complies with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards.

#### **Basis for opinion**

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the 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 entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including independence standards)* (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 and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

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

#### Other information

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information.

The other information comprises the information included in the entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

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 the Chief Executive Officer for the financial report

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 and Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as the Chief Executive Officer determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The Chief Executive Officer is also responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the entity or to otherwise cease operations.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are 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.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of my auditor's report.

#### Statement

In accordance with s.40 of the Auditor-General Act 2009, for the year ended 30 June 2024:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) I consider that, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.

#### Prescribed requirements scope

The prescribed requirements for the establishment and keeping of accounts are contained in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, any other Act and the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019. The applicable requirements include those for keeping financial records that correctly record and explain the entity's transactions and account balances to enable the preparation of a true and fair financial report.

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23 August 2024

Martin Luwinga as delegate of the Auditor-General

Queensland Audit Office Brisbane