CERTIFICATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We certify that the attached financial statements for the Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia have been prepared based on proper accounts and records in accordance with the prescribed format, the *Financial Management Act* and Treasurer's Directions.

We further state that the information set out in the comprehensive operating statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, and notes to and forming part of the financial statements, presents fairly the financial performance and cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2018 and the financial position on that date.

At the time of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances that would render the particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.

Chairperson

29 November 2018

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Deputy Chairperson

R. Gunell

29 November 2018



COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING STATEMENTFor the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
INCOME			
Income from fees		14 189	13 965
Services received free of charge	_	30 824	29 954
TOTAL INCOME	3	45 013	43 919
EXPENSES			
Services rendered free of charge		30 824	29 954
Audit Expenses		9 100	6 345
Supplies and services	_	6 628	11 568
TOTAL EXPENSES	3	46 552	47 867
NET (DEFICIT)	_	(1 539)	(3 948)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		-	_
COMPREHENSIVE RESULT	_ _	(1 539)	(3 948)

The Comprehensive Operating Statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET As at 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and deposits	6	64 350	63 501
Total current assets	-	64 350	63 501
TOTAL ASSETS	-	64 350	63 501
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Payables	_	9 250	6 862
Total current liabilities		9 250	6 862
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	9 250	6 862
NET ASSETS	-	55 100	56 639
EQUITY			
Accumulated funds		55 100	56 639
TOTAL EQUITY		55 100	56 639

The Balance Sheet is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	Equity at 1 July	Comprehensive result	Equity at 30 June
2017-18 Accumulated funds		56 639	(1 539)	55 100
Total equity at end of financial year	-	56 639	(1 389)	55 100
2016-17 Accumulated funds		60 587	(3 948)	56 639
Total equity at end of financial year	_	60 587	(3 948)	56 639

The statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	2018	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Operating receipts/payments			
Cash receipts in the course of operations Cash payments in the course of operations		14 189 (13 340)	13 965 (17 935)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	8 _	849	(3 970)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		_	_
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	_	-	_
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		_	_
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities		_	_
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held Cash at beginning of financial year		849 63 501	(3 970) 67 471
CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	6	64 350	63 501

The cash flow statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

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1. OBJECTIVES AND FUNDING

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia (the Board) is constituted under Section 8 of the *Licensed Surveyors Act* to regulate the practice of land boundary surveying and the registration of land boundary surveyors.

Most of the operational expenses of the Board are funded by the annual registration fees paid by the licensed surveyors. However, the entity also received services which are provided free of charge from agencies of the Northern Territory Government.

The Board is a not for profit entity.

2. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Financial Management Act* and related Treasurer's Directions. The *Financial Management Act* requires the Board to prepare financial statements for the year ended 30 June based on the form determined by the Treasurer. The form of agency financial statements should include:

- (i) a certification of the financial statements
- (ii) a comprehensive operating statement
- (iii) a balance sheet
- (iv) a statement of changes in equity
- (v) a cash flow statement and
- (vi) applicable explanatory notes to the financial statements.

b) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, which recognises the effect of financial transactions and events when they occur, rather than when cash is paid out or received. As part of the preparation of the financial statements, all intra-agency transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Except where stated, the financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

The form of the agency financial statements is also consistent with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standards. The effects of all relevant new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are effective for the current annual reporting period have been evaluated.

Standards and interpretations effective from 2017-18

The following new and revised accounting standards and interpretations were effective for the first time in 2017-18:

AASB 2016-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosure Initiative:

Amendments to AASB 107

This standard applies to the not-for-profit sector for the first time in 2016-17. The accounting amendment AASB 2016-2 requires the disclosure of information that enable users of financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities.

Several other amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to the current reporting periods, but are considered to have no impact on public sector reporting.

Standards and Interpretations Issued but not yet effective

On the date of authorisation of the financial statements, the following standards and interpretations were in issue but are not yet effective and are expected to have a potential impact on future reporting periods:

AASB 16 Leases

AASB 16 Leases is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and will be reported in these financial statements for the first time in 2019-20. When the standard is effective it will supersede AASB 117 Leases and requires the majority of leases to be recognised on the balance sheet.

For lessees with operating leases, a right-of-use asset will now be included in the balance sheet together with a lease liability for all leases with a term of 12 months or more, unless the underlying assets are of low value. The comprehensive operating statement will no longer report operating lease rental payments. Instead a depreciation expense will be recognised relating to the right-to-use asset and interest expense relating to the lease liability.

For lessors, the finance and operating lease distinction remains largely unchanged. For finance leases, the lessor recognises a receivable equal to the net investment in the lease. Lease receipts from operating leases are recognised as income either on a straight-line basis or another systematic basis where appropriate.

AASB 1058 Income for not-for-profit entities and AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

AASB 1058 Income for Not-for-Profit Entities and AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and will be reported in these financial statements for the first time in 2019-20.

Under the new AASB 1058 Income for Not-for-Profit Entities, revenue from grants and donations will be recognised when any associated performance obligation to provide goods or services is satisfied, and not immediately upon receipt as currently occurs. Consequently, more liabilities will be recognised in the balance sheet after adoption of this standard.

AASB 1058 clarifies and simplifies income-recognition requirements that apply to not-for-profit entities in conjunction with AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

While the full impacts are yet to be determined, potential impacts identified include:

- grants received to construct or acquire a non-financial asset will be recognised as a liability, and subsequently recognised as revenue as the performance obligations under the grant are satisfied. At present, such grants are recognised as revenue on receipt
- grants with an enforceable agreement and sufficiently specific performance obligations will be recognised as revenue progressively as the associated performance obligations are satisfied. At present, such grants are recognised as revenue on receipt
- grants that have an enforceable agreement but no specific performance obligations but have restrictions on the timing of expenditure will also continue to be recognised on receipt as time restriction on the use of funds is not sufficiently specific to create a performance obligation
- grants that are not enforceable and/or not sufficiently specific will not qualify for deferral, and continue to be recognised as revenue as soon as they are controlled.

AASB 1059 Service Concession Arrangements: Grantors

AASB 1059 Service Concession Arrangements: Grantors is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and will be reported in these financial statements for the first time in 2019-20.

AASB 1059 addresses the accounting for arrangements that involve an operator providing public services related to a service concession asset on behalf of a public sector grantor for a specified period of time and managing at least some of those services.

Where a transaction meets the definition of a service concession arrangement, a service concession asset and liability will be recognised on the balance sheet and valued in accordance with the new standard.

Several other amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to future reporting periods, but are considered to have limited impact on future financial reporting.

c) Reporting entity

The financial statements cover the Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory as an individual reporting entity.

The Board was established by the Licensed Surveyors Act. It is not an agency under the Financial Management *Act*, but is required under Section 21 of the *Licensed Surveyors Act* to comply with section 10 of the *Financial Management Act* as if it was a Government Business Division.

The principal place of business of the Board is: 71 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800

d) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative information for the 2017-18 financial year has been reclassified to provide consistency with current year disclosures.

e) Presentation and rounding of amounts

Amounts in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements are presented in Australian dollars.

f) Changes in accounting policies

There have been no changes to accounting policies adopted in 2017-18 as a result of management decisions.

g) Accounting judgments and estimates

Services received free of charge were estimated as per the following:

- 5% of the Surveyor-General's (Chairman) time;
- 10% of a Senior Surveyor's (Secretary) time;
- 3% of an Administrative Officer's time;
- Payment of the annual membership fee to the Council of the Reciprocating Surveyors Board of Australia and New Zealand; and
- Notional charge for transactions and the use of facilities.

h) Goods and services tax

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia is registered for GST and is grouped with other entities of the Northern Territory as part of the NTG GST Group. The GST components of all transactions are reported by the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice; this entity is also a member of the NTG GST Group and facilitates all payments and receipts for the Surveyors Board.

Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred on a purchase of goods and services is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated net of GST and cash flows are included in the Cash Flow Statement on a net basis. Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable or payable unless otherwise specified.

		2018	2017
_	INCOME AND EVERNOES	\$	\$
3.	INCOME AND EXPENSES		
	Annual surveyor registration fees	14 189	13 315
	Services received free of charge	29 556	28 835
	Membership fees received free of charge	1 268	1 119
	Other revenue	-	650
	Total income from ordinary activities	45 013	43 919
	Audit expenses	9 100	6 345
	Services received free of charge	29 556	28 835
	Membership fees received free of charge	1 268	1 119
	Supplies and services	6 628	11 568
	Total expenses from ordinary activities	46 552	47 867

Income

Income is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, exclusive of the amount of GST.

4. SERVICES RECEIVED FREE OF CHARGE

During the year, the Board received services which were provided for free by the Northern Territory Government. Management has estimated that the value of services received free of charge, including membership fees, was \$30 824. Further information can be found in Note 2(g). This amount has been included in the Comprehensive Operating Statement.

5. WRITE-OFFS, POSTPONEMENTS, WAIVERS, GIFTS AND EX GRATIA PAYMENTS

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia had no write-offs, postponements or waivers as at 30 June 2018 or 30 June 2017.

		2018	2017
		\$	\$
6.	CASH AND DEPOSITS		
	Operating account	64 350	63 501

7. COMMITMENTS

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia had no expenditure on or lease commitments as at 30 June 2018 or 30 June 2017.

		2018	2017
		\$	\$
8.	NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT		
	Reconciliation of net surplus/deficit to net cash from operating activities		
	Net surplus/deficit	(1 539)	(3 948)
	Changes in assets and liabilities:		
	Decrease/increase in payables	2 388	(22)
	Net cash from operating activities	849	(3 970)

9. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A financial instrument is a contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity. Financial instruments held by the Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia include cash and deposits, receivables, payables and finance leases. The Board has limited exposure to financial risks as discussed below.

a) Credit risk

The Board has limited credit risk exposure (risk of default). In respect of any dealings with organisations external to Government, the Board has adopted a policy of only dealing with credit worthy organisations and obtaining sufficient collateral or other security where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults.

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements, net of any allowances for losses, represents the Board's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of the value of any collateral or other security obtained.

b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the agency will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Board's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when they fall due.

c) Market risk

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

The Board has no exposure to interest rate risk as the Board's financial assets and liabilities are non-interest bearing.

The Board has no financial instruments impacted by price risk and is not exposed to currency risk.

d) Net fair value

The carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities recorded in the financial statements approximates their respective net fair values. Where difference exist, these are not material.

10. RELATED PARTIES

i) Related Parties

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia is constituted under section 8 of the *Licensed Surveyors Act*. Related parties of the department include:

- the key management personnel (KMP) because they have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Board; and
- spouses, children and dependents who are close family members of the KMP; and
- other public sector entities that are controlled and consolidated into the whole of government financial statements.

ii) Key Management Personnel (KMP)

Key management personnel of the Board are the members of the Board. Membership of the Board for the financial year ended 30 June 2018 comprised:

Position	Name	Representation
Chairperson	Mr Craig Sandy (NTG Employee)	As Surveyor-General he has been ex-officio member and chairperson since 1 May 2014. Mr Sandy resigned from his position as Surveyor-General on 28 July 2017.
Chairperson	Mr Robert Sarib (NTG Employee)	First appointed 29 February 2000 from nominations made by the Institution of Surveyors, Australia. Re-appointed 1 September 2000, 27 September 2004, 24 October 2008 and 26 February 2013 from applications received. Mr Sarib was appointed Acting Surveyor-General and Acting Chairperson on 31 July 2017 and subsequently appointed Surveyor-General and Chairperson on 19 September 2018.
Deputy Chairperson	Mr Richard Purnell	Reappointed on 18 April 2017 from nominations made by the Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute. Board member since 26 February 2013. Appointed as Deputy Chairperson on 27 July 2017.
Member	Mr Warwick Bryant	Reappointed on 18 April 2017 from nominations made by the Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute. Board member since 26 February 2013. Member Bryant resigned from the Board on 13 October 2017.
Member	Mrs Nannette Helder	Appointed 18 April 2017 from applications received.
Member	Mr David Sach (NTG Employee)	Appointed 18 April 2017 from applications received.

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For the year ended 30 June 2018

iii) Remuneration of Key Management Personnel

The details below excludes the Members of the Surveyors' Board who are employees of the Northern Territory Government (NTG), including the Chairman, and are not separately remunerated. Consequently remuneration of these members is not reported. Sittings fees paid to non-NTG members in the 2017-18 year totaled \$2 622.

iv) Related party transactions:

Transactions with Northern Territory Government controlled entities

The Surveyors' Board of the Northern Territory of Australia transactions with other Government entities comprised the following services provided free of charge:

Related Party	Nature	Revenue from related parties	Payments to related parties
Department of the Attorney-General and Justice	Administrative and secretariat services, including the receipt of annual registration fees.	5 098	5 098
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics	Services of the Surveyor- General & Senior Surveyors in the discharge of their responsibilities related to the Surveyors Board	24 458	24 458
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics	Payment of the 2017/18 annual membership fee to the Council of the Reciprocating Surveyors Board of Australia and New Zealand.	1 268	1 268
		30 824	30 824

Other related party transactions

Key management personnel will transact with the Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory in their capacity as licensed surveyors through the payment of annual registration fees.

11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

The Surveyors Board of the Northern Territory of Australia had no contingent liabilities or contingent assets as at 30 June 2018 or 30 June 2017.

12. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

No events have arisen between the end of the financial year and the date of this report that require adjustment to, or disclosure in these financial statements.