

MESSAGE FROM

THE CHAIRMAN

Kelvin Hill



It is with pleasure that I present my report for the 2018/19 year on the activities of Water New Zealand and its Governance Board.

The focus of Association activities remains on the important work being done by the government on 3 waters reform and regulation options. While three waters reform continues to be a key focus, there remain several other initiatives which are equally important. I'll return to these shortly.

The reform work is being led by the Ministries of Internal Affairs and Health and Water New Zealand has been focused on ensuring officials have access to good technical information both about the performance of the sector, as well as the implications of the decisions government is making.

Where possible, we have shared with industry the technical reports being prepared by officials. The Government itself ran an invitation-only workshop series earlier this year to test their emerging policy proposals. These were generally supported by industry.

At the time of preparing this report, there is an expectation government will make final decision about the nature and functions of a new regulator shortly.

During the year, our technical team was regularly called upon by the sector to provide advice of a technical nature and provide formal technical quidance to industry.

Particularly worthy is the standing which our National Performance Review which has been referenced in several official government reports as authoritative information about the sector.

The other major area of focus is training and education. This includes working with an industry team on the development of a draft industry strategy and competency framework along with a continuing professional development scheme.

We continued to take a lead on industry advocacy including more than a dozen submissions on central government discussion papers - these are all available on our website.

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The conferences and events continued to be well received, with the annual conference trade show being sold out months before conference started.

This year's response to our membership survey was the highest to date with over 22% of members responding, more than twice the number of previous years. The results from the survey and our actions in response are detailed elsewhere in this review. Worthy of mention is the need to provide opportunities for engaging at regional meetings. Accordingly, we continue to run these events either by ourselves or in conjunction with other groups such as CIWEM or the Young Water Professionals.

The Association has a well-developed sector engagement strategy with several dozen organisations both here and overseas with whom we maintain contact. All have some relevance to water. We are currently bidding for an International Water Association Conference to be held here in 2023, and are working with Australian Water Association and Water Aid to develop a joint program of action in the South Pacific funded by our respective foreign affairs agencies.

There have been a couple of changes to the Board, with Lorraine Kendrick and Iain Rabbitts being elected. Troy Brockbank was co-opted and joined the Board in April 2019. My thanks to the contributions of Dukessa Blackburn-Huettner who filled the position of chair for the last two years, and David Simpson who has been on the Board for 3 years.

I look forward to meeting many of the members at the annual conference in September.

KELVIN HILL

Chairman of the Board

AT A GLANCE

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From 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

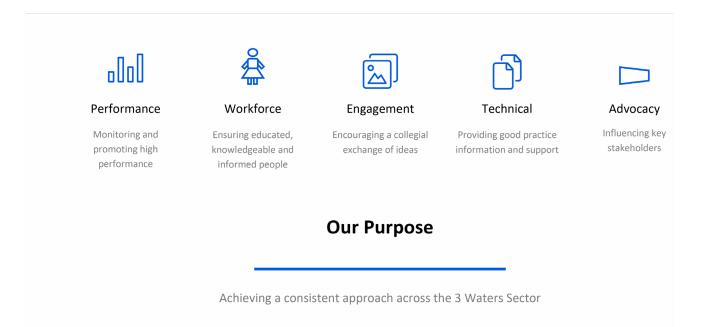
John Pfahlert, CEO

The 2018/19 year represented an important milestone for Water New Zealand – our 60-year anniversary of representing members of the water sector. Acting as the principal voice for the water sector on sustainable management and promotion of the 3 waters lies at the heart of the Associations longevity.

This year a considerable amount of staff time has been involved in working with government and members on the 3 waters reform process. We have contributed a good deal of technical information from the National Performance Review to assist officials with the evidence base to support government decision making. We ran several regional workshops around New Zealand to keep members appraised of developments. We have staff representing industry on the review of the NZ Drinking Water Standards.

The 3 waters sector faces several challenges. The reform proposals being led by the Government are clearly the most obvious of these and final decisions are expected from the government in October 2019. However, the Association is also responding to challenges around capacity and capability, continuing professional development and training and education. This is requiring a significant investment of Association funds and will do so for some time to come. We need to continue working collaboratively with our members to ensure that the involvement we make as an industry is both considered and timely.

Throughout this report you will see the Association continues to operate to a strategy with 5 principal pillars or areas of focus.



INDUSTRY ADVOCACY

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Part of the Association's role is to advocate on behalf of the sector when discussion documents from government departments, legislation or other regulatory instruments are released for comment. Demonstrating sector leadership and advocating on behalf of the members are among our core priorities.

3 Waters Review and Regulation

Officials continue to make progress with this work. Staff attended several workshops where the Government's emerging proposals were presented. Water New Zealand ran a series of about 15 regional workshops in the August/September 2018 period, updating the membership on government developments and attended by approximately 450 people. In late June the Productivity Commission also released their draft report on local government funding and financing, which has an entire chapter devoted to 3 waters reform and how the Commission envisages it proceeding.

The Association has also been involved in providing officials with technical information to support a variety of reports into the costs of upgrading water and wastewater systems.

Freshwater Policy

Despite expectations that the Minister for the Environment Parker would release a programme of action in late 2018, there has been little progress by the Government in the past 12 months. As at July 2019, no announcements as to progress have been forthcoming – reflecting perhaps the political difficulty of making decisions on freshwater management without having a significant impact on the agricultural community.

Metadata Project

This work is now being overseen by a group led by the transport sector, with Myles Lind as chair. The Quake Centre is actively involved, and the Association has representation. The Quake Centre has also trialed a proof of concept for a national pipe data portal which allows comparisons between councils even where the data and asset management systems used are different.

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Climate Change

We continue our links with the Deep South Science Challenge on aspects of resilience – particularly those driven by climate change. A recent Productivity Commission report acknowledged the Government needed to work more closely with local government on how to fund improved resilience for councils unable to respond themselves.

Resilience

The Association also participates in the Resilience to Natures Challenges National Science Challenge on behalf of the water sector. Another resilience project that the association is represented at is the Reazealeance project lead by the New Zealand Insurance Council, this project relates to developing models to represent flooding risks.

Sector Workforce Capability

The Association funded a significant piece of work via the Stormwater Group into sector needs around stormwater training. The Group is working with Clare Feeney on this project. The Group has also been involved with Auckland Council which is implementing a National Green Infrastructure Certification Programme. Jim Graham is progressing the development of a competency framework for industry, an industry training strategy, and working with the Water Industry Operations Group to implement a CPD scheme for operators.

At the highest level, the Tertiary Education Commission is pursuing significant reform of the vocational education sector. Announced in January 2019, it isn't clear where this work will land, but initial proposals appeared to have significant implications for industry training organisations. It's fair to say that that the future of industry training is far from clear, with many employers frustrated at the lack of suitable water industry training courses.



Photo competition entry - Outfall inspection of Pukete WWTP - Martin Scott - Hamilton City Council

SECTOR ENGAGEMENT

Encouraging a collegial exchange of ideas, through special interest groups, regional and annual meetings and conferences, and international connections.

Water New Zealand has a well-developed sector engagement strategy, with a network of supported special interest groups and external partners with whom we regularly engage to collaborate and share learnings across the three waters network; drinking, waste and stormwater. Here are some of our achievements over the past twelve months.

Backflow Group

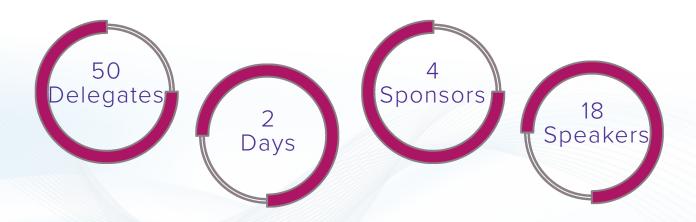
- The review and republication of the New Zealand Industry Standard for Field Testing of Backflow Prevention Devices
- Ongoing participation in the Australia/New Zealand Industry Standards for WS-014 and WS-023, both important parts of the plumbing and draining standards as they pertain to backflow protection

Modelling Group

- Revision and republication of the National Modelling Guidelines for Wastewater Network Modelling
- Annual symposium held in Wellington

Modelling Symposium 2019

The Modelling Group held it's 2019 Symposium in Wellington in March.





Stormwater Group

 Completion of a Stormwater Education and Training Strategy, with a three-year executable plan to be rolled out. This will provide an adaptive framework with a focus on training needs, delivery and funding mechanisms

- Infographics to support Te Wiki o te reo Maori to support guidance and engagement on te reo Maori in relation to Stormwater
- Regular regional meetings in Christchurch, along with Auckland, Gisborne and Wellington.
- · Annual conference held in Auckland

Smart Water Infrastructure Group (SWIG)

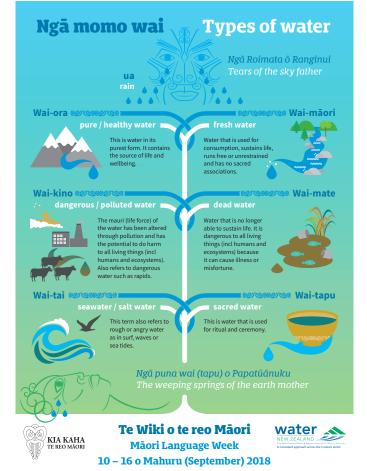
 This group held informal meetings early in 2019 and will be holding a stream of presentations at the Water New Zealand conference 2019.

Small Water and Natural Systems Group (SWANS)

 This group is being reinvigorated and are holding a meeting at the Water New Zealand conference 2019.

Young Water Professionals

The four YWP groups are located in Auckland, Central (Tauranga), Wellington and Christchurch. All held regional workshops which supported good growth in membership. Closer participation with the Australian YWP group will see mutual participation in the 2020 AWA/IWA Australia-New Zealand YWP Conference.



Water Service Manager's Group

- The group met twice during the year, November 2018 in Timaru, and April 2019 in Invercargill. Collectively, more than 100 water service manager's attended these meetings with many projects discussed, including the WSMG sponsored projects, and current issues talked to.
- WSMG members made four presentations at the 2018 Water New Zealand Conference in Hamilton
- Thanks to Lorraine Kendrick, who stepped down as Chair in 2018, for her many years service.

Water Utilities Association

• This group met twice during the year, in particular to be apprised of developments from the 3 waters review and new regulator discussions with central government.

Australian Water Association

- Water New Zealand staff shared learnings with the AWA on a variety of operational matters, focusing on a joint project to improve water services in the Pacific.
- We established contact with Water Aid in Melbourne who will be working with us on that project.

There is ongoing dialogue with the IWA, Water Services Association of Australia, Pacific Water and Wastes Association, WEFTEC, the British Columbia Water & Wastes Association.

Other regional meetings of note were:

- David Sedlak, International Water expert, co-hosted by University of Auckland and Water New Zealand in Auckland and Wellington
- Joint event Water New Zealand / CIWEM / BECA / WSP-Opus in Christchurch with Jim Mihelcic presenting on Water Re-use, his area of expertise. Dan Stevens of BECA also presented the Melbourne Western Water modelling work to address population and infrastructure growth rates
- Water New Zealand annual pub quiz in Wellington and the Winner for 2019 was team-Beca Aqua-Lira

International events and conferences we attended:

- AWA Ozwater conference in Melbourne in May.
- Water Industry Operations Association conference in Ballarat and presented a paper on 3
 waters reform
- the Pacific Water and Wastes Association conference Noumea.
- the British Columbia Water & Wastes Association Conference in Victoria
- Water Environment Federation trade show in the United States



Water New Zealand celebrated it's 60 year anniversary at the September 2018 conference, with a record turnout and special Gala Dinner awards ceremony.

TECHNICAL

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The Association provides and co-ordinates good practice advice, information and support to the sector through it's technical team.

Technical guidance documents were completed on choosing an Onsite Wastewater Management System.

As at the 30th June work has progressed on

- · Rainfall and Runoff guidelines;
- Guidelines for Beneficial Use of Organic Material (Biosolids);
- New Zealand Pipe Inspection Manual,
- Good Practice guide for Developing Pressure Sewer Systems;
- Good Practice Guide for Hygiene Practices to Prevent Water Supply Contamination, and
- Metadata.

On behalf of members, the technical team is progressing with a joint Australia / New Zealand standard for Non-flushable products.

Also during this period, the Onsite Effluent Testing Facility was being modified to test against the more real world scenarios as described in AS 1546.3:2017

National Performance Review

The 2017/18 NPR participants have jurisdictions that cover 4,513,457 New Zealander's, roughly 94% of the population, with assets worth over \$38 billion.





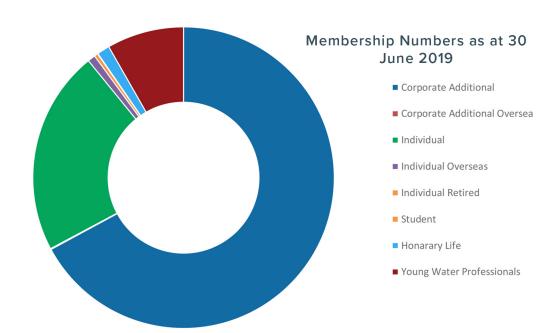
- Annual benchmark of water, wastewater, and stormwater service delivery throughout New Zealand
- 48 Council's and CCO particpants
- Covers 94% of NZ's population

ASSOCIATION UPDATES

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Membership

The Membership for the 2018/2019 year has remained steady with corporate additionals making up most of the membership.



Membership Survey 2019

The Association ran a survey of members during March and early April 2019. The survey received 456 respondents – a 22% response rate. This is more than twice the number who have previously participated. The survey results in large part supported the strategic work being done by the Association. In particular, members want the Association to do more work in the area of training and education; they want us to ensure our advocacy is balanced and reflects members views; they want a continued emphasis on the provision and preparation of technical guidance, and a continued emphasis on the provision of regional meetings.

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Utilities Manager, Western Bay of Plenty District Council



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Water Journal editor (Contractor)



Photo: Annual Conference 2019



Annual Report

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. (Trading As Water New Zealand) For the year ended 30 June 2019

Prepared by BW Miller Dean Limited



Directory

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. (Trading As Water New Zealand) For the year ended 30 June 2019

Nature of Business

Membership Association

The Association provides technical and educational services to members. The nature of the Association's business has not changed during the year under review.

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Chartered Accountant

BW Miller Dean Limited Level 5, 203-209 Willis Street Wellington

Bankers

Bank of New Zealand

Business Location

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Statement of Financial Performance

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. (Trading As Water New Zealand) For the year ended 30 June 2019

	NOTES	2019	2018
Revenue			
Publications		363,034	381,742
Seminar & Conference		1,883,565	1,823,787
Water Utilities Association		71,000	78,000
Income from Joint Venture		-	6,592
Project Income		346,554	456,459
Subscriptions		620,883	507,747
Interest Received & Miscellaneous		26,684	38,487
Consulting Income		43,230	116,048
Miscellaneous Income		-	3,018
Total Revenue		3,354,950	3,411,880
Expenses	;	9	
Accident Compensation Levies		1,957	2,079
Audit Fees		14,000	14,000
Bank Fees		4,387	5,020
Computer Expenses		24,831	28,090
Event & Communication		254,486	274,398
Governance		34,606	36,922
Insurance		6,354	6,084
Membership		15,718	4,370
Printing & Stationery		7,759	16,228
Professional Fees	2	72,294	122,969
Project Expenditure		211,967	361,518
Publications		242,029	248,700
Rent & Lease Costs		76,201	75,674
Repairs and Maintenance		14,029	16,004
Salaries & Staff Costs		1,053,752	936,658
Seminar & Conference Expenses		1,181,874	1,157,307
Subscriptions		11,045	13,712
Telephone & Internet		9,723	9,489
Travel and Accommodation		81,767	75,591
Loss on Disposal		479	468
Depreciation		19,952	18,159
Total Expenses		3,339,210	3,423,440
Net Surplus/(Deficit) Before Taxation		15,740	(11,560)
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		15,740	(11,560)





Statement of Changes in Equity

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. (Trading As Water New Zealand) For the year ended 30 June 2019

	2019	2018
Equity		
Opening Balance	1,140,173	1,151,733
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period	15,740	(11,560)
Total Equity	1,155,913	1,140,173





Balance Sheet

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. (Trading As Water New Zealand) As at 30 June 2019

	NOTES	30 JUN 2019	30 JUN 2018
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Bank	6	463,850	200,259
Trade and Other Receivables		328,697	274,828
Prepayments		132,090	67,809
GST Receivable		-	12,218
Income Tax Receivable	12	8,637	10,935
Accrued Income		- ,	30,900
Accrued Interest		652	797
Term Deposits		750,000	1,000,000
Total Current Assets		1,683,926	1,597,747
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	9	34,776	29,198
Total Non-Current Assets		34,776	29,198
Total Assets		1,718,702	1,626,945
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	*		
Trade and Other Payables	8	251,863	337,251
GST Payable		12,371	-
Golden Shovel Award		4,776	3,386
Income In Advance		153,700	41,951
OSET Project	10	140,079	104,184
Total Current Liabilities		562,790	486,773
Total Liabilities		562,790	486,773
Net Assets		1,155,913	1,140,173
Equity			
Retained Earnings		1,155,913	1,140,173
Total Equity		1,155,913	1,140,173

For & On Behalf of the Boar

President _

Board Member

Date 30/8/2019





Notes to the Special Purpose Financial Statements

New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. (Trading As Water New Zealand) For the year ended 30 June 2019

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The special purpose financial statements presented here are for the reporting entity New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Incorporated, trading as Water New Zealand (the "Association").

Reporting Basis

The annual report is a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 and for the benefit of New Zealand Water & Wastes Associations' members and for Inland Revenue.

Measurement Basis

The special purpose financial statements of Water New Zealand have been prepared on the accruals basis and are based on historical costs.

The information is presented in New Zealand dollars, rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. Policies have been applied on a consistent basis with those of the previous reporting period.





Specific Accounting Policies

a) Property, Plant & Equipment

The entity has the following classes of Property, Plant & Equipment;

Asset Class

Depreciation Rate

Furniture & Fittings

11 - 33% Diminishing Value

Office Equipment

11.4 - 67% Diminishing Value

Property, Plant and Equipment is included at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is charged over the assets' useful lives.

b) Goods & Services Tax

These special purpose financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are shown inclusive of GST.

c) Receivables

Receivables are stated at their estimated realisable value. Bad debts are written off in the year in which they are identified.

d) Taxation

Income tax is accounted for using the taxes payable method. The income tax expense charged to the Statement of Financial Performance is the estimated tax payable in the current year, adjusted for any differences between the estimated and actual tax payable in prior years.

e) Income Recognition

Conference and project income received is recognised as revenue after the event has been held. Amounts relating to events after reporting date are recognised as income in advance

Interest received is recognised as interest accrues, gross of refundable tax credits received.

Subscription revenue is accounted for on the accruals basis in the financial statements and recognised as revenue in the period in which it relates to.

Grants without conditions are recognised on receipt. Grants with set conditions, for use towards a particular event are recognised on the occurrence of the recognition event, when the conditions are satisfied.

All other revenue streams are measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and services, to the extent it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Incorporated and revenue can be reliably measured.

f) Income in Advance

The balance of income in advance is compiled of conference and publications income received/invoiced during the year relating to delivery occurring after balance date.

g) Bank Accounts & Cash

Bank accounts and petty cash are recorded at their closing amount at reporting date.

h) Prepayments

Prepayments include expenditure paid relating to subsequent financial years. These prepayments are measured at cost.





i) Investments

Investments are compiled of funds held in term deposits. Amounts maturing within one year are recognised as current assets. Amounts maturing in more than one year are recognised as non-current assets.

2. Professional Fees

	2019	2018
Accountancy Fees	8,616	9,644
Legal Fees	9,284	-
Consultancy/Contractors	34,394	83,325
Strategic Planning	20,000	30,000
Total Professional Fees	\$72,294	\$122,969

3. Contingent Assets & Liabilities

At balance date there are no known contingent assets & liabilities (2018: \$nil).

4. Subsequent Events

There were no significant events after balance date requiring reporting or adjustment in these financial statements.

5. Operating Lease Commitments

	2019	2018
Within 1 Year	74,954	74,954
1 - 2 Years	42,525	74,954
2 - 5 Years	-	42,524
	\$117,479	\$192,432

6. Cash & Bank

38,293	\$89,696 \$6,773
38,293	\$6,773
13,827	\$103,494
65	\$296
63,850	\$200,259





7. Term Investments

Current

Total Current Term Investments	\$750,000	\$1,000,000
BNZ Term Deposit 3013	\$-	\$250,000
BNZ Term Deposit 3012	\$250,000	\$250,000
BNZ Term Deposit 3009	\$500,000	\$500,000

8. Other Payables

Water New Zealand hold a credit card with an available limit of \$19,000. At the end of the 30 June 2019 Financial Year they have utilised \$2,788.77 of the limit.

9. Property Plant & Equipment

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Furniture & Fittings		
At Cost	15,441	15,441
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(8,385)	(7,238)
	7,056	8,203
Current Year Depreciation	1,147	1,270
Office Equipment		
At Cost	111,545	124,789
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(83,825)	(102,593)
	27,721	20,996
Current Year Depreciation	18,806	16,889
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	34,776	29,198
Total Depreciation for the Year	19,952	18,159

10. OSET

Included within Current assets is \$140,079 (2018: \$104,184) for which use is restricted. These funds are held on behalf of On-site Effluent Testing Project ('OSET') and are to be expended based on the project guidelines.





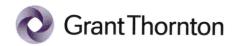
11. Water Services Managers' Group Financial Performance

	2019	2018	
	\$	\$	
Revenue		The second secon	
Membership Subscriptions	35,955	37,485	
Project Income	87,000	92,000	***************************************
WSMG Interest & Miscellaneous	78	96	
Total Income	123,033	129,581	
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Expenses	The Problem of American Control of the Control of t		THE RESERVE AND ADDRESS OF
Governance - WSMG	9,883	10,099	
Guidelines - WSMG	15,000	18,000	
Management Fee to Water New Zealand	29,500	29,500	The second second second second second
Subscription	7,000	7,000	THE RESERVE THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 1
Project Expenditure	46,637	87,594	ETTENT STANDARD AND STANDARD CO.
Total Expenses	108,020	152,193	TREET STATE LINES AND A
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	15,013	(22,611)	

The Water Services Managers' Group is a separate project within the Association. The results of the project are included within the Statement of Financial Performance of the Association.

	2019	2018
2. Income Tax Expense		
Net Profit / (Loss) Before Tax	15,740	(11,560
Tax Adjustments		
Less: Non-Assessable Income		
Non-Assessable Income	(1,038,437)	(1,042,207
Plus: Non-Deductible Expenditure		
Non-Deductible Expenses	933,228	984,87
Total Tax Adjustments	(105,210)	(57,331
Assessable Income/(Loss)	(89,470)	(68,891
Tax Liability	-	
Opening Taxation Asset/(Liability)	10,935	11,00
Tax Paid/(Refund received during year)	(10,935)	(11,007
Current years taxation	-	The second secon
RWT Paid	8,637	10,93
Closing Taxation Asset/(Liability)	8,637	10,935





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To the Board Members of New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc.

Report on the Audit of the Special Purpose Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the special purpose financial statements of New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. on pages 3 to 10 which comprise the balance sheet as at 30 June 2019 and the statement of financial performance and statement of changes in equity for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

In our opinion, the accompanying special purpose financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc. at 30 June 2019 and of its financial performance for the year ended 30 June 2019 in accordance with the Accounting Policies set out in the notes to the special purpose financial statements.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 (Revised) Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. Our firm carries out other assignments for New Zealand Water and Wastes Association Inc in the area of taxation compliance. The firm has not other interest in the entity.

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the reporting basis. The Special Purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in these financial statements and as a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our Opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Board Member's Responsibilities for the Special Purpose Financial Statements

The Board Members are responsible on behalf of the entity for the preparation and fair presentation of these special purpose financial statements in accordance with the Accounting Policies set out in Note 1 in the financial statements and for such internal control as those charged with governance determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the financial statements, those charged with governance are responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board Members either intend to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the Audit of the Special Purpose Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the special purpose financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) 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 these financial statements.

A further description of the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the External Reporting Board's website at: https://www.xrb.govt.nz/standards-for-assurance-practitioners/auditors-responsibilities/audit-report-8/

Restriction on use of our report

This report is made solely to the Entity's board members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Entity's board members, as a body, those matters which we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Entity and the Entity's board members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report or for the opinion we have formed.

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30 August 2019