Annual Report

Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund

2020-21 Annual Report

Introduction

The *Primary Industry Funding Schemes Act 1998* was established to provide South Australian primary industries with a legislatively based ability to raise funds within their sector to fund projects and services for the benefit of their sector.

Section 4 of the Act allows the Governor to make regulations establishing a fund for a particular sector of primary industry. All existing regulations are administered by the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development.

This is the Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2021, prepared under section 11 of the Act.

Overview

The Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund is established by the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes* (Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund) Regulations 2017.

The contribution rates for this fund are outlined in regulation 5 and are as follows:

Grower contribution rate	\$6.50 per tonne
Winemaker contribution rate (purchased grapes)	\$6.50 per tonne
Grapes grown by a winemaker (own grapes)	\$13.00 per tonne

Contributors may seek a refund of their contributions as provided for in regulation 5.

The purposes for which the fund can be applied by the Minister are outlined in regulation 6. Payments from the fund may be made to a body that, in the opinion of the Minister, represents both growers and winemakers of Adelaide Hills grapes.

Operation of the fund

The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) manages the operations of the fund on behalf of the Minister.



The fund management plan current for the year ended 30 June 2021 was prepared in accordance with section 9 of the Act. The plan was presented at a public meeting held on 25 June 2020 and was publicly available on the PIRSA website. It is attached to this report.

One application was received from the Adelaide Hills Wine Region Incorporated. This application met the requirements of the regulations and was approved by the Minister.

Where requested, refunds of contributions were paid in accordance with regulation 5.

In accordance with regulation 6(c), the fund was also applied to administration expenses.

The fund accounts for the year ended 30 June 2021 have been audited by the Auditor General's Department. The audited financial statements and audit report are attached.

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Management Plan 2020-21 to 2024-25



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Introduction

The *Primary Industry Funding Schemes Act 1998* (the Act) provides South Australian primary industries with a legislative based ability to raise money within their sector to deliver activities and services that support the sector.

Section 4 allows the Governor to make regulations to establish a fund for a particular primary industry sector.

The Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development (the Minister) is the Administrator for all the funds, which ensures appropriate accountability for the application of funds for the benefit of those industries. Primary Industries and Regions SA (PIRSA) manages the operations of the funds for the Minister. The Minister is required to report annually to Parliament on the operation of each fund and its accounts.

The Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund is established by *the <u>Primary Industry Funding Schemes</u>* (Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund) Regulations 2017 ('the regulations').

Contributions are payable at the rate prescribed in the regulations. Adelaide Hills winemakers and growers of Adelaide Hills grapes contribute to the fund. Grape grower contributions are collected by the winemaker as a deduction from the payment made by the winemaker to a grower. Winemakers are responsible for paying contributions on their own behalf. Winemakers are required to forward all contributions to the Minister on or before 30 June each year.

Contributors may seek a refund of their contributions. If a refund is paid to a contributor, they are deemed to be 'in default' and not entitled to receive direct benefits or services funded by payments from the fund.

Payments are made from the fund for purposes defined in regulation 6.

This management plan has been developed in consultation with the body that represents the contributors to the fund. It covers a five-year period and must be revised annually, but may be updated at any time by the administrator of the fund.

Estimate of contributions to the fund

The regulations require contributions to be paid on all grapes grown in the Adelaide Hills region, by both the grape grower and the winemaker.

Grape grower contributions are collected by the winemaker as a deduction from the payment made by the winemaker to a grower.

The winemaker is required to pay the appropriate 'winemaker contribution' on their own grapes and on purchased grapes.

The contribution rates set in the regulations are shown in Table 1. The regulations have only established contribution rates up to 31 May 2023. The regulations will need to be varied no later than September 2023 to introduce contribution rates for the 2024 vintage.

The regulations require winemakers to pay all contributions to PIRSA by 30 June each year.

Table 1 – Contribution Rates							
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	
Grower contribution	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	Rates to be set when	Rates to be set when	Rates to be set when	
Winemaker rate (purchased grapes)	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$6.50	regulations are varied no later than	regulations are varied no later than	regulations are varied no later than	
Winemaker rate (own grapes)	\$13.00	\$13.00	\$13.00	September 2023	September 2023	September 2023	

The estimated contribution income for the most recent and the next five financial years is provided in Table 2. Industry production estimates have been derived from the industry crush survey and historic contributions. Average production estimates are used in forward years.

Table 2 – Estimated contributions						
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Estimated production	15,000	23,000	26,000	29,000	35,000	35,000
Estimated income	\$195,000	\$299,000	\$338,000	\$377,000	Refer Table 1	Refer Table 1

Estimated production has been revised in recognition of the immediate and ongoing impacts of the Cudlee Creek fire in December 2019.

Investment of the fund

PIRSA administers the financial operations of the fund on behalf of the Minister in accordance with the regulations and the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*.

Contributions are invested in a separate interest bearing account at the Department of Treasury and Finance. Interest is paid monthly on monies held, and is treated as income to the fund in accordance with the regulations.

Purposes of the fund

Payments from the fund must be made in accordance with the regulations:

6—Application of Fund

The Fund may be applied by the Minister for any of the following purposes:

- (a) payments to a body that, in the opinion of the Minister, represents both Adelaide Hills grapes winemakers and growers of Adelaide Hills grapes for one or more of the following purposes:
 - (i) the reasonable operating and management expenses of the body;
 - (ii) promoting the Adelaide Hills wine industry;
 - (iii) undertaking or facilitating research and development, or the collection and dissemination to Adelaide Hills grapes winemakers and growers of Adelaide Hills grapes of information, relevant to the Adelaide Hills wine industry and, in particular, to the improvement of practices in the industry;
 - (iv) programs designed to encourage communication and cooperation between Adelaide Hills grapes winemakers and growers of Adelaide Hills grapes;
 - (v) other purposes of the body;
- (b) payments for other purposes for the benefit of the Adelaide Hills wine industry;
- (c) payment of the expenses of administering the Fund;
- (d) repayment of contributions to the Fund under regulation 5.

Funding guidelines

Eligible organisations

An eligible organisation is a body which, in the opinion of the Minister, represents both grape growers and winemakers using grapes grown in the Adelaide Hills.

Amount available for payment

The amount available for payment from the fund depends on the amount of contributions received from the previous vintage, and will vary from year to year depending on seasonal conditions. The amount available is informed by:

- the latest crush estimate of the previous vintage to estimate the total amount of contributions expected;
- contributions received by 30 June from winemakers which have remitted contributions within the timeframes specified in the regulations;
- an estimate of late contributions yet to be paid by winemakers;
- an estimate of refunds based on historical trends; and
- an estimate of administration costs.

Application process

The eligible organisation should contact the Responsible Officer (see page 2) about preparing an application to receive a payment from the fund. The application should be in the form of a letter to the Minister which:

- confirms the organisation represents grape growers and wine makers of the region;
- requests a payment from the fund;

- attaches an operational plan, which includes for each activity:
- a brief description and its intended outcome;
- alignment to a purpose (regulation 6(a)); and
- the budgeted cost.

Application approval

Approval for payment from the fund to the eligible organisation is deemed to be an agreement with the Minister that the eligible organisation will undertake the activities outlined in the operational plan, and comply with any requirements in the regulations and this management plan.

The organisation will be required to sign and return an acknowledgement of these conditions, provided with the letter of approval from the Minister, prior to payment being made.

Payments terms

Payments from the fund to the eligible organisation may be made in accordance with the schedule in Table 3. The amount of any payment will not exceed the available balance of the fund at the time, less an amount which is considered sufficient to cover audit and administrative costs plus an allowance for any refunds to contributors.

Table 3 – Payment Terms		
Within 30 days of approval	November	June
30%	50%	20%

Reporting requirements

The eligible organisation is to provide a report within one month of the end of the financial year, which shows the activities it carried out and/or outcomes achieved with monies from the fund and a statement of acquittal, demonstrating that all monies were expended.

This requirement may also be satisfied by providing a copy of the financial statements of the organisation and the annual report of the organisation.

Fund administration

Updating the management plan

Section 9 of the Act requires that this management plan is updated annually.

PIRSA will aim to present the management plan at a public meeting in June, enabling applications for funding to be prepared based on the newly revised management plan.

The management plan will be posted on the PIRSA website to meet the requirements of section 9 (7) of the Act, in a manner permitted by section 51 of the <u>Acts Interpretation Act 1915</u>, which provides for 'production of records kept by computer or other process.'







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To the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development – Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund

Qualified opinion

I have audited the financial report of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development – Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund (the Fund) for the financial year ended 30 June 2021.

In my opinion, except for the effects of the possible matter described in the 'Basis for qualified opinion' section of my report, the accompanying financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development – Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund as at 30 June 2021, its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial report comprises:

- a Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2021
- a Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2021
- a Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2021
- a Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2021
- notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information
- a Certificate from the Chief Executive, Department of Primary Industries and Regions (the Chief Executive), signed for and on behalf of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development (the Minister) and the Chief Financial Officer, Department of Primary Industries and Regions.

Basis for qualified opinion

As referred to in note 2.1 to the financial statements, pursuant to regulation 5 of the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund) Regulations 2017*, under the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes Act 1998*, contributions are required to be paid into the fund for each tonne of Adelaide Hills grapes delivered to an Adelaide Hills winemaker. While there are adequate internal controls over contributions actually received, there are insufficient controls in place to ensure the contributions received represent the actual tonnage delivered. Consequently, I am unable to express an opinion on whether income recognised as contributions from industry of \$470 729 (\$221 952) is complete.

I conducted the audit in accordance with the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and 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 Minister and the Department of Primary Industries and Regions which administers the Fund on the Minister's behalf. The *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* establishes the independence of the Auditor-General. In conducting the audit, the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* have been met.

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

Responsibilities of the Minister and the Chief Executive for the financial report

The Chief Executive is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as the Chief Executive determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Chief Executive is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, taking into account any policy decisions the government has made which affect the continued existence of the entity. The Chief Executive is also responsible for disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the assessment indicates that it is not appropriate.

The Minister is responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

As required by section 31(1)(b) of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*, I have audited the financial report of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development – Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2021.

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 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Chief Executive
- conclude on the appropriateness of the Chief Executive's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the opinion. My conclusion is based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause an entity to cease to continue as a going concern
- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

My report refers only to the financial report described above and does not provide assurance over the integrity of electronic publication by the entity on any website nor does it provide an opinion on other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the report.

I communicate with the Chief Executive about, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during the audit.

Andrew Richardson Auditor-General 10 December 2021

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development

Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund

Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2021

We certify that the:

- financial statements for the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund:
 - are in accordance with the accounts and records of the Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund;
 - comply with relevant Treasurer's Instructions;
 - comply with relevant accounting standards; and
 - present a true and fair view of the financial position of the Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund at the end of the financial year and the result of its operation and cash flows for the financial year.
- internal controls employed by the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund for the financial year over its financial reporting and its preparation of financial statements have been effective.

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Michelle Edge Chief Executive Department of Primary Industries and Regions For and on behalf of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Per authorisation dated 28 June 2021 7 December 2021

Will Kent Chief Financial Officer Department of Primary Industries and Regions 7 December 2021

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development - Adelaide Hills Wine **Industry Fund** Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2021

		2021	2020
	Note	\$	\$
Income			
Contributions from industry	2.1	470 729	221 952
Resources received free of charge	2.2	-	8 607
Interest		84	871
Total income	_	470 813	231 430
Expenses			
Transfers to industry	4.1	201 357	226 000
Refund of contributions		7 866	13 020
Supplies and services	4.2	8 343	8 607
Auditor's remuneration		6 800	6 600
Total expenses	_	224 366	254 227
Net result	_	246 447	(22 797)
Total comprehensive result	_	246 447	(22 797)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

The net result and total comprehensive result are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development - Adelaide Hills Wine **Industry Fund Statement of Financial Position**

as at 30 June 2021

	Nete	2021	2020
Common to a sector	Note	\$	\$
Current assets	5.1	423 028	188 159
Cash and cash equivalents			
Receivables	5.2	150 831	53 753
Total current assets	-	573 859	241 912
Total assets	-	573 859	241 912
Current liabilities			
Payables	6.1	92 100	6 600
Total current liabilities		92 100	6 600
Total liabilities	_	92 100	6 600
Net assets	=	481 759	235 312
Equity			
Retained earnings		481 759	235 312
Total equity		481 759	235 312

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

The total equity is attributable to the SA Government as owner.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development - Adelaide Hills Wine **Industry Fund** Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2021

Balance at 1 July 2019	Retained earnings \$ 148 608	Total equity \$ 148 608
Changes in accounting policy on adoption of AASB1058	109 501	109 501
Adjusted balance at 1 July 2019	258 109	258 109
Net result for 2019-20	(22 797)	(22 797)
Total comprehensive result for 2019-20	(22 797)	(22 797)
Balance at 30 June 2020	235 312	235 312
Net result for 2020-21	246 447	246 447
Total comprehensive result for 2020-21	246 447	246 447
Balance at 30 June 2021	481 759	481 759

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

All changes in equity are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development - Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash inflows		
Contributions from industry	373 646	277 705
Interest received	89	1 049
Cash generated from operating activities	373 735	278 754
Cash outflows		
Transfers to industry	(123 207)	(296 000)
Refund of contributions	(7 866)	(13 020)
Payments for supplies and services	(7 793)	(540)
Auditor's remuneration	-	(6 500)
Cash used in operating activities	(138 866)	(316 060)
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities	234 869	(37 306)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	234 869	(37 306)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	188 159	225 465
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	423 028	188 159

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

1. About the Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund

The Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund (the Fund) is established pursuant to the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes* (*Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund*) *Regulations 2017* (Regulations), administered by the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development and is controlled by the Crown. The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) provides administrative support services to the Fund.

1.1. Basis of preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in compliance with:

- section 23 of the Public Finance and Audit Act 1987;
- Treasurer's Instructions and Accounting Policy Statements issued by the Treasurer under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*; and
- relevant Australian Accounting Standards with reduced disclosure requirements.

The financial statements are prepared based on a 12 month reporting period and presented in Australian currency. The historical cost convention is used unless a different measurement basis is specifically disclosed in the note associated with the item measured.

Assets and liabilities that are to be sold, consumed or realised as part of the normal operating cycle have been classified as current assets or current liabilities. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

The Fund has applied Australian Accounting Standards that are applicable to not-for-profit entities, as the Fund is a not-for-profit entity.

The Fund is not subject to Income Tax. The Fund is liable for Goods and Services Tax (GST). GST collections and payments are carried out by PIRSA on behalf of the Fund. GST in relation to the Fund is reported in the PIRSA Controlled Financial Statements.

1.2. Objectives of the Fund

The Fund was established by Regulations under the *Primary Industry Funding Schemes Act* 1998 on 8 August 2003. These Regulations were revoked on 12 December 2017. New Regulations *Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Adelaide Hills Wine Industry Fund) Regulations 2017* were issued on 12 December 2017 with minimal changes, effective 1 June 2018.

The primary purposes of the Fund are to:

- promote the Adelaide Hills wine industry
- undertake research and development
- encourage communication and cooperation between participants in the Adelaide Hills wine industry.

1.3. Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the Fund

The COVID-19 pandemic has not had a material impact on the operations of the Fund in 2020-21.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development – Adelaide Hills Wine **Industry Fund** Notes to and forming part of the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2021

2. Income

2.1. Contributions from industry

Contributions payable to the Minister for payment into the Fund are made pursuant to Regulation 5.

Contributions are recognised as revenue under AASB 1058 when the Fund obtains control of the contributions, or obtains the right to receive the contributions (that is, when information becomes available to the Fund regarding contributions due for the prescribed period).

2.2. Resources received free of charge

2021	2020
\$	\$
	8 607
-	8 607
	\$

The cost of PIRSA's administration services were not charged to the Fund in 2019-20 to reflect government support for the financial hardship being experienced by the wine sector mainly in relation to drought and bushfire impacts as well as COVID-19 restrictions. Resources received free of charge are recorded at their fair value.

3. Board, committees and employees

3.1. Key management personnel

Key management personnel of the Fund includes the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development who has responsibility for the strategic direction and management of the Fund.

The Minister's remuneration and allowances are set by the Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990 and the Remuneration Tribunal of SA respectively and are payable from the Consolidated Account (via Department of Treasury and Finance) under section 6 of the Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990.

Transactions with key management personnel and other related parties

There were no transactions with key management personnel and other related parties entered into by the Fund.

4. Expenses

4.1. Transfers to industry

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Adelaide Hills Wine Region Inc.	201 357	226 000
Total transfers to industry	201 357	226 000

Regulations provide that the Fund may be applied for a number of specific purposes and that payments from the Fund may be made to an industry body established to represent its membership. The amounts transferred enable projects and activities to be delivered by the industry to meet its management plan.

For transfers payable, the payments will be recognised as a liability and expense when the Fund has a present obligation to pay the transfer and the expense recognition criteria are met.

All payments from the Fund are made in accordance with the Fund's Regulations and the management plan developed in consultation with the industry.

4.2. Supplies and services

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Administrative and operating costs ⁽¹⁾	8 343	8 607
Total supplies and services	8 343	8 607

⁽¹⁾ Includes fees for administration and preparation of the financial statements.

5. Financial assets

5.1. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash in the Statement of Financial Position comprises deposits at call with the Department of Treasury and Finance.

5.2. Receivables

2021	2020
\$	\$
-	5
150 831	53 748
150 831	53 753
	\$ 150 831

Receivables - Contributions from industry are recognised as statutory receivables under AASB 9 when information becomes available to the Fund regarding contributions due for the prescribed period.

6. Liabilities

6.1. Payables

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Audit fee payable to the Auditor-General's Department	13 400	6 600
Payment to Adelaide Hills Wine Region Inc.	78 150	-
Other payables	550	-
Total payables	92 100	6 600

Goods and services provided and unpaid at the end of the reporting period are recognised as other payables.

All payables are measured at their nominal amount, are unsecured and are normally settled within 30 days from the date of the invoice or date the invoice is first received.

7. Outlook

7.1. Contingent liabilities

Refunds of contributions

Under Regulation 5(6) refunds of contributions paid in respect of Adelaide Hills grapes delivered during a prescribed period may be claimed by notice in writing to the Minister within the 12 months following that prescribed period.

At the reporting date the possible emergence of valid refund requests within the 12 months following the prescribed period is present. However, as uncertainty exists as to the number of refund requests that will be received, and their timing and amount, these potential obligations cannot be reliably estimated and therefore represent a contingent liability for the Fund.

Once a valid refund request has been received from a past contributor and it is approved by the Minister or delegate, a present obligation to pay the refund arises. The refund amount is then recognised as a liability and expense of the Fund.

7.2. COVID-19 pandemic outlook for the Fund

The COVID-19 pandemic is not expected to have a material impact on the operations of the Fund in 2021-22.

7.3. Events after the reporting period

No events have occurred after balance date that are expected to materially affect the Fund in subsequent years.

8. Measurement and risk

8.1. Financial instruments

Liquidity risk

The Fund's revenue comes from contributions received from industry members at rates prescribed in the Regulations for the Fund. All payments from the Fund are made in accordance with the Fund's Regulations and the management plan developed in consultation with the industry.

The continued existence of the Fund in its present form, and with its present programs, is dependent on State Government policy and the industry's on-going support for the Fund.