

Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

Annual Report

For year ended 30 June 2013

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Establishment of the Authority

The Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority (the Authority) is a body corporate, established under section 6(1) of the *Pharmacy Control Act 2001* (the Act).

Historically, the former Pharmacy Board of Tasmania had functions including the registration of:

- pharmacists and
- pharmacy premises (regulating the ownership and standards of pharmacy premises).

The first function (registration of pharmacists) is now undertaken by the Australian Health Practitioners Regulatory Authority (AHPRA).

The second function (registration of pharmacy premises), as in other States, is still regulated by a State body. In Tasmania, this is the Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority, which was established on 1 February 2011. This report covers the first full financial year of its operations.

Authority Roles and Functions

Functions of the Authority

Section 8 of the Act prescribes the following functions for the Authority:

- (a) to administer the scheme of registration of pharmacy business premises
- (b) to approve the ownership of and interests in pharmacy businesses
- (c) to ensure that the services that pharmacy businesses provide from pharmacy business premises to the public are of the highest possible standard
- (d) to prosecute offences against this Act
- (e) to advise the Minister on matters relating to the Act and
- (f) such other functions as are imposed on the Authority by this or any other Act or as may be prescribed.

Role of the Authority

Section 9 of the Act empowers the Authority to do all things necessary or convenient to be done in connection with the performance of its functions.

Membership of the Authority

Membership of the Authority is prescribed under section 7 of the Act.

The Authority consists of:

- (a) Two registered pharmacists nominated by the Minister from a list of names submitted by such bodies representing the professional interests of pharmacists as the Minister determined
- (b) One person to be a non-pharmacist nominated by the Minister to represent the interests of the consumers of the services that pharmacists provide.

The members of the Authority during the year ending 30 June 2012 were:

Chairman Mr R Jones – B.Pharm
Members Mr M Neumeyer – B.Pharm
 Ms J Beaumont – Consumer Representative

Meetings of the Authority

The Authority held monthly meetings during the reporting period, with an additional Special Meeting in February 2013:

| Authority Members | Meetings held whilst an Authority Member | Meetings Attended |
|-------------------|--|-------------------|
| Mr R Jones | 13 | 12 |
| Mr M Neumeyer | 13 | 13 |
| Ms J Beaumont | 13 | 13 |

Administration

Contact Details

Ms Margie Cole continued to be the Authority's appointed Registrar.

The postal address of the Authority is PO Box 1082, Sandy Bay, TAS 7005. The contact number is 0417 752 348. The Authority did not have a facsimile machine.

The Authority's ABN is 34 562 572 269.

Sitting Fees

The Sitting Fees at 1 July 2012 were \$414 for the Chair and \$314 for Members.

The Minister for Health then advised the Authority on 6 May 2013 that fees were to increase, effective 1 March 2012 to be \$422 for the Chair and \$320 for Members.

Fees were again increased on 1 April 2013 to \$430 for the Chair and \$326 for Members.

Representation on National Bodies

During the year, the Pharmacy Premises Registering Authorities of Australia (PPRAA), which represents the various state and territory authorities responsible for pharmacy premises approvals, met twice in October 2012 and April 2013. The first meeting was attended by the Authority Chair and the Registrar, and the later one by the Registrar.

Registration

Registration Policy

Pharmacy premises registrations and the issuing of Eligibility Certificates continued to be managed in accordance with the requirements of the Act. Pharmacists who are intending to buy or sell an existing pharmacy, change its ownership structure, or to move or rename it, apply to the Authority for approval by submitting the appropriate form and paying the prescribed fee.

Register of Pharmacy Premises

The number of pharmacy business premises registered with the Authority at 30 June 2013 was 148.

At 30 June 2013, 50 body corporates held an Eligibility Certificate to approve their interests in a pharmacy, and 107 individuals held Eligibility Certificates.

During 2012-2013, the Authority reconsidered applications for:

| Type of Application | Applications Received |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| New Pharmacies | 8 |
| Changes to Ownership | 15 |
| Premises Alterations | 7 |
| Pharmacy Relocation | 9 |
| Other (Depots) | 2 |

Interests in Pharmacy Businesses

The Authority administers the issuing of Eligibility Certificates in accordance with Part 5A of the Act. The complexities of pharmacy ownership when companies and trusts are involved make determining the interests of parties difficult, and the Authority routinely refers company and trust documents to Crown Law for advice. The Authority had regular dialogue with officers from Crown Law and DHHS concerning apparent irregularities in, and the interpretation of, the Act.

During the year, Crown Law approached the Solicitor General on the Authority's behalf to seek clarification about aspects of the Act. The subsequent advice necessitated the Authority to review the determinations about the issuing of Eligibility Certificates, with associated changes required to its database, accounting package and processes for the 2013-2014 annual renewals process which occurred during May and June 2013.

It is clear from the advice of the Solicitor General that the Act continues to contain some ambiguities and interpretational difficulties, despite the legal clarification about some specific matters. The Authority hopes these can be addressed by a comprehensive review of the Act in due course, and will take steps during 2013-2014 to initiate this with the Department of Health and Human Services.

Fees

Prescribed fees for 2012-2013 were unchanged from the previous year until a Fees Unit approach was enacted which came into effect on 24 April 2013 with the passing of the *Pharmacy Control (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2013*.

The fees as defined by the regulations up to 24 April 2013 were:

| Type of Fee | Section | Fee (\$) |
|--|---------|----------|
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each individual involving no Trust | 61B | 20 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each individual involving one Trust | 61B | 400 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each individual involving more than one Trust | 61B | 800 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each body corporate involving no Trust | 61B | 500 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each body corporate involving one Trust | 61B | 900 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each body corporate involving more than one Trust | 61B | 1 300 |
| Annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for individual | 61E | 20 |
| Annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for a body corporate | 61E | 150 |
| Late fee for annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for individual | 61E | 20 |
| Late fee for annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for a body corporate | 61E | 75 |
| Application for registration of pharmacy business premises | 71D | 450 |
| Application for exemption from registration of pharmacy business premises requirement | 71J | 50 |
| Annual renewal of certificate of registration | 71K | 280 |
| Late fee for annual renewal of certificate of registration | 71K | 140 |
| Fee for inspection of register | 71M | 20 |
| Fee to obtain copy or extract from register – per page | 71M | 5 |
| Fee to obtain copy of notice – per page | 71N | 5 |

The fees as defined by the regulations up to 24 April 2013 were:

| Type of Fee | Section | Fee (\$) |
|--|---------|----------|
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each individual involving no Trust | 61B | 35 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each individual involving one Trust | 61B | 275 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each individual involving more than one Trust | 61B | 550 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each body corporate involving no Trust | 61B | 350 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each body corporate involving one Trust | 61B | 620 |
| Application for an eligibility certificate – each body corporate involving more than one Trust | 61B | 900 |
| Annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for individual | 61E | 70 |
| Annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for a body corporate | 61E | 140 |
| Late fee for annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for individual | 61E | 15 |
| Late fee for annual renewal of eligibility certificate – for a body corporate | 61E | 50 |
| Application for registration of pharmacy business premises | 71D | 310 |
| Application for exemption from registration of pharmacy business premises requirement | 71J | 35 |
| Annual renewal of certificate of registration | 71K | 250 |
| Late fee for annual renewal of certificate of registration | 71K | 100 |
| Fee for inspection of register | 71M | 15 |
| Fee to obtain copy or extract from register – per page | 71M | 5 |
| Fee to obtain copy of notice – per page | 71N | 5 |

Review of Activities and Operations

Achievements

Pharmacy Control Act 2001

The Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority was established under the Act, which commenced on 1 February 2011. It has been the role of the Authority to implement and administer this Act, which includes considering all applications for alterations, new or relocated premises, transfer of ownership and consideration of ownership eligibility.

The Authority has had much business to transact, and the need to meet monthly is a reflection of the constantly changing pharmacy ownership profile in Tasmania, and the increasing use of trusts and companies by owners.

Pharmacy Guidelines

The Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority is able to issue guidelines from time to time for issues that might arise under section 71E(3) or other prescribed matters. At this stage, there are no other prescribed matters. The Authority adopted its inaugural Guidelines on 6 February 2013.

Authority Financial Matters

In December 2012, the Authority completed and adopted a Risk Assessment, to be re-visited at least annually.

In November 2012, a budget was adopted. This was subsequently used to underpin the approach to the Minister for a Fees Unit approach to be adopted, and to allow a fees increase to be implemented. The budget ensures that there is security and stability to the Authority's income to ensure it can operate. In particular, the budget security has allowed the Authority to plan for a routine cyclical inspection cycle, arrange a comprehensive computer backup process, and to have funds available to allow for a major new database to be built once the Act is reviewed. There is also some contingency provision for any potential legal fees which might be incurred in the event of a prosecution by the Authority under the Act.

Authority Website, Database and records

The Authority made substantial improvements to its website (hosted on a tas.gov.au domain) during the year, and continually updated and refined the information provided on the website to make it clearer, more useful and more user-friendly. Amendments of an operational nature included the adoption and placement on the web of a Personal Information Protection Statement, and a Right to Information Statement.

The Authority's forms were reviewed and amended in light of legal advice and to streamline and simplify the application processes. This saw a complete overhaul of Authority forms from those which were in place when the Authority was first established and used the forms of the previous Pharmacy Board.

During the year, the Authority explored further the possibility of developing a customised database. The matter was not progressed, with the Authority resolving to defer further work until such time as a review of the Act had been complete.

The Registrar was able to fine tune the existing database and accounting system and associated processes to better reflect the requirements of the Act and the Authority's needs, especially insofar as registering the ownership of pharmacies and issuing Eligibility Certificates were concerned. This ensured an improved, accurate, efficient and timely process for the 2013-2014 annual renewals process. The process improvements saw less time being spent on annual renewals compared to the same time last year, and to the annual renewals payments being made in a timely manner. These amendments were not a long term solution, but served to allow the Authority to ensure its administration of the Act, as it currently stands, was proper and efficient.

Authority Inspections

During the year, the Authority inspected all new or altered pharmacy premises to ensure their compliance with the Act and to allow Certificates of Pharmacy Premises Registration to be issued. The Authority routinely informed DHHS of newly registered premises, and brought to their attention any matter identified during an inspection which may have required their attention under departmental responsibilities.

In March 2013, the Authority resolved to develop the role of a Coordinating/Chief Inspector to manage and coordinate a rolling three year inspection cycle of all pharmacy premises, and to review inspection protocols and requirements.

The passage of the *Pharmacy Control (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2013* meant that the Authority had adequate funds to allow for such a development, which will be put in place during the 2013-2014 year.

Authority Logo

The Authority adopted the TPA logo shown below to improve its professionalism and image.



Legislation

Pharmacy Control Act 2001

The *Pharmacy Control Act 2001* was proclaimed on 1 February 2011. As noted above under the heading 'Interests in Pharmacy Businesses,' there are some ambiguities in the Act which require clarification and possible amendment in due course.

Personal Information Protection Act 2004

The Authority approved its Personal Information Protection Statement on 3 October 2012. There were no matters raised under the *Personal Information Protection Act 2004* in 2012-2013.

Public Interest Disclosure Act 2002

The Authority approved an Application for Assessed Disclosure Form on 3 October 2012. There were no matters raised under the *Public Interest Disclosures Act 2002* in 2012-2013.

Right to Information Act 2009

The Authority approved a Right to Information Statement on 3 October 2012. There were no requests for information under the *Right to Information Act 2009* in 2012-2013.

Complaints and Disciplinary Issues

The administration of complaints and disciplinary issues for pharmacists was transferred to the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme prior to the commencement of the Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority in 2011. All matters became the responsibility of the Australian Health Practitioners Regulatory Authority (AHPRA). As a result of this, the Authority has no role in such issues, and referred any complaints received during the year to AHPRA.

The Authority itself received no complaints about its operations and had no disciplinary issues during the year.

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Financial Statements

The Authority re-appointed WHK, renamed Crowe Horwath during the year, as its Auditors.

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Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the year ended 30 June 2013

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Income | | |
| Premises registration fee | 45 256 | 53 820 |
| Application fees | 11 700 | 7 505 |
| Eligibility certificate fees ⁷ | 10 785 | 23 044 |
| Interest received | 109 | 920 |
| Exempt premises application | 50 | - |
| Total Income | 67 900 | 85 289 |
| Less: Expenses | | |
| Accounting fees | 2 115 | 1 657 |
| Bank charges | 450 | 232 |
| Depreciation | 199 | 82 |
| Inspection expenses | 4 052 | 2 889 |
| Legal fees | 1 996 | 5 470 |
| Insurance | 546 | - |
| Sitting fees | 13 556 | - |
| Registrar fees | 37 920 | 39 954 |
| Postage | 657 | 756 |
| Computer backup | 188 | - |
| Printing and stationery | 928 | 2 019 |
| Salaries | | 18 595 |
| Superannuation contributions | 707 | 1 131 |
| Telephone | 786 | 977 |
| Travel | 3 405 | 3 808 |
| Workers Compensation | | |
| Total Expenses | 68 796 | 77 570 |
| Net Surplus/(Deficit) | (896) | 7 719 |
| Other comprehensive income | - | - |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | (896) | 7 719 |

Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

Statement of Financial Position

For the year ended 30 June 2013

| Assets | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents ² | 111 070 | 58 155 |
| Trade and other receivables ³ | 2 927 | 1 350 |
| Total Current Assets | 113 997 | 59 505 |
| Non-Current Assets | | |
| Plant and Equipment ⁴ | 715 | 914 |
| Total Non-Current Assets | 715 | 914 |
| Total Assets | 114 712 | 60 419 |

| Liabilities | 2013 | 2012 |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Trade and other payables ⁵ | 5 293 | 9 969 |
| Other liabilities | 1 429 | - |
| Income received in advance | 73 842 | 15 407 |
| Total Liabilities | 80 564 | 25 376 |
| Net Assets | 34 148 | 35 043 |

| Equity | 2013 | 2012 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Accumulated surpluses | 34 147 | 35 043 |
| Total Equity | 34 147 | 35 043 |

**Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority
Statement of Changes in Equity
For the year ended 30 June 2013
2013**

| | Accumulated Surpluses | Total |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Balance at 1 July 2012 | 35 043 | 35 043 |
| Net surplus/(deficit) | (895) | (895) |
| Balance at 30 June 2013 | 34 148 | 34 148 |

2012

| | Accumulated Surpluses | Total |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Balance at 1 July 2011 | 27 324 | 27 324 |
| Net surplus/(deficit) | 7 719 | 7 719 |
| Balance at 30 June 2012 | 35 043 | 35 043 |

**Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority
Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended 30 June 2013**

| Cash Flows from Operating Activities | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
| Receipts from customers | 126 079 | 36 398 |
| Interest received | 109 | 920 |
| Payments to suppliers and employees | (73 267) | (70 060) |
| Net movement of GST | (6) | 3 604 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 52 915 | (29 138) |
| Cash Flows from Investing Activities | 2013 | 2012 |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | - | (996) |
| Net cash used by investing activities | - | (996) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held | 52 915 | (30 134) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 58 155 | 88 289 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year | 111 070 | 58 155 |

Notes to the Financial Statements

I Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation

This financial report is a special purpose financial statement prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Pharmacy Control Act 2001*. The Registrar has determined that the Authority is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(b) Comparative Figures

Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year where required by Australian Accounting Standards or as a result of a change in accounting policy.

(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments.

(d) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all property, plant and equipment is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the Authority commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

(e) Income Tax

The Authority is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(f) Revenue and Other Income

Registration and application fee income is recognised in the period to which it relates.

Interest revenue is recognised upon receipt.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(g) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

2 Cash and Cash Equivalents

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| Cash at bank | 111 070 | 58 155 |
| Total | 111 070 | 58 155 |

3 Trade and Other Receivables

| CURRENT | 2013 | 2012 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Trade receivables | 2 927 | 1 350 |
| Total | 2 927 | 1 350 |

4 Property, Plant and Equipment

| COMPUTER EQUIPMENT | 2013 | 2012 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| At cost | 996 | 996 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (281) | (82) |
| Total | 715 | 914 |

5 Trade and Other Payables

| CURRENT | 2013 | 2012 |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Trade payables | 4 072 | 8 682 |
| GST payable | 522 | 527 |
| PAYG withholding | 699 | 480 |
| Other payables | - | 280 |
| Total | 5 293 | 9 969 |

6 Cash Flow Information

Reconciliation of result for the year to cashflows from operating activities

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Net surplus/(deficit) for the period | (895) | 7 719 |
| Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities | | |
| Non-cash flows in profit: | | |
| - Depreciation | 200 | 82 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposal of subsidiaries | | |
| - (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables | (1 577) | 495 |
| - increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables | (4 670) | 7 428 |
| - increase/(decrease) in GST payable | - | 3 604 |
| - increase/(decrease) in income in advance | 59 857 | (48 466) |
| Cashflow from operations | (52 915) | (29 138) |

7 Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Contingent Liabilities

It is the opinion of the Authority there were not any contingencies at 30 June 2013 (30 June 2012: None).

8 Related Party Transactions

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

9 Events After the End of the Reporting Period

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Authority, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Authority in future financial years.

Authority Details

The registered office of the Authority is:

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Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

Statement by the Registrar

For the Period Ended 30 June 2013

Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

Statement by The Registrar

The Registrar has determined that the Authority is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Registrar:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 2 to 8, present fairly the Authority's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and
2. At the date of the statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Authority will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Authority, and is signed for and on behalf of the Authority by:

Registrar 
Margie Cole

Dated this  day of  2013.

Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority
Auditor's Independence Declaration



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Auditors' Independence Declaration To the Registrar Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2013, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Australian Professional Ethical Standards* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Crowe Horwath Tasmania

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Alison Flakamore
Audit Partner

Dated at Hobart this 5th day of August 2013.

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Independent Audit Report to the Directors of the Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority



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Auditors' Independence Declaration To the Registrar Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report being a special purpose financial report, of Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2013, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by the registrar.

The Registrar's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Registrar of the authority is responsible for the preparation of the financial report and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Pharmacy Control Act 2001* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Registrar's responsibility also includes such internal control as the officers determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



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Auditors' Independence Declaration To the Registrar Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority as at 30 June 2013, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the Pharmacy Control Act 2001.

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared to assist Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority to comply with the financial reporting provisions of the Pharmacy Control Act 2001. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

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Alison Flakemore
Audit Partner

Dated at Hobart this 5th day of August 2013.