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Presented to the
Annual General Meeting
of the
Queensland Construction Training Fund,
held at the Boardroom of
Construction Training Queensland,
Suite 1.7, Ian Barclay Building,
460-492 Beaudesert Road,
Salisbury, Queensland
on Tuesday 27 February 2007



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Meeting of the Directors

The Directors meet bi-monthly to consider applications for grants. The meetings are usually held on the first Thursday of every second month.

Notices of meetings are distributed and published by Construction Training Queensland (CTQ). A format for

applications can be obtained from CTQ (PO Box 28, Salisbury, QLD, 4107. Phone: (07) 3274 7999 Facsimile: (07) 3276 7888. Email: info@qctf.com.au) or the website: www.qctf.com.au

Objects of the Fund

The objects of the Fund are to generally foster and promote the acquisition and enhancement of skills, training and education (both theoretical and practical) of workers in the construction industry in Queensland.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Fund aims to:

(a) foster, promote, advance and assist the acquisition and enhancement of the knowledge, skills, education and training (both theoretical and practical) of workers employed in the construction industry in Queensland and to otherwise foster, promote, encourage, advance and assist tripartite organisations involved in such training and educational activities.

(b) encourage and promote the enhancement and creation of training and skills by the provision of any one of the following:

- i. training schemes;
- ii. assistance programs;
- iii. advice;
- iv. assistance in the establishment of facilities for training in the construction industry and for the gaining of practical experience and associated skills and other educational activities;

- v. demonstrations to students, trainees, apprentices and others employed or otherwise engaged in the construction industry of skills, trades, work and job methods and techniques of the construction industry;
- vi. publication and distribution of books, pamphlets or brochures calculated to promote education and interest in all facets of the construction industry, and to arrange for lectures and discussion;
- vii. provide grants for scholarships or other forms of financial assistance to selected students and workers to pursue their studies and training in any appropriate field or trade within the construction industry; and
- viii. otherwise make provisions for the training of persons employed or engaged in, or to be employed or to be engaged in, the construction industry.

(c) generally advance and promote the acquisition of knowledge of skills, trades, work and job methods and techniques of the construction industry.

Chair's Report

For financial year 2006/2007

During the financial year 06/07, Queensland has experienced an unprecedented growth in value of infrastructure spending. This growth has been the result of Government spending on "critical" infrastructure, in addition to private sectors response to an international demand for Queensland's minerals; all this at a time when the building sector was still buoyant.

As a result of the above, the challenge for industry has been three-fold;

1. How do we retain skilled employees in the industry?
2. How do provide opportunities to upskill the existing participants in the industry?
3. How do we introduce new employees to the industry?

The role of the QCTF has remained an integral part of the response to issue two.

In the year 2006/07, QCTF again received an allocation of funds from the Building Employees Redundancy Trust (BERT) of \$1,300,000.00. These funds were essentially used to support training and training related projects through General Purpose Grants and individual Worker Grants.

As per previous years, the CFMEU Apprentice Scholarship Program, the BLF Traineeship Scholarship Program and the Joint Industry Services Training (JIST) training organisation were the main recipients of General Purpose Grants.

The Fund also continued to support eligible individual workers to upskill in short courses that would enhance their capabilities.

The Fund remains committed in its involvement with the Construction Training Centre (CTC) at Salisbury. This Centre was established as a 50/50 Joint Venture Shareholding between industry through Construction Training Queensland and the Queensland Government's TAFE Queensland, and operates under the control of a Board of Directors appointed by its two shareholders.

The QCTF has been supportive of the CTC initiative to investigate opportunities to realise the potential of the available space at the facility in order to accommodate additional providers of quality training relating to the civil and construction sectors

The Fund's income continues to depend on surpluses generated by the Building Employees Welfare Trust (BEWT). The Directors of QCTF gratefully acknowledge the foresight and commitment of BEWT in making funds available for this purpose.

I would take the opportunity to acknowledge the personal commitment of my fellow Directors who remain passionate about making a positive contribution to the development of individuals within our industry. I also acknowledge the contribution of Construction Training Queensland as the current Fund Manager.

The final note is to acknowledge those organisations who through a "culture of training and development" are leaders in the industry. I look forward to supporting the ongoing initiatives at the same time as exploring new frontiers.

T M Hall
Chair of Directors
February 2008

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INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007

	Notes	2007 \$	2006 \$
Revenues	2	373,187	359,887
Employee benefits expenses		-	-
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	3	-	(3,500)
Other expenses	3	(159,971)	(171,060)
Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax expense		213,216	185,327
Income tax expense	1a	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit) from operations		213,216	185,327

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BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007

	Notes	2007 \$	2006 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4	1,988,498	1,713,787
Trade and Other Receivables	5	33,009	51,914
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		2,021,507	1,765,701
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and Equipment	6	-	-
Other Financial Assets	8	2,985,726	2,985,726
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		2,985,726	2,985,726
TOTAL ASSETS		5,007,233	4,751,427
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and Other Payables	7	1,369,961	1,327,371
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,369,961	1,327,371
NET ASSETS		3,637,272	3,424,056
TRUST CAPITAL			
Settlement Sum		100	100
Reserves	8	3,255,666	2,985,726
Retained Surplus		381,506	438,230
TOTAL TRUST CAPITAL		3,637,272	3,424,056

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007

	Settlement Sum \$	Capital Reserve \$	Workers Grant Reserve \$	Retained Surplus \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2005	100	2,985,726	-	252,903	3,238,729
Surplus/(Deficit) after income tax expense	-	-	-	185,327	185,327
Balance at 30 June 2006	100	2,985,726	-	438,230	3,424,056
Transfer to reserves	-	-	376,040	(376,040)	-
Transfer from reserves	-	-	(106,100)	106,100	-
Surplus/(Deficit) after income tax expense	-	-	-	213,216	213,216
Balance at 30 June 2007	100	2,985,726	269,940	381,506	3,637,272

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2007

	Notes	2007 \$	2006 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Distribution received		240,000	240,000
Managed funds received		1,060,000	1,060,000
Interest received		151,108	84,009
Sundry income		273	3,750
Payments to grant recipients and suppliers		(1,176,670)	(1,240,478)
Net cash provided by/ (used in) operating activities	10(a)	274,711	147,281
Increase/(decrease) in cash for the year		274,711	147,281
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		1,713,787	1,566,506
Cash at the End of the Financial Year	4(a)	1,988,498	1,713,787

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES FORM PART OF THIS FINANCIAL REPORT

Notes To The Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Fund Deed.

The financial report covers The Queensland Construction Training Fund as a single entity. The Queensland Construction Training Fund was established by Deed dated 18 October 1991 and is a charitable trust established for the promotion of training and education in the Queensland construction industry.

The financial report of the Fund as an individual entity complies with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) in their entirety. No Australian Accounting Standards issued or amended that are applicable to the Fund but not yet effective have been adopted in the preparation of the financial statements at reporting date. The adoption of these Standards is not expected to have a material effect on the financial statements in future financial years.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Fund in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

Reporting Basis and Conventions

The financial report has also been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

(a) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Fund operates solely as a non-profit public charitable trust and accordingly is exempt from income tax under Section 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are brought to account at cost less any accumulated depreciation.

Plant and Equipment

The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors of the trustee company to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Depreciation

The depreciable amounts of all fixed assets including building and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives to the trust commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Training Equipment	10%

(c) Financial Assets

The Funds investment in the Queensland Construction Industry Skills Centre Fund is stated at cost. Cost represents contributions by industry participants in the form of cash, plant, labour, materials and other services. The carrying amount of this investment is reviewed annually to ensure it is not in excess of its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is assessed on the value of the net assets of the Queensland Construction Industry Skills Centre Fund at balance date.

(d) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Fund reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less cost to sell and value-in-use, is compared to the assets carrying value.

Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

Notes To The Financial Statements (Continued) for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Fund estimates the recoverable amount of the cash generating unit to which the asset belongs.

(e) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

(f) Managed Funds

Managed funds represent amounts received from the Building Employee's Redundancy Trust (BERT) or its associated Trusts and are managed by QCTF on behalf of BERT. These funds are paid out for training purposes to organisations as nominated by BERT on satisfactory completion of the training activities by those nominated organisations.

(g) Workers' Grants

The directors of the Trustee Company set aside an amount each year to be utilised for grants to individual workers in the current or future years. At the commencement of this financial year amounts previously identified for this purpose were transferred to a separate account, Workers Grant Reserve. A further allocation was made to this reserve in the 2007 financial year.

As grants are approved for individual workers by the Directors, the approved amounts are transferred monthly from the reserve account to retained surplus. At the same time a liability is established in the account, Training Grants Payable – Workers, and an expense recognised, Training Grants/Subsidies Paid.

(h) Revenue

Distributions from the Building Employee's Redundancy Trust (BERT) or its associated Trusts are recognised when received. The distributions are provided by BERT to meet the operating costs of QCTF and for individual workers grants as approved from time to time by the directors of QCTF Pty Ltd, the trustee.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

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

(i) Management Fees

These fees are based on the actual costs incurred by the Construction Industry Training Council (Queensland) Inc. in administering and providing secretarial support.

(j) 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 Tax 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.

(k) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

The trustees evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the trust.

Key Estimates – Impairment

The trust assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the trust that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

Notes To The Financial Statements (Continued) for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 2 – REVENUES

	2007 \$	2006 \$
Operating Activities		
Distribution Received	240,000	240,000
Other Operating Income	273	3,409
	240,273	243,409
Non-operating Activities		
Interest Received	132,914	116,478
	132,914	116,478
Total Revenue	373,187	359,887

NOTE 3 – SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FROM OPERATIONS

Surplus/ (Deficit) before income tax expense has been determined after:

a. Expenses:

Depreciation – Property, Plant & Equipment	-	3,500
Advertising and Promotion	3,841	9,634
Bank Charges	268	438
Computer Maintenance	3,134	1,540
Consultancy	8,250	1,605
Legal Fees	9,273	-
Management Fees	60,324	86,894
Printing and Stationery	1,261	6,358
Sundry Expenses	1,181	3,279
Training grants/ subsidies paid	68,589	58,312
Remuneration of Auditor		
- Audit of Financial Statements	2,000	2,150
- Other services	1,850	850
Total Remuneration	3,850	3,000
Total Other Expenses	159,971	171,060

Notes To The Financial Statements (Continued) for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 4 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	328,461	166,822
Cash on deposit	1,660,037	1,546,965
	1,988,498	1,713,787

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the balance sheet as follows:

Cash	328,461	166,822
Cash on deposit	1,660,037	1,546,965
	1,988,498	1,713,787

NOTE 5 – TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Accrued Interest	20,714	38,908
GST Receivable	12,295	13,006
	33,009	51,914

NOTE 6 – PROPERTY PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Training Equipment – at cost	35,000	35,000
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(35,000)	(35,000)
Total Plant, Property and Equipment	-	-

(a) Movements in Carrying Amounts

	Training Equipment	Total
Balance at the beginning of the year	-	-
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation Expense	-	-
Carrying amount at the end of the year	-	-

Notes To The Financial Statements (Continued) for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 7 – TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2007 \$	2006 \$
Trade Creditors	2,000	8,448
Managed Funds	1,307,874	1,264,985
Training Grants Payable - Workers	60,087	53,938
	1,369,961	1,327,371

NOTE 8 – RESERVES

Capital Reserve

The Capital Reserve, previously set aside out of Retained Surplus, represents funds invested by industry contribution in Queensland Construction Industry Skills Centre Fund. Funds contributed by industry, including direct contributions from Queensland Construction Training Fund, were in the form of cash, plant, labour, materials and other services.

Workers Grant Reserve

The Workers Grant Reserve set aside out of Retained Surplus, represents funds allocated for Building Employment Redundancy Trust (BERT) members, to be utilised in future training and education programs for individual workers.

NOTE 9 – CASH FLOW INFORMATION

a) Reconciliation of Cash Flow from operations with Operating Surplus after Income Tax	2007 \$	2006 \$
Operating Surplus after Income Tax	213,216	185,327
Non-cash flows in operating profit		
Depreciation	-	3,500
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in Receivables	18,905	(34,121)
Increase/(decrease) in Payables	42,590	(7,425)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	274,711	147,281

b) Non-Cash Financing & Investing Activities

There were no non-cash financing and investing activities during the year.

c) Credit Standby Arrangements and Loan Facilities

There were no credit standby arrangements or loan facilities in place at balance date.

Notes To The Financial Statements (continued) for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 10 – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Related Parties

- (i) QCTF Pty Ltd was appointed trustee of the Fund on 19 April 1996. As trustee of the Fund, the company incurs the liabilities of the Fund and discharges them out of the assets of the Fund.
- (ii) Directors of QCTF Pty Ltd who held office during the year were:-
 Rob Cameron (Alternate) (Appointed)
 Bruce Christopher Cull (Resigned)
 Jorgen Gullestrup (Resigned)
 Trevor Mervyn Hall (Appointed)
 David Edward Jenkinson
 Barry William Charles Omundson (Resigned)
 Malcolm John Raward
 Gregory Michael Simcoe
 Jason Peter Stein (Appointed)
 Peter David Veale
 Christopher Roland Price (Resigned)
 Bradley O'Carroll

(b) Transactions with Directors

During the financial year, Malcolm Raward received \$9,075 (2006: \$1,605) for consulting services provided to the Fund through his project management business. These services were provided on normal commercial terms and conditions not more favourable than those available to other consultants.

- (c) The Fund paid management fees of \$79,319 (2006: \$86,894) to Construction Industry Training Council (Queensland) Inc (CTQ) for the supervision and management of operations of the Fund during the year. These services were provided on normal commercial terms and conditions.

NOTE 11 – FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

a) Financial Risk Management

The Fund's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, short-term investments, trade receivables and trade payables.

The Fund does not have any derivative instruments at 30 June 2007.

i. Financial Risks

The main risks the Fund is exposed to through its financial instruments are interest rate risk, liquidity risk and credit risk.

ii. Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is managed with a mixture of fixed and floating rate debt.

iii. Foreign currency risk

The Fund is not exposed to fluctuations in foreign currencies.

iv. Liquidity risk

The Fund manages liquidity risk by monitoring forecast cash flows and ensuring that adequate cash funds are available.

v. Credit risk

The Fund does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single receivable.

vi. Price risk

The Fund is not exposed to any material commodity price risk.

Notes To The Financial Statements (Continued) for the year ended 30 June 2007

NOTE 11 – FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS - continued

b) Interest Rate Risk

The Fund's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates, and the effective weighted average interest rates on those financial assets and financial liabilities is as follows:

	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate		Floating Interest Rate		Fixed Interest Rate Maturing Within 1 Year	
	2007 %	2006 %	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$
Cash at bank	3.12	2.75	328,461	166,822	-	-
Cash on deposit	6.37	5.58	-	-	1,660,037	1,546,965

There were no other financial assets or financial liabilities subject to interest rate risk at balance date.

c) Credit Risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount, net of any provisions for doubtful debts, as disclosed in the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements. The Fund does not have any material credit exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instrument entered into by the fund.

d) Net Fair Values

The net fair values of assets and liabilities at balance date approximate their carrying amount in the financial report at that date.

NOTE 12 – SEGMENT REPORTING

The fund promotes training and education of workers in the Queensland construction industry through the distribution of funds from the Building Employee's Redundancy Trust.

NOTE 13 – MORTGAGES AND CHARGES

The Fund had no mortgages, charges or securities affecting the property of the Fund at balance date.

NOTE 14 – CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There were no significant contingent liabilities at balance date

NOTE 15 – FUND DETAILS

The principal place of business of the Fund is:

Queensland Construction Training Fund
Lower level, Ian Barclay Building
460 – 492 Beaudesert Road
SALISBURY QLD 4107

Directors' Declaration Of The Trustee Company

The Directors of QCTF Pty Ltd, the trustee for the Queensland Construction Training Fund, declare that:

1. The financial report and notes, as set out on pages 6 to 15, presents fairly the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2007 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of the trustee company.

QCTF Pty Ltd - Trustee



T M HALL
Director



M J RAWARD
Director

Signed at Brisbane, this

28TH day of FEBRUARY 2008.

Independent Audit Report

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Queensland Construction Training Fund (the Fund) which comprises the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Cash Flow Statement, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the directors' of the Trustee Company's (the Trustee) declaration for the Queensland Construction Training Fund, for the year ended 30 June 2007.

Trustees' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Trustee of the Fund is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Fund deed. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud and error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In Note 1, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements, that compliance with the Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies with IFRS.

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. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance 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 judgment, 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 the trustee, 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.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion:

- A. the financial report of the Queensland Construction Training Fund is in accordance with the Fund deed, including:
 - i. giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2007 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Fund deed; and
- B. the financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.

PRIESTLEYS
Chartered Accountants

Signed at Brisbane, this

28TH day of

FEBRUARY 2008.

B G HILEY
Partner



Summary Of Activities

Background

The Queensland Construction Training Fund (QCTF) was established late in 1991 to use of the interest earned on funds invested in the Building Employees Redundancy Trust (BERT) Fund to help train construction workers. The QCTF sets out to promote and encourage training in the building and construction industry. It does this by providing funds to:

- Assist workers who successfully complete accredited training; and
- Assist organisations that either carry out training with employees, develop new approaches to training, or develop new training resources.

Because the income for the QCTF comes from the BERT Fund, preference is given to applications from workers covered by the BERT scheme and companies that make BERT contributions on behalf of employees and organisations that support the BERT scheme.

Distribution of Funds

At the request of BERT Directors, two types of training grants have been established – general and specific purpose grants and worker grants. A set of funding guidelines has been agreed and these are used to decide if worker training grant applications are successful.

Directors meet regularly to consider all general purpose training grant applications.

Activity 2006/2007

The 2006/2007 financial year saw the number of worker grants approved increase from 81 in 2005/2006 to 144 for the reporting period.

- QCTF uses a number of Registered Training Organisations such as CSTC to deliver training for these workers. The fund is careful to ensure workers are training to a consistently high standard and also used Construction Skills Queensland training partners to ensure quality outcomes were achieved.
- In excess of 70,000 workers have attended on-site information sessions or short course training programs since 1995 to present and that equates to well over a million hours of training through the dispersement of BERT/QCTF funds.

- In addition, QCTF works in concert with Construction Skills Queensland to ensure workers can access training and funding that best suits their needs.
- The Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (Construction and General Division) apprenticeship program has provided contracts of training in the trade areas of carpentry, bricklaying, tiling, plastering, painting and decorating, and civil operations. This program is an extension of the Apprentice Scholarship Program established by the CFMEU with BERT/QCTF funding during the 96/97 financial year. One hundred and sixty seven apprentices have entered the scholarship with ninety seven of the apprentices having graduated as full-time tradespeople. Of the remainder in the program, fifteen are in first year, eighteen are in second year, twenty two are in third year and ten are in fourth year.
- The Australian Building Construction Employees and Builders' Labourers Federation has also had a similar program since 2004 to support traineeships in the rigging, dogging, scaffolding, concreting and steel fixing areas. This program has also been very successful with over 48 completions and currently 69 trainees currently under training.
- The third recipient of a General Purpose grant has been Joint Industry Services Training (JIST) which has been supported since 2004 with funds for operating costs to enable the organisation to grow and provide much needed training in the 'thin market' areas of post trade plumbing training and fire sprinkler apprenticeships.

The QCTF website at www.qctf.com.au, has general information about the Building Employees Redundancy Trust (BERT) and the operations of the Queensland Construction Training Fund (QCTF). BERT members can source applications directly from the website.

If further information is required about QCTF, please contact:

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