

Compliance Review Report

Australian Labor Party (N.S.W Branch)

June 2014



AEC

Australian Electoral Commission

Review details

Location of review: Australian Electoral Commission
West Block, Queen Victoria Terrace
PARKES ACT 2600

AEC review officers: Mary-Ann Waters
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Party staff involved: Ms Loretta Marcus

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Background

Registered Political Parties and Associated Entities are required under the provisions of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Act) to lodge annual disclosure returns. The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) has powers under the Act to review records and gather relevant information to assess whether disclosure obligations have been met.

The purpose of the review was to assess whether the disclosure return for the 2012-13 financial year lodged on behalf of the Australian Labor Party (N.S.W Branch) (the Party) complies with disclosure obligations as set out in the Act.

Compliance and cooperation.

The compliance review was conducted under the provisions of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918. In accordance with s316 (2A)(c), the party agent of a political party is required to produce the documents requested in the notice within the period and in the manner specified in the notice.

State Office

During the review, AEC staff examined the financial records of the Party for the 2012-13 financial year. This was a limited scope review with its focus being to identify and verify all individually listed receipts above the threshold. No omissions or errors in the detailed receipts were found.

Party Units

No party units were included in this limited scope review.

The Party fully complied with the s316(2A) notice in delivering all the requested records to the AEC in advance of the due date.

Conclusion

Nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Party has not complied, in all material respects, with its disclosure obligations under the Act.

Enquiries and Assistance

Should the party require any assistance regarding its disclosure obligations under the Act, please contact the AEC's Funding and Disclosure Section either on telephone number (02) 6271 4552 or by email at fad@aec.gov.au.

REDACTION CODES

- 1 Personal Information (name) redacted.
- 2 Personal Information (facsimile of signature) redacted
- 3 Personal Information (facsimile of manuscript initialling) redacted
- 4 Personal Information (Individual's address)
- 5 Personal information (individual's telephone number)
- 6 Business information (Bank Account details) redacted.
- 7 Business information (Billing Account details) redacted.
- 8 Legal Professional Communication redacted.
- 9 Deliberative material redacted.
- 10 Irrelevant material redacted.