

# Compliance Review Report

## Australian Greens (Northern Territory Branch)

June 2013



**AEC**

Australian Electoral Commission

## Review details

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

Date of visit: June 2013

AEC review officers: Alan Page  
Brad Edgman

Party staff involved: Mr David Pollock

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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 2011-12 financial year lodged on behalf of the Australian Greens (Northern Territory Branch) (the Party) complies with disclosure obligations as set out in the Act.

## Compliance and co-operation

### State Office

During the review, AEC staff examined financial records of the State Office for the 2010/11 financial year. The Party fully complied with the first s316(2A) notice in delivering requested records to the AEC by the due date.

### Party Units

The Party advised that it does not operate party units therefore no reviews of party units were carried out.

## Total Receipts and Payments

Section 314AB(2)(a) of the Act requires the agent of a registered political party to report the **total amount received by**, or on behalf of, the party during the financial year.

Similarly, s314AB(2)(b) of the Act requires the agent of a registered political party to report the **total amount paid by**, or on behalf of, the party during the financial year.

To satisfy this, the Party must account for all transactions that result in receipts from and payments to external entities including to other State branches of the Party. All transactions must be accounted for on a gross basis without any offsetting, including any Goods and Services Tax (GST) components.

## 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](mailto:fad@aec.gov.au).

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- 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.