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OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
OF THE
STATE COAL MINES

INCLUDING

THE STATE COAL MINES BALANCE-SHEET AND
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS DULY AUDITED, ETC.,
FOR THE YEAR 1963-4

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STATE COAL MINES, WONTHAGGI

The Victorian State Coal Mine,
Wonthaggi,
10th September, 1964.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit my Report, together with the Balance Sheet, and Statement of Accounts, covering the operations of the State Coal Mines, Wonthaggi, for the year ended 30th June, 1964.

FINANCIAL

	£	s.	d.
Revenue	240,403	14	6
Working Expenses	450,641	1	11
Deficit, excluding Depreciation of Assets	210,237	7	5
Depreciation of Assets... ..	2,450	0	0
Loss for the year 1963-64, after making necessary allowance for depreciation	212,687	7	5

This loss compares with £268,047 18s. 9d. for the year 1962-63.

The Balance Sheet, Statement of Accounts for the year, and the general statement of working of the mines since their inception, are embodied in the appendices attached.

DEPRECIATION FUND

Including an amount of £2,450/-/- charged to the working account for the year, all depreciation accrued up to 30th June, 1964, has been brought into account.

It will be noted that no contribution from the working vote was made to the Fund for the year, but, with the sum of £2,450/-/- being interest on Depreciation Fund investments, provision has been made for the aggregate amount written off the assets up to 30th June, 1964.

DISPOSITION OF OUTPUT

The quantity of coal braced during the year was 46,627 tons. After excluding miners' coal, local consumption, allowances and waste, the tonnage disposed of commercially was 30,617 tons 10 cwt. 1 qr., as shown hereunder :—

	Screened		Slack		TOTAL	
	T.	c. q.	T.	c. q.	T.	c. q.
Sold to Railways Department	14,735	4 1	11,859	10 3	26,594	15 0
Sold to General Public	2,172	1 2	1,850	13 3	4,022	15 1
	16,907	5 3	13,710	4 2	30,617	10 1

LABOUR

During the year, one day was lost due to industrial causes. This occurred on 24th May, 1964, when all employees, with the exception of the Power Station staff, Deputies, and the clerical staff, ceased work on orders from the Trades Hall Council as a protest against the Government's failure to increase wages, and grant increased annual leave to employees of Government instrumentalities.

The mines were in production for 232 days.

The numbers of employees at 30th June, 1964, was :—

Miners	Others	Total
102	149	251

At 30th June, 1963, the number was :—

119	170	289
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There was, thus, a decrease of 17 miners, and 21 other grades.

Amongst Contract Miners, absenteeism, from all causes, increased by approximately 2.84 per cent., being 12.56 per cent. for the year 1963-64, compared with 9.72 per cent. for the year 1962-63.

The nett average daily earnings of contract miners for the year was 108/3d. compared with 104/11.15d. per shift for the financial year 1962-63. The average daily wage of other adult employees, working underground, for the last fortnight of the financial year, was 85/9d., compared with 83/10.96d. for the corresponding period in the previous year.

Since the granting of Long Service Leave in September, 1951, 258 employees have enjoyed six months leave on full pay.

I am pleased to report that there were no fatal accidents during the year.

INDUSTRIAL

During the year, the Australian Coal and Shale Employees Federation, and the Federated Engine Drivers and Firemen's Association each submitted a claim before the Coal Industry Tribunal for increased wage rates, and improved working conditions. These claims were heard during the year, and judgment was given in December last. In this judgement, the Tribunal considered that further increases were not justified, but an increase in the Attendance Allowance could be regarded as appropriate. An addition of £1/-/- to this allowance, operative from 8/12/63, was therefore granted. Other increases granted from this claim were :—

“ Meal Allowance, payable when overtime is worked, was increased from 4/- to 6/-.

The rate of accrument for sick leave was increased from one day for each 25 shifts worked, to one day for each 22 shifts worked.

The rate to be added to ordinary rates, for all time worked on afternoon shift where a colliery is producing coal on day and afternoon shifts, was increased from 12½% to 15%.

For the purpose of calculation of annual leave, the number of shifts lost by an employee, due to a compensable accident, to be treated as time worked, was increased from one month to two months.

The shift penalty increase to 15%, and the increase in shifts lost due to compensable accidents, was also applied to the Craft Unions as from 19th June, 1964 ”.

Following on the increase of £1/-/- per week in the Basic Wage, granted by the Arbitration Commission in June, 1964, the Coal Industry Tribunal applied this decision to the coal mining industry on the application of the mining unions. This had the effect of increasing the rates of all State Coal Mine employees by an amount of 20/- per week. This increase was also reflected in the Attendance Allowance, i.e., an increase per employe of 4/- per fortnight.

BORING

No further boring was carried out during this financial year.

The gross reserves of all pits, together with the unworked areas near Western Area and Eastern Area, now stand at 6,369,000 tons. A reduction of 60,000 gross tons makes due allowance for mining purposes.

WEST AREA

East Section : Sanatorium parties are now engaged, on day shift only, in the extraction of pillars in the bottom seam, adjacent to the Main East Heading.

West Dip : Mining operations, in this section, terminated on 20th March, 1964.

KIRRAK AREA

The number of parties, employed in this pit, increased to 17, despite the faulty nature of the seam.

The tonnage won in this area, during the financial year, was 35,599 tons.

ELECTRICAL PLANT

The Power Station, and mine electrical plant, has been maintained in good order.

The units generated during the year were 10,579,530, as compared with 10,986,790 in the previous year. The decrease in units generated was due to the mines using less power. The units used by the town has continued to increase.

One additional outdoor transformer sub-station was installed in the town area to meet the increased loading.

WORKSHOPS

The workshops and plant have been maintained in good order and condition. The whole of the maintenance work for the power station and mines has been carried out by our own workshops staff.

RESCUE STATION

The Rescue Station has been maintained in an efficient state. Practises have been held weekly throughout the year, and the equipment has been maintained in a satisfactory condition.

The membership, and attendances at weekly training nights, are both very good. Five members of the Brigade have gained their Third Class Mining Certificate, and are now completing a St. John's Ambulance course.

GENERAL

The Award on bonus and shift penalties, made by the Coal Industry Tribunal in December, 1963, resulted in additional labour costs of £3,500.

Contributions to the Coal Mine Workers' Pension Fund, and the State Superannuation Fund, totalled £44,000.

Tonnage produced decreased by 3,600 tons due to the work force being reduced by 17 miners.

Competition within the fuel industry is still intense, and has retarded sales to consumers, other than the Railways Department, and some other Public Departments.

Disposal of burnt shale resulted in a revenue return of £6,800 for the year's operations.

Whilst coal production was less than the previous year, due to the decline in the numbers of miners, the result of the year's operations has reduced the deficit by £55,360.

In conclusion, I wish to record my appreciation of the assistance given by yourselves during the year, also the loyalty and co-operation of the mine administrative, clerical, and other officials of the staff.

J. Byrne
General Manager.

The Victorian Railways Commissioners,
MELBOURNE.

STATE COAL MINE
BALANCE SHEET as at 30th JUNE, 1964. (Adjusted to round £'s)

1963	Nature and Source of Funds			1964	1963	Disposal of Funds				1964
		£	£	£	£		£	£	£	£
	Funds provided by the State Treasurer for Capital purposes					Expenditure on :				
	Act 2429	...	...	100,000		Works Machinery and Plant as per				
	Act 2630	...	...	150,000		Balance Sheet at 30.6.63 ... 292,796				
	Act 4670	...	...	60,000		Expended during current year ... 6,046				
	Act 4763	...	...	44,000		298,842				
				354,000		Less depreciation written off				
	Less redeemed from Sinking Fund ...			354,000		during current year ... 2,450				
	National Recovery Loan :					296,392				
£	24,500	Unemployment relief develop-				Spare plant ... 2,280				
			ment works ...	24,500	296,059	Discount & Expenses on loans ... 641				
	For Special Purposes :					299,313				
	21,142	Act 6345 Section 17, (1b) ...		17,576		Funds for special purposes held by				
	Reserves :					State Treasurer				
	Sinking Fund ...			354,000		Coal Mine Depreciation Fund				
	Depreciation Fund Interest ...			106,585		(Investment) ... 50,000				
458,135				460,585		Coal Mine Depreciation Fund				
	Current liabilities :					(Cash) ... 30,866				
	Sundry Creditors—					80,866				
	Stores & service ...			25,098		State Coal Mine Deposits Account ... 573				
	Trust ...			2,280		Salaries & Wages Suspense Account ... 6,418				
19,207				27,378	89,633	87,857				
	Advances from Consolidated Revenue to meet losses					Current Assets				
	To 30.6.63 ...			4,513,455		Coal on Hand ... 3,332				
	For year ended 30.6.64 ...			205,916		Stores & Material ... 19,910				
4,513,454				4,719,371		Securities held in trust ... 1,700				
						Sundry Debtors—				
						Coal ... 8,933				
						Other revenue ... 6,783				
						Other ... 7,817				
						23,533				
						Cash on hand or in transit ... 7,150				
					56,819	55,625				
						Accumulated loss :				
	To 30.6.63 ...			4,593,927						
	For year ended									
	30.6.64 ...			212,688						
					4,593,927	4,806,615				
					£5,036,438	£5,249,410				

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STATE COAL MINES
WORKING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964.

1964					£	s.	d.	1964					£	s.	d.
June 30	To Working Expenses	...	...	...	450,641	1	11	June 30	By Sale of Coal	...	...	...	144,747	16	1
									Sundry Receipts	...	...	...	95,655	18	5
									Balance carried to Profit and Loss Account	...	...	...	210,237	7	5
					450,641	1	11						450,641	1	11

N.B.—The Revenue shown in the Working Account above include proceeds from the sale of coal to the Railways Department at prices determined by that Department.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1964.

1964					£	s.	d.	1964					£	s.	d.
June 30	To Balance transferred from Working Account	210,237	7	5	June 30	By Balance (Loss for the year)	212,687	7	5
	Depreciation	2,450	0	0						212,687	7	5
					212,687	7	5						212,687	7	5

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STATE COAL MINES

RECONCILIATION as at 30th JUNE, 1964, BETWEEN THE ACCUMULATED WORKING LOSS ON THE MINE BASIS, AND THE TOTAL OF THE ADVANCES FROM CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Accumulated Profit and Loss Account as per Balance Sheet—	£	s.	d.	Advances from Consolidated Revenue as per Balance Sheet ...	£	s.	d.
Loss—	4,806,615	0	8	Depreciation charged to Profit and Loss Account, but not to Consolidated Revenue	4,719,370	14	4
Net accumulated profit to 30th June, 1931 not credited to Consolidated Revenue	95,688	18	0				
Outstanding Debtors at 30th June, 1964 including Coal, Cash on Hand and in Transit	£	s.	d.				
	35,890	11	7				
Outstanding Creditors at 30th June, 1964 ...	15,948	9	8				
	19,942	1	11				
Less outstanding Debtors at 30th June, 1931 ...	£	s.	d.				
	11,992	17	5				
Outstanding Creditors at 30th June, 1931 ...	1,607	5	6				
	10,385	11	11				
	9,556	10	0				
	4,911,860	8	8				
					4,911,860	8	8

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STATE COAL MINES
CAPITAL STATEMENT as at 30th JUNE, 1964

Receipts				£	s.	d.
Loan Funds provided under Act 2429	...	100,000	0	0		
Loan Funds provided under Act 2630	...	150,000	0	0		
Loan Funds provided under Act 4670	...	60,000	0	0		
Loan Funds provided under Act 4763	...	44,000	0	0		
				354,000	0	0
Funds provided under Unemployment Relief Fund	...		24,500	0	0	
Funds provided in the State Coal Mines Depreciation Fund	...		1,287,697	14	4	
				1,666,197	14	4
<i>Less</i> : Depreciation and Flotation Expenses written off—						
Depreciation	...	1,287,697	14	4		
Flotation Expenses	...	601	8	2		
				1,288,299	2	6
				377,898	11	10

Expenditure				£	s.	d.
General Capital	...	9,038	16	4		
Horses and Ponies	...	45	10	0		
General Pits	...	5,979	14	11		
Western Area	...	20,924	7	2		
Eastern Area	...	1,299	3	0	Cr.	
General Electric Capital	...	38,994	6	4		
Kirrak Area	...	222,708	11	9		
Present book value of Assets	...				296,392	3 6
Discounts and Expenses on Loans	...				640	16 5
Balance—Funds at Treasury :						
Depreciation Fund—						
Cash	...	30,865	11	11		
Investment	...	50,000	0	0		
					80,865	11 11
					377,898	11 10

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GENERAL COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MINE TO THE 30th JUNE, 1964.

1 Year	2 Capital Raised	3 Capital Expended	4 Coal Raised	5 Revenue Receipts (h)	6 Revenue Expenditure	7 Surplus	8 Deficit	9 10 Depreciation		11 Sinking Fund	12 Wages Paid	13 Interest Paid on Capital	14 Average Number of Employees	15 Miners' Net Average Earnings per Shift	16 Estimated Coal Reserves
								Amount Written Off the Value of the Assets and Charged to Profit and Loss	Net Surplus Profits Interest and Other Contribut's. to the S.C.M. Depreciat'n. Fund						
										Contribut's Provided from Working Expenses					
	£	£	Tons	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		s. d.	Million Ton
1909-10 ...	36,000	35,906	41,274	24,681	46,695	...	21,834	...	...	...	37,112	...	900	14 4-00	20
1910-11 ...	141,000	95,730	396,042	171,766	160,459	11,307	...	5,745	8,525	7,050	145,407	2,468	946	13 1-00	20
1911-12 ...	161,605 ^a	167,701	470,261	198,762	207,579	...	8,817	10,709	5,965	7,942	175,274	4,303	1,191	13 8-00	26
1912-13 ...	203,866	203,956	462,559	213,174	205,980	7,194	...	25,546	10,697	9,000	145,419	6,107	939	13 5-51	28
1913-14 ...	225,141	220,316	510,490	239,298	237,599	1,699	...	25,000	26,665	9,578	158,812	6,332	1,011	13 11-49	28
1914-15 ...	250,000	241,356	567,057	268,105	256,629	11,476	...	33,000	47,716	10,800	178,086	8,436	1,130	13 11-64	28
1915-16 ...	250,000	241,084	452,798	246,000	243,224	2,776	...	30,954	34,566	10,760	159,027	8,804	1,015	14 6-16	28
1916-17 ...	250,000	240,816	372,007	242,918	263,548	...	20,630	25,000	5,075	...	197,694	8,803	1,161	16 2-10	19
1917-18 ...	250,000	240,653	382,867	294,538	289,379	5,159	...	25,000	29,317	...	228,506	8,804	1,226	17 7-56	16
1918-19 ...	250,000	240,239	343,318	285,099	293,510	...	8,411	27,000	18,099	177	242,530	8,804	1,255	17 10-01	16
1919-20 ...	250,000	240,225	424,985	426,405 ^c	405,343	21,062	...	30,000	51,738	6,236	322,516	8,804	1,390	20 5-19	15
1920-21 ...	250,000	240,218	368,239	426,659	423,818	2,841	...	32,000	17,810	6,236	319,224	8,804	1,193	24 3-64	15
1921-22 ...	250,000	240,033	504,165	567,404	549,017	18,387	...	36,000	71,650	12,472	420,633	8,804	1,554	26 2-64	18
1922-23 ...	250,000	240,033	424,126	461,978	467,290	...	5,312	30,000	23,516	...	362,464	8,804	1,566	25 7-30	19
1923-24 ...	250,000	240,033	499,010	559,758	555,803	3,955 ^b	...	30,000	34,577	6,236	446,786	8,956	1,596	25 10-20	21
1924-25 ...	250,000	250,000	405,695	500,232	499,964	268 ^d	...	30,000	31,956	6,236	429,254	9,148	1,688	26 11-30	17
1925-26 ...	250,000	250,000	495,864	540,295	539,754	541 ^e	...	34,000	35,585	6,236	474,861	9,667	1,821	27 2-91	16½
1926-27 ...	250,000	250,000	612,269	687,365	678,591	8,774	...	56,000	41,345	12,472	479,195	9,671	1,540	26 6-03	15¾
1927-28 ...	250,000	250,000	596,032	735,750	720,697	15,053	...	55,000	76,221	...	490,950	9,674	1,543	27 11-56	16½
1928-29 ...	250,000	250,000	635,103	812,969	782,394	30,575	...	55,000	49,157	6,180	498,961	3,820	1,615	17 3-75	15½
1929-30 ...	250,000	250,000	662,159	849,808	773,603	76,205 ^f	...	35,000	135,094	6,428	546,111	3,572	1,776	23 0-73	14½
1930-31 ...	250,000	250,000	565,444	558,781	580,106	...	21,325	30,000	27,284	6,685	447,551	3,315	1,774	24 9-85	14
1931-32 ...	250,000	250,000	526,278	421,233	509,347	...	88,114	30,000	5,056	6,952	376,728	3,048	1,668	24 9-98	13½
1932-33 ...	250,000	250,000	320,675	225,526	315,390	...	89,854	30,000	5,424	7,230	210,857	2,770	1,328 ^g	20 6-00	13
1933-34 ...	250,000	250,000	316,526	211,330	288,473	...	77,134	10,000 ^l	5,425	7,520	204,407	2,480	1,330 ^g	20 9-00	12½

1934-35	...	250,000	250,000	384,778	245,556	335,474	...	89,918	10,000 ^m	5,421	7,820	246,972	2,180	1,100 ^g	20	5.55	13
1935-36	...	250,000	250,000	366,002	231,024	317,906	...	86,882	10,000	5,409	8,133	249,227	1,867	1,150 ^g	21	5.72	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
1936-37	...	250,000	250,000	247,451	164,610	298,146	...	133,536	10,000	5,037	8,459	214,182	1,541	1,140 ^g	21	4.53 ^j	10 $\frac{1}{4}$
1937-38	...	250,000	250,000	270,575	195,524	349,401	...	153,877	10,000	4,063	8,797	247,034	1,203	1,326 ^g	21	11.65 ^k	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
1938-39	...	274,500	273,354	260,831	203,881	328,128	...	124,247	10,000	1,342	9,149	228,354	851	1,317 ^g	22	5.92	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
1939-40	...	334,500	298,410	220,587	196,210	282,591	...	86,381	10,000	1	9,515	212,771	485	1,352 ^g	23	2.29	9
1940-41	...	334,500	323,462	280,570	270,734	392,282	...	121,548	10,000	...	2,615	308,954	105	1,201 ^g	25	10.41	8 $\frac{3}{4}$
1941-42	...	378,500	339,663	282,551	343,486	456,744	...	113,258	17,706	5,000	5,706	346,470	2,294	1,129 ^g	29	9.68	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
1942-43	...	378,500	344,117	259,592	410,867	487,701	...	76,834	17,706	16,000	4,560	369,205	3,440	1,069 ^g	31	9.90	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
1943-44	...	378,500	345,673	234,871	389,806	472,692	...	82,886	20,000	15,316	4,719	347,648	3,281	1,032 ^g	33	1.69	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
1944-45	...	378,500	346,110	228,431	395,522	474,119	...	78,597	20,353	20,291	4,884	358,460	3,116	989 ^g	33	10.72	9
1945-46	...	378,500	346,609	191,880	322,061	417,736	...	95,675	20,517	20,517	5,055	306,433	2,944	871 ^g	34	3.35	9
1946-47	...	378,500	346,806	161,431	275,472	367,915	...	92,443	20,978	20,978	5,232	277,544	2,768	764 ^g	34	3.54	8 $\frac{3}{4}$
1947-48	...	378,500	347,030	165,827	298,871	430,589	...	131,718	21,275	21,275	5,416	332,727	2,584	776 ^g	40	3.77	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
1948-49	...	378,500	360,748	140,000	349,418	460,795	...	111,377	21,638	21,638	5,605	351,266	2,395	714 ^g	47	9.22	8 $\frac{1}{4}$
1949-50	...	378,500	373,672	128,333	362,856	447,059	...	84,203	16,837	16,837	5,801	334,529	2,199	733 ^g	52	3.86	8 $\frac{1}{4}$
1950-51	...	378,500	376,324	121,640	389,128	512,922	...	123,794	16,775	16,775	6,004	385,970	1,996	720 ^g	55	11.71	8 $\frac{1}{4}$
1951-52	...	378,500	378,500	132,205	554,221	684,702	...	130,481	21,789	21,789	6,214	534,089	1,786	762 ^g	69	0.10	8
1952-53	...	378,500	378,500	140,348	749,189	886,473	...	137,284	21,225	21,225	6,432	692,571	1,564	833 ^g	76	1.74	7 $\frac{3}{4}$
1953-54	...	378,500	378,500	133,111	752,989	896,828	...	143,839	23,652	23,652	6,657	693,961	1,343	758 ^g	77	2.01	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
1954-55	...	378,500	378,500	126,081	750,599	827,148	...	76,549	23,762	23,762	6,890	637,379	1,110	676 ^g	81	7.12	7 $\frac{1}{4}$
1955-56	...	378,500	377,500	105,972	592,803	763,187	...	170,384	24,975	24,975	7,131	591,939	869	636 ^g	87	7.53	7
1956-57	...	378,500	378,500	105,971	509,615	806,844	...	297,229	24,975	24,975	7,381	606,950	619	582 ^g	92	10.65	7
1957-58	...	387,500	378,500	98,481	463,171	769,210	...	306,039	24,975	24,975	7,639	567,540	361	522 ^g	94	1.14	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
1958-59	...	378,500	378,500	89,091	412,871	649,955	...	237,084	24,975	24,975	2,671	475,248	94	411 ^g	93	10.31	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
1959-60	...	378,500	378,500	80,969	374,820	610,574	...	235,754	24,975	24,975	...	440,418	...	393 ^g	99	5.05	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
1960-61	...	378,500	378,500	73,636	349,916	625,957	...	276,041	25,111	25,111	...	451,334	...	354 ^g	99	9.00	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
1961-62	...	378,500	378,500	55,942	261,687	562,920	...	301,633	25,163	25,163	...	422,224	...	319 ^g	104	11.53	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
1962-63	...	378,500	378,500	50,235	240,261	506,403	...	265,742	25,306	25,306	...	373,920	...	289 ^g	104	11.15	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
1963-64	...	378,500	378,500	46,627	242,852	453,090	...	210,238	2,450	2,450	...	348,998	...	251 ^g	108	3.00	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
				16,539,262	21,470,053	26,169,683	217,272	4,916,902	1,288,072	1,287,697	310,911	19,652,681	207,197				
Less Depreciation Fund Interest				106,985				106,985									
				21,363,068	26,169,683		217,272	5,023,887									
					Deficit to date		4,806,615										
							5,023,887	5,023,887									

(a) £7,050 repaid from Sinking Fund.

(b) Inclusive of a subsidy of £35,625 (of which the sum of £1,040 14s. 0d. was repaid in 1927-28, and the balance in 1928-29) made to the Mine by the Railway Department and exclusive of which there was a loss in working of £31,670.

(c) Including £25,382 to adjust short payments to the Mine in former years.

(d) Inclusive of a subsidy of £80,000 (of which the sum of £37,267 15s. 10d. was repaid in 1926-27, and the balance in 1927-28), made to the Mine by the Railways Department and exclusive of which there was a loss in working of £79,732, including £37,000 spent towards rehabilitating McBride Tunnel.

(e) Inclusive of a subsidy of £25,000 (repaid in 1928-29) made to the Mine by the Railway Department and exclusive of which there was a loss in working of £24,459.

(f) Exclusive of £50,000 appropriated to Consolidated Revenue by Act No. 3838, see Annual Report 1929-30.

(g) Prior to the 30th June, 1932, the number shown is the average number of employees for the year. Since that date the number given is the number of persons employed on the last day of the financial year.

(h) Includes interest earned on Depreciation Fund investments.

(j) To 15th May, 1937. Shift rates in lieu of contract rates operative at all pits (excluding Western Area) as from 17th May, 1937, in accordance with State Coal Mine Tribunal Award No. 37.

(k) Contract rates from 25th October, 1937, to 25th June, 1938. Shiftwork rates operative (excluding Western Area) until 24th October, 1937, average net earnings per shift for year, 20s. 9.37d.

(l) Includes £275 depreciation on Stores on hand.

(m) Includes £100 depreciation on Stores on hand.