Annual Report 2014
The Universal Super Scheme

This report is for members with:
Whole of Life and/or Endowment contracts

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The Trustee,
MLC Nominees Pty Limited (MLC)

ABN 93 002 814 959
AFSL 230702

The Universal Super Scheme (the Scheme)
ABN 44 928 361 101
A year in review

The 2014 financial year was another period of strong performance, particularly for share investors. Very low interest rates meant returns from cash and bonds weren’t as strong, but still solid.

These robust returns were achieved despite economic challenges and global events that unsettled investment markets from time to time.

While the global economy generally improved, future developments in the global investment environment are uncertain.

We remain committed to giving you the choice and confidence to achieve your investment goals. We continue to refine our investment menu, offering a range of investment options including multi-asset portfolios and single asset class funds managed by a range of investment managers.

With ongoing Government superannuation reforms, market fluctuations, the rising cost of living and increased life expectancy, it’s never been more important to regularly review your wealth strategy. This can help ensure you live comfortably now and into your retirement.

Remember, it’s never too late to make your super work for you, regardless of your age or current super balance. We’re here to help you grow your wealth and save for your retirement. For more information, go to saveretirement.com.au

Nicole Smith
Chair
MLC Nominees Pty Limited
Looking out for your interests

The directors of the Trustee Board have a variety of work and life experiences which help them represent your interests.

Made up of executive and non-executive directors who are personally responsible for any decisions they make, their duties include:

- providing investment choice
- ensuring your interests are maintained, and
- keeping you informed of any changes.

The Trustee Board is liable for its activities and has professional indemnity insurance.

The Trustee Board has appointed MLC Limited (ABN 90 000 000 402) to carry out the day-to-day investment management and administration of The Universal Super Scheme.

Annual audit

Each year we are audited by an independent company. We’re pleased to report we’ve met all our financial obligations and received an unqualified audit report. All member benefits are wholly determined by reference to life insurance policies, so this report doesn’t include statements of assets and income, the auditor’s report and accounts or holdings of investments greater than 5%. However, you can easily get a copy of this information by calling us.

Meet the Board

The directors are:

Nicole Smith (Chair)
BFA 1990, CA
GAICD

Michael Clancy
B Bus (Finance and Economics) 1992
CFA 1997

John Reid
B Sc Mathematical Physics 1971
FIA (UK and Australia)

Peggy O’Neal
BA (Virginia) 1973
JD (Virginia) 1976
Diploma of Superannuation Management (Macquarie) 1994
FAICD

Trevor Hunt
B Bus (Accounting and Economics) 1989

Evelyn Horton
Masters of Social Science (Economics) 1995
B Economics 1986 (ANU)
GAICD

Terry McCredden
B Comm (Hon) 1977 (University of Melbourne)

Trustee director movements

Michael Fitzsimons retired effective 30 August 2013.

Richard Rassi retired effective 30 May 2014.

Evelyn Horton was appointed non-executive director effective 28 May 2014.

Terry McCredden was appointed non-executive director effective 28 May 2014.

The MLC group of companies is the wealth management division of the National Australia Bank Limited (NAB) (ABN 12 004 044 937).
Some things you should know

Transfers to an Eligible Rollover Fund

We may transfer your benefit to an Eligible Rollover Fund if:

• you haven't made a contribution in the last 12 months and your balance falls below $500
• we lose contact with you and can't locate you, or
• other situations permitted under the law.

The Eligible Rollover Fund we currently use is the Australian Eligible Rollover Fund and it can be contacted on 1800 677 424.

We’ll advise you in writing to your last known address if we intend to transfer your account balance and will proceed if you don’t respond with instructions regarding an alternative super fund.

Please note, a transfer to an Eligible Rollover Fund may be detrimental to you as the Eligible Rollover Fund may have a different fee structure, different investment strategies and may not offer insurance benefits.

Transfers to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO)

The law and rules defining the transfer of unclaimed superannuation money to the ATO can be viewed on the ATO website at ato.gov.au

In summary, we’re required by law to transfer your account to the ATO if one of the following situations occurs:

• your account balance is less than $2,000 and
  – no contributions have been made to your account for 12 months and we have no way of contacting you, or
  – your account was set up through your employer and there have been no contributions made for over 5 years
• you’re over 65 (male) or 60 (female), no contributions have been made to your account for over 2 years and you haven’t contacted us for at least 5 years
• the ATO informs us that you were a former temporary resident and left the country over six months ago, or
• upon your death and after an extended period of time, we’ve tried but been unable to identify or contact the beneficiary of your account.
How your money is invested

The law also requires us to transfer to the ATO the portion payable to your spouse as a result of Family Law ruling, if after an extended period of time we have not been able to contact your spouse, or your spouse’s beneficiary/estate.

If your account is transferred to the ATO for any of these reasons, you will then have to contact the ATO on 13 10 20 to claim your benefit.

Resolving complaints

We can usually resolve complaints over the phone. If we can’t, or you’re not satisfied with the outcome, please write to us. We’ll work to resolve your complaint as soon as possible.

If you’re not satisfied with our decision you can get further advice from the Superannuation Complaints Tribunal by calling 1300 884 114, or emailing info@sct.gov.au

More information is available on sct.gov.au

Objective and strategy

The Trustee’s investment objective is to provide a guaranteed benefit payable on maturity of the policy or your death.

The Trustee invests in policies issued by MLC Limited who, in turn, invests in a suitably structured portfolio of securities. Surplus assets, over and above those required to fund guaranteed benefits, are generally invested in a more diversified portfolio to increase potential returns.

Investment earnings

In most cases, these products earn bonuses which are allocated annually. Your bonuses, where applicable, are advised each year in your Annual statement.
For more information call us from anywhere in Australia on 132 652 or contact your financial adviser.

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