<u>PART I</u>

ALL PORTFOLIOS ARE REQUESTED TO COMPLETE PART I.

If you cannot answer a question, please indicate whether the question is NOT APPLICABLE or if INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE.

Section 1: Contact details

1.1	Portfolio	Australian River Co. Limited		
1.2	(Please indicate with a	al arrangements are governed by: 'X' whether one or more of the following Acts apply) Management and Accountability Act 1997	⁄ES	NO X
	Commonw	realth Authorities and Companies Act 1997	YES X	NO
	Other	ANL Act 1956		
1.3	Contact Officer	Neil Kelso		
	Position	Not applicable		
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This section asks about your portfolio's total revenues, charges and expenses (but not including the revenues, charges and expenses of agencies that will be completing separate responses to this questionnaire - see Attachment A). All portfolios should complete this section, whether or not you consider you undertake cost recovery.

Section 2: Portfolio revenues, charges and expenses

(Please indicate with a 'X' which response applies)

2.1 Has your portfolio charged any cost recovery fees, levies or other charges in the last five financial years?

YES NO X

Relevant charges include any fees, levies, taxes (including some customs and excise duties earmarked for specific purposes) or other charges which arise from the services, programs or business activities of your portfolio, and which are collected by your portfolio, or by another agency on your behalf. For example, application fees, processing charges, consultancy fees, publication sales, special industry duties, excises or levies other than general taxation.

2.2 Were any of the appropriations allocated to your portfolio in the last five financial years linked (hypothecated) to revenue collected from fees, levies or charges (for example, levies paid to the Consolidated Revenue Fund but earmarked for allocation to your portfolio)? (Whether the revenue was collected by your portfolio or by another agency on your behalf).

YES NO X

2.3 Has your portfolio considered introducing any cost recovery arrangements in the past that were not implemented? (Please attach any relevant reviews, analysis or other information.)

YES NO X

2.4 Is your portfolio considering introducing any cost recovery arrangements in the future? (Please attach any relevant reviews, analysis or other information.)

YES NO X

If you answered NO to questions 2.1 and 2.2, you need not answer any further questions. Thank you for your cooperation. Please return the questionnaire to the Commission (see front sheet for instructions).

If you answered YES to EITHER question 2.1 OR question 2.2 OR both, please complete section 3 below, and Part II on the following worksheet.

YES

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NO

Section 3: Portfolio revenues and expenses

Please do not include the revenues and expenses in this section of agencies that will be completing separate responses to this questionnaire (see Attachment A).

3.1 Does your portfolio classify revenues and expenses as agency and administered?

Agency revenues and expenses are those controlled by the department/agency (for example, employee and administrative expenses). Administered revenues and expenses are those which are controlled by Government and managed or oversighted by the department/agency on behalf of the Government (for example, social security payments).

If your portfolio classifies revenues and expenses as 'agency' and 'administered' then please fill in both tables below. If your portfolio does not classify revenues and expenses as 'agency' and 'administered' then please put all revenues and expenses in the 'agency' table below.

	ENCY portfolio revenues and expenses (Please use \$'000)	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
	Agency revenue from cost recovery (a)				.000 00	.000 2000
3.2	Cost recovery revenue retained by your portfolio					
3.3	Cost recovery revenue paid to CRF and appropriated to your portfolio					
	(or another agency for a specific purpose (ie. annotated,					
	hypothecated or earmarked revenues)					
3.4						
	to your portfolio (or another agency)					
3.5	Total agency revenue from cost recovery	0	0	0	0	0
	Agency revenue from other sources					
3.6	Other appropriations					
3.7	Other sources (eg. asset sales, dividends, interest, funding from other government agencies)					
3.8	Total agency revenue from other sources	0	0	0	0	0
3.9	Total portfolio agency revenue	0	0	0	0	0
3.10	Total agency expenses					

CRF Consolidated Revenue Fund

(a) Include all revenue from fees, levies, excises and other charges which arise from the services or activities of your portfolio, and which is paid to your portfolio, to another agency or to the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

ADMINISTERED portfolio revenues and expenses (Please use \$'000)	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Administered revenue from cost recovery (a)	1000 00	1000 01	1007 00	1000 00	1000 2000
 3.11 Cost recovery revenue retained by your portfolio 3.12 Cost recovery revenue paid to CRF and appropriated to your portfolio (or another agency for a specific purpose (ie. annotated, 3.13 Cost recovery revenue paid to CRF and not specifically appropriated to your portfolio (or another agency) 					
3.14 Total administered revenue from cost recovery Administered revenue from other sources	0	0	0	0	0
3.15 Other appropriations 3.16 Other sources (eg. asset sales, dividends, interest, funding from other government agencies)					
3.17 Total administered revenue from other sources 3.18 Total portfolio administered revenue	0	0	0	0	0
3.19 Total administered expenses					

CRF Consolidated Revenue Fund

(a) Include all revenue from fees, levies, excises and other charges which arise from the services or activities of your portfolio, and which is paid to your portfolio, to another agency or to the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

End of Part I. Please complete Part II, which is on a separate worksheet.

PART II If your portfolio operated any cost recovery arrangements in 1999-2000, please complete this par Please fill out a separate form for each sub-unit, cost recovery program or activity, or output or outcome for which you ar reporting. Similar cost recovery arrangements may be reported in groups. PART II(a) Name of sub-unit, agency, program or activity, output or outcome Section 4: Cost recovery arrangements in 1999-2000 Descriptive material 4.1 Nature of cost recovery arrangement (eg. licence fee, service charge, hypothecated excise tax or levy etc) 4.2 Basic description of arrangements: (Please attach any relevant documents.) 4.3 Who pays the cost recovery charges? 4.4 Who benefits from the program or activity, output or outcome? 4.5 Do you attempt to measure these benefits? If YES, how? 4.6 Are there alternate providers or substitutes for this program or activity, output or outcome? (Please describe) 4.7 When was this cost recovery arrangement introduced?

	PART II(b)	
	e of sub-unit, agency, program or ity, output or outcome	
_	ram or activity, output or outcome cost recovery arrangements in 1999-2000 (continued ase use \$'000)	
Prog	gram or activity, output or outcome revenues	
4.8	Cost recovery revenue paid to CRF earmarked for appropriation to same portfolio \$	
4.9	Cost recovery revenue paid to CRF earmarked for appropriation to a third party	
4.10		
4.11	Cost recovery revenue paid to CRF (subtotal) \$0	
4.12		
4.13	Total cost recovery revenue \$ 0	
4.14	11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
4.15	Other sources (please specify) \$	
4.16	Total program or activity, output or outcome revenues \$	0
Prog	ram or activity, output or outcome expenses	
4.17	Direct expenses \$	
4.18	Indirect expenses (including corporate overheads)	
4.19	Third party expenses (a) \$	
4.20	Total program or activity, output or outcome expenses \$ 0	
Admi	inistration costs	
4.21	What costs are associated with administering the cost recovery arrangements?	
	Consolidated Revenue Fund. Direct costs are those directly related to a particular program. Indirect costs include indirect	
agen	icy overheads and general running costs. (a) Include third party costs where third parties are involved in a program or a	ctivity a
their	costs are being recovered as part of the cost recovery arrangements.	

		PART II(c)
	e of sub-unit, agency, program or ity, output or outcome	
Sec	ion 5: Institutional arrangements	
5.1	What was the rationale for introducing the cost recovery arrangements? (Please atta sources, eg. legislative objects clauses, preleases, second reading speeches.)	ch
5.2	What was the legal basis for establishing	hese cost recovery arrangements: (Please name and attach relevant documents.)
	Legislation (eg. s.31 of the Financial Management and Accountability Act, tax levy acts) Subordinate legislation (eg. regulations, standards)	s or
	Co-regulation or quasi-regulation Commonwealth/State/Territory agreeme Voluntary arrangements (eg. codes of practice) Other	ent
5.3	Who was consulted about introducing the consultation arrangements.) Commonwealth government (DOFA etc) Other governments (state, territory, local Industry Consumers Other	

5.4	What guidelines were consulted when establishing these cost recovery arrangements? (Please attach source of information, guidelines etc.)	
5.5	Which agency is responsible for the following Policy setting Price setting Administration Revenue collection	activities? (Please name relevant agency)
5.6	Is there any ongoing consultation about these Commonwealth government (DOFA etc) Other governments (state, territory, local) Industry Consumers Other	cost recovery arrangements? With whom? (Please name relevant bodies.)
5.7	Please describe these consultation arrangements.	
5.8	Have the cost recovery arrangements been formally reviewed? What was the outcome? (Please attach copy of review)	

		PART II(d)
	of sub-unit, agency, program or , output or outcome	
Section	n 6: Price setting arrangements	
		etermined? (Please attach any relevant documents)
(i)	How are charges set? (eg. by formula legislation or based on 'market prices	
(ii)	Are charges directly related to the cosparticular activities, outcomes or outp charged on some other basis? (eg. le on users' turnover, profits or assets)	uts, or
6.2 I	f charges are directly related to the cos	ts of particular activities, outputs or outcomes:
(i)	What costs do charges aim to recover (eg. only direct costs or indirect costs as overheads)	
(ii)	What proportion of these costs do cha aim to recover? (%)	rges
(iii)	Does the charging regime require ass be valued? (eg. to allow the calculation user cost of capital or return on assets	n of
(iv)	If 'YES' to (iii), on what basis are assevalued? (eg. historic, replacement, de or replacement cost)	
(v)	Do charges include a user cost of cap	ital?
(vi)	If 'YES' to (iv), how is it calculated?	
(vii)	Do charges include return on assets? profit)	(eg.
(viii)	If 'YES' to (vii), on what basis?	
(ix)	Do charges discriminate between type users?	es of
(x)	If 'YES' to (ix), on what basis?	

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6.3	How are indirect costs allocated for cost recovery arrangements? (eg. activity based costing, according to share of direct costs or other rule.)			
6.4	Are there any price controls on these charges?			
6.5	How often is the level of charges changed?			
6.6	What happens if revenue recovered is greater than costs incurred?			
End of Part II. Thank you for your cooperation. Please return the questionnaire and attachments to				
the Commission (see front sheet for instructions)				