# ACKNOWLEDGE EDUCATION PTY LTD A.B.N. 15 005 596 565

#### **DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards in accordance with mandatory professional reporting requirements to the extent described in note 1.

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 5 to 27 are in accordance with:
  - (i) Complying with Accounting Standards General Purpose Financial Statements Simplified Disclosures, and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) presents fairly in all material respects the entity's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date, and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Mark Rushworth

Director

Colm Saunders

Director



## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Australian Government (represented by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency, Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Department of Education and Australian Skills Quality Authority) and the Victorian Government (represented by the Department of Education and Training and Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority)

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the *Financial Report* of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd *(the Company)*.

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd as at 31 December 2024, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures.

The Financial Report comprises:

- Balance sheet as at 31 December 2024
- Statement of comprehensive income, Statement of changes in equity, and Statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- Notes, including material accounting policies
- Directors' Declaration.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the *Financial Report* in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

#### Restriction on use and distribution

The Financial Report has been prepared to assist the Directors of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd

 in meeting the financial reporting requirements of the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Act 2011, VET Student Loans Rules 2016, Higher Education Support Act 2003, Skills First Funding Guidelines, Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority Guidelines and RTO Standards Guide.

As a result, the Financial Report and this Auditor's Report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



Our report is intended solely for the Directors of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd, the Australian Government (represented by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency, Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Department of Education and Australian Skills Quality Authority) and the Victorian Government (represented by the Department of Education and Training and Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority) and should not be used by or distributed to parties other than the Directors of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd, the Australian Government (represented by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency, Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Department of Education and Australian Skills Quality Authority) and the Victorian Government (represented by the Department of Education and Training and Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority). We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report, or on the Financial Report to which it relates, to any person other than the Directors of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd, the Australian Government (represented by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency, Department of Employment and Workplace Relations, Department of Education and Australian Skills Quality Authority) and the Victorian Government (represented by the Department of Education and Training and Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority) or for any other purpose than that for which it was prepared.

#### **Other Information**

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd's annual report which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon and our related assurance opinion.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

#### Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Act 2011, VET Student Loans Rules 2016, Higher Education Support Act 2003, Skills First Funding Guidelines, Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority Guidelines and RTO Standards Guide
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the
  going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable,
  matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless
  they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic
  alternative but to do so.



### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

#### Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the Financial Report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report is located at the *Auditing and Assurance Standards Board* website at:

https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

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Luke Sullivan Partner

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Melbouirne 29 April 2025