WAIKAREMOANA ELECTRIC-POWER SUPPLY.

Profit and Loss Account for Year ended 31st March, 1925.

1923–24.	—	1924–25.	1923–24.	—	1924–25.
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
4,165 8 0	To Interest on capital	4,261 1 0	2,100 0 0	By Rental of plant leased to Wairoa Power Board	2,440 5 8
1,408 11 0	Depreciation on plant (2 per cent. on value of assets in operation)	1,418 10 0	3,473 19 0	Loss for year..	3,295 12 4
	Interest on Depreciation Reserve (4 per cent. on £1,408 11s.)	56 7 0	..		
5,573 19 0		£5,735 18 0	£5,573 19 0		£5,735 18 0
3,473 19 0	Loss for year, as above	3,295 12 4			
390 5 0	Loss carried forward at 1st April, 1924	3,864 4 0	3,864 4 0	Accumulated loss to date carried to balance-sheet.. ..	7,159 16 4
£3,864 4 0		£7,159 16 4	£3,864 4 0		£7,159 16 4

Depreciation Reserve.

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1,408 11 0	Balance carried to balance-sheet	2,883 8 0	1,408 11 0	By Balance at close of previous year	1,408 11 0
				Interest	56 7 0
				Amount reserved for year	1,418 10 0
£1,408 11 0		£2,883 8 0	£1,408 11 0		£2,883 8 0

Balance-sheet at 31st March, 1925.

1923–24.	*Liabilities.*	1924–25.	1923–24.	*Assets.*	1924–25.
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
79,583 6 9	Balance carried to general balance-sheet	82,455 5 9	11,431 10 10	Access roads and bridges	11,431 10 10
20 5 3	Sundry creditors	..	18,474 8 0	Pipe-lines	18,478 6 2
1,408 11 0	Depreciation reserve	2,883 8 0	25,443 0 0	Power-house building and machinery	25,905 18 5
			6,625 1 11	Compensation for land	6,625 1 11
			278 17 3	Headworks	278 17 3
			2,950 15 9	Staff cottages	3,053 0 9
			1,260 1 5	Workmen's huts	1,260 1 5
			407 18 5	Workshop	436 17 11
			..	Loose plant	..
			1,000 0 0	Telephone-line to Wairoa	1,000 0 0
			3,053 11 0	Survey, engineering, and office expenses	3,146 2 8
			5,697 14 5	Interest during construction	5,697 14 5
			76,622 19 0		77,313 11 9
			525 0 0	Sundry debtors	865 5 8
			3,864 4 0	Balance from Profit and Loss Account: Accumulated loss to date	7,159 16 4
£81,012 3 0		£85,338 13 9	£81,012 3 0		£85,338 13 9

The balance-sheet has been compared with the various supporting books, vouchers, and documents, and found to correspond therewith, but in the opinion of the Audit Office the Depreciation Reserve Account cannot be accepted as complying with the provisions of section 10 of the State Supply of Electrical Energy Act, 1917, which requires the establishment of a depreciation fund; and there is also no authority of law for the charging against Net Revenue Account of interest in respect of Depreciation Reserve moneys.—J. H. Fowler, Deputy Controller and Auditor-General.