WAIKATO ELECTRIC-POWER SUPPLY.—HORAHORA SCHEME—*continued.*

Balance-sheet at 31st March, 1925—*continued.*

1923–24.	Liabilities.	1924–25.	
£ s. d.			£ s. d.
512,201 19 0	Brought forward	..	565,267 14 9
£512,201 19 0			£565,267 14 9

1923–24.	Assets.	1924–25.	
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
320,603 15 3	Brought forward	..	361,895 11 1
	Main substations (50,000-volt)—		
20,612 13 8	Waikino	20,719 18 6	
7,826 2 5	Hamilton	7,836 15 6	
5,453 16 2	Te Awamutu	5,478 14 1	
7,230 16 3	Waihou	7,230 16 3	
41,123 8 6			41,266 4 4
	Distribution-lines (11,000-volt)—		
33,333 19 7	Horahora–Frankton	33,155 11 3	
704 11 11	Waihi Grand Junction Company line ..	704 11 11	
6,000 0 0	Waikino–Waihi	6,000 0 0	
40,038 11 6			39,860 3 2
7,413 16 8	Distribution substations (11,000-volt) ..	7,406 1 11	
3,975 11 9	Land at Ruakura	3,975 11 9	
7,365 7 2	Stores buildings and fittings and railway-siding, Ruakura	7,365 7 2	
3,521 5 1	Staff residences, Ruakura	3,511 19 9	
3,723 15 0	Loose tools and equipment	3,256 13 11	
4,694 5 0	Motor lorries, cars, and cycles	4,035 6 10	
494 2 5	Office furniture, Hamilton	648 2 2	
..	Office accommodation	218 19 9	
6,898 2 4	Engineering, office, and general expenses on surveys and on construction	7,266 6 2	
10,740 11 9	Salaries of officers on surveys and on construction	12,400 8 2	
24,224 9 2	Interest during construction	29,865 16 11	
			79,950 14 6
474,817 1 7			522,972 13 1
24,571 14 11	General stocks of material on hand	..	15,964 12 2
	Debtors—		
12,596 4 7	For electricity and sales of material ..	14,077 1 11	
216 17 11	For payments in advance	18 5 11	
12,813 2 6			14,095 7 10
..	Sinking Fund Investment	12,000 0 0	
..	Interest accrued on Sinking Fund	126 11 6	
..	In hands of Treasury	108 10 2	
			12,235 1 8
£512,201 19 0			£565,267 14 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, 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.