TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY (a Component Unit of the Township of Lower)

REPORT OF AUDIT

WITH SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021



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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY Roster of Officials As of November 30, 2022

POSITION

AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS

Brian O'Connor Chairperson
Jacqueline U. Henderson Vice Chairperson

Harrison A. Bitting Treasurer
Marc Lambert Assistant Treasurer

Karen Rechner Board Member

OFFICIALS

Stephen Blankenship Executive Director

Craig Loper Water/Sewer Superintendent

Sharon Otto Board Secretary

Remington, Vernick & Walberg Engineers

William J. Kaufmann Solicitor
McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC Bond Counsel

PART I

FINANCIAL SECTION

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Chairman and Members of
The Board of Commissioners of the
Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority
Villas, New Jersey

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, a component unit of the Township of Lower (Authority), as of and for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, a component unit of the Township of Lower, as of November 30, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows thereof for the fiscal years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, a component unit of the Township of Lower, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

Adoption of New Accounting Principle

As discussed in note 1 to the financial statements, during the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the Authority adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, *Leases*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Consistency of Financial Statements

Because of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, the Authority has determined that certain disclosures of leases meet the criteria of this Statement. As a result, a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources are recorded for the underlying lease (Note 3). Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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Emphasis of Matter (Cont'd)

Prior Period Restatement

Because of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, the accompanying financial statements as of and for the year ended November 30, 2021 have been restated, as discussed in note 11 to the financial statements. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are 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 absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or
 error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include
 examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
 appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of
 the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, schedule of the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability, schedule of the Authority's pension contributions, schedule of the Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, and schedule of the Authority's OPEB contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary schedules as listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, respectively, are also presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying supplementary schedules and the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary schedules and the schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 7, 2025 on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Bowman & Conjoany CLP

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey April 7, 2025



REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Chairman and Members of
The Board of Commissioners of the
Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority
Villas, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, (Authority), as of and for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 7, 2025. Our report on the financial statements included an emphasis of matter paragraph describing the adoption of a new accounting principle and an additional paragraph on the consistency of the financial statements resulting from the new accounting principle. Also, our report on the financial statements included an emphasis of matter paragraph describing the restatement of the prior period financial statements resulting from the adoption of a new accounting principle.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and the audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, and federal and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities, in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Bowman & Conjoany CLP

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey April 7, 2025

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited)

The management's discussion and analysis of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority (Authority) financial performance provides an overall review of the Authority's financial activities for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021. The entire annual financial report consists of five parts; Independent Auditor's Reports, the management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, required supplementary information and supplementary information.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Management believes the financial position of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") is strong. Key financial highlights for the Authority's fiscal year 2022 were:

- Total assets as of November 30, 2022 were \$99,514,624.72. After adding deferred outflows of resources of \$5,543,704.17 and deducting liabilities of \$54,071,279.99 and deferred inflows of resources of \$8,475,642.57; the resulting net position is \$42,511,406.33.
- Operating revenues were \$9,700,838.12 and \$8,820,230.63 for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively.
- Operating expenses were \$7,304,745.16 and \$6,641,474.23 for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The increase in 2022 due to higher personnel costs as a result of cost of living adjustments as well as a provision for new hires and increases for new titles.
- Payments to the Township of Lower for municipal appropriation for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021 were \$160,000.00, in accordance with the Authority's adopted budgets.
- Net investment in capital assets was \$29,572,760.38 as of November 30, 2022, an increase of \$2,975,207.11 from the prior year, as a result of the Authority's continued investment in capital assets and paydown of permanent debt. Unrestricted net position was \$12,466,005.32 as of November 30, 2022, an increase of \$1,684,611.92 from the prior year.
- During the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the Authority adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 87 Leases. The notes to the financial statements provide a more thorough discussion of the implementation of this GASB Statement and the effects to the financial statements. Because of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, the financial statements as of and for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2021 have been restated.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Authority's basic financial statements. Comparison to the prior year's activity is provided in this document. The Authority's basic financial statements comprise two components: (1) financial statements, and (2) notes to the financial statements.

The basic financial statements report information about the Authority as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statements of net position includes all of the Authority's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources. As the Authority follows the accrual method of accounting, the current fiscal year's revenue and expenses are accounted for in the statements of revenues, expenses and change in net position regardless of when cash is received or paid. Net position - the difference between the Authority's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources - are a measure of the Authority's financial health or position. The statements of revenues, expenses and change in net position provides a breakdown of the various areas of revenues and expenses encountered during the current fiscal year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited) (Cont'd)

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

The statements of cash flows provides a breakdown of the various sources of cash flow, categorized into four areas: cash flows from operating activities, noncapital financing activities, capital and related financing activities and investing activities.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE AUTHORITY AS A WHOLE

The Authority's total net position was \$42,511,406.33 on November 30, 2022. Total assets, deferred outflows of resources, total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and total net position are detailed below.

A significant portion of the Authority's net position represents its investment in capital assets (i.e. water and sewer infrastructures, buildings, improvements and equipment); less the related debt outstanding used to acquire those capital assets. Although the Authority's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it is noted that the resources required to repay this debt must be provided annually from operations, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate liabilities.

An additional portion of the Authority's net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they can be used under the Bond Resolution covenants. The remaining portion of the Authority's net position is in unrestricted net position.

Comparative Statements of Net Position As of November 30.

		november 30,			
	(Restated)			Change from 2	021 to 2022
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Total Unrestricted Assets	\$ 6,556,292.70	\$ 10,205,264.41	\$ 14,313,720.59	\$ (3,648,971.71)	-35.76%
Total Restricted Assets	16,680,291.15	11,756,950.86	4,214,416.59	4,923,340.29	41.88%
Capital Assets	73,514,939.68	49,478,815.79	45,924,531.75	24,036,123.89	48.58%
Other Assets	2,763,101.19	1,845,368.10	383,847.02	917,733.09	49.73%
Total Assets	99,514,624.72	73,286,399.16	64,836,515.95	26,228,225.56	35.79%
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,543,704.17	5,439,197.57	6,452,902.02	104,506.60	1.92%
Total Current Liabilities					
Payable from Current Assets	910,501.32	852,122.71	771,766.84	58,378.61	6.85%
Payable from Restricted Assets	2,971,277.58	1,653,143.59	860,660.60	1,318,133.99	79.73%
Long-Term Obligations	50,189,501.09	29,742,672.50	26,490,895.38	20,446,828.59	68.75%
Total Liabilities	54,071,279.99	32,247,938.80	28,123,322.82	21,823,341.19	67.67%
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	8,475,642.57	8,628,414.37	7,150,363.00	(152,771.80)	-1.77%
Net Position					
Net Investment in Capital Assets	29,572,760.38	26,597,553.27	28,267,237.55	2,975,207.11	11.19%
Restricted	472,640.63	470,296.89	503,400.01	2,343.74	0.50%
Unrestricted	12,466,005.32	10,781,393.40	7,245,094.59	1,684,611.92	15.63%
Total Net Position	\$42,511,406.33	\$ 37,849,243.56	\$ 36,015,732.15	\$ 4,662,162.77	12.32%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited) (Cont'd)

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE AUTHORITY AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

The Authority realized operating income of \$2,396,092.96 for the current fiscal year. Combined with non-operating revenues (expenses) of (\$253,658.53) and capital contribution of \$2,519,728.34, the Authority's total change in net position for the current fiscal year was an increase of \$4,662,162.77. Major components of this activity are detailed below.

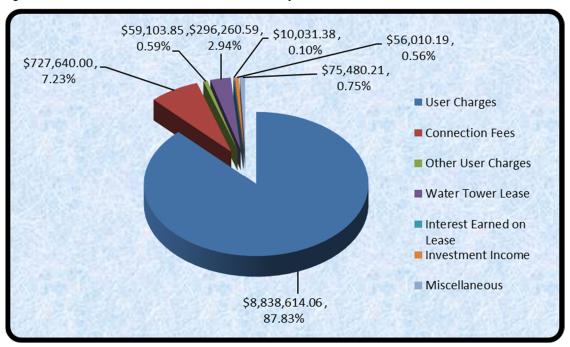
Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position for the Fiscal Years Ended November 30,

	2022	(Restated) 2021	Change from 2	2021 to 2022	
				Amount	Percentage
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 9,700,838.12	\$ 8,820,230.63	\$ 8,858,379.73	\$ 880,607.49	9.98%
Total Operating Expenses	(7,304,745.16)	(6,641,474.23)	(6,565,531.00)	(663,270.93)	9.99%
Operating Income	2,396,092.96	2,178,756.40	2,292,848.73	217,336.56	9.98%
Non Operating Revenues / (Expenses)	(253,658.53)	(345,244.99)	(388,746.20)	91,586.46	-26.53%
Increase in Net Position, Before Capital Contribution	2,142,434.43	1,833,511.41	1,904,102.53	308,923.02	16.85%
Capital Contribution	2,519,728.34			2,519,728.34	0.00%
Increase in Net Position, After Capital Contribution	4,662,162.77	1,833,511.41	1,904,102.53	2,828,651.36	154.28%
Net Position - Beginning	37,849,243.56	36,015,732.15	34,111,629.62	1,833,511.41	5.09%
Net Position - Ending	\$ 42,511,406.33	\$ 37,849,243.56	\$ 36,015,732.15	\$ 4,662,162.77	12.32%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited) (Cont'd)

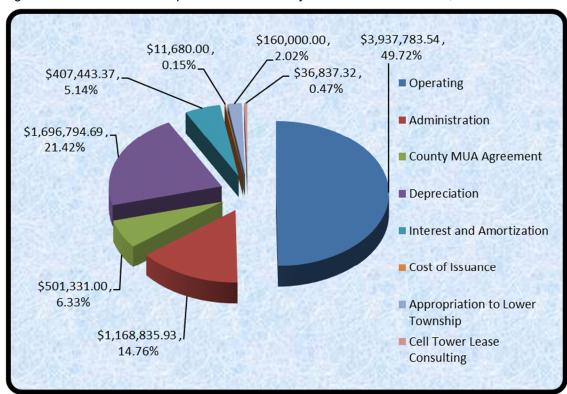
TOTAL REVENUES

Following is a breakdown of total revenue for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022.



TOTAL EXPENSES

Following is a breakdown of total expenses for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022.



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited) (Cont'd)

OVERALL ANALYSIS

The Authority's overall financial position is firm. User fees and rent revenues increased by \$239,561.05 or 2.77% from fiscal year 2021 to fiscal year 2022 as phase 1 of the Del Haven water users were connected at the end of fiscal year 2022.

Connection fee revenue in fiscal year 2022 was \$727,640.00 compared to \$114,100.00 in fiscal year 2021. The Authority expanded the water system to new users in the Del Haven area of the Middle Township. Phase 1 users were connected, and the Authority realized the connection fee revenue in 2022.

Overall, the Authority believes it is managing its financial position as efficiently as possible in spite of the challenging fiscal environment. Net position increased by \$4,662,162.77 in 2022, and \$1,833,511.41 in 2021. The increase in net position is consistent with the Authority's plan to reinvest those gains into capital projects, which do not show as expenditures in GAAP financial statements. The Authority expended over \$25,000,000.00 on capital projects and major repairs in fiscal year 2022. The capital expenditures will be recorded as expenses over the next few decades as they are depreciated. The water and sewer service charges have been very stable and are expected to grow steadily during the next few years as expansion projects are completed. Further, the recent and planned service extensions have allowed the Authority to increase its customers with only minimal increases in service costs. This has allowed the Authority to reinvest into its infrastructure without increasing service rates. Also, the residential and public sectors, the most stable when considering the volatility of a billing base, comprise approximately 95% of the Authority's water and sewer customers. There is no particular emphasis or imbalance in the type of business enterprises within the commercial sector. Industrial users exist, but do not comprise a major portion of the Authority's billing base.

BUDGET VARIANCES

The actual Water Division revenues exceeded the anticipated revenues by \$1,096,760.34 in 2022 [\$3,835,200.00 budgeted vs. \$4,931,960.34 actual] and \$214,570.35 in 2021 [\$3,803,500.00 budgeted vs. \$4,018,070.35 actual]. The actual Sewer Division revenues fell short of the anticipated revenues by \$98,008.37 in 2022 [\$5,216,300.00 budgeted vs. \$5,118,291.63 actual] and fell short of the anticipated revenues by \$10,324.23 in 2021 [\$5,024,300.00 budgeted vs. \$5,013,975.77 actual].

Connection fee revenues of \$12,800.00 were budgeted in 2022 and 2021, respectively. Actual revenues realized for connection fees totaled \$727,640.00 in 2022 and \$114,100.00 in 2021. As noted above, the connection fees for the Phase 1 of the Del Haven water expansion were recognized in fiscal year 2022 when the part of the project was completed and actual water service became available. The budgeted connection fees are based on miscellaneous development by the private sector and not those created through the Authority's expansion programs. The Authority's management does not utilize expansion project connection fees to balance operating budgets and therefore does not budget those connection fees in the operating budget. The expansion project connection fees are not budgeted so when they are earned, they create net position that can be utilized for future capital needs or future debt service.

Total Operating Appropriations once again came in well under our budget for 2022 in the amount of \$798,925.55 (Water Division) and \$472,196.10 (Sewer Division); as compared to 2021 in the amount of \$359,513.40 (Water Division) and \$562,491.18 (Sewer Division).

During fiscal years 2022 and 2021, the Township of Lower exercised its right to request up to 5% of the appropriated annual costs of operation of the Authority per N.J.S.A. 40A: 5A-12.1. The amounts requested in both 2022 and 2021 were \$160,000.00.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited) (Cont'd)

CAPITAL ASSET AND LONG-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY

At the end of the fiscal year 2022, the Authority had a net book value of \$73,514,939.68 in land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, machinery and equipment, infrastructure and other assets.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

- Depreciation expense of \$1,696,794.69.
- Capital Assets addition of \$25,732,918.58 in cost basis.
- Completed assets placed into service of \$1,162,329.41.

The table below shows a summary of the fiscal years 2022 and 2021 balances.

Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation) For the Fiscal Years Ended November 30,

		2022	<u>2021</u>
Land	\$	97,234.00	\$ 97,234.00
Construction In Progress	29	9,945,003.76	5,374,414.59
Buildings and Improvements	7	7,650,266.75	7,870,588.88
Machinery and Equipment	2	2,076,346.84	1,999,834.78
Infrastructure	33	3,740,133.78	34,129,776.74
Other		5,954.55	 6,966.80
Total Capital Assets	\$ 73	3,514,939.68	\$ 49,478,815.79

The Authority continues to maintain a proactive maintenance philosophy for its capital facilities. The Authority's 2022-2023 budget includes \$19,740,000.00 in Sewer Capital and \$6,321,000.00 in Water Capital construction projects and equipment purchases funded through the budget, Renewal and Replacement Fund and Long Term Debt issues. The major projects in the 2022-2023 Capital Program include the following:

- 1. Sewer Treatment Plant Improvements
- 2. Purchase of Sewer Pumps, Skim Arms, Mechanical Work
- 3. Sanitary Sewer Waste Activated Sludge Thickening
- 4. Vacuum Sewer Expansion
- 5. Sewer Pump Station Rehabilitation
- 6. Sanitary Sewer Main Replacement
- 7. Water Conversion to Chlorine Tablet System
- 8. Water Well Inspection & Refurbish
- 9. Water Storage Water Tank Painting & Repairs
- 10. Water Main Replacement
- 11. Purchase of Various Operating Equipment and Vehicles

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022 AND 2021 (Unaudited) (Cont'd)

CAPITAL ASSET AND LONG-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY (CONT'D)

In connection with the most recent bond sale in February 2014, Moody's Investors Services assigned a rating of Aa3 to the Authority. The Authority does not anticipate any change in its excellent credit rating.

\$175,000.00 of debt service principal payments scheduled in 2022 were paid on the outstanding Revenue Refunding Bond of 2012. \$248,034.32 of debt service principal payments scheduled in 2022 were paid on three series of USDA Loans. \$88,624.11 of debt service principal payments scheduled in 2022 were paid on NJIB Trust and Fund Loans.

On April 21, 2021, the Authority closed on a construction financing program (CFP) interim loan (S340810-05) from the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank in the amount of \$17,100,000.00. The loan consists of 50% DEP interest-free funding and 50% I-Bank market rate financing. The maturity date of the loan is June 30, 2024 or the date of closing for the anticipated permanent financing program of NJIB. On October 31, 2022, the interim loan was increased to \$28,783,951.00. The loan proceeds held by NJIB are being used to fund the costs of the vacuum sewer expansion project. As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, cumulative expenditures under this program was \$15,861,709 and \$4,300,726.00, respectively.

On June 11, 2021, the Authority closed on a construction financing program (CFP) interim loan (0505002-004) from the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank in the amount of \$8,500,000.00. The loan consists of 50% DEP interest-free funding and 50% I-Bank market rate financing. The maturity date of the loan is June 30, 2025 or the date of closing for the anticipated permanent financing program of NJIB. On October 31, 2022, the interim loan was increased to \$10,778,546.00. The loan proceeds held by NJIB are being used to fund the costs of installing the water main and extending water service connections to the Del Haven area in Middle Township. As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, cumulative expenditures under this program was \$9,122,846.00 and \$384,146.00, respectively.

CONTACTING THE AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide Lower Township's citizens and our customers, clients, investors and creditors, with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to demonstrate the Authority's accountability for the public funds it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Executive Director, Stephen Blankenship, Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority, 2900 Bayshore Road, Villas, NJ 08251.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Statements of Net Position
As of November 30, 2022 and 2021

ASSETS	<u>2022</u>	(Restated) <u>2021</u>
Current Assets:		
Unrestricted Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,084,457.77	\$ 8,809,247.69
Consumer Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowance	Ψ 0,004,407.77	Ψ 0,000,247.00
of \$37,554.03 and \$41,515.12, respectively	1,051,692.43	1,061,605.03
Connection Fees Receivable	160,270.28	90,181.28
Lease Receivable	246,599.97	232,600.16
Prepaid Expenses	13,272.25	11,630.25
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Total Unrestricted Assets	6,556,292.70	10,205,264.41
Restricted Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	6,366,264.81	7,072,078.86
NJIB Loans Receivable	7,794,298.00	4,684,872.00
Due from Lower Cape May County Regional Schools	2,519,728.34	
Total Restricted Assets	16,680,291.15	11,756,950.86
Total Current Assets	23,236,583.85	21,962,215.27
Noncurrent Assets: Capital Assets:		
Land	97,234.00	97,234.00
Completed (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	43,472,701.92	44,007,167.20
Construction in Progress	29,945,003.76	5,374,414.59
Total Capital Assets	73,514,939.68	49,478,815.79
Unrestricted Assets:		
Connection Fees Receivable	447,105.39	175,126.00
Lease Receivable	2,315,995.80	1,670,242.10
Total Unrestricted Assets	2,763,101.19	1,845,368.10
Total Noncurrent Assets	76,278,040.87	51,324,183.89
Total Assets	99,514,624.72	73,286,399.16
DEFERDED OUTELOWS OF DESCURPCES		
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Related to Pensions	639,935.00	675,465.00
Related to OPEB	4,869,229.00	4,723,098.55
Deferred Loss on Defeasance of Debt		4,723,096.55
Deletted Loss off Deleasance of Debt	34,540.17	40,034.02
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	5,543,704.17	5,439,197.57

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Statements of Net Position
As of November 30, 2022 and 2021

		(Restated)
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Current Liabilities Payable from Unrestricted Assets:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 537,409.97	\$ 525,028.36
Accounts Payable - Related to Pensions	251,247.00	225,283.00
Payroll Deductions Payable	22,265.17	12,921.73
Compensated Absences - Current Portion	46,596.33	39,020.75
Overpayments	52,982.85	49,868.87
Total Current Liabilities Payable from Unrestricted Assets	910,501.32	852,122.71
Current Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets:		
Construction Contracts Payable	2,285,216.92	1,015,582.54
Deposits and Reserves	39,474.95	21,829.91
Accrued Interest on Bonds and Loans Payable	124,040.20	104,072.71
Revenue Bonds Payable - Current Portion	180,000.00	175,000.00
USDA Loans Payable - Current Portion	253,921.40	248,034.32
NJIB Loan Payable - Current Portion	88,624.11	88,624.11
Total Current Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets	2,971,277.58	1,653,143.59
Long-term Liabilities:		
Compensated Absences	133,522.05	177,014.93
Net Pension Liability	3,006,756.00	2,278,864.00
Net OPEB Liability	5,775,580.00	5,798,270.00
Accrued Liability - Related to Pensions	104,686.00	93,868.00
Interim NJIB Loan Payable	24,984,555.00	4,684,872.00
NJIB Loan Payable	2,622,015.20	2,713,081.76
Revenue Bonds Payable	2,142,314.13	2,322,707.70
USDA Loans Payable	11,420,072.71	11,673,994.11
Total Long-Term Liabilities	50,189,501.09	29,742,672.50
Total Liabilities	54,071,279.99	32,247,938.80
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Related to Pensions	473,908.00	1,434,558.00
Related to OPEB	5,452,991.00	5,291,978.00
Related to Leases	2,548,743.57	1,901,878.37
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	8,475,642.57	8,628,414.37
NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	29,572,760.38	26,597,553.27
Restricted: Bond Service Fund	218,421.88	215,937.51
Bond Service Reserve Fund	254,218.75	254,359.38
Unrestricted	12,466,005.32	10,781,393.40
Total Net Position	\$ 42,511,406.33	\$ 37,849,243.56

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

30300 Exhibit B

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position For the Fiscal Years Ended November 30, 2022 and 2021

Operating Revenues:	<u>2022</u>	(Restated) <u>2021</u>
User Charges, Service Agreements, Fees, Penalties and Provision for Doubtful Accounts Connection Fees Other Operating Revenues	\$ 8,897,717.91 727,640.00 75,480.21	\$ 8,658,156.86 114,100.00 47,973.77
Total Operating Revenues	9,700,838.12	8,820,230.63
Operating Expenses: Administration:		
Salaries and Wages Fringe Benefits Other Expenses Cost of Providing Services:	501,443.90 130,287.46 537,104.57	462,307.50 110,786.92 454,423.82
Salaries and Wages Fringe Benefits Other Expenses Depreciation	1,415,031.78 720,915.13 2,303,167.63 1,696,794.69	1,268,992.13 488,177.29 2,239,526.00 1,617,260.57
Total Operating Expenses	7,304,745.16	6,641,474.23
Operating Income	2,396,092.96	2,178,756.40
Non-Operating Revenue / (Expenses): Appropriations to Lower Township Lease Revenue Interest Earned on Leases Investment Income Interest on Debt Cost of Issuance Cell Tower Lease Consulting Services Gain on Disposal of Capital Assets	(160,000.00) 296,260.59 10,031.38 56,010.19 (407,443.37) (11,680.00) (36,837.32)	(160,000.00) 233,385.54 8,227.73 4,605.41 (395,442.74) (25,635.50) (33,439.30) 23,053.87
Total Non-Operating Revenue / (Expenses)	(253,658.53)	(345,244.99)
Change in Net Position, Before Capital Contributions	2,142,434.43	1,833,511.41
Capital Contributions	2,519,728.34	
Change in Net Position, After Capital Contributions	4,662,162.77	1,833,511.41
Net Position - Beginning	37,849,243.56	36,015,732.15
Net Position - Ending	\$ 42,511,406.33	\$ 37,849,243.56

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Statements of Cash Flows
For the Fiscal Years Ended November 30, 2022 and 2021

	<u>2022</u>	(Restated) <u>2021</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Receipts from Customers and Users	\$ 8,910,744.49	\$ 8,436,828.39
Receipts from Connection Fees	385,571.61	311,100.61
Payments for Other Goods or Services	(2,811,887.55)	(2,692,318.91)
Payments for Employee Services	(2,962,505.58)	(2,591,447.83)
Other Operating Receipts	75,480.21	47,973.77
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	3,597,403.18	3,512,136.03
Cash Flows from Non-Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Payment to the Township of Lower	(160,000.00)	(160,000.00)
Receipts from Leasing of Cell Towers	283,372.28	232,421.65
Interest Earned on Leases	10,031.38	8,227.73
Payments for Lease Consulting Services	(36,837.32)	(33,439.30)
Net Cash Provided by Non-Capital and Related Financing Activities	96,566.34	47,210.08
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Principal Paid on Bonds	(175,000.00)	(165,000.00)
Principal Paid on USDA Loans	(248,034.32)	(242,293.25)
Principal Paid on NJIB Loans	(88,624.11)	(88,624.11)
Interest Paid on Bonds and Loans	(384,218.05)	(395,386.20)
Cash Received From NJIB Interim Loans	17,190,257.00	
Payments of Bond Issuance Costs	(11,680.00)	(25,635.50)
Payment of Capital Lease		(183.36)
Acquisitions of Capital Assets	(24,463,284.20)	(4,433,647.73)
Cash Received on Disposals of Capital Assets		62,228.83
Net Cash Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities	(8,180,583.68)	(5,288,541.32)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Gain / Loss on Investment	56,010.19	4,605.41
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	56,010.19	4,605.41
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(4,430,603.97)	(1,724,589.80)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 1	15,881,326.55	17,605,916.35
Cash and Cash Equivalents, November 30	\$ 11,450,722.58	\$ 15,881,326.55

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Statements of Cash Flows
For the Fiscal Years Ended November 30, 2022 and 2021

	<u>2022</u>	(Restated) <u>2021</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided		
by Operating Activities:		
Operating Income	\$ 2,396,092.96	\$ 2,178,756.40
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash		
Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation Expense	1,696,794.69	1,617,260.57
Pension Liability Expense (Benefit) - GASB 68	(160,446.00)	(265,345.00)
Other Post Employment Benefits - GASB 75	(7,807.45)	(31,465.40)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		
(Increase) Decrease in Consumer Accounts Receivable	9,912.60	(228,642.15)
(Increase) Decrease in Connection Fees Receivable	(342,068.39)	197,000.61
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Expense	(1,642.00)	(833.17)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	12,381.61	(731.92)
Increase (Decrease) in Payroll Deductions Payable	9,343.44	8,653.72
Increase (Decrease) in Overpayments	3,113.98	7,313.68
Increase (Decrease) in Deposits and Reserves	17,645.04	3,196.00
Increase (Decrease) in Compensated Absences	 (35,917.30)	26,972.69
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 3,597,403.18	\$ 3,512,136.03

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Fiscal Years Ended November 30, 2022 and 2021

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") have been prepared to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The following is a summary of the more significant of these policies.

Reporting Entity

The Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey and was originally created by an ordinance adopted on July 24, 1968 by the governing body of the Township of Lower (the "Township"), in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey.

The Authority was created for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, maintaining and operating water facilities for accumulating, supplying, and distributing water, and acquiring, constructing, maintaining, improving, and operating sewage facilities for collecting, treating, purifying and disposing of sewage and other wastes.

Component Unit

In evaluating how to define the Authority for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include any potential component units in the financial reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, as amended. Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are in-substance part of the government's operations. Each discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the government.

The basic-but not the only-criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the government and / or its citizens.

A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the government is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Finally, the nature and significance of a potential component unit to the primary government could warrant its inclusion within the reporting entity.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the Authority has no component units and is a component unit of the Township of Lower, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey.

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Authority have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to enterprise funds of State and Local Governments on a going concern basis. The focus of enterprise funds is the measurement of economic resources, that is, the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), financial position and cash flows. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Basis of Presentation (Cont'd)

The Authority is a single enterprise fund and maintains its records on the accrual basis of accounting. Enterprise funds account for activities (i) that are financed with debt that is secured solely by a pledge of the net revenues from fees and charges of the activity; or (ii) that are required by law or regulations that the activity's cost of providing services, including capital cost (such as depreciation or debt service), be recovered with fees and charges, rather than with taxes or similar revenues; or (iii) that the pricing policies of the activity establish fees and charges designed to recover its costs, including capital costs (such as depreciation or debt service). Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the related liability is incurred.

The transactions of the Authority are divided into two separate activities (water and sewer) within the enterprise fund type. Each activity is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflow of resources, net position, revenues and expenditures.

Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Enterprise funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues -- Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions - Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. Water and sewer service charges are recognized as revenue when services are provided. Connection fees are collected in advance and, accordingly, the Authority defers these revenues until the municipality issues a release for certificate of occupancy and determines that water distribution and sewage collection services are being provided to the properties.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Authority receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, contributed capital, and donations. Revenue from grants, contributed capital, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the fiscal year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Authority must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Authority on a reimbursement basis.

Expenses - On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The Authority must adopt an annual budget in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:31-2. N.J.A.C. 5:31-2 requires the governing body to introduce the annual Authority budget at least 60 days prior to the end of the current fiscal year and to adopt not later than the beginning of the Authority's fiscal year. The governing body may amend the budget at any point during the fiscal year. The budget is adopted on the accrual basis of accounting with provisions for cash payments for bond principal. Depreciation expense, bond issue costs, cell tower lease consulting fees, deferred loss on defeasance and the annual required contribution for the Authority's pension and other postemployment benefits (OPEB) plan are not included in the budget appropriations.

The legal level of budgetary control is established at the same level of detail shown on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. All budget transfers and amendments to those accounts must be approved by resolution of the Authority as required by the Local Finance Board. Management may transfer among supplementary line items as long as the legal level line items are not affected. There are no statutory requirements that budgetary line items not be over-expended. The Authority did not adopt an amending budget resolution during the fiscal year.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (Cont'd)

The Authority records encumbrances. An encumbrance represents a commitment related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. The issuance of a purchase order or the signing of a contract would create an encumbrance. The encumbrance does not represent an expenditure for the period, only a commitment to expend resources. At fiscal year-end, the accounting records are adjusted to record only expenses in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds and cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. Such is the definition of cash and cash equivalents used in the statement of cash flows. U.S. treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

New Jersey governmental units are required by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 to deposit public funds in a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State of New Jersey and organized under the laws of the United States or of the State of New Jersey or in the New Jersey Cash Management Fund. N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1 provides a list of investments which may be purchased by New Jersey governmental units. These permissible investments generally include bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, government money market mutual funds, any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, bonds or other obligations of the local unit or bonds or other obligations of the school district of which the local unit is a part or within which the school district is located, bonds or other obligations approved by the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs for investment by local units, local government investment pools, deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund, and agreements for the purchase of fully collateralized securities with certain provisions. In addition, other State statutes permit investments in obligations issued by local authorities and other state agencies.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"), a multiple financial institutional collateral pool, which was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. Public depositories include State or federally chartered banks, savings banks or associations located in or having a branch office in the State of New Jersey, the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of governmental units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the amount of their deposits to the governmental units.

Additionally, the Authority has adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act. In lieu of designating a depository, the cash management plan may provide that the local unit make deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

Inventories

Inventory consists principally of chemicals for the treatment of water, sewerage and sludge and is valued at cost. The Authority has determined that the inventories are immaterial and are not recorded in the financial statements.

Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses recorded on the financial statements represent payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond the applicable fiscal year end.

Lease Receivable

Lease receivables recorded on the statements of net position represents a contract that conveys control of the right to use the Authority's (lessor) nonfinancial asset. At the commencement of the lease term, the lessor recognizes a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. The lease receivable is measured at the present value of lease payments expected to be received during the lease term.

Capital Assets

Capital assets primarily consist of expenditures to acquire, construct, place in operation and improve the facilities of the Authority. Assets purchased are stated at actual cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date received.

Expenditures, which enhance the asset or significantly extend the useful life of the asset, are considered improvements and are added to the capital asset's currently capitalized cost. The cost of normal repairs and maintenance are not capitalized. Costs incurred during construction of an asset are recorded as construction in progress. In the fiscal year that the project is completed, these costs are transferred to Capital Assets - Completed. Interest costs incurred during construction are capitalized into the cost of the asset.

Lease assets are measured on the statements of net position at the amount of the initial measurement of the related lease liability, plus any payments made to the lessor at or before the commencement of the lease term and certain direct costs.

Expenditures are capitalized when they meet the following requirements:

- 1) Cost of \$2,500.00 or more
- 2) Useful life of more than one year
- 3) Asset is not affected by consumption

Amortization and Depreciation

Amortization on lease assets and depreciation on other capital assets is computed using the straight-line method over the shorter of the lease term or the following useful lives:

Land and Improvements20 yearsBuildings and Improvements50 yearsMachinery and Equipment5 to 15 yearsInfrastructure50 yearsOther5 to 15 years

Bond and Loan Premiums

Bond and loan premiums arising from the issuance of long-term debt are amortized over the life of the bonds and loans, in a systematic and rational method, from the issue date to maturity as a component of interest expense. Bond and loan premiums are presented as an adjustment of the face amount on the bonds and loans.

Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources

The statements of net position reports separate sections for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources, reported after total assets, represents a reduction of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) at that time. Deferred inflows of resources, reported after total liabilities, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) at that time.

Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd)

Transactions are classified as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources only when specifically prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) standards. The Authority is required to report the following as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources: leases, loss on defeasance of debt, defined benefit pension plans and postemployment benefit plans.

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences are those absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation, sick leave, and sabbatical leave. A liability for compensated absences that are attributable to services already rendered, and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Authority and its employees, is accrued as the employees earn the rights to the benefits. Compensated absences that relate to future services, or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Authority and its employees, are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or in which such events take place.

Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Unearned revenue is recorded as a liability until the revenue is measurable and the Authority is eligible to realize the assets as revenue.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension (benefit) expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS") and additions to/deductions from PERS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the plans. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB (benefit) expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the Plan) and additions to/deductions from the Plan's respective fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plan. Accordingly, contributions (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Net Position

In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34 ("Statement 34") of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board "Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments", the Authority has classified its net position into three components – net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

Net Investment in Capital Assets - This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation or amortization of intangible capital assets, reduced, by the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt also should be included in this component of net position.

Net Position (Cont'd)

Net Investment in Capital Assets (Cont'd) - If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds or deferred inflows of resources at fiscal year-end, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets. Instead, that portion of the debt or deferred inflows of resources should be included in the same net position component as the unspent amount.

Restricted - Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Authority or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Unrestricted - This component of net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets." This component includes net position that may be allocated for specific purposes by the Board.

Income Taxes

The Authority operates as defined by the Internal Revenue Code Section 115 and appropriately is exempt from income taxes under Section 115.

Reclassifications

Certain fiscal year 2021 amounts have been reclassified to conform to fiscal year 2022 presentation.

Operating and Non-Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues include all revenues derived from water treatment and sewer collection facilities (i.e., water and sewer rents and connection fees) and other revenue sources. Non-operating revenues principally consist of water tower lease revenue and lease interest income, and investment income.

Operating expenses include expenses associated with the operation, maintenance and repair of the water treatment and sewer collection facilities and general administrative expenses. Non-operating expenses principally include expenses attributable to the Authority's interest on funded debt, debt issue costs, cell tower lease consulting services, and appropriations to the Township of Lower.

Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Policies

Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

Statement No. 87, *Leases*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by improving accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments. This Statement increases the usefulness of governments' financial statements by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities.

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Pronouncements (Cont'd)

Because of the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, the Authority has determined that lease agreements in the prior fiscal year formerly reported and / or disclosed have now been reported and disclosed in accordance with the Statement (notes 3 and 11).

Statement No. 89, Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period. The objective of this Statement is to enhance the relevance and comparability of information about capital assets and the cost of borrowing for a reporting period. It also simplifies accounting for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. The adoption of this Statement had no impact on the Authority's financial statements.

Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020.* The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. The requirements of this Statements are effective as follows:

- 1. The requirements related to the effective date of Statement 87 and Implementation Guide 2019-3, reinsurance recoveries, and terminology used to refer to derivative instruments.
- 2. The requirements related to intra-entity transfers of assets and those related to the applicability of Statements 73 and 74.
- 3. The requirements related to application of Statement 84 to postemployment benefit arrangements and those related to nonrecurring fair value measurements of assets or liabilities.
- 4. The requirements related to the measurement of liabilities (and assets, if any) associated with AROs in a government acquisition.

The adoption of this Statement had no impact on the Authority's financial statements.

Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*. The objective of this Statement is to address the accounting and financial reporting effects that result from the replacement of interbank offered rates (IBORs) with other reference rates in order to preserve the reliability, relevance, consistency, and comparability of reported information. The adoption of this Statement had no impact on the Authority's financial statements.

Statement No. 97, Certain Component Unit Criteria, and Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans The primary objectives of this Statement are to (1) increase consistency and comparability related to the reporting of fiduciary component units in circumstances in which a potential component unit does not have a governing board and the primary government performs the duties that a governing board typically would perform; (2) mitigate costs associated with the reporting of certain defined contribution pension plans, defined contribution other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plans, and employee benefit plans other than pension plans or OPEB plans (other employee benefit plans) as fiduciary component units in fiduciary fund financial statements; and (3) enhance the relevance, consistency, and comparability of the accounting and financial reporting for Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 457 deferred compensation plans (Section 457 plans) that meet the definition of a pension plan and for benefits provided through those plans. The adoption of this Statement had no impact on the Authority's financial statements.

Statement No. 98, *The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report* This Statement establishes the term annual comprehensive financial report and its acronym ACFR. That new term and acronym replace instances of comprehensive annual financial report and its acronym in generally accepted accounting principles for state and local governments. The adoption of this Statement had no impact on the Authority's financial statements.

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

The GASB has issued the following Statements which will become effective in future fiscal years as indicated below:

Statement No. 91, Conduit Debt Obligations. The objectives of this Statement are to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminate diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This Statement originally would have become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2022, but as a result of GASB Statement 95 will become effective in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Statement 94, *Public-Private and Public-Public Partnerships and Availability Payment Arrangements*. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve financial reporting by addressing issues related to public-private and public-public partnership arrangements (PPPs). As used in this Statement, a PPP is an arrangement in which a government (the transferor) contracts with an operator (a governmental or nongovernmental entity) to provide public services by conveying control of the right to operate or use a nonfinancial asset, such as infrastructure or other capital asset (the underlying PPP asset), for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. This Statement also provides guidance for accounting and financial reporting for availability payment arrangements (APAs). As defined in this Statement, an APA is an arrangement in which a government compensates an operator for services that may include designing, constructing, financing, maintaining, or operating an underlying nonfinancial asset for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. The Statement will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Statement 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements. This Statement provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs) for government end users (governments). This Statement (1) defines a SBITA; (2) establishes that a SBITA results in a right-to-use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability; (3) provides the capitalization criteria for outlays other than subscription payments, including implementation costs of a SBITA; and (4) requires note disclosures regarding a SBITA. To the extent relevant, the standards for SBITAs are based on the standards established in Statement No. 87, Leases, as amended. The Statement will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*. The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The requirements related to extension of the use of LIBOR, accounting for SNAP distributions, disclosures of nonmonetary transactions, pledges of future revenues by pledging governments, clarification of certain provisions in Statement 34, as amended, and terminology updates related to Statement 53 and Statement 63 are effective immediately. The requirements related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023. The requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2024. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements (Cont'd)

Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62. The objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability. This Statement will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2024. Management does not expect this Statement will have an impact on the financial statements.

Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statements users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. That objective is achieved by aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. This Statement will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2025. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 102, *Certain Risk Disclosures*. The objective of this Statement is to provide users of government financial statements with essential information about risks related to a government's vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations or constraints. This Statement requires a government to assess whether a concentration or constraint makes the primary government reporting unit or other reporting units that report a liability for revenue debt vulnerable to the risk of a substantial impact. Additionally, this Statement requires a government to assess whether an event or events associated with a concentration or constraint that could cause the substantial impact have occurred, have begun to occur, or are more likely than not to begin to occur within 12 months of the date the financial statements are issued. The Statement will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2025. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

Statement No. 103, *Financial Reporting Model Improvements*. The objective of this Statement is to improve key components of the financial reporting model to enhance its effectiveness in providing information that is essential for decision making and assessing a government's accountability. This Statement also addresses certain application issues. That objective is achieved by improving the quality of the analysis of changes from the prior year, which will enhance the relevance of that information. They also will provide clarity regarding what information should be presented in MD&A. The Statement will become effective for the Authority in the fiscal year ending November 30, 2026. Management has not yet determined the impact of this Statement on the financial statements.

Note 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Compliance with Finance Related Legal and Contractual Provisions

Management of the Authority is unaware of any material violations of finance related legal and contractual provisions.

General Bond Resolution

The Authority is subject to the provisions and restrictions of the General Bond Resolution adopted December 4, 1972 as amended and supplemented (collectively the "Bond Resolution"). A summary of the activities of each account created by the Bond Resolution is covered below.

Revenue Account - All money collected by the Authority for service charges or from any other source for operating, maintaining or repairing the system is deposited in this account. The Trustee, on the first day of each month in any fiscal year and within ten days thereafter, after reserving the amount shown by the annual budget to be required for operating expenses for the period of three consecutive calendar months beginning on said date, shall make payments into the other accounts to satisfy bond resolution or operating requirements.

Note 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (CONT'D)

General Bond Resolution (Cont'd)

Bond Service Account - The balance on deposit must be sufficient to enable the Trustee to withdraw amounts equal to interest due on bonds and principal amount maturing on bonds. At November 30, 2022, the balance in the bond service account meets the requirements of the Bond Resolution.

Sinking Fund Account - The amount of funds on deposit must be sufficient to meet the aggregate amount of all sinking fund installments payable during the next ensuring fiscal year.

Bond Reserve Account - The amount of funds on deposit must be maintained at a level equal to the Maximum Annual Debt Service to ensure funds are available for payment of Debt Service. At November 30, 2022, the balance in the bond reserve account meets the requirements of the Bond Resolution.

Construction Account - The Construction Fund is held by the Trustee and is used to pay the cost of the project and is pledged, pending application to such costs, for the security of the payment of principal and interest on the Revenue Bonds.

Note 3: DETAIL NOTES - ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Custodial Credit Risk Related to Deposits - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Authority's deposits might not be recovered. Although the Authority does not have a formal policy regarding custodial credit risk, N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et seq. requires that governmental units shall deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA). Under the Act, the first \$250,000.00 of governmental deposits in each insured depository is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Public funds owned by the Authority in excess of FDIC insured amounts are protected by GUDPA. However, GUDPA does not protect intermingled trust funds, salary withholdings or funds that may pass to the Authority relative to the happening of a future condition. If the Authority had any such funds, they would be shown as Uninsured and Uncollateralized in the schedule below.

As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, the Authority's bank balances were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	Nov. 30, 2022	Nov. 30, 2021
	1404. 30, 2022	1107. 30, 2021
Insured by FDIC and GUDPA	\$ 6,638,035.40	\$ 7,920,655.15
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	147,901.19	35,152.18
Invested in Goldman Sachs Money Market Funds		
(Triple A Government Money Market Funds)	4,664,552.01	8,095,732.24
	\$ 11,450,488.60	\$ 16,051,539.57

Service Fees

The following is a three-year comparison of service charge billings and collections for all types of accounts maintained by the Authority:

Fiscal	Beginning		Total	Percentage
Year	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Billings</u>	Collections	of Collections
2022	\$ 1,061,605.03	\$ 8,897,717.91	\$ 8,907,630.51	89.44%
2021	832,962.88	8,658,156.86	8,429,514.71	88.81%
2020	868,537.76	8,751,021.33	8,786,596.21	91.34%

Note 3: DETAIL NOTES - ASSETS (CONT'D)

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable at November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021 consisted of service fees, interest and penalties on delinquent consumer accounts, connection fees, lease receivable, and reimbursements from New Jersey Infrastructure Bank for costs related to capital projects. For the year ended November 30, 2022, the Authority also recorded an amount receivable from Lower Cape May County Regional Schools pursuant to a Water Supply and Distribution Agreement, under the terms of which the Authority will design and construct and place into service an extension of the Authority's Water System to serve the Schools with clean, safe, drinking water with all costs of such project be borne by the Lower Cape May County Regional Schools. The amount due from Lower Cape May County Regional Schools is recorded as contributed capital on the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position. All receivables are considered collectible in full within the next year, except for service fees and interest and penalties for which the management established an allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable.

As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, the Authority had the following accounts receivable:

	November 30,		
Description	 2022		2021
Service Fees Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Consumer Accounts Connection Fees Leases Loans Receivable from New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Due from Lower Cape May County Regional Schools	\$ 1,059,364.77 29,881.69 607,375.67 2,562,595.77 7,794,298.00 2,519,728.34	\$	1,082,053.00 21,067.15 265,307.28 1,902,842.26 4,684,872.00
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	14,573,244.24 (37,554.03)		7,956,141.69 (41,515.12)
	\$ 14,535,690.21	\$	7,914,626.57

Leases Receivable

The Authority has entered into multiple agreements with various cellular service providers for the use of the Authority's real property for transmitting and receiving wireless communications. The leases commenced between 2007 and 2022 and range between 18 months and 20 years. The terms of each agreement include a fixed monthly payment with annual increases.

The following is a summary of the leases receivable for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021:

Description	De	Balance cember 1, 2021	Additions Deletions		Balance November 30, 2022		Current Portion		
Cell Tower Leases	\$	1,902,842.26	\$	943,125.79	\$ 283,372.28	\$	2,562,595.77	\$	246,599.97
	_	(Restated) Balance					Balance		Current
Description	De	cember 1, 2020		Additions	 Deletions	Nov	vember 30, 2021	_	Portion
Cell Tower Leases	\$	2,135,263.91	\$	-	\$ 232,421.65	\$	1,902,842.26	\$	232,600.16

Deferred inflows of resources related to leases receivable are amortized and recognized as revenue on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease.

Note 3: DETAIL NOTES - ASSETS (CONT'D)

Leases Receivable (Cont'd)

Future lease revenues, in total, as of November 30 2022 are as follows:

Year Ended				
November 30,	Principal	Interest		
2023	\$ 246,599.97	\$ 8,729.64		
2024	194,289.16	6,877.84		
2025	186,268.12	6,593.89		
2026	189,943.86	6,724.01		
2027	167,170.09	5,917.82		
2028-2032	734,722.66	26,009.18		
2033-2037	745,037.06	26,374.31		
2038	98,564.85	3,489.20		
	\$ 2,562,595.77	\$ 90,715.89		

During fiscal year ended November 30 2022, the Authority recognized \$283,372.28 as a reduction of lease receivable and \$10,031.38 in interest revenue related to leases. In addition, \$296,260.59 was recognized as both lease revenue and a reduction in deferred inflows of resources related to leases.

During fiscal year ended November 30 2021, the Authority recognized \$232,421.65 as a reduction of lease receivable and \$8,227.73 in interest revenue related to leases. In addition, \$233,385.54 was recognized as both lease revenue and a reduction in deferred inflows of resources related to leases.

Capital Assets

During the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the following changes in Capital Assets occurred:

	Balance Dec. 1, 2021	Additions	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>Nov. 30, 2022</u>
Capital Assets, not being depreciated:					
Land and Improvements	\$ 97,234.00				\$ 97,234.00
Construction in Progress	5,374,414.59	\$25,732,918.58	\$ (1,162,329.41)		29,945,003.76
Total Capital Assets not being depreciated	5,471,648.59	25,732,918.58	(1,162,329.41)	\$ -	30,042,237.76
Capital Assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and Improvements	17,784,230.91		51,062.36		17,835,293.27
Machinery and Equipment	6,769,619.92		390,318.39		7,159,938.31
Infrastructure	67,542,840.46		720,948.66		68,263,789.12
Other	14,835.00				14,835.00
Total Capital Assets being depreciated	92,111,526.29	-	1,162,329.41	-	93,273,855.70
Less Accumulated Depreciation	48,104,359.09	1,696,794.69	-		49,801,153.78
Total Capital Assets being depreciated, Net	44,007,167.20	(1,696,794.69)	1,162,329.41	-	43,472,701.92
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$49,478,815.79	\$24,036,123.89	\$ -	\$ -	\$73,514,939.68

Note 3: DETAIL NOTES - ASSETS (CONT'D)

Capital Assets (Cont'd)

During the fiscal year ended November 30, 2021, the following changes in Capital Assets occurred:

	Balance Dec. 1, 2020	Additions	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance Nov. 30, 2021
Capital Assets, not being depreciated:					
Land and Improvements	\$ 97,234.00				\$ 97,234.00
Construction in Progress	5,548,960.72	\$ 5,210,719.57	\$ (5,385,265.70)		5,374,414.59
Total Capital Assets not being depreciated	5,646,194.72	5,210,719.57	(5,385,265.70)	\$ -	5,471,648.59
Capital Assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and Improvements	14,092,937.48		3,691,293.43		17,784,230.91
Machinery and Equipment	6,303,055.62		555,102.17	(88,537.87)	6,769,619.92
Infrastructure	66,403,970.36		1,138,870.10		67,542,840.46
Other	14,835.00				14,835.00
Total Capital Assets being depreciated	86,814,798.46	-	5,385,265.70	(88,537.87)	92,111,526.29
Less Accumulated Depreciation	46,536,461.43	1,617,260.57	-	(49,362.91)	48,104,359.09
Total Capital Assets being depreciated, Net	40,278,337.03	(1,617,260.57)	5,385,265.70	(39,174.96)	44,007,167.20
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$45,924,531.75	\$ 3,593,459.00	\$ -	\$(39,174.96)	\$49,478,815.79

Depreciation expense by major class of capital assets is:

	Fiscal Year Ended				
	Nov. 30, 2022	Nov. 30, 2021			
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 271,384.49	\$ 220,752.50			
Machinery and Equipment	313,806.33	302,803.94			
Infrastructure	1,110,591.62	1,092,691.88			
Other	1,012.25	1,012.25			
	\$ 1,696,794.69	\$ 1,617,260.57			

Note 4: <u>DETAIL NOTES – DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>

Deferred Loss on Defeasance of Debt

On May 30, 2012, the Authority issued Revenue Refunding Bonds in the amount of \$3,725,000.00 to advance refund outstanding principal amount of \$3,520,000.00 of the Revenue Bonds Series 2003B. The advance refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt of \$122,121.20. This difference, reported in the accompanying financial statements as a deferred outflow of resources, is being charged to operations as a component of interest expense over the life of the refunding bonds using the bonds outstanding method. As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, the amount deferred was \$34,540.17 and \$40,634.02, respectively.

Note 5: <u>DETAIL NOTES – LIABILITIES</u>

Long-term Liabilities

During the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the following changes occurred in long-term obligations:

	Balance Dec. 1, 2021	Additions	Reductions	Balance Nov. 30, 2022	Due Within One Year
Bonds and Loans Payable:					
Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012	\$ 2,495,000.00		\$ 175,000.00	\$ 2,320,000.00	\$ 180,000.00
NJIB Loans	2,761,475.15		88,624.11	2,672,851.04	88,624.11
NJIB Interim Loan CFP-20-1	4,300,726.00	\$11,560,983.00		15,861,709.00	
NJIB Interim Loan CFP-21-1	384,146.00	8,738,700.00		9,122,846.00	
USDA Loan - 2010	1,595,382.00		30,878.00	1,564,504.00	32,126.00
USDA Loan - 2013	7,034,743.91		155,473.28	6,879,270.63	158,794.64
USDA Loan - 2017	3,291,902.52		61,683.04	3,230,219.48	63,000.76
Add:					
Premiums on Bonds	2,707.70		393.57	2,314.13	
Premiums on Loans	40,230.72		2,442.45	37,788.27	
Total Bonds and Loans Payable	21,906,314.00	20,299,683.00	514,494.45	41,691,502.55	522,545.51
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	216,035.68	220,962.73	256,880.03	180,118.38	46,596.33
Net OPEB Liability	5,798,270.00	10,277,644.00	10,300,334.00	5,775,580.00	
Net Pension Liability	2,278,864.00	2,034,644.00	1,306,752.00	3,006,756.00	
Accrued Liability - Related to Pensions	93,868.00	104,686.00	93,868.00	104,686.00	
Total Other Liabilities	8,387,037.68	12,637,936.73	11,957,834.03	9,067,140.38	46,596.33
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$30,293,351.68	\$32,937,619.73	\$12,472,328.48	\$50,758,642.93	\$ 569,141.84

During the fiscal year ended November 30, 2021, the following changes occurred in long-term obligations:

	Balance			Balance	Due Within
	Dec. 1, 2020	<u>Additions</u>	Reductions	Nov. 30, 2021	One Year
Bonds and Loans Payable:					
Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012	\$ 2,660,000.00		\$ 165,000.00	\$ 2,495,000.00	\$ 175,000.00
NJIB Loans	2,850,099.26		88,624.11	2,761,475.15	88,624.11
NJIB Interim Loan CFP-20-1		\$ 4,300,726.00		4,300,726.00	
NJIB Interim Loan CFP-21-1		384,146.00		384,146.00	
USDA Loan - 2010	1,625,061.00		29,679.00	1,595,382.00	30,878.00
USDA Loan - 2013	7,186,965.30		152,221.39	7,034,743.91	155,473.28
USDA Loan - 2017	3,352,295.38		60,392.86	3,291,902.52	61,683.04
Financed Purchase	183.36		183.36		
Add:					
Premiums on Bonds	3,127.30		419.60	2,707.70	
Premiums on Loans	42,725.51		2,494.79	40,230.72	
Total Bonds and Loans Payable	17,720,457.11	4,684,872.00	499,015.11	21,906,314.00	511,658.43
Other Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	189,062.99	204,659.97	177,687.28	216,035.68	39,020.75
Net OPEB Liability	6,028,088.00	10,573,530.89	10,803,348.89	5,798,270.00	
Net Pension Liability	2,966,471.00	1,905,960.00	2,593,567.00	2,278,864.00	
Accrued Liability - Related to Pensions	82,917.00	93,868.00	82,917.00	93,868.00	
Total Other Liabilities	9,266,538.99	12,778,018.86	13,657,520.17	8,387,037.68	39,020.75
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$26,986,996.10	\$17,462,890.86	\$ 14,156,535.28	\$30,293,351.68	\$ 550,679.18

Revenue Refunding Bonds Payable

At November 30, 2022, the Authority has the following bonds payable:

Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 – On May 30, 2012, the Authority issued \$3,725,000.00 in Revenue Refunding Bonds, with interest rates ranging from 2.375% to 3.000%. The purpose of the bonds is to provide funds to advance refund all or a portion of the outstanding principal amount of Revenue Bonds, Series 2003B and to pay for the costs of issuance. The final maturity of the bonds is December 1, 2032. The balance remaining at November 30, 2022 is \$2,320,000.00.

The following schedule reflects the Debt Service maturities for Revenue Refunding Bonds Payable:

Fiscal Year	<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$ 180,000.00	\$	73,918.76	\$ 253,918.76
2024	185,000.00		67,987.51	252,987.51
2025	190,000.00		61,893.76	251,893.76
2026	195,000.00		55,637.51	250,637.51
2027	205,000.00		49,137.51	254,137.51
2028-2032	1,115,000.00		138,665.64	1,253,665.64
2033	250,000.00		4,218.75	254,218.75
	2,320,000.00	\$	451,459.44	\$ 2,771,459.44
Current Maturities Premium on Bonds	(180,000.00) 2,314.13			
	\$ 2,142,314.13	:		

New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (NJIB) Loans

On May 13, 2020, the Authority closed on loans from the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Bank totaling \$715,000.00 from the Trust and \$2,184,182.00 from the Fund. The loan proceeds were used to permanently finance an interim loan from Construction Financing Program (CFP)-18-1, which was issued to fund the East Villas Water Expansion Project Phase II. The Fund Loan is a non-interest bearing loan with its semi-annual principal payments due August 1 and February 1, with a final maturity of August 1, 2049. The Trust Loan carries interest rates from 2.125% to 5.000%, with a final maturity of August 1, 2049.

The following schedule reflects the Debt Service maturities for NJIB Loans:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	Fund Principal		Trust <u>Principal</u>		Total <u>Principal</u>		Interest	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$ 73,624.11	\$	15,000.00	\$	88,624.11	\$	22,306.26	\$ 110,930.37
2024	73,624.11		15,000.00		88,624.11		21,556.26	110,180.37
2025	73,624.11		15,000.00		88,624.11		20,806.26	109,430.37
2026	73,624.11		20,000.00		93,624.11		20,056.26	113,680.37
2027	73,624.11		20,000.00		93,624.11		19,056.26	112,680.37
2028-2032	368,120.55		105,000.00		473,120.55		80,481.30	553,601.85
2033-2037	368,120.55		125,000.00		493,120.55		62,781.26	555,901.81
2038-2042	368,120.55		140,000.00		508,120.55		46,631.26	554,751.81
2043-2047	368,120.55		160,000.00		528,120.55		25,350.00	553,470.55
2048-2049	147,248.29		70,000.00		217,248.29		3,150.00	220,398.29
	\$ 1,987,851.04	\$	685,000.00	=	2,672,851.04	\$	322,175.12	\$ 2,995,026.16
		Cu	rrent Maturities		(88,624.11)			
		Prer	nium on Loans		37,788.27	-		

2,622,015.20

New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (NJIB) Construction Financing Program (CFP) Loans

On April 21, 2021, the Authority closed on a construction financing program (CFP) interim loan (S340810-05) from the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank in the amount of \$17,100,000.00. The loan consists of 50% DEP interest-free funding and 50% I-Bank market rate financing. The maturity date of the loan is June 30, 2024 or the date of closing for the anticipated permanent financing program of NJIB. On October 31, 2022, the interim loan was increased to \$28,783,951.00. The loan proceeds held by NJIB are being used to fund the costs of the vacuum sewer expansion project. As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, cumulative expenditures under this program was \$15,861,709.00 and \$4,300,726.00, respectively.

On June 11, 2021, the Authority closed on a construction financing program (CFP) interim loan (0505002-004) from the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank in the amount of \$8,500,000.00. The loan consists of 50% DEP interest-free funding and 50% I-Bank market rate financing. The maturity date of the loan is June 30, 2025 or the date of closing for the anticipated permanent financing program of NJIB. On October 31, 2022, the interim loan was increased to \$10,778,546.00. The loan proceeds held by NJIB are being used to fund the costs of the installing water main and extending water service connections to the Del Haven area in the Middle Township. As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, cumulative expenditures under this program was \$9,122,846.00 and \$384,146.00, respectively.

USDA Loans

At November 30, 2022, the Authority has the following USDA loans payable:

\$1,875,000.00 principal amount of USDA Loans dated 2010, due in semi-annual installments beginning August 25, 2010, through February 25, 2050, bearing interest at a rate of 4% per annum. The balance remaining as of November 30, 2022 is \$1,564,504.00.

\$8,167,000.00 principal amount of USDA Loans dated 2013, due in semi-annual installments beginning March 19, 2014, through September 19, 2053, bearing interest at a rate of 2.125% per annum. The balance remaining as of November 30, 2022 is \$6,879,270.63.

\$3,526,000.00 principal amount of USDA Loans dated 2017, due in semi-annual installments beginning April 13, 2018, through October 13, 2057, bearing interest at a rate of 2.125% per annum. The balance remaining as of November 30, 2022 is \$3,230,219.48.

The following schedule reflects the Debt Service maturities for USDA Loans:

Fiscal Year	<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$ 253,921.40	\$	275,916.68	\$ 529,838.08
2024	259,956.59		269,880.61	529,837.20
2025	266,147.00		263,690.90	529,837.90
2026	272,493.79		257,343.25	529,837.04
2027	279,004.18		250,833.26	529,837.44
2028-2032	1,498,679.11		1,150,507.83	2,649,186.94
2033-2037	1,688,571.11		960,616.43	2,649,187.54
2038-2042	1,904,629.32		744,558.40	2,649,187.72
2043-2047	2,150,865.85		498,321.99	2,649,187.84
2048-2052	2,182,644.42		227,190.56	2,409,834.98
2053-2057	917,081.33		41,470.02	958,551.35
	11,673,994.11	\$	4,940,329.93	\$ 16,614,324.03
Current Maturities	 (253,921.40)	_		
	\$ 11,420,072.71	_		

Compensated Absences

The Authority accounts for compensated absences (e.g., unused vacation, sick leave) as directed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*. A liability for compensated absences attributable to services already rendered and not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee is accrued as employees earn the rights to the benefits.

Authority employees earn sick and vacation time depending on their length of service. Employees are permitted to carryover the earned and unused sick and vacation time to future periods and upon termination may receive payment for any accrued time. Employees are compensated for accumulated sick leave upon retirement or resignation at their then current hourly rate of pay times the number of days accumulated, up to a maximum of \$15,000.00. Vacation days not used during the year may be carried forward for one year. Upon separation from the Authority, the employee will be paid for all accrued vacation time at their then current hourly rate. The accrued liability for accumulated sick leave and vacation time at November 30, 2022 and 2021 is estimated at \$180,118.38 and \$216,035.68, respectively.

Net Pension Liability

For details on the net pension liability, see the Pension Plans section of this note that follows. The Authority's annual required contribution to the Public Employees' Retirement System is budgeted and paid on an annual basis.

Net OPEB Liability

For details on other postemployment benefits, see the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) section of this note that follows. The Authority's contributions to the postemployment benefits plan are budgeted and paid as they are due.

Pension Plans

A substantial number of the Authority's employees participate in the Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS") which is administered by the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. In addition, Authority employees may participate in the Defined Contribution Retirement Program ("DCRP"), which is a defined contribution pension plan. This Plan is administered by Empower (formerly Prudential Financial) for the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. Each Plan has a Board of Trustees that is primarily responsible for its administration. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about the PERS plan's fiduciary net position which can be obtained by writing to or at the following website:

State of New Jersey
Division of Pensions and Benefits
P.O. Box 295
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295
https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml

General Information about the Pension Plans

Plan Descriptions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan which was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS' designated purpose is to provide retirement, death, and disability benefits to certain qualified members. Membership in the PERS is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the Authority, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state pensions fund or local jurisdiction's pension fund. The PERS' Board of Trustees is primarily responsible for the administration of the PERS.

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Plan Descriptions (Cont'd)

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The Defined Contribution Retirement Program is a multiple-employer defined contribution pension fund established on July 1, 2007 under the provisions of P.L. 2007, c. 92 and P.L. 2007, c. 103, and expanded under the provisions of P.L. 2008, c. 89 and P.L. 2010, c. 1. The DCRP is a tax-qualified defined contribution money purchase pension plan under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 401(a) et seq., and is a "governmental plan" within the meaning of IRC § 414(d). The DCRP provides retirement benefits for eligible employees and their beneficiaries. Individuals covered under DCRP are state or local officials who are elected or appointed on or after July 1, 2007; employees enrolled in PERS on or after July 1, 2007, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees enrolled in New Jersey State Police Retirement System (SPRS) or the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) after May 21, 2010, who earn salary in excess of established "maximum compensation" limits; employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS on or after November 2, 2008, who do not earn the minimum annual salary for tier 3 enrollment but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually; and employees otherwise eligible to enroll in PERS after May 21, 2010 who do not work the minimum number of hours per week required for tiers 4 or 5 enrollment, but who earn salary of at least \$5,000.00 annually.

Vesting and Benefit Provisions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. The PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after 10 years of service.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

Tier Definition

- 1 Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
- 2 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
- 3 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
- 4 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
- 5 Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 with 25 years or more of service credit before age 62, and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - Eligible members are provided with a defined contribution retirement plan intended to qualify for favorable Federal income tax treatment under IRC Section 401(a), a noncontributory group life insurance plan and a noncontributory group disability benefit plan. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employee contributions shall immediately become and shall at all times remain fully vested and non-forfeitable. A participant's interest in that portion of his or her defined contribution retirement plan account attributable to employer contributions shall be vested and non-forfeitable on the date the participant commences the second year of employment or upon his or her attainment of age 65, while employed by an employer, whichever occurs first.

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

General Information about the Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Contributions

Public Employees' Retirement System - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. Pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2011, C. 78, the member contribution rate is currently 7.50% of base salary, effective July 1, 2018. The rate for members who are eligible for the Prosecutors Part of PERS (P.L. 2001, C. 366) is 10.0%. Employers' contributions are based on an actuarially determined amount, which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability.

Special Funding Situation Component - Under N.J.S.A. 43:15A, local participating employers are responsible for their own contributions based on actuarially determined amounts, except where legislation was passed which legally obligated the State if certain circumstances occurred. One of such legislations, which legally obligate the State, is Chapter 133, P.L. 2001. This legislation increased the accrual rate from 1/60 to 1/55. In addition, it lowered the age required for a veteran benefit equal to 1/55 of highest 12-month compensation for each year of service from 60 to 55. Chapter 133, P.L. 2001 also established the Benefit Enhancement Fund (BEF) to fund the additional annual employer normal contribution due to the State's increased benefits. If the assets in the BEF are insufficient to cover the normal contribution for the increased benefits for a valuation period, the State will pay such amount for both the State and local employers.

The Authority's contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021 was 16.34% and 15.43% of the Authority's covered payroll. This amount was actuarially determined as the amount that, when combined with employee contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, including an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2022, the Authority's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 was \$251,247.00, and was payable by April 1, 2023. For the prior year measurement date of June 30, 2021, the Authority's contractually required contribution to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2021 was \$225,283.00, and was paid by April 1, 2022.

Employee contributions to the Plan for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021 were \$119,087.50 and \$109,505.45, respectively.

The amount of contractually required contribution for the State of New Jersey's proportionate share, associated with the Authority, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 was .41% of the Authority's covered payroll.

Based on the most recent PERS measurement date of June 30, 2022, the State's contractually required contribution, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, on-behalf of the Authority, to the pension plan for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022 was \$6,326.00, and was payable by April 1, 2023.

Defined Contribution Retirement Program - The contribution policy is set by N.J.S.A. 43:15C-3 and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. In accordance with Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and Chapter 103, P.L. 2007, Plan members are required to contribute 5.5% of their annual covered salary. In addition to the employee contributions, the Authority contributes 3% of the employees' base salary, for each pay period.

For the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021, employee contributions totaled \$327.77 and \$1,204.14, respectively. The Authority recognized pension expense of \$204.71 and \$1,700.01 for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and 2021, which equaled the required contributions. There were no forfeitures during the fiscal years.

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

Public Employees' Retirement System

Pension Liability - As of November 30, 2022, there is no net pension liability associated with the special funding situation under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, as there was no accumulated difference between the annual additional normal cost and the actual State contribution through the valuation date. The Authority's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$3,006,756.00. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2022. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Authority's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2022 measurement date, the Authority's proportion was .0199236663%, which was an increase of .0006870615% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

As of November 30, 2021, the Authority's proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability was \$2,278,864.00. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2021. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Authority's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. For the June 30, 2021 measurement date, the Authority's proportion was .0192366048%, which was an increase of .0010456382% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020.

Pension (Benefit) Expense - For the fiscal years ended November 2022 and 2021, the Authority recognized its proportionate share of the PERS pension (benefit) expense of \$64,836.00 and (\$66,345.00), respectively. These amounts were based on the Plan's June 30, 2022 and 2021 measurement dates, respectively.

For the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the Authority has recognized as a revenue and an expenditure on-behalf payments made by the State for the State's proportionate share of the PERS pension expense, associated with the Authority, under Chapter 133, P.L. 2001, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2022 measurement date. The amounts recognized as a revenue and an expenditure in the financial statements was \$6,326.00.

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)</u>

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd)

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - At November 30, 2022 and 2021, the Authority had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	November 30, 2022 Measurement Date June 30, 2022					November 30, 2021				
						Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2021</u>				
	c	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	21,701.00	\$	19,138.00	\$	35,941.00	\$	16,314.00		
Changes of Assumptions		9,316.00		450,230.00		11,868.00		811,290.00		
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		124,447.00		-		-		600,313.00		
Changes in Proportion and Differences between Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions		379,785.00		4,540.00		533,788.00		6,641.00		
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date		104,686.00		-		93,868.00		<u>-</u>		
	\$	639,935.00	\$	473,908.00	\$	675,465.00	\$	1,434,558.00		

Deferred outflows of resources in the amounts of \$104,686.00 and \$93,868.00 will be included as a reduction of the net pension liability during the fiscal years ending November 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. These amounts are based on an estimated April 1, 2024 and April 1, 2023 contractually required contribution, prorated from the pension plan's measurement date of June 30, 2022 and 2021 to the Authority's fiscal year end of November 30, 2022 and 2021.

The Authority will amortize the other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions over the following number of years:

	Deferred	Deferred		Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows of	Inflows of		Outflows of	Inflows of
	Resources	Resources		Resources	Resources
Differences between Expected			Net Difference between Projected		
and Actual Experience			and Actual Earnings on Pension		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:			Plan Investments		
June 30, 2017	5.48	-	Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2018	-	5.63	June 30, 2018	5.00	-
June 30, 2019	5.21	-	June 30, 2019	5.00	-
June 30, 2020	5.16	-	June 30, 2020	5.00	-
June 30, 2021	-	5.13	June 30, 2021	5.00	-
June 30, 2022	-	5.04	June 30, 2022	5.00	-
Changes of Assumptions			Changes in Proportion		
Year of Pension Plan Deferral:			Year of Pension Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2017	-	5.48	June 30, 2017	5.48	5.48
June 30, 2018	-	5.63	June 30, 2018	5.63	5.63
June 30, 2019	-	5.21	June 30, 2019	5.21	5.21
June 30, 2020	-	5.16	June 30, 2020	5.16	5.16
June 30, 2021	5.13	-	June 30, 2021	5.13	5.13
June 30, 2022	-	5.04	June 30, 2022	5.04	5.04
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Pension Plans (Cont'd)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd)

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - Other amounts included as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in future periods as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending November 30,	
2023	\$ (64,855.00)
2024	(52,012.00)
2025	5,968.00
2026	171,510.00
2027	730.00
	\$ 61,341.00

Actuarial Assumptions

Public Employees' Retirement System

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 and 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021 and 2020. The total pension liability was calculated through the use of updated procedures to roll forward from the actuarial valuation date to the measurement date of June 30, 2022 and 2021. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	Measurement Date June 30, 2022	Measurement Date June 30, 2021
Inflation Rate:	·	,
Price	2.75%	2.75%
Wage	3.25%	3.25%
Salary Increases:		
Through 2026	2.75% - 6.55%	2.00% - 6.00%
	Based on Years of Service	Based on Years of Service
Thereafter		3.00% - 7.00%
		Based on Years of Service
Investment Rate of Return	7.00%	7.00%
Period of Actuarial Experience		
Study upon which Actuarial		
Assumptions were Based	July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021	July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2018

For the June 30, 2022 measurement date, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

Massurament Data

Note 5: DETAIL NOTES - LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd)

For the June 30, 2021 measurement date, pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Employee mortality table with an 82.2% adjustment for males and 101.4% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 General Below-Median Income Healthy Retiree mortality table with a 91.4% adjustment for males and 99.7% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree mortality table with a 127.7% adjustment for males and 117.2% adjustment for females, and with future improvement from the base year of 2010 on a generational basis. Mortality improvement is based on Scale MP-2021.

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments (7.00% at June 30, 2022 and 2021) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension Plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 and 2021 are summarized in the table below:

Massurament Data

		e 30, 2022		ement Date 30, 2021
Asset Class	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	27.00%	8.12%	27.00%	8.09%
Non-U.S. Developed Markets Equity	13.50%	8.38%	13.50%	8.71%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.50%	10.33%	5.50%	10.96%
Private Equity	13.00%	11.80%	13.00%	11.30%
Real Estate	8.00%	11.19%	8.00%	9.15%
Real Assets	3.00%	7.60%	3.00%	7.40%
High Yield	4.00%	4.95%	2.00%	3.75%
Private Credit	8.00%	8.10%	8.00%	7.60%
Investment Grade Credit	7.00%	3.38%	8.00%	1.68%
Cash Equivalents	4.00%	1.75%	4.00%	0.50%
U.S. Treasuries	4.00%	1.75%	5.00%	0.95%
Risk Mitigation Strategies	3.00%	4.91%	3.00%	3.35%
	100.00%		100.00%	

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Public Employees' Retirement System (Cont'd)

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2022. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 3.54% as of the June 30, 2022 measurement date based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from Plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity would be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00% as of June 30, 2021. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.00% and a municipal bond rate of 2.16% as of the June 30, 2021 measurement date based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from Plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers and the nonemployer contributing entity would be based on 100% of the actuarially determined contributions for the State employer and 100% of actuarially determined contributions for the local employers. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Plan investments was applied to all projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

Public Employees' Retirement System

The following presents the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability as of the June 30, 2022 measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used:

	1%		Current	1%
	Decrease Discount Rate (6.00%) (7.00%)		Increase (8.00%)	
Proportionate Share of the				
Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,862,800.00	\$	3,006,756.00	\$ 2,278,227.00

The following presents the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability as of the June 30, 2021 measurement date, calculated using a discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rates used:

	1%		Current		1%
	Decrease (6.00%)	D	iscount Rate (7.00%)		Increase (8.00%)
Proportionate Share of the					
Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,103,351.00	\$	2,278,864.00	9	1,579,170.00

Pension Plans (Cont'd)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Public Employees' Retirement System

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension (benefit) expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the PERS and additions to/deductions from PERS' respective fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERS. Accordingly, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan

General Information about the State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan

Plan Description and Benefits Provided - The Authority contributes to the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (the "Plan"), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit other postemployment benefit ("OPEB") plan with a special funding situation. It covers employees of local government employers that have adopted a resolution to participate in the Plan. The Plan meets the definition of an equivalent arrangement as defined in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for the Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (GASB Statement No. 75); therefore, assets are accumulated to pay associated benefits. For additional information about the Plan, please refer to the State of New Jersey (the "State"), Division of Pensions and Benefits' (the "Division") annual financial statements, which can be found https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/financial-reports.shtml.

The Plan provides medical and prescription drug to retirees and their covered dependents of the participating employers. Under the provisions of Chapter 88, P.L 1974 and Chapter 48, P.L. 1999, local government employers electing to provide postretirement medical coverage to their employees must file a resolution with the Division. Under Chapter 88, local employers elect to provide benefit coverage based on the eligibility rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission. Chapter 48 allows local employers to establish their own age and service eligibility for employer paid health benefits coverage for retired employees. Under Chapter 48, the employer may assume the cost of postretirement medical coverage for employees and their dependents who: 1) retired on a disability pension; or 2) retired with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 3) retired and reached the age of 65 with 25 or more years of service credit in a State or locally administered retirement system and a period of service of up to 25 years with the employer at the time of retirement as established by the employer; or 4) retired and reached age 62 with at least 15 years of service with the employer. Further, the law provides that the employer paid obligations for retiree coverage may be determined by means of a collective negotiations agreement.

Pursuant to Chapter 78, P.L. 2011, future retirees eligible for postretirement medical coverage who have less than 20 years of creditable service on June 28, 2011 will be required to pay a percentage of the cost of their health care coverage in retirement provided they retire with 25 or more years of pension service credit. The percentage of the premium for which the retiree will be responsible will be determined based on the retiree's annual retirement benefit and level of coverage.

Contributions - The funding policy for the OPEB plan is pay-as-you-go; therefore, there is no prefunding of the liability. However, due to premium rates being set prior to each calendar year, there is a minimal amount of net position available to cover benefits in future years. Contributions to pay for the health benefit premiums of participating employees in the OPEB plan are collected from the State of New Jersey, participating local employers, and retired members.

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

General Information about the State Health Benefit Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

Contributions (Cont'd) - The Authority was billed monthly by the Plan and paid \$202,815.54 and \$142,931.54, for the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021, respectively. These amounts represent 13.19% and 9.79% of the Authority's covered payroll. During the fiscal years ended November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021, retirees were not required to contribute to the Plan.

OPEB Liability, OPEB (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

OPEB Liability - At November 30, 2022, the Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability was \$5,775,580.00.

The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022.

The Authority's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the ratio of the Plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan' during the measurement period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. For the June 30, 2022 measurement date, the Authority's proportion was .035763%, which was an increase of .003371% from its proportion measured as of the June 30, 2021 measurement date, as adjusted.

At November 30, 2021, the Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability was \$5,798,270.00.

The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2021.

The Authority's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the ratio of the Plan members of an individual employer to the total members of the Plan' during the measurement period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. For the June 30, 2021 measurement date, the Authority's proportion was .032392%, as adjusted, which was a decrease of .001197% from its proportion measured as of the June 30, 2020 measurement date.

OPEB (Benefit) Expense - At November 30, 2022, the Authority's proportionate share of the OPEB (benefit) expense, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2022 measurement date, is \$173,498.00.

At November 30, 2021, the Authority's proportionate share of the OPEB (benefit) expense, calculated by the Plan as of the June 30, 2021 measurement date, is \$83,314.00.

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

OPEB Liability, OPEB (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd)

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - At November 30, 2022 and November 30, 2021, the Authority had deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources from the following sources:

	November 30, 2022				<u>, 2021</u>			
		Measurer <u>June 3</u>			Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2021</u>			
	<u>o</u>	Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>c</u>	Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>c</u>	Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>c</u>	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	298,257.00	\$	1,070,547.00	\$	130,106.00	\$	1,213,084.00
Changes of Assumptions		770,775.00		1,971,094.00		834,098.00		1,024,912.00
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on OPEB Plan Investments		1,520.00		_		2,772.00		_
Changes in Proportion		3,709,397.00		2,411,350.00		3,697,240.00		3,053,982.00
Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date		89,280.00				58,882.55		
	\$	4,869,229.00	\$	5,452,991.00	\$	4,723,098.55	\$	5,291,978.00

Deferred outflows of resources in the amount of \$89,280.00 was the result of the Authority contributions subsequent to the Plan's measurement date of June 30, 2022. This amount will be included as a reduction of the Authority's net OPEB liability during the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023. Deferred outflows of resources in the amount of \$58,882.55 was the result of the Authority contributions subsequent to the Plan's measurement date of June 30, 2021. This amount was included as a reduction of the Authority's net OPEB liability during the fiscal year ending November 30, 2022.

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

OPEB Liability, OPEB (Benefit) Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd)

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Cont'd) - The Authority will amortize the above other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the OPEB liability over the following number of years:

	Deferred	Deferred		Deferred	Deferred
	Outflows	Inflows		Outflows	Inflows
	of Resources	of Resources		of Resources	of Resources
Differences between Expected			Net Difference between Projected		
and Actual Experience			and Actual Investment Earnings		
Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:			on OPEB Plan Investments		
June 30, 2018	-	8.14	Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2019	-	8.05	June 30, 2018	5.00	-
June 30, 2020	7.87	-	June 30, 2019	5.00	-
June 30, 2021	-	7.82	June 30, 2020	5.00	-
June 30, 2022	7.82	-	June 30, 2021	5.00	-
			June 30, 2022	5.00	-
Changes of Assumptions			Changes in Proportion		
Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:			Year of OPEB Plan Deferral:		
June 30, 2017	-	8.04	June 30, 2017	8.04	8.04
June 30, 2018	-	8.14	June 30, 2018	8.14	8.14
June 30, 2019	-	8.05	June 30, 2019	8.05	8.05
June 30, 2020	7.87	-	June 30, 2020	7.87	7.87
June 30, 2021	7.82	-	June 30, 2021	7.82	7.82
June 30, 2022	-	7.82	June 30, 2022	7.82	7.82

Other amounts included as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to the OPEB liability will be recognized in future periods as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending

November 30, 2023	\$ (404,580.00)
November 30, 2024	(405,042.00)
November 30, 2025	(241,667.00)
November 30, 2026	(19,788.00)
November 30, 2027	534,029.00
Thereafter	(135,994.00)
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	\$ (673,042.00)

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial valuation at June 30, 2022 and 2021 used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

periods in the measurement:	Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2022</u>	Measurement Date <u>June 30, 2021</u>
Salary Increases *		
PERS:		
Initial Fiscal Year Applied:		
Rate through 2026		2.00% to 6.00%
Rate Thereafter		3.00% to 7.00%
Rate for All Future Years	2.75% to 6.55%	

Mortality:

PERS - Pub-2010 General classification headcount weighted mortality with fully generational mortality improvement projections from the central year using Scale MP-2021

Actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were based on the results of the PERS experience studies prepared for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.

100% of active members in both the June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021 measurement dates are considered to participate in the Plan upon retirement.

All of the Plan's investments are in the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund (the "CMF"). The New Jersey Division of Investments manages the CMF, which is available on a voluntary basis for investment by State and certain non-State participants. The CMF is considered to be an investment trust fund as defined in GASB Statement No. 31, *Certain Investments and External Investment Pools*. The CMF invests in U.S. government and agency obligations, commercial paper, corporate obligations and certificates of deposit. Units of ownership in the CMF may be purchased or redeemed on any given business day (excluding State holidays) are the unit cost of value of \$1.00. Participant shares are valued on a fair value basis. The CMF pay interest to participants on a monthly basis.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the OPEB liability at June 30, 2022 and 2021 were 3.54% and 2.16%, respectively. This represents the municipal bond return rate as chosen by the State. The source is the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. As the long-term rate of return is less than the municipal bond rate, it is not considered in the calculation of the discount rate, rather the discount rate is set at the municipal bond rate.

^{*} salary increases are based on years of service within the respective Plan

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

Actuarial Assumptions (Cont'd)

Health Care Trend Assumptions - The health care trend assumptions used is as follows:

Annual Rate of Increase							
<u>Pre-65</u>	Medical Tre	Prescription Drug <u>Trend</u>					
6.25%	-1.89%	-1.99%	8.00%				
6.00%	-6.00%	-6.15%	7.50%				
5.75%	6.99%	7.02%	7.00%				
5.50%	15.04%	15.18%	6.50%				
5.25%	13.00%	13.11%	6.00%				
5.00%	11.47%	11.56%	5.50%				
4.75%	10.27%	10.35%	5.00%				
4.50%	9.29%	9.35%	4.50%				
4.50%	8.50%	8.55%	4.50%				
4.50%	6.25%	6.27%	4.50%				
4.50%	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%				
	6.25% 6.00% 5.75% 5.50% 5.25% 5.00% 4.75% 4.50% 4.50%	Medical Tree Pre-65 PPO Post-65 6.25% -1.89% 6.00% -6.00% 5.75% 6.99% 5.50% 15.04% 5.25% 13.00% 5.00% 11.47% 4.75% 10.27% 4.50% 9.29% 4.50% 8.50% 4.50% 6.25%	Medical Trend Pre-65 PPO Post-65 HMO Post-65 6.25% -1.89% -1.99% 6.00% -6.00% -6.15% 5.75% 6.99% 7.02% 5.50% 15.04% 15.18% 5.25% 13.00% 13.11% 5.00% 11.47% 11.56% 4.75% 10.27% 10.35% 4.50% 9.29% 9.35% 4.50% 8.50% 8.55% 4.50% 6.25% 6.27%				

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022, the Plan's measurement date, for the Authority calculated using a discount rate of 3.54%, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rate used, is as follows:

		1% Decrease <u>(2.54%)</u>		Current Discount Rate (3.54%)		1% Increase (4.54%)
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net	Φ	0.005.000.00	Φ.	F 77F F00 00	Φ	F 00F 770 00
OPEB Liability	\$	6,695,060.00	\$	5,775,580.00	\$	5,035,772.00

The net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021, the Plan's measurement date, for the Authority calculated using a discount rate of 2.16%, as well as using a discount rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current rate used, is as follows:

	1% Decrease		Current Discount Rate		1% Increase
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net		<u>(1.16%)</u>		<u>(2.16%)</u>	<u>(3.16%)</u>
OPEB Liability	\$	6,823,452.00	\$	5,798,270.00	\$ 4,985,792.00

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan (Cont'd)

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate

The Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2022, using a healthcare cost trend rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate used, is as follows:

	1% <u>Decrease</u>		althcare Cost Trend Rate	1% <u>Increase</u>	
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ 4,899,598.00	\$	5,775,580.00	\$	6,897,466.00

The Authority's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2021, using a healthcare cost trend rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate used, is as follows:

	1% <u>Decrease</u>		Healthcare Cost <u>Trend Rate</u>		1% Increase
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	4,837,710.00	\$	5,798,270.00	\$ 7,051,682.00

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB (benefit) expense, information about the respective fiduciary net position of the State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan and additions to/deductions from the Plan's respective fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Plan. Accordingly, contributions (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Note 6: DETAIL NOTES - NET POSITION

Net Position Appropriated

As of November 30, 2022, the Authority had an unrestricted net position balance of \$12,466,005.32; however, \$2,209,187.00 has been appropriated and included as support in the operating budgets for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023.

As of November 30, 2021, the Authority had an unrestricted net position balance of \$10,781,393.40; however, \$160,000.00 has been appropriated and included as support in the operating budgets for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2022.

Net Position Designated

As of November 30, 2022 and 2021, \$13,777,839.94, and \$10,838,975.39, respectively, of the balance in unrestricted net position has been designated for Capital Improvements.

Note 6: DETAIL NOTES - NET POSITION (CONT'D)

Unrestricted/Undesignated Net Position

The balance of unrestricted net position as of November 30, 2022 and 2021 is comprised of the following:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Unrestricted and Undesignated Net Position	\$ 6,034,982.38	\$ 9,506,675.46
Amount Related to Pensions (GASB 68 and 71)	(3,196,662.00)	(3,357,108.00)
Amount Related to OPEB (GASB 75)	(6,359,342.00)	(6,367,149.45)
Net Position Designated for Capital Improvements	13,777,839.94	10,838,975.39
Appropriated in the Subsequent Fiscal Year's Budget	 2,209,187.00	 160,000.00
Unrestricted Net Position	\$ 12,466,005.32	\$ 10,781,393.40

Note 7: INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

Township of Lower Service Contract

A Service Contract was entered into on November 19, 1968 between the Authority and the Township. Under the Service Contract, the Township agrees to pay any shortfall the Authority may encounter in making payments for either Operating Expenses and/or Debt Service (Annual Charges).

The purpose of this contract is to grant temporary relief to the Authority should it experience difficulty in meeting its obligations. The contract calls for the Township to be reimbursed for any Annual Charges paid by the Township when the Authority's operations permit. Ultimately, all Operating Expenses and Debt Service of the Authority are borne by revenues of the system.

Note 8: COMMITMENTS

The Authority had several outstanding or planned construction projects as of November 30, 2022. These projects are evidenced by contractual commitments with contractors and include:

			Commitment	
Project	Awarded / Amended		Remaining	
Del Haven Water Main Project	\$	10,285,882.19	\$ 1,731,984.04	
Vacuum Sewer Expansion Project - Construction		19,013,409.26	7,885,355.08	
Vacuum Sewer Expansion Project - Material Purchase		4,504,444.00	1,952,827.88	
Sewer Interceptor Main Rehabilitation Project		1,742,931.18	34,858.62	
Lower Cape May Regional Schools Water Main Extensions		2,424,290.00	 161,849.42	
			\$ 11,766,875.04	

Note 9: <u>DEFERRED COMPENSATION</u>

The Authority offers its employees a Deferred Compensation Plan in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The Plan, available to all full time employees at their option, permits employees to defer a portion of their salary to future years. The deferred compensation is not available to participants until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

Amounts deferred under Section 457 plans must be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of participating employees and not be accessible by the Authority or its creditors. Since the Authority does not have a fiduciary relationship with the Plan, the balances and activities of the Plan are not reported in the Authority's financial statements.

Note 10: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is a member of New Jersey Utility Authorities Joint Insurance Fund. The Fund provides the Authority with the following coverage:

Property and Physical Damage
Workers Compensation
Excess Liability
Boiler and Machinery
General and Automobile Liability

Contributions to the Fund, including a reserve for contingencies are payable in an annual premium and is based on actuarial assumptions determined by the Fund's actuary. The Commissioner of Insurance may order additional assessments to supplement the Fund's claim, loss retention or administrative accounts to assure the payment of the Fund's obligations.

The Authority's agreement with the Fund provides that the Fund will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will reinsure through commercial insurance for claims in excess of \$500,000.00 for each insured event.

The Fund publishes its own financial report, which can be obtained from the New Jersey Utility Authorities Joint Insurance Fund, 9 Campus Drive, Suite 16, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054-4412.

Note 11: RESTATEMENT OF PRIOR PERIOD FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, the Authority adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, Leases. As a result, certain account balances as of December 1, 2020 and activities for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2021 have been restated. The following table illustrates the restatements:

Statement of Not Position

	statement of Net i	Position						
	Balance December 1, 2020 (As Previously <u>Reported)</u>		Prior Period <u>Adjustment</u>			Balance December 1, 2020 (As Restated)		
Lease Receivable - Current Lease Receivable - Noncurrent Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Leases	\$	-	\$	232,421.65 1,902,842.26 (2,135,263.91)	\$	232,421.65 1,902,842.26 (2,135,263.91)		

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position For the Year Ended For the Year Ended November 30, 2021 Prior (As Previously Period November 30, 2021 (As Restated) Reported) Adjustment Operation Revenues: Other Operating Revenues \$ 5,599.88 5,599.88 Non-Operating Revenues / (Expenses): Water Tower Lease Revenue 212,809.96 20,575.58 233,385.54 Interest Earned on Leases 8,227.73 8,227.73 Cell Tower Lease Consulting Services (33,439.30)(33,439.30)Change in Net Position 963.89 1,833,511.41 1,832,547.52

Note 12: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

NJIB Permanent Financing - On December 15, 2023, the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank issued Environmental Infrastructure Bonds, Series 2023A-W1 and Series 2023C-W1 for the benefits of the "Series 2023 Borrowers". The Authority is a "Series 2023 Borrower" and received permanent financing on one interim financing loan as follows:

		I-Bank Loan Amount	Fund Loan Amount		
Series 2023 A-W1/C-W1	0505002-004	\$ 7,429,641.00	\$ 3,514,857.00		

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)
Last Ten Plan Years

	Measurement Date Ending June 30,							
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u> <u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u> <u>2018</u>					
Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0199236663%	0.0192366048% 0.0181909666%	0.0182391291% 0.0170228138%					
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,006,756.00	\$ 2,278,864.00 \$ 2,966,471.00	\$ 3,286,414.00 \$ 3,351,707.00					
Authority's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 1,468,356.00	\$ 1,409,740.00 \$ 1,318,120.00	\$ 1,225,988.00 \$ 1,195,436.00					
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	204.77%	161.65% 225.05%	268.06% 280.38%					
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	62.91%	70.33% 58.32%	56.27% 53.60%					
		Measurement Date Ending June 30,						
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u> <u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u> <u>2013</u>					
Authority's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0141741109%	0.0116972840% 0.0147986848%	0.0167587842% 0.0163273172%					
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 3,299,506.00	\$ 3,464,400.00 \$ 3,322,008.00	\$ 3,137,703.00 \$ 3,120,475.00					
Authority's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)	\$ 962,560.00	\$ 791,516.00 \$ 993,092.00	\$ 1,158,964.00 \$ 1,126,292.00					
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	342.78%	437.69% 334.51%	270.73% 277.06%					
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	48.10%	40.14% 47.93%	52.08% 47.72%					

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Authority Contributions Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year Ended November 30,									
		<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>		<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>
Authority's Contractually Required Contribution	\$	251,247.00	\$	225,283.00	\$	199,000.00	\$	177,413.00	\$	169,322.00
Authority's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		(251,247.00)		(225,283.00)		(199,000.00)		(177,413.00)		(169,322.00)
Authority's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	_
Authority's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$	1,537,654.00	\$	1,460,070.00	\$	1,392,155.00	\$	1,292,781.00	\$	1,197,221.00
Authority's Contributions as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		16.34%		15.43%		14.29%		13.72%		14.14%
				Fisca	l Yea	I Year Ended November 30,				
		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>		<u>2013</u>	
Authority's Contractually Required Contribution	\$	131,308.00	\$	103,917.00	\$	127,229.00	\$	138,157.00	\$	123,023.00
Authority's Contribution in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		(131,308.00)		(103,917.00)		(127,229.00)		(138,157.00)		(123,023.00)
Authority's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Authority's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$	1,165,371.00	\$	970,590.00	\$	811,920.00	\$	973,028.00	\$	1,151,898.00
Authority's Contributions as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll		11.27%		10.71%		15.67%		14.20%		10.68%

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Authority's Proportionate Share
of the Net OPEB Liability
State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan
Last Six Plan Years

	Measurement Date Ended June 30,						
		2022		<u>2021 (a)</u>		<u>2020</u>	
Authority's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability		0.035763%		0.032392%		0.033589%	
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	5,775,580.00	\$	5,830,489.00	\$	6,028,088.00	
Authority's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)		1,522,201.00		1,450,391.00		1,367,892.00	
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		379.42%		401.99%		440.68%	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability		-0.36%		0.28%		0.91%	
		M	leasureme	easurement Date Ended June 30,			
		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>		
Authority's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability		0.011625%		0.029933%		0.029547%	
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	1,574,731.00	\$	4,689,489.00	\$	6,032,253.00	
Authority's Covered Payroll (Plan Measurement Period)		1,243,612.00		1,212,420.00		1,140,312.00	
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		126.63%		386.79%		529.00%	
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability		1.98%		1.97%		1.03%	

⁽a) The Proportionate Share of the June 30, 2021 Net OPEB Liability was adjusted within the June 30, 2022 Plan Audit.

Note: This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, this presentation will only include information for those years for which information is available.

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of the Authority's OPEB Contributions
State Health Benefits Local Government Retired Employees Plan
Last Six Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year Ended November 30,								
		2022		<u>2021</u>			<u>2020</u>		
Authority's Required Contributions	\$	202,815.54	\$	142,931.54	\$		150,669.75		
Authority's Contributions in Relation to the Required Contribution		(202,815.54)		(142,931.54)	_		(150,669.75)		
Authority's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	-	\$		\$				
Authority's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$	1,537,654.00	\$	1,460,070.00	\$		1,392,155.00		
Authority's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		13.19%		9.79%			10.82%		
			Fiscal Year Ended November 30,						
		<u>2019</u>		<u>2018</u>			<u>2017</u>		
Authority's Required Contributions	\$	160,236.97	\$	261,490.94	\$		290,590.17		
Authority's Contributions in Relation to the Required Contribution		(160,236.97)		(261,490.94)			(290,590.17)		
Authority's Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$		\$		\$				
Authority's Covered Payroll (Fiscal Year)	\$	1,292,781.00	\$	1,197,221.00	\$		1,165,371.00		
Authority's Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll		12.39%		21.84%			24.94%		

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Supplementary Information Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Note 1: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - PENSION

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

Changes in Benefit Terms:

The June 30, 2022 measurement date included three changes to the plan provisions, only one of which had an impact on the Total Pension Liability (TPL). Chapter 226, P.L. 2021 reopened the Prosecutors Part of PERS and made membership in the Prosecutors Part of PERS mandatory for all prosecutors.

Changes in Assumptions:

The discount rate and long-term expected rate of return used as of June 30 measurement date are as follows:

	Discou	nt Rate		Long	ed Rate of R	of Return		
<u>Year</u>	Rate	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
2022 2021	7.00% 7.00%	2017 2016	5.00% 3.98%	2022 2021	7.00% 7.00%	2017 2016	7.00% 7.65%	
2020 2019 2018	7.00% 6.28% 5.66%	2015 2014	4.90% 5.39%	2020 2019 2018	7.00% 7.00% 7.00%	2015 2014	7.90% 7.90%	

The underlying demographic and economic assumptions were updated as a result of the Experience Study covering the period of July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2021.

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Required Supplementary Information

Notes to Required Supplementary Information (Cont'd)

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Note 2: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION BENEFITS (OPEB)

Change in Benefit Terms:

The actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2022, included changes due to employers adopting and /or changing Chapter 48 provisions.

Changes in Assumptions:

The discount rate used as of the June 30 measurement date is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Rate</u>
2022	3.54%	2019	3.50%
2021	2.16%	2018	3.87%
2020	2.21%	2017	3.58%

The expected investment rate of return is based on guidance provided by the State. These expected rates of return are the same as the discount rates listed above.

In addition to changes in the discount rate, other factors that affected the valuation of the net OPEB liability included changes in the trend and updated experience study.

There were no changes to mortality projections.

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of Operations -- Revenues, Operating Appropriations, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations Compared to Budget--Budgetary Basis Water Division

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

On continue Processor	Original <u>Budget</u>	Transfers/ Modifications	Final <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Revenues:	Ф 2 F0F 700 00	Φ	Ф 2 F0F 700 00	ф 2 020 042 0 7	ф 044 440 O7
Service Charges	\$ 3,595,700.00	\$ -	\$ 3,595,700.00	\$ 3,839,843.97	
Connection Fees	8,000.00	-	8,000.00	684,440.00	676,440.00
Other Operating Revenues	61,000.00	-	61,000.00	86,267.62	25,267.62
Total Operating Revenues	3,664,700.00	-	3,664,700.00	4,610,551.59	945,851.59
Non-Operating Revenues: Investment Income Water Tower Rental Payments	37,500.00 133,000.00	- -	37,500.00 133,000.00	28,005.09 293,403.66	(9,494.91) 160,403.66
Total Non-Operating Revenues	170,500.00	-	170,500.00	321,408.75	150,908.75
Total Anticipated Revenues	3,835,200.00	-	3,835,200.00	4,931,960.34	1,096,760.34
Operating Appropriations: Administration: Salaries and Wages	218,000.00	-	218,000.00	250,722.04	(32,722.04)
Fringe Benefits	84,000.00	-	84,000.00	80,784.48	3,215.52
Other Expenses:					
Professional Services	163,000.00	(8,000.00)	155,000.00	104,445.37	50,554.63
Insurance	56,000.00	8,000.00	64,000.00	63,100.40	899.60
Equipment Rental	4,000.00	-	4,000.00	2,652.24	1,347.76
Other Employee Expenses	1,000.00	_	1,000.00	,	1,000.00
Dues and Memberships	5,000.00	_	5,000.00	4,900.00	100.00
Conferences & Seminars	3.000.00	_	3,000.00	1.667.00	1,333.00
Office Expense	3,000.00	_	3,000.00	1,794.50	1,205.50
Public Advertising	6,000.00	_	6,000.00	3,516.33	2,483.67
Printing	11,000.00	_	11,000.00	7,361.09	3,638.91
Postage	20,000.00	_	20,000.00	19,959.16	40.84
Computer Maintenance & Upgrade	23,000.00	-	23,000.00	6,710.04	16,289.96
Software Licenses					
and Internet / Website	14,000.00	-	14,000.00	11,284.34	2,715.66
Miscellaneous	6,000.00	-	6,000.00	6,882.13	(882.13)
Other Expenses	315,000.00	-	315,000.00	234,272.60	80,727.40
Total Administration	617,000.00	-	617,000.00	565,779.12	51,220.88

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of Operations -- Revenues, Operating Appropriations, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations Compared to Budget--Budgetary Basis Water Division

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Operating Appropriations (Cont'd):	Original <u>Budget</u>	Transfers/ Modifications	Final <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Appropriations (Cont'd): Cost of Providing Service:					
Operations: Salaries and Wages	\$ 756,000.00	\$ -	\$ 756,000.00	\$ 552,532.40	\$ 203,467.60
Fringe Benefits	471,950.00	-	471,950.00	401,206.38	70,743.62
Other Expenses:					
Chemical Costs - Treatment Plant	83,000.00	-	83,000.00	74,354.20	8,645.80
Utility Costs	143,000.00	-	143,000.00	151,546.11	(8,546.11)
Lease Agreement	4,000.00	-	4,000.00	2,805.55	1,194.45
Water Distribution Supplies	220,000.00	-	220,000.00	149,360.55	70,639.45
Water Meters	400,000.00	-	400,000.00		400,000.00
Well Parts & Supplies	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	30,136.73	(136.73)
Maintenance - Well / Tank	6,000.00	-	6,000.00	2,108.56	3,891.44
Janitorial Service	3,000.00	_	3,000.00		3,000.00
Laboratory Analysis	40,000.00	_	40,000.00	42,409.72	(2,409.72)
Transportation - Gasoline & Diesel	55,000.00	_	55,000.00	52,297.90	2,702.10
Permits and Other Fees	15,000.00	_	15,000.00	25,398.13	(10,398.13)
Safety	4,000.00	_	4,000.00	2,227.45	1,772.55
Tools	2,000.00	_	2,000.00	1,254.12	745.88
Training and Seminars	5,000.00	_	5,000.00	5,605.68	(605.68)
Uniforms	6,000.00	_	6,000.00	3,930.12	2,069.88
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	1,071.30	928.70
Total Other Expenses	1,018,000.00	-	1,018,000.00	544,506.12	473,493.88
Total Cost of Providing Service	2,245,950.00	-	2,245,950.00	1,498,244.90	747,705.10
Principal Payments on Debt Service					
in Lieu of Depreciation	446,908.00	-	446,908.00	446,908.43	(0.43)
Total Operating Appropriations	3,309,858.00	-	3,309,858.00	2,510,932.45	798,925.55
Non-Operating Appropriations:					
Interest on Debt	354,856.00	-	354,856.00	358,723.55	(3,867.55)
Renewal & Replacement Reserves	170,486.00	-	170,486.00	170,486.00	
Municipal Appropriation	80,000.00	-	80,000.00	80,000.00	
Total Non-Operating Appropriations	605,342.00	-	605,342.00	609,209.55	(3,867.55)
Net Total Appropriations	3,915,200.00	-	3,915,200.00	3,120,142.00	795,058.00
Excess (Deficit) in Anticipated Revenues Over Operating, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations	\$ (80,000.00)) \$ -	\$ (80,000.00)	\$ 1,811,818.34	\$ 1,891,818.34

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of Operations -- Revenues, Operating Appropriations, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations Compared to Budget--Budgetary Basis
Sewer Division
For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

	Original <u>Budget</u>	Transfers/ Modifications	Final <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Revenues:					
Service Charges	\$ 5,125,000.00	\$ -	\$ 5,125,000.00	\$ 4,998,770.09	\$ (126,229.91)
Connection Fees	4,800.00	-	4,800.00	43,200.00	38,400.00
Other Operating Revenues	 49,000.00		49,000.00	48,316.44	(683.56)
Total Operating Revenues	5,178,800.00	-	5,178,800.00	5,090,286.53	(88,513.47)
Non-Operating Revenues:					
Investment Income	 37,500.00	-	37,500.00	28,005.10	(9,494.90)
Total Non-Operating Revenues	 37,500.00		37,500.00	28,005.10	(9,494.90)
Total Anticipated Revenues	 5,216,300.00	-	5,216,300.00	5,118,291.63	(98,008.37)
Operating Appropriations: Administration:					
Salaries and Wages	218,000.00	-	218,000.00	250,721.86	(32,721.86)
Fringe Benefits	 84,000.00		84,000.00	82,027.04	1,972.96
Other Expenses:					
Professional Services	138,000.00	(11,000.00)	127,000.00	135,963.47	(8,963.47)
Insurance	84,000.00	12,000.00	96,000.00	94,624.60	1,375.40
Equipment Rental	6,000.00	-	6,000.00	2,652.24	3,347.76
Other Employee Expenses	2,000.00	_	2,000.00	,	2,000.00
Dues and Memberships	5,000.00	_	5,000.00	2,567.00	2,433.00
Conferences & Seminars	5.000.00	(1,000.00)	4,000.00	1,667.00	2,333.00
Office Expense	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	2,820.81	2,179.19
Public Advertising	6,000.00	_	6,000.00	2,653.89	3,346.11
Printing	8,000.00	_	8,000.00	4,379.75	3,620.25
Postage	20,000.00	-	20,000.00	19,947.85	52.15
Computer Maintenance & Upgrade	26,000.00	-	26,000.00	10,774.85	15,225.15
Software Licenses	40.000.00		40.000.00	47 475 00	4 504 47
and Internet / Website	19,000.00	=	19,000.00	17,475.83	1,524.17
Miscellaneous	 6,000.00	-	6,000.00	7,304.68	(1,304.68)
Total Other Expenses	 330,000.00	-	330,000.00	302,831.97	27,168.03
Total Administration	 632,000.00	-	632,000.00	635,580.87	(3,580.87)

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of Operations -- Revenues, Operating Appropriations, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations Compared to Budget--Budgetary Basis Sewer Division

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Operating Appropriations (Cont'd): Cost of Providing Service:	Original <u>Budget</u>	Transfe <u>Modificat</u>	-	<u>i</u>	Final <u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	ı	Variance Favorable nfavorable)
Operations: Salaries and Wages	\$ 921,000.00	\$	-	\$	921,000.00	\$ 862,499.38	\$	58,500.62
Fringe Benefits	 562,050.00		-		562,050.00	449,112.14		112,937.86
Other Expenses: Cape May County MUA Agreement Chemical Costs - Treatment Plant Buildings and Grounds Utility Costs Collection Materials & Supplies Sludge Handling and Disposal Laboratory Analysis Laboratory Operations Materials and Supplies Permits and Other Fees Safety Tools Fuel and Transportation Training and Seminars	700,000.00 210,000.00 40,000.00 301,000.00 150,000.00 25,000.00 10,000.00 125,000.00 57,000.00 20,000.00 12,000.00 90,000.00		- - - - - - -		700,000.00 210,000.00 40,000.00 301,000.00 150,000.00 25,000.00 10,000.00 125,000.00 57,000.00 20,000.00 90,000.00 5,000.00	501,331.00 173,070.46 28,759.45 330,837.90 103,939.35 334,233.36 26,825.00 8,752.06 91,367.28 44,138.35 16,490.93 12,951.84 71,858.03 7,721.85		198,669.00 36,929.54 11,240.55 (29,837.90) 46,060.65 (24,233.36) (1,825.00) 1,247.94 33,632.72 12,861.65 3,509.07 (951.84) 18,141.97 (2,721.85)
Uniforms Miscellaneous	 6,000.00 2,000.00		-		6,000.00 2,000.00	5,049.70 1,334.95		950.30 665.05
Total Other Expenses	 2,063,000.00		_		2,063,000.00	1,758,661.51		304,338.49
Total Cost of Providing Service	 3,546,050.00				3,546,050.00	3,070,273.03		475,776.97
Principal Payments on Debt Service in Lieu of Depreciation	 64,750.00		_		64,750.00	64,750.00		
Total Operating Appropriations	 4,242,800.00		-		4,242,800.00	3,770,603.90		472,196.10
Non-Operating Appropriations: Interest on Debt Renewal & Replacement Reserves Municipal Appropriation	29,363.00 944,137.00 80,000.00		- - -		29,363.00 944,137.00 80,000.00	48,719.82 944,137.00 80,000.00		(19,356.82)
Total Non-Operating Appropriations	 1,053,500.00		-		1,053,500.00	1,072,856.82		(19,356.82)
Net Total Appropriations	 5,296,300.00		-		5,296,300.00	4,843,460.72		452,839.28
Excess (Deficit) in Anticipated Revenues Over Operating, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations	\$ (80,000.00)	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	(80,000.00)	\$ 274,830.91	\$	354,830.91

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of Operations -- Revenues, Operating Appropriations, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations Compared to Budget--Budgetary Basis
For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Reconciliation of Excess (Deficit) Anticipated Revenues Over Operating, Principal Payments and Non-Operating Appropriations to Operating Income	l		
- Appropriations to operating meeting	Water Division	Sewer Division	<u>Total</u>
Excess (Deficit) in Anticipated Revenues			
Over Operating, Principal Payments			
and Non-Operating Appropriations	\$ 1,811,818.34	\$ 274,830.91	\$ 2,086,649.25
Add / Subtract Adjustments:			
Water Tower Rental Payments	(293,403.66)		(293,403.66)
Investment Income	(28,005.09)	(28,005.10)	(56,010.19)
Debt Service Principal Payments	446,908.43	64,750.00	511,658.43
Interest on Debt	358,723.55	48,719.82	407,443.37
Renewal and Replacement Reserves	170,486.00	944,137.00	1,114,623.00
Contribution to Lower Township Per N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-1	80,000.00	80,000.00	160,000.00
	2,546,527.57	1,384,432.63	3,930,960.20
Depreciation			(1,696,794.69)
Difference of GAAP Pension Expense vs. Budgetary Basis			154,120.00
Difference of GAAP OPEB Expense vs. Budgetary Basis			7,807.45
Operating Income (Exhibit B)			\$ 2,396,092.96

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of Revenue Bonds Payable For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Purpose	Date of <u>Issue</u>	Original <u>Issue</u>	Maturi <u>Date</u>	ties	of Bonds Amount	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance <u>Dec. 1, 2021</u>	Paid or <u>Amortized</u>	Balance Nov. 30, 2022
Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012	05/30/12 \$	3,725,000.00	12/01/22 12/01/23 12/01/24 12/01/25 12/01/26 12/01/27 12/01/28 12/01/29 12/01/30 12/01/31 12/01/32		180,000.00 185,000.00 190,000.00 195,000.00 205,000.00 210,000.00 220,000.00 230,000.00 240,000.00 250,000.00	3.250% 3.250% 3.250% 3.250% 3.250% 3.250% 3.375% 3.375% 3.375% 3.375%	\$ 2,495,000.00	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 2,320,000.00
Premium on Bonds					_,,,	•	2,707.70	393.57	2,314.13
						_	\$ 2,497,707.70	\$ 175,393.57	\$ 2,322,314.13

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of USDA Loans

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Purpose	Date of		Original <u>Issue</u>	Loan Principal Payments Date Amount			Interest	Balance <u>Dec. 1, 2021</u>	Paid	Balance Nov. 30, 2022
	<u>Issue</u>		issue	<u>Date</u>		Amount	Rate	Dec. 1, 2021	<u>Paid</u>	<u> 140v. 30, 2022</u>
USDA Loan - 2010	01/15/10	\$	1,875,000.00	02/25/23	\$	15,904.00	4.000%			
				08/25/23		16,222.00	4.000%			
				02/25/24		16,546.00	4.000%			
				08/25/24		16,877.00	4.000%			
				02/25/25		17,215.00	4.000%			
				08/25/25		17,559.00	4.000%			
				02/25/26		17,910.00	4.000%			
				08/25/26		18,268.00	4.000%			
				02/25/27		18,634.00	4.000%			
				08/25/27		19,006.00	4.000%			
				02/25/28		19,386.00	4.000%			
				08/25/28		19,774.00	4.000%			
				02/25/29		20,170.00	4.000%			
				08/25/29		20,573.00	4.000%			
				02/25/30		20,985.00	4.000%			
				08/25/30		21,404.00	4.000%			
				02/25/31		21,832.00	4.000%			
				08/25/31		22,269.00	4.000%			
				02/25/32		22,714.00	4.000%			
				08/25/32		23,169.00	4.000%			
				02/25/33		23,632.00	4.000%			
				08/25/33		24,105.00	4.000%			
				02/25/34		24,587.00	4.000%			
				08/25/34		25,078.00	4.000%			
				02/25/35		25,580.00	4.000%			
				08/25/35		26,092.00	4.000%			
				02/25/36		26,613.00	4.000%			
				08/25/36		27,146.00	4.000%			
				02/25/37		27,689.00	4.000%			
				08/25/37		28,242.00	4.000%			
				02/25/38		28,807.00	4.000%			
				08/25/38		29,383.00	4.000%			
				02/25/39		29,971.00	4.000%			
				08/25/39		30,571.00	4.000%			
				02/25/40		31,182.00	4.000%			
				08/25/40		31,806.00	4.000%			
				02/25/41		32,442.00	4.000%			
				08/25/41		33,091.00	4.000%			
				02/25/42		33,752.00	4.000%			
				08/25/42		34,427.00	4.000%			
				02/25/43		35,116.00	4.000%			
				08/25/43		35,818.00	4.000%			
				02/25/44		36,535.00	4.000%			
				08/25/44		37,265.00	4.000%			

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Schedule of USDA Loans

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

<u>Purpose</u>	Date of <u>Issue</u>				ncipa	I Payments Amount	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance <u>Dec. 1, 2021</u>	<u>Paid</u>	Balance <u>Nov. 30, 2022</u>
<u>r urpose</u>	' <u></u>		<u>13346</u>	<u>Date</u>		Amount	Nate	Dec. 1, 2021	<u>i aid</u>	1107. 30, 2022
USDA Loan - 2010 (Continued)	01/15/10	\$	1,875,000.00	02/25/45	\$	38,011.00	4.000%			
				08/25/45		38,771.00	4.000%			
				02/25/46		39,546.00	4.000%			
				08/25/46		40,337.00	4.000%			
				02/25/47		41,144.00	4.000%			
				08/25/47		41,967.00	4.000%			
				02/25/48		42,806.00	4.000%			
				08/25/48		43,662.00	4.000%			
				02/25/49		44,535.00	4.000%			
				08/26/49		45,426.00	4.000%			
				02/25/50		42,952.00	4.000%			
					\$	1,564,504.00		\$ 1,595,382.00 \$	30,878.00	0 \$ 1,564,504.00
USDA Loan - 2013	09/19/13		8,167,000.00	03/19/23	\$	78,977.75	2.125%			
00B/(20aii 2010	00/10/10		0,101,000.00	09/19/23	Ψ	79,816.89	2.125%			
				03/19/24		80,664.94	2.125%			
				09/19/24		81,522.01	2.125%			
				03/19/25		82,388.18	2.125%			
				09/19/25		83,263.55	2.125%			
				03/19/26		84,148.23	2.125%			
				09/19/26		85,042.30	2.125%			
				03/19/27		85,945.88	2.125%			
				09/19/27		86,859.06	2.125%			
				03/19/28		87,781.93	2.125%			
				09/19/28		88,714.61	2.125%			
				03/19/29		89,657.21	2.125%			
				09/19/29		90,609.81	2.125%			
				03/19/30		91,572.54	2.125%			
				09/19/30		92,545.50	2.125%			
				03/19/31		93,528.80	2.125%			
				09/19/31		94,522.54	2.125%			
				03/19/32		95,526.84	2.125%			
				09/19/32		96,541.82	2.125%			
				03/19/33		97,567.57	2.125%			
				09/19/33		98,604.23	2.125%			
				03/19/34		99,651.90	2.125%			
				09/19/34		100,710.70	2.125%			
				03/19/35		101,780.75	2.125%			
				09/19/35		102,862.17	2.125%			
				03/19/36		103,955.08	2.125%			
				09/19/36		105,059.60	2.125%			
				03/19/37		106,175.86	2.125%			
				09/19/37		107,303.98	2.125%			

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Schedule of USDA Loans

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

<u>Purpose</u>	Date of <u>Issue</u>	Original <u>Issue</u>	Loan Prir	ncipal Payments Amount	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance <u>Dec. 1, 2021</u>	<u>Paid</u>	Balance <u>Nov. 30, 2022</u>
								<u> </u>
USDA Loan - 2013 (Continued)	09/19/13	\$ 8,167,000.00	03/19/38	\$ 108,444.09	2.125%			
			09/19/38	109,596.30	2.125%			
			03/19/39	110,760.76	2.125%			
			09/19/39	111,937.60	2.125%			
			03/19/40	113,126.93	2.125%			
			09/19/40	114,328.91	2.125%			
			03/19/41	115,543.65	2.125%			
			09/19/41	116,771.30	2.125%			
			03/19/42	118,012.00	2.125%			
			09/19/42	119,265.88	2.125%			
			03/19/43	120,533.08	2.125%			
			09/19/43	121,813.74	2.125%			
			03/19/44	123,108.01	2.125%			
			09/19/44	124,416.03	2.125%			
			03/19/45	125,737.96	2.125%			
			09/19/45	127,073.92	2.125%			
			03/19/46	128,424.08	2.125%			
			09/19/46	129,788.59	2.125%			
			03/19/47	131,167.59	2.125%			
			09/19/47	132,561.25	2.125%			
			03/19/48	133,969.71	2.125%			
			09/19/48	135,393.14	2.125%			
			03/19/49	136,831.69	2.125%			
			09/19/49	138,285.53	2.125%			
			03/19/50	139,754.81	2.125%			
			09/19/50	141,239.71	2.125%			
			03/19/51	142,740.38	2.125%			
			09/19/51	144,256.99	2.125%			
			03/19/52	145,789.72	2.125%			
			09/19/52	147,338.74	2.125%			
			03/19/53	148,904.21	2.125%			
			09/19/53	149,052.10	2.125%			
				\$ 6,879,270.63		\$ 7,034,743.91 \$	155,473.28	8 \$ 6,879,270.63
USDA Loan - 2017	10/13/17	3,526,000.00	04/13/23	\$ 31,333.92	2.125%			
			10/13/23	31,666.84	2.125%			
			04/13/24	32,003.30	2.125%			
			10/13/24	32,343.34	2.125%			
			04/13/25	32,686.98	2.125%			
			10/13/25	33,034.28	2.125%			
			04/13/26	33,385.27	2.125%			
			10/13/26	33,739.99	2.125%			
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Schedule of USDA Loans

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Purpose	Date of <u>Issue</u>	Original <u>Issue</u>	Loan Princ <u>Date</u>	ipal Payments <u>Amount</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance <u>Dec. 1, 2021</u>	<u>Paid</u>	Balance Nov. 30, 2022
USDA Loan - 2017 (Continued)	10/13/17	\$ 3,526,000.00	04/13/27	\$ 34,098.48	2.125%			
		+ -,,	10/13/27	34,460.78	2.125%			
			04/13/28	34,826.92	2.125%			
			10/13/28	35,196.96	2.125%			
			04/13/29	35,570.92	2.125%			
			10/13/29	35,948.87	2.125%			
			04/13/30	36,330.82	2.125%			
			10/13/30	36,716.84	2.125%			
			04/13/31	37,106.95	2.125%			
			10/13/31	37,501.22	2.125%			
			04/13/32	37,899.67	2.125%			
			10/13/32	38,302.35	2.125%			
			04/13/33	38,709.31	2.125%			
			10/13/33	39,120.60	2.125%			
			04/13/34	39,536.25	2.125%			
			10/13/34	39,956.33	2.125%			
			04/13/35	40,380.86	2.125%			
			10/13/35	40,809.91				
			04/13/36	41,243.52	2.125%			
					2.125%			
			10/13/36	41,681.73	2.125%			
			04/13/37	42,124.60	2.125%			
			10/13/37	42,572.17	2.125%			
			04/13/38	43,024.50	2.125%			
			10/13/38	43,481.63	2.125%			
			04/13/39	43,943.63	2.125%			
			10/13/39	44,410.53	2.125%			
			04/13/40	44,882.39	2.125%			
			10/13/40	45,359.27	2.125%			
			04/13/41	45,841.21	2.125%			
			10/13/41	46,328.27	2.125%			
			04/13/42	46,820.51	2.125%			
			10/13/42	47,317.98	2.125%			
			04/13/43	47,820.73	2.125%			
			10/13/43	48,328.82	2.125%			
			04/13/44	48,842.32	2.125%			
			10/13/44	49,361.27	2.125%			
			04/13/45	49,885.73	2.125%			
			10/13/45	50,415.77	2.125%			
			04/13/46	50,951.43	2.125%			
			10/13/46	51,492.79	2.125%			
			04/13/47	52,039.90	2.125%			
			10/13/47	52,592.83	2.125%			
			04/13/48	53,151.63	2.125%			
			10/13/48	53,716.36	2.125%			
			04/13/49	54,287.10	2.125%			
			10/13/49	54,863.90	2.125%			

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of USDA Loans

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

<u>Purpose</u>	Date of Issue	Original <u>Issue</u>	Loan Prin <u>Date</u>	ncipal Payments <u>Amount</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance <u>Dec. 1, 2021</u>	<u>Paid</u>	Balance <u>Nov. 30, 2022</u>
USDA Loan - 2017 (Continued)	10/13/17	\$ 3,526,000.00	04/13/50 10/13/50 04/13/51 10/13/51 04/13/52 10/13/52 04/13/53 10/13/53 04/13/54 10/13/55 10/13/55	\$ 55,446.83 56,035.95 56,631.33 57,233.04 57,841.14 58,455.71 59,076.80 59,704.49 60,338.85 60,979.95 61,627.86 62,282.66	2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125%			
			04/13/56 10/13/56 04/13/57 10/13/57	62,944.41 63,613.19 64,289.08 64,267.71 \$ 3,230,219.48	2.125% 2.125% 2.125% 2.125%	\$ 3,291,902.52 \$ \$ 11,922,028.43 \$	61,683.04 248,034.32	\$ 3,230,219.48 \$ 11,673,994.11

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of NJIB Loans Payable For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

	Date of	Original	Loan Prin	cipal	Payments	Interest		Balance				Balance
<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Issue</u>	Issue	<u>Date</u>		Amount	Rate	ļ	Dec. 1, 2021	<u> </u>	<u>Decrease</u>	No	v. 30, 2022
2020 New Jersey Infrastructure Bank	05/13/20	\$ 715,000.00	08/01/23	\$	15,000.00	5.000%						
Trust Loan			08/01/24		15,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/25		15,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/26		20,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/27		20,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/28		20,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/29		20,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/30		20,000.00	5.000%						
			08/01/31		20,000.00	4.000%						
			08/01/32		25,000.00	2.125%						
			08/01/33		25,000.00	2.250%						
			08/01/34		25,000.00	2.375%						
			08/01/35		25,000.00	2.375%						
			08/01/36		25,000.00	2.500%						
			08/01/37		25,000.00	2.500%						
			08/01/38		25,000.00	2.625%						
			08/01/39		25,000.00	2.625%						
			08/01/40		30,000.00	2.625%						
			08/01/41		30,000.00	2.750%						
			08/01/42		30,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/43		30,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/44		30,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/45		30,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/46		35,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/47		35,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/48		35,000.00	3.000%						
			08/01/49		35,000.00	3.000%						
				\$	685,000.00		\$	700,000.00	\$	15,000.00	\$	685,000.00
0000 N	05/40/06	0.404.400.00	00/04/05	•	04.544.05							
2020 New Jersey Infrastructure Bank	05/13/20	2,184,182.00	02/01/23	\$	24,541.37							
Fund Loan			08/01/23		49,082.74							
			02/01/24		24,541.37							
			08/01/24		49,082.74							
			02/01/25		24,541.37							

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of NJIB Loans Payable For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

	Date of	Original						Balance	
<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>lssue</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u> </u>	Amount	Rate	Dec. 1, 2021	<u>Decrease</u>	Nov. 30, 2022
2020 New Jersey Infrastructure Bank	05/13/20	\$ 2,184,182.00	08/01/25	\$	49,082.74				
Fund Loan (Cont'd)			02/01/26		24,541.37				
			08/01/26		49,082.74				
			02/01/27		24,541.37				
			08/01/27		49,082.74				
			02/01/28		24,541.37				
			08/01/28		49,082.74				
			02/01/29		24,541.37				
			08/01/29		49,082.74				
			02/01/30		24,541.37				
			08/01/30		49,082.74				
			02/01/31		24,541.37				
			08/01/31		49,082.74				
			02/01/32		24,541.37				
			08/01/32		49,082.74				
			02/01/33		24,541.37				
			08/01/33		49,082.74				
			02/01/34		24,541.37				
			08/01/34		49,082.74				
			02/01/35		24,541.37				
			08/01/35		49,082.74				
			02/01/36		24,541.37				
			08/01/36		49,082.74				
			02/01/37		24,541.37				
			08/01/37		49,082.74				
			02/01/38		24,541.37				
			08/01/38		49,082.74				
			02/01/39		24,541.37				
			08/01/39		49,082.74				
			02/01/40		24,541.37				
			08/01/40		49,082.74				
			02/01/41		24,541.37				
			08/01/41		49,082.74				
			02/01/42		24,541.37				
			08/01/42		49,082.74				
			02/01/43		24,541.37				

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TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Schedule of NJIB Loans Payable For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

<u>Purpose</u>	Date of <u>Issue</u>	Original <u>Issue</u>	Loan Prir <u>Date</u>	ncipal	Payments Amount	Interest <u>Rate</u>	Balance Dec. 1, 2021	<u>Decrease</u>	Balance Nov. 30, 2022
2020 New Jersey Infrastructure Bank	05/13/20	\$ 2,184,182.00	08/01/43	\$	49,082.74				
Fund Loan (Cont'd)			02/01/44		24,541.37				
			08/01/44		49,082.74				
			02/01/45		24,541.37				
			08/01/45		49,082.74				
			02/01/46		24,541.37				
			08/01/46		49,082.74				
			02/01/47		24,541.37				
			08/01/47		49,082.74				
			02/01/48		24,541.37				
			08/01/48		49,082.74				
			02/01/49		24,541.37				
			08/01/49		49,082.81				
				\$	1,987,851.04	\$	\$ 2,061,475.15 \$	73,624.11	\$ 1,987,851.04
Premium on Loans						_	40,230.72	2,442.45	37,788.27
						5	\$ 2,801,705.87	\$91,066.56	\$ 2,710,639.31

PART II

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022



REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY CIRCULAR 15-08-OMB

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Chairman and Members of
The Board of Commissioners of the
Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority
Villas, New Jersey

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal and State Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

We have audited the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority's (the Authority), in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, a component unit of the Township of Lower, compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* and the *New Jersey State Grant Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Authority's major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022. The Authority's major federal and state programs are identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying *Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs*

In our opinion, the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal and state programs for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal and State Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* Our responsibilities under those standards, the Uniform Guidance, and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Authority and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal and state program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Authority's federal and state programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Authority's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; *Government Auditing Standards*; the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; Uniform Guidance; and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Authority's compliance with the requirements of each major federal and state program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Authority's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Authority's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to
 design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control
 over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB,
 but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over
 compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

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Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal and state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal and state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal and state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance* section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

Voorhees, New Jersey April 7, 2025

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Federal Grantor/	Assistance	Additional	Pass Through	Program				Receipts or		Passed		Memo	Only
Pass-through	Listing	Award	Entity Identifying	or Award		nt Period	Balance	Revenues	Disbursed/	Through to	Balance	Cash	Accumulated
Grantor/Program Title	Number	Identification	Number	Amount	From	<u>To</u>	Nov. 30, 2021	Recognized	Expended	Subrecipients	Nov. 30, 2022	Collected	Expenditures
United States Environmental Protection Agency Passed Through N.J. Department of Environmental Protection: Clean Water State Revolving Funds (CWSRF) Cluster: Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds - Vacuum Sewer Expansion	66.458	None	S340810-05	\$14,391,975.50	4/21/21	Completion	\$ -	\$ 5,780,492.50 \$	(5,780,492.50)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,810,652.00	\$ 7,930,854.50
Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (DWSRF) Cluster: Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds - Del Haven Water Expansion	66.468	None	0505002-004	5,389,273.00	6/11/21	Completion		4,369,350.13	(4,369,350.13)			2,784,476.50	4,561,423.00
							\$ -	\$ 10,149,842.63 \$	(10,149,842.63)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,595,128.50	\$ 12,492,277.50

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements and Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance

For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

	State	Pass-through	Program				Receipts or		Passed		Me	emo Only
State Grantor/	GMIS	Grantors'	or Award	Gran	nt Period	Balance	Revenues	Disbursed/	Through to	Balance	Cash	Accumulated
Program Title	Number	Number	<u>Amount</u>	From	<u>To</u>	Nov. 30, 2021	Recognized	Expended	<u>Subrecipients</u>	Nov. 30, 2022	Collected	<u>Expenditures</u>
State of New Jersey, NJ Environmental Infrastructure Bank Financing Program:			**********					(5 700 400 50)	•			
Vacuum Sewer Expansion Del Haven Water Expansion	042-4860-71I-010 042-4840-707-010	S340810-05 0505002-004	\$14,391,975.50 5,389,273.00		Completion Completion	\$ -	\$ 5,780,492.50 \$ 4,369,350.13	(5,780,492.50) (4,369,350.13)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,810,652.0 2,784,476.0	
						\$ -	\$ 10,149,842.63 \$	(10,149,842.63)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,595,128.	50 \$ 12,492,277.50

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements and Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance are an integral part of this schedule.

Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Note 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance ("the schedules") include federal and state award activity of the Township of Lower Municipal Utilities Authority (hereafter referred to as the "Authority") under programs of the federal government and state government for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022. The Authority is defined in note 1 to the Authority's basic financial statements. The information in these schedules is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid.* All federal and state awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as federal awards and state financial assistance passed through other government agencies, are included on the schedules. Because these schedules present only a selected portion of the operations of the Authority, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position and changes in operations of the Authority.

Note 2: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying schedules are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is described in note 1 to the Authority's basic financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB, *Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowed or are limited as to reimbursement. The expenditures reflected in the schedules are presented at the federal and state participation level; thus, any matching portion is not included.

Note 3: INDIRECT COST RATE

The Authority has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 4: RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules are reconciled to the amounts reported in the Authority's basic financial statements as follows:

	Schedule of E	xpenditures of
	Federal <u>Awards</u>	State Financial <u>Assistance</u>
Expended in Current Fiscal Year, Reported in Construction in Progress	\$ 10,149,842.63	\$ 10,149,842.63

Notes to Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance (Cont'd)
For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Note 5: RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal and state financial reports.

Note 6: MAJOR PROGRAMS

Major programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

PART III

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2022

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Section 1- Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements		
Type of auditor's report issued		Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:		
Material weakness(es) identified?		yesX_no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		yes <u>X</u> none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?		yes <u>X</u> no
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major programs:		
Material weakness(es) identified?		yesX_no
Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		yes <u>X</u> none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major p	rograms	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be report with Section 516 of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regu Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance	lations Part 200, , and Audit	yes <u>X</u> no
Identification of major programs:		
Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name of Federal Program	or Cluster
66.468	Capitalization Grants for Drig Funds (DWSRF) Cluster	nking Water State Revolving
Dollar threshold used to determine Type A programs		\$ 750,000.00
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		yes X no

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Section 1- Summary of Auditor's Results (Cont'd)

State Financial Assistance Internal control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? ___yes_X_no Significant deficiency(ies) identified? yes X none reported Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs Unmodified Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in ___yes __X no accordance with New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB? Identification of major programs: GMIS Number(s) **Name of State Program** 042-4840-707-010 New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Financing Program Dollar threshold used to determine Type A programs \$ 750,000.00

yes X no

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022

Section 2- Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, fraud, noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements related to financial statements for which *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, requires.

Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, requires.
None.
Section 3- Schedule of Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs
This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, material instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, and significant instances of abuse related to the audit of major Federal programs, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, <i>Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards</i> (Uniform Guidance).
None.
Section 4- Schedule of State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

This section identifies the significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, material instances of noncompliance, including questioned costs, and significant instances of abuse related to the audit of major State programs, as required by State of New Jersey Circular 15-08-OMB.

None.

Summary Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings and Questioned Costs as Prepared by Management

This section identifies the status of prior year findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and audit requirements as prescribed by the Bureau of Authority Regulation, Division of Local Governmental Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS
None.
FEDERAL AWARDS
None.
STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
None.

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APPRECIATION

We express our appreciation for the assistance and courtesies rendered by the Authority officials during the course of the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

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