Annual Financial Report

City of Alexandria Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power

A Component Unit of the City Alexandria, Minnesota

For the Years Ended December 31, 2016 and 2015



CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT TABLE OF CONTENTS

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

APPOINTED

Name	Title
Kevin Mahoney	Chairperson
Steve Senden	Vice-Chairperson
Brett Paradis	Member
James Scott	Member
Bobbie Osterberg	Member
Al Crowser	Secretary/Treasurer and General Manager

FINANCIAL SECTION

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power Alexandria, Minnesota

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power (the Board), a component unit of the City of Alexandria, Minnesota, as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Board's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 Board's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Board as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedule of Employer's Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of Employer's Contributions and the Schedule of Funding Progress for Other Postemployment Benefit Plan starting on page 46 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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.

Management has omitted the management discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, 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 appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Board's financial statements as a whole. The introductory section and supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 7, 2017, on our consideration of the Board'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 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 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 Board's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

ABDO, EICK & MEYERS, LLP Mankato, Minnesota

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April 7, 2017



FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	Enterprise Funds					
		ectric ility	War Util			
	2016	2015	2016	2015		
ASSETS						
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash and temporary investments	\$ 8,959,280	\$ 8,913,599	\$ 3,501,411	\$ 2,894,898		
Interest receivable Customer accounts receivable, net of allowance for	17,389	17,156	7,621	8,897		
doubtful accounts of \$55,706 and \$55,953, respectively	715,768	593,128	246,807	195,301		
Due from the City of Alexandria	13,393	13,248	240,007	175,501		
Special assessments receivable	-		1,326	1,192		
Inventories	1,114,999	1,191,913	79,965	103,058		
Prepaid items	71,467	154,308	6,578	18,033		
Restricted debt service reserve deposits	732,477	703,040	252,650	252,650		
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	11,624,773	11,586,392	4,096,358	3,474,029		
NONCURRENT ASSETS						
Capital assets						
Land and land rights	64,669	64,669	66,807	66,807		
Service territory acquired	234,533	234,533	-	-		
Buildings and structures	2,371,719	2,342,482	129,609	129,609		
Transmission plant	2,763,581	2,753,133	-	-		
Distribution plant	41,421,930	38,442,181	39,470,924	39,129,438		
General equipment	3,257,433	3,068,715	1,411,694	1,078,765		
Construction in progress	1,160,028	1,780,366	199,032	511,033		
Less accumulated depreciation	(25,813,642)	(24,594,448)	(11,666,411)	(10,764,117)		
Total capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	25,460,251	24,091,631	29,611,655	30,151,535		
TOTAL ASSETS	37,085,024	35,678,023	33,708,013	33,625,564		
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred pension resources	1,090,682	218,078	126,820	25,358		
LIABILITIES						
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	1,804,826	1,658,764	32,201	4,572		
Due to other governments	79,699	82,483	2,708	6,180		
Due to the City of Alexandria	908,330	863,469	-	-		
Due to Alexandria Lakes Area Sanitary District (ALASD)	477,960	434,858	-	-		
Accrued interest payable	20,196	10,257	27,282	29,452		
Accrued wages payable	56,086	45,113	13,047	8,918		
Compensated absences payable	197,472	216,113	62,855	50,106		
Customer meter deposits payable	356,135	339,552	220,000	222 000		
Bonds and notes payable - current portion	770,000	760,000	229,000	223,000		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	4,670,704	4,410,609	367,093	322,228		
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES						
Other postemployment benefits payable	158,725	150,972	14,018	13,329		
Compensated absences payable	472,819	498,909	218,465	187,125		
Pension liability	2,967,685	1,867,471	345,072	217,148		
Bonds and notes payable - net of current maturities	6,683,920	7,455,442	2,707,000	2,936,000		
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	10,283,149	9,972,794	3,284,555	3,353,602		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,953,853	14,383,403	3,651,648	3,675,830		
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred pension resources	329,537	389,515	38,318	45,292		
NET POSITION						
Net investment in capital assets	20,498,552	20,054,495	26,675,655	26,992,535		
Restricted for debt service	732,477	703,040	252,650	252,650		
Unrestricted	1,661,287	365,648	3,216,562	2,684,615		
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 22,892,316	\$ 21,123,183	\$ 30,144,867	\$ 29,929,800		
The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.						

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	ility		Totals 2015
2016	2015	2016	2015
\$ 1,222,694	\$ 1,265,446	\$ 13,683,385	\$ 13,073,943
3,125	\$ 1,203,440	28,135	
3,123	-	20,133	26,053
2,538	5,170	965,113	793,599
2,336	3,170	13,393	13,248
_	_	1,326	1,192
_	_	1,194,964	1,294,971
2,135	7,213	80,180	179,554
2,133	7,213	985,127	955,690
1,230,492	1,277,829	16,951,623	16,338,250
-	-	131,476	131,476
-	-	234,533	234,533
-	-	2,501,328	2,472,091
_	_	2,763,581	2,753,133
_	_	80,892,854	77,571,619
1,875,321	1,718,065	6,544,448	5,865,545
64,809	37,618	1,423,869	2,329,017
(1,156,960)	(1,092,017)	(38,637,013)	(36,450,582)
(1,130,300)	(1,072,017)	(30,037,013)	(30,430,302)
783,170	663,666	55,855,076	54,906,832
2,013,662	1,941,495	72,806,699	71,245,082
50,730	10,143	1,268,232	253,579
3,329	3,113	1,840,356	1,666,449
-	1,545	82,407	90,208
-	-	908,330	863,469
-	_	477,960	434,858
-	_	47,478	39,709
1,639	1,626	70,772	55,657
16,505	9,901	276,832	276,120
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_	_	999,000	983,000
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21,473	16,185	5,059,270	4,749,022
3,412	3,240	176,155	167,541
38,175	22,962	729,459	708,996
138,032	86,857	3,450,789	2,171,476
		9,390,920	10,391,442
179,619	113,059	13,747,323	13,439,455
201,092	129,244	18,806,593	18,188,477
15,327	18,116	383,182	452,923
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783,170	663,666	47,957,377	47,710,696
_	-	985,127	955,690
1,064,803	1,140,612	5,942,652	4,190,875
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\$ 1,847,973	\$ 1,804,278	\$ 54,885,156	\$ 52,857,261

Enterprise Funds

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - PROPRIETARY FUNDS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	Enterprise Funds								
	Elec Uti		Water Utility						
	2016	2015	2016	2015					
OPERATING REVENUES Sales	¢ 24.615.069	\$ 24.584.568	\$ 2,190,290	\$ 2.188.406					
Other operating revenue	\$ 24,615,068 727,733	\$ 24,584,568 354,244	\$ 2,190,290 38,544	\$ 2,188,406 38,195					
r									
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	25,342,801	24,938,812	2,228,834	2,226,601					
OPERATING EXPENSES									
Personal services	1,035,221	847,294	169,204	112,824					
Production plant and purchased power	17,691,784	18,237,533	-	-					
Distribution system - operations	710,160	782,765	111,221	53,546					
Distribution system - maintenance	743,726	740,213	321,542	387,190					
Other operating	-	-	280,244	278,445					
Customer accounts	615,958	618,693	73,406	83,826					
Administration and general	626,004	605,429	79,133	89,664					
Depreciation and amortization	1,259,270	1,225,280	902,294	906,905					
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	22,682,123	23,057,207	1,937,044	1,912,400					
OPERATING INCOME	2,660,678	1,881,605	291,790	314,201					
NONOPERATING INCOME (EXPENSES)									
Investment income (loss)	149,447	114,423	24.042	28,450					
Other revenue	232,794	87,961	22,365	21,049					
Special assessments	<u>-</u>	-	1,326	1,192					
Gain (loss) on sale of capital assets	(24,489)	(26,220)	-	, · <u>-</u>					
Amortization expense	1,522	(==,===) -	_	_					
Bond issuance costs		(125,581)	_	_					
Interest and other	(250,877)	(132,207)	(79,322)	(79,831)					
TOTAL NONOPERATING INCOME (EXPENSES)	108,397	(81,624)	(31,589)	(29,140)					
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE TRANSFERS	2,769,075	1,799,981	260,201	285,061					
TRANSFERS TO CITY -									
PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	(999,942)	(1,069,558)	(45,134)	(45,904)					
				<u> </u>					
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	1,769,133	730,423	215,067	239,157					
NET POSITION, JANUARY	21,123,183	20,392,760	29,929,800	29,690,643					
NET POSITION, DECEMBER 31	\$ 22,892,316	\$ 21,123,183	\$ 30,144,867	\$ 29,929,800					

Enterprise Funds	Enter	prise	Funds	
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			Enterpri	se Fu	inds					
	Fiber Utility				Totals					
	2016		2015	2016		2015				
\$	394,037	\$	367,353	\$	27,199,395 766,277	\$ 27,140,32 392,43				
	394,037		367,353		27,965,672	27,532,76	56			
	66,619		43,856		1,271,044	1,003,97				
	-		-		17,691,784	18,237,53	13			
	182,468		142,251		1,003,849	978,56				
	-		-		1,065,268	1,127,40				
	-		-		280,244	278,44				
	20,699		23,795		710,063	726,31				
	23,988		26,092		729,125	721,18				
	64,943		40,395		2,226,507	2,172,58	30			
	358,717		276,389		24,977,884	25,245,99)6			
	35,320		90,964		2,987,788	2,286,77	0'			
	(5,250)		_		168,239	142,87	73			
	13,625		(34)		268,784	108,97				
	-		-		1,326	1,19				
	_		-		(24,489)	(26,22				
	-		-		1,522		_			
	-		-		-	(125,58	31)			
				_	(330,199)	(212,03	(8)			
	8,375		(34)		85,183	(110,79	98)			
	43,695		90,930		3,072,971	2,175,97	'2			
			<u>-</u>		(1,045,076)	(1,115,46	52)			
	43,695		90,930		2,027,895	1,060,51	0			
	1,804,278		1,713,348		52,857,261	51,796,75	51			
\$	1,847,973	\$	1,804,278	\$	54,885,156	\$ 52,857,26	51			
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CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	Enterprise Funds								
		ctric	Water						
	2016	ility 2015	2016 Uti	2015					
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2010	2013	2010	2013					
Receipts from customers	\$ 25,236,599	\$ 24,969,815	\$ 2,177,328	\$ 2,229,584					
Payments to suppliers and vendors	(20,105,739)	(21,078,397)	(856,911)	(924,747)					
Payments to and on behalf of employees	(893,594)	(823,113)	(100,809)	(111,726)					
Other receipts	232,794	87,961	22,365	21,049					
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	4,470,060	3,156,266	1,241,973	1,214,160					
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES									
Transfers to City - payment in lieu of taxes	(999,942)	(1,069,558)	(45,134)	(45,904)					
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED									
FINANCING ACTIVITIES									
Capital asset acquisitions	(2,543,276)	(3,129,740)	(312,344)	(1,368,750)					
Special assessment receipts	-		1,192	2,023					
Proceeds from bonds, net of premiums Principal paid on bonds and notes	(760,000)	5,425,442	(223,000)	(299,530)					
Bond issuance costs	(700,000)	(510,000) (125,581)	(223,000)	(299,330)					
Interest paid on long-term debt	(240,938)	(133,214)	(81,492)	(95,371)					
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY CAPITAL AND		<u></u> ,		<u> </u>					
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(3,544,214)	1,526,907	(615,644)	(1,761,628)					
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES									
Interest received on investments	149,214	114,905	25,318	23,038					
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	75,118	3,728,520	606,513	(570,334)					
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, JANUARY 1	9,616,639	5,888,119	3,147,548	3,717,882					
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, DECEMBER 31	\$ 9,691,757	\$ 9,616,639	\$ 3,754,061	\$ 3,147,548					
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS									
Unrestricted	\$ 8,959,280	\$ 8,913,599	\$ 3,501,411	\$ 2,894,898					
Restricted	732,477	703,040	252,650	252,650					
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ 9,691,757	\$ 9,616,639	\$ 3,754,061	\$ 3,147,548					
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO									
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 2.660.678	\$ 1.881.605	\$ 291,790	\$ 314,201					
Operating income Adjustments to reconcile operating income to	\$ 2,660,678	\$ 1,881,605	\$ 291,790	\$ 314,201					
net cash provided by operating activities									
Depreciation expense	1,259,270	1,225,280	902,294	906,905					
Other income related to operations	232,794	87,961	22,365	21,049					
(Increase) decrease in assets									
Customer accounts receivable	(109,392)	13,924	(51,506)	2,983					
Due from the City of Alexandria Inventories	(13,393) 76,914	935	23,093	(21,518)					
Prepaid items	82,841	(51,428)	11,455	(12,918)					
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows of resources	02,011	(31,120)	11,100	(12,710)					
Deferred pension resources	(872,604)	74,046	(101,462)	8,609					
Increase (decrease) in liabilities									
Accounts payable	36,959	(29,932)	(22,441)	2,293					
Due to other governments	(2,784)	(36,024)	(3,472)	67					
Due to the City of Alexandria Due to Alexandria Lakes Area Sanitary District (ALASD)	44,861	(25,066)	-	-					
Accrued wages payable	43,102 10,973	47,751 7,564	4,129	4,489					
Compensated absences payable	(44,731)	12,788	44,089	(3,493)					
Pension liability	1,100,214	25,300	127,924	2,947					
Other postemployment benefits payable	7,753	12,721	689	1,131					
Customer meter deposits payable	16,583	17,079	-	-					
Increase (decrease) in deferred inflows of resources	(50.079)	(109 229)	(6.074)	(12.595)					
Deferred pension resources	(59,978)	(108,238)	(6,974)	(12,585)					
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 4,470,060	\$ 3,156,266	\$ 1,241,973	\$ 1,214,160					
NONCASH CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES Book value of disposed/traded of capital assets	\$ 24,489	\$ 26,220	\$ -	\$ -					
Capital assets acquired on account	109,103	19,607	50,070	41					
Amortization of bond (premium) discount	(1,522)	-	-	-					

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

 	Enterpri	se Fu	nds				
Fil Uti			To	tals			
2016	 2015		2016	201:	5		
\$ 396,669 (212,496) (36,818)	\$ 370,786 (198,198) (39,163)	\$	27,810,596 (21,175,146) (1,031,221) 255,159	•			
147,355	133,425		5,859,388	4,50	3,851		
 	 		(1,045,076)	(1,11	5,462)		
(181,732) - - -	(191,275) - - -		(3,037,352) 1,192 - (983,000)	5,42	9,765) 2,023 5,442 9,530)		
 - -	 <u>-</u>		(322,430)		5,581) 8,585)		
 (181,732)	 (191,275)		(4,341,590)	(42	5,996)		
 (8,375)	 		166,157	13	7,943		
(42,752)	(57,850)		638,879	3,10	0,336		
 1,265,446	 1,323,296		14,029,633	10,92	9,297		
\$ 1,222,694	\$ 1,265,446	\$	14,668,512	\$ 14,02	9,633		
\$ 1,222,694	\$ 1,265,446	\$	13,683,385 985,127	\$ 13,07 95	3,943 5,690		
\$ 1,222,694	\$ 1,265,446	\$	14,668,512	\$ 14,02	9,633		
\$ 35,320 64,943	\$ 90,964 40,395	\$	2,987,788 2,226,507		6,770 2,580		
13,625	(34)		268,784		2,380 8,976		
2,632 - 5,078	3,433 - (3,954)		(158,266) (13,393) 100,007 99,374	(2)	0,340 - 0,583) 8,300)		
(40,587)	3,445		(1,014,653)	8	6,100		
(2,499) (1,545) - 13 21,817 51,175 172	(2,089) 17 - 558 4,275 1,169 283		12,019 (7,801) 44,861 43,102 15,115 21,175 1,279,313 8,614	(3. (2. 4. 1. 1. 2.	9,728) 5,940) 5,066) 7,751 2,611 3,570 9,416 4,135		
-	-		16,583		7,079		
\$ (2,789) 147,355	\$ (5,037) 133,425	\$	(69,741) 5,859,388		5,860) 3,851		
\$ 2,715	\$ 	\$	24,489 161,888 (1,522)	2	6,220 9,648		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting entity

The financial statements include the operations of the City of Alexandria Electric Utility, Water Utility and Fiber Utility funds, which are reported as a discretely presented component unit of the City of Alexandria, Minnesota, (the City). The Board provides electric, water and fiber/internet services and currently serves the City and limited surrounding areas. The funds are governed by the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power, a six member board, five of whom are appointed by the City Council, and the Board's general manager.

The accounting policies of the Board conform to the requirements of the Uniform System of Accounts of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and are in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting policies. The policies outlined below include those that have a significant effect of the financial statements and are in addition to those outlined in other notes to the financial statements.

The Board considered all potential units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Board are such that exclusion would cause the Board's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the primary government to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the primary government. The Board has no component units that meet the GASB criteria.

B. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The Board's financial statements are reported using the *accrual basis of accounting* in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to the Board is determined by its measurement focus. The transactions of the Board are accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations are included on the balance sheets. Net position (i.e., total assets net of total liabilities) are segregated into invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted; and unrestricted components.

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.

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

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Grants and entitlements received before eligibility requirements are met are also recorded as unearned revenue.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

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 certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Board reports the following major proprietary funds:

The *Electric Utility fund* accounts for the costs associated with the Board's electric system and to ensure that user charges are sufficient to pay for those costs.

The Water Utility fund accounts for costs associated with the Board's water system and to ensure that user charges are sufficient to pay for those costs.

The *Fiber Utility fund* accounts for costs associated with the Board's fiber system and to ensure that user charges are sufficient to pay for those costs.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Board's enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. The Board also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Enterprise funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises or where the Board has decided that the determination of revenues earned, costs incurred and/or net income is necessary for management accountability.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Board's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

C. Assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position

Deposits and investments

The Board's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and investments.

Cash balances from all funds are pooled and invested, to the extent available, in certificates of deposit and other authorized investments. Earnings from such investments are allocated on the basis of applicable participation by each of the funds.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

The Board may also invest idle funds as authorized by Minnesota statutes, as follows:

- 1. Direct obligations or obligations guaranteed by the United States or its agencies.
- 2. Shares of investment companies registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940 and received the highest credit rating, rated in one of the two highest rating categories by a statistical rating agency, and have a final maturity of thirteen months or less.
- 3. General obligations of a state or local government with taxing powers rated "A" or better; revenue obligations rated "AA" or better.
- 4. General obligations of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency rated "A" or better.
- 5. Obligation of a school district with an original maturity not exceeding 13 months and (i) rated in the highest category by a national bond rating service or (ii) enrolled in the credit enhancement program pursuant to statute section 126C.55.
- 6. Bankers' acceptances of United States banks eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve System.
- Commercial paper issued by United States banks corporations or their Canadian subsidiaries, of highest quality category by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies, and maturing in 270 days or less.
- 8. Repurchase or reverse repurchase agreements and securities lending agreements with financial institutions qualified as a "depository" by the government entity, with banks that are members of the Federal Reserve System with capitalization exceeding \$10,000,000, a primary reporting dealer in U.S. government securities to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or certain Minnesota securities broker-dealers.
- 9. Guaranteed investment contracts (GIC's) issued or guaranteed by a United States commercial bank, a domestic branch of a foreign bank, a United States insurance company, or its Canadian subsidiary, whose similar debt obligations were rated in one of the top two rating categories by a nationally recognized rating agency.

The broker money market accounts operate in accordance with appropriate state laws and regulations. The reported value of the pools is the same as the fair value of the pool shares.

The Board categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Board's recurring fair value measurements are listed in detail on page 28 and are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

The Board has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2016:

- Government agency securities of \$6,838,305 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs)
- Negotiable certificates of deposit of \$2,028,809 are values using a matrix pricing model (Level 2 inputs)

The Minnesota Municipal Money Market Fund is regulated by Minnesota statutes and the Board of Directors of the League of Minnesota Cities and is an external investment pool not registered with the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) that follows the same regulatory rules of the SEC under rule 2a7. The Board's investment in this trust is measured at the net asset value per share provided by the pool, which is based on an amortized cost method that approximates fair value. Financial statements of the 4M Fund can be obtained by contracting RBC Global Management at 100 South Fifth Street, Suite 2300, Minneapolis, MN 55402-1240.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable of \$965,113 and \$806,847 are recorded net of the allowance for doubtful accounts of \$55,706 and \$55,953 as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Accounts are considered past due based on how recently payments have been received. Accounts of customers who have terminated their electric service are considered uncollectible and charged-off if no payment has been received after 60 days.

Inventories and prepaid items

Inventories are generally used for construction, operation and maintenance work rather than for resale. They are valued at lower of cost or market utilizing the average cost method and charged to construction or expense when used.

Certain payments to vendors (such as service and maintenance agreements) reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

Restricted assets

Certain proceeds of the Board's electric revenue bonds and water revenue notes are classified as restricted assets on the statement of net position because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. The revenue bond debt service reserve account represents funds set aside to make up potential future deficiencies in the net revenues of the Electric and Water Utility funds.

Capital assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The Board maintains a threshold level of \$1,500 or more for capitalization.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects when put into service. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated in the proprietary funds of the Board using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Land improvements	30 to 50
Buildings and improvements	30 to 50
Machinery and equipment	5 to 30

Deferred outflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Board has only one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, deferred pension resources, is reported only in the statements of net position. This item results from actuarial calculations and current year pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement date.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Compensated absences

It is the Board's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the financial statements.

All full-time Board of Public Works' employees accumulate vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination or retirement.

Sick leave is accounted for in the following manner:

Sick leave is earned at a rate of one day per each calendar month of employment to a maximum of 120 days for both union and non-union employees. Upon leaving employment, employees will also have the option of having the Board apply their unused sick leave compensation toward their group health premiums until they reach age 65 or until the balance is depleted.

Union employees will be paid for unused sick leave based on 75 percent of accumulated sick leave upon retirement.

Non-union employees will be paid for unused sick leave based on the lesser of a percentage of the unused balance determined by their years of service or 120 days of accumulated sick leave in the event of retirement, termination or death.

Postemployment benefits other than pensions

Under Minnesota statute 471.61, subdivision 2b., public employers must allow retirees and their dependents to continue coverage indefinitely in an employer-sponsored health care plan, under the following conditions: 1) Retirees must be receiving (or eligible to receive) an annuity from a Minnesota public pension plan, 2) Coverage must continue in group plan until age 65, and retirees must pay no more than the group premium, and 3) Retirees may obtain dependent coverage immediately before retirement. All premiums are funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. The liability was actuarially determined, in accordance with GASB Statement 45, at January 1, 2016.

Long-term obligations

In the proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as an expense in the period incurred.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and additions to/deductions from PERA's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PERA except that PERA's fiscal year end is June 30. For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized as of employer payroll paid dates and benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Deferred inflows of resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position and fund financial statements will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The item, deferred pension resources, is reported only in the statements of net position and results from actuarial calculations.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Net position

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is displayed in three components:

- a. Net investments in capital assets Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation reduced by any outstanding debt attributable to acquire capital assets.
- b. Restricted net position Consist of net position restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations of other governments.
- c. Unrestricted net position All other net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

Payment in lieu of taxes

The Board is exempt from federal and state income taxes. However, the Board makes an annual payment in lieu of taxes to the City. That payment is reflected as a transfer on the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

Capital contributions

Capital assets are contributed to the Board from the City and customers. The value of property contributed to the Board is reported as income on the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

Presentation of sales taxes

The State of Minnesota imposes a sales tax of 6.875 percent on the Board's sales to nonexempt customers. The Board collects that sales tax from customers and remits the entire amount to the state. The Board's accounting policy is to exclude the tax collected and remitted to the state from revenues and costs of sales. The Board also collects a local Douglas County tax of 0.5 percent.

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Deposits and investments

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits and investments is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Board's deposits and investments may not be returned or the Board will not be able to recover collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. In accordance with Minnesota statutes and as authorized by the Board, the Board maintains deposits at those depository banks, all of which are members of the Federal Reserve System.

Minnesota statutes require that all Board deposits be protected by insurance, surety bond, or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged must equal 110 percent of the deposits not covered by insurance, bonds, or irrevocable standby letters of credit from Federal Home Loan Banks.

Authorized collateral in lieu of a corporate surety bond includes:

- United States government Treasury bills, Treasury notes, Treasury bonds;
- Issues of United States government agencies and instrumentalities as quoted by a recognized industry quotation service available to the government entity;
- General obligation securities of any state or local government with taxing powers which is rated "A" or better by a national bond rating service, or revenue obligation securities of any state or local government with taxing powers which is rated "AA" or better by a national bond rating service;
- General obligation securities of a local government with taxing powers may be pledged as collateral against funds deposited by that same local government entity;
- Irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by Federal Home Loan Banks to a municipality accompanied by written evidence that the bank's public debt is rated "AA" or better by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., or Standard & Poor's Corporation; and
- Time deposits that are fully insured by any federal agency.

Minnesota statutes require that all collateral shall be placed in safekeeping in a restricted account at a Federal Reserve Bank, or in an account at a trust department of a commercial bank or other financial institution that is not owned or controlled by the financial institution furnishing the collateral. The selection should be approved by the government entity.

At December 31, 2016 the Board's carrying amount of deposits was \$5,426,774 and the bank balance was \$5,482,695. Of the bank balance \$1,240,732 was covered by federal depository insurance. The remaining balances were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department in the Board's name.

At December 31, 2016, the Board's carrying amount of deposits was \$7,586,361 and the bank balance was \$7,797,212. Of the bank balance \$1,243,790 was covered by federal depository insurance. The remaining balances were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department in the Board's name.

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

Investments

The investments of the Board are subject to the following risks:

- *Credit Risk*. The credit risk for investments is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Ratings are provided by various credit rating agencies and where applicable, indicate associated credit risk. Minnesota Statutes limit the Board's investments to the list on page 23 of the notes.
- Custodial Credit Risk. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Board typically limits its exposure by purchasing insured or registered investments.
- Concentration of Credit Risk. The concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. At December 31, 2016 and 2015, there were no investments in one issuer (other than investments issued by or explicitly guaranteed by U.S. government, mutual funds, external investment pools, and other pooled investments) that represent 5 percent or more of the Board's investment.
- Interest Rate Risk. The interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment.

As of December 31, 2016, the Board had the following investments that are insured or registered, or securities held by the Board or it's agent in the Board's name:

	Credit	Segmented							
	Quality/	Time	•		Fair Value Measurement Using				
Types of Investments	Ratings (1)	Distribution (2)			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		
Pooled investments at amortized costs									
4M Fund	N/A	less than 6 months	\$ 5						
Non-pooled investments at amortized costs									
Money Market Funds	N/A	less than 6 months	374,369						
Non-pooled investments at fair value									
Government Agency Securities	Aaa	1 to 3 years	813,681	\$	813,681	\$ -	\$ -		
Government Agency Securities	Aaa	more than 3 years	986,625		986,625	-	-		
Government Agency Securities	AAA	more than 3 years	5,037,999		5,037,999	-	-		
Negotiable certificates of deposit	N/A	less than 6 months	200,026		-	200,026	-		
Negotiable certificates of deposit	N/A	6 months to 1 year	400,024		-	400,024	-		
Negotiable certificates of deposit	N/A	1 to 3 years	1,186,393		-	1,186,393	-		
Negotiable certificates of deposit	N/A	more than 3 years	242,366		-	242,366			
Total investments			\$ 9,241,488	\$	6,838,305	\$ 2,028,809	\$ -		

- (1) Ratings are provided by various credit rating agencies where applicable to indicate associated credit risk.
- (2) Interest rate risk is disclosed using the segmented time distribution method.
- N/A Indicates not applicable or available.

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

As of December 31, 2015, the Board had the following investments that are insured or registered, or securities held by the Board or it's agent in the Board's name:

Credit	Segmented									
Quality/	Time	Amount		_		Fair Va	lue N	Measurement	Using	
Ratings (1)	Distribution (2)			Level 1		Level 2	Leve	el 3		
		-								
N/A	less than 6 months	\$	5							
N/A	less than 6 months	692,88	66							
Aaa	1 to 3 years	249,60	00 \$	249,600	\$	-	\$	-		
Aaa	more than 3 years	3,508,08	9	3,508,089		-		-		
AAA	more than 3 years	497,10	00	497,100		-		-		
N/A	more than 3 years	1,495,34	2	-		1,495,342				
		\$ 6,443,02	2 \$	4,254,789	\$	1,495,342	\$			
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- (1) Ratings are provided by various credit rating agencies where applicable to indicate associated credit risk.
- (2) Interest rate risk is disclosed using the segmented time distribution method.
- N/A Indicates not applicable or available.

Cash on hand

Cash in the possession of the Board, consisting of petty cash and change funds, totaled \$250 as of December 31, 2016 and 2015.

Cash and investments summary

A reconciliation of cash and investments as shown on the statements of net position for the Board follows:

	2016	2015
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 5,426,774	\$ 7,586,361
Investments	9,241,488	6,443,022
Cash on hand	250_	250
Total cash and temporary investments	\$ 14,668,512	\$ 14,029,633
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,683,385	\$ 13,073,943
Restricted debt service reserve deposits	985,127	955,690
Total	\$ 14,668,512	\$ 14,029,633

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

B. Capital assets

Capital asset activity for the Board for the year ended December 31, 2016, was as follows:

	Begin				Ending			
	Balance		Increases		Decreases		1	Balance
Business-type activities								
Capital assets not being depreciated								
Land and land rights	\$ 13	31,476	\$	-	\$	-	\$	131,476
Srevice territory acquired	23	34,533		-		-		234,533
Construction in progress	2,32	29,017	2,906	5,557	(3,8	11,705)		1,423,869
Total capital assets not being depreciated	2,69	95,026	2,906	5,557	(3,8	11,705)		1,789,878
Capital assets being depreciated								
Buildings and structures	2,47	72,091	29	,237		-		2,501,328
Transmission plant	2,75	53,133	10	,448		-		2,763,581
Distribution plant	77,57	71,619	3,333	3,264	(12,029)	8	80,892,854
General equipment	5,86	55,545	731	,439	(52,536)		6,544,448
Total capital assets being depreciated	88,66	52,388	4,104	,388_	(64,565)		92,702,211
Less accumulated depreciation for								
Buildings and structures	(1,92	23,209)	(48	3,495)		-	((1,971,704)
Transmission plant	(95	58,687)	(83	3,437)		-	((1,042,124)
Distribution plant	(29,35	55,063)	(1,795	5,054)		972	(3	31,149,145)
General equipment	(4,2)	13,623)	(299	0,521)		39,104		(4,474,040)
Total accumulated depreciation	(36,45	50,582)	(2,226	5,507)		40,076	(3	38,637,013)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	52,2	11,806	1,877	,881	(24,489)	5	54,065,198

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

Capital asset activity for the Board for the year ended December 31, 2015, was as follows:

	Beginning			Ending
	Balance	Increases	Decreases	Balance
Business-type activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land and land rights	\$ 131,476	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131,476
Srevice territory acquired	234,533			234,533
Construction in progress	2,114,366	4,683,344	(4,468,693)	2,329,017
Total capital assets and being depreciated	2,480,375	4,683,344	(4,468,693)	2,695,026
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and structures	2,497,428	-	(25,337)	2,472,091
Transmission plant	2,487,517	265,616	-	2,753,133
Distribution plant	75,135,193	3,878,005	(1,441,579)	77,571,619
General equipment	6,228,972	351,141	(714,568)	5,865,545
Total capital assets being depreciated	86,349,110	4,494,762	(2,181,484)	88,662,388
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Buildings and structures	(1,900,840)	(47,419)	25,050	(1,923,209)
Transmission plant	(882,839)	(75,848)	-	(958,687)
Distribution plant	(29,039,378)	(1,731,355)	1,415,670	(29,355,063)
General equipment	(4,610,209)	(317,958)	714,544	(4,213,623)
Total accumulated depreciation	(36,433,266)	(2,172,580)	2,155,264	(36,450,582)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	49,915,844	2,322,182	(26,220)	52,211,806
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 52,396,219	\$ 7,005,526	\$ (4,494,913)	\$ 54,906,832
Depreciation expense was charged to functions/p	orograms of the Bo	ard is as follows:		
			2016	2015
Business-type activities				
Electric			\$ 1,259,270	\$ 1,225,280
Water			902,294	906,905
Fiber			64,943	40,395
Total depreciation expense - business-type	activities		\$ 2,226,507	\$ 2,172,580

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

C. Interfund transfers

The Board has made transfers to the City of Alexandria for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015. The transfers represent payments in lieu of taxes.

		nnsfer in Alexandria
	2016	2015
Transfer out		
Electric Utility fund	\$ 999,942	\$ 1,069,558
Water Utility fund	45,134	45,904
Total transfers out to City	\$ 1,045,076	\$ 1,115,462

D. Long-term debt

General obligation bonds

The Board issues general obligation bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds have been issued for business-type activities.

Revenue bonds

The following bonds were issued to finance capital improvements in the Electric Utility fund. They will be retired from net revenues of the Electric Utility fund.

	Authorized	Interest	erest Issue		Maturity	Balance at	Year End						
Description	and Issued	Rate		Rate		Rate		Rate		Date	Date	2016	2015
Electric Utility Refunding													
Bonds of 2007A	\$ 6,310,000	4.00 - 4.125	%	06/15/07	12/01/24	\$ 2,260,000	\$ 2,790,000						
Electric Utility Revenue													
Bonds of 2015A	5,395,000	2.00 - 3.25		12/30/15	12/01/35	5,165,000	5,395,000						
Total Revenue Bonds						\$ 7,425,000	\$ 8,185,000						

Annual requirements to maturity for Revenue Bonds is as follows:

Year Ending		Revenue Bonds								
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total							
2017	\$ 770,000	\$ 225,760	\$ 995,760							
2018	785,000	199,360	984,360							
2019	395,000	172,360	567,360							
2020	405,000	161,060	566,060							
2021	415,000	149,460	564,460							
2022 - 2026	1,865,000	561,551	2,426,551							
2027 - 2031	1,445,000	345,508	1,790,508							
2032 - 2035	1,345,000	109,680	1,454,680							
Total	\$ 7,425,000	\$ 1,924,739	\$ 9,349,739							

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

G.O. Revenue notes

The following notes were issued to finance capital improvements in the Water Utility fund. They will be retired from net revenues of the Water Utility fund.

	Authorized	Interest	Issue	Maturity	Balance at Year End				
Description	and Issued	Rate	Date	Date	2016	2015			
G.O. Water Revenue		_							
Note of 2002	\$ 1,050,116	3.38 %	07/30/02	08/20/22	\$ 396,000	\$ 455,000			
G.O. Drinking Water									
Revenue Note of 2009	3,765,480	2.445	09/01/09	08/20/29	2,540,000	2,704,000			
Total G.O. Revenue Notes					\$ 2,936,000	\$ 3,159,000			

Annual requirements to maturity for G.O. Revenue Notes is as follows:

Year Ending	G.O. Revenue Notes								
December 31,	Principal		Interest	Total					
2017	\$ 229,000	\$	75,488	\$	304,488				
2018	236,000		69,318		305,318				
2019	242,000		62,959		304,959				
2020	248,000		56,435		304,435				
2021	254,000		49,744		303,744				
2022 - 2026	1,068,000		157,242		1,225,242				
2027 - 2029	659,000		32,494		691,494				
Total	\$ 2,936,000	\$	503,680	\$	3,439,680				

Annual revenues from charges for services, principal and interest payments, and percentage of revenue required to cover principal and interest payments are as follows:

	<u>E</u>	lectric Utility	W	ater Utility
Revenues	\$	25,342,801	\$	2,228,834
Principal and interest		1,000,938		304,492
Percentage of revenues		3.9%		13.7%

Note 2: DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS - CONTINUED

Changes in long-term liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2016, was as follows:

		Beginning						Ending	Due Within		
		Balance		Increases Decreases		Balance		One Year			
Business-type activities		_						_			
Revenue bonds	\$	8,185,000	\$	-	\$	(760,000)	\$	7,425,000	\$	770,000	
G.O. revenue notes		3,159,000		-		(223,000)		2,936,000		229,000	
Bond premium		30,442				(1,522)		28,920			
		_		_				_			
Bonds payable		11,374,442		-		(984,522)		10,389,920		999,000	
Compensated absences payable		985,116		347,350		(326,176)		1,006,291		276,832	
Pension liability											
GERF		2,171,476		1,477,355		(198,042)		3,450,789		-	
Other postemployment benefits		167,541		29,441		(20,827)		176,155			
	_			<u> </u>							
Business-type activity											
long-term liabilities	\$	14,698,575	\$	1,854,146	\$	(1,529,567)	\$	15,023,155	\$	1,275,832	

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2015, was as follows:

		Beginning Balance		Increases	Decreases			Ending Balance		ue Within One Year
Business-type activities		·								
G.O. bonds	\$	82,530	\$	-	\$	(82,530)	\$	-	\$	-
Revenue bonds		3,300,000		5,395,000		(510,000)		8,185,000		76,000
G.O. revenue notes		3,376,000		-		(217,000)		3,159,000		223,000
Bond premium				30,442				30,442		
Bonds payable		6,758,530		5,425,442		(809,530)		11,374,442		299,000
Compensated absences payable Pension liability		971,546		326,865		(313,295)		985,116		276,120
GERF		_		2,353,565		(182,089)		2,171,476		_
Other postemployment benefits		153,406		29,101		(14,966)		167,541		
Business-type activity	_		_		_		_		_	
long-term liabilities	\$	7,883,482	\$	8,134,973	\$	(1,319,880)	\$	14,698,575	\$	575,120

E. Due to Alexandria Lakes Area Sanitary District (ALASD)

The Board collects revenue from customers of the Alexandria Lakes Area Sanitary District (ALASD). The collections are paid to ALASD monthly. Collections still owed by Alexandria Light and Power to ALASD at December 31, 2016 and 2015 totaled \$477,960 and \$434,858, respectively.

Note 3: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE

A. Plan description

The Board participates in the following cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota (PERA). PERA's defined benefit pension plans are established and administered in accordance with Minnesota statutes, chapters 353 and 356. PERA's defined benefit pension plans are tax qualified plans under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

General Employees Retirement Fund (GERF)

All full-time and certain part-time employees of the Board are covered by the General Employees Retirement Fund (GERF). GERF members belong to either the Coordinated Plan or the Basic Plan. Coordinated Plan members are covered by Social Security and Basic Plan members are not. The Basic Plan was closed to new members in 1967. All new members must participate in the Coordinated Plan.

B. Benefits provided

PERA provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Benefit provisions are established by Minnesota statute and can only be modified by the state legislature.

Benefit increases are provided to benefit recipients each January. Increases are related to the funding ratio of the plan. Members in plans that are at least 90 percent funded for two consecutive years are given 2.5 percent increases. Members in plans that have not exceeded 90 percent funded, or have fallen below 80 percent, are given 1 percent increases.

The benefit provisions stated in the following paragraphs of this section are current provisions and apply to active plan participants. Vested, terminated employees who are entitled to benefits but are not receiving them yet are bound by the provisions in effect at the time they last terminated their public service.

GERF benefits

Benefits are based on a member's highest average salary for any five successive years of allowable service, age, and years of credit at termination of service. Two methods are used to compute benefits for PERA's Coordinated and Basic Plan members. The retiring member receives the higher of a step-rate benefit accrual formula (Method 1) or a level accrual formula (Method 2). Under Method 1, the annuity accrual rate for a Basic Plan member is 2.2 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years of service and 2.7 percent for each remaining year. The annuity accrual rate for a Coordinated Plan member is 1.2 percent of average salary for each of the first ten years and 1.7 percent for each remaining year. Under Method 2, the annuity accrual rate is 2.7 percent of average salary for Basic Plan members and 1.7 percent for Coordinated Plan members for each year of service. For members hired prior to July 1, 1989, a full annuity is available when age plus years of service equal 90 and normal retirement age is 65. For members hired on or after July 1, 1989, normal retirement age is the age for unreduced Social Security benefits capped at 66.

C. Contributions

Minnesota statutes chapter 353 sets the rates for employer and employee contributions. Contribution rates can only be modified by the state legislature.

GERF contributions

Basic Plan members and Coordinated Plan members were required to contribute 9.10 percent and 6.50 percent, respectively, of their annual covered salary in calendar year 2016. The Board was required to contribute 11.78 percent of pay for Basic Plan members and 7.50 percent for Coordinated Plan members in calendar year 2016. The Board's contributions to the GERF for the years ending December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 were \$200,269, \$196,803 and \$175,557, respectively. The Board's contributions were equal to the contractually required contributions for each year as set by Minnesota statute.

Note 3: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE - CONTINUED

D. Pension costs

GERF pension costs

At December 31, 2016, the Board reported a liability of \$3,450,789 for its proportionate share of the GERF's net pension liability. The Board's net pension liability reflected a reduction due to the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$6 million to the fund in 2016. The State of Minnesota is considered a non-employer contributing entity and the State's contribution meets the definition of a special funding situation. The State of Minnesota's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the City totaled \$45,116. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Board's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Board's contributions received by PERA during the measurement period for employer payroll paid dates from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 relative to the total employer contributions received from all of PERA's participating employers. At June 30, 2016, the Board's proportionate share was 0.0425 percent which was an increase of 0.0006 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

For the year ended December 31, 2016, the Board recognized pension expense of \$395,143 for its proportionate share of GERF's pension expense. In addition, the Board recognized an additional \$13,452 as pension expense (and grant revenue) for its proportionate share of the State of Minnesota's contribution of \$6 million to the GERF.

At December 31, 2016, the Board reported its proportionate share of GERF's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, and its contributions subsequent to the measurement date, from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows		
	of Resources			of Resources	
Differences between expected and			•		
actual experience	\$	11,150	\$	283,088	
Changes in actuarial assumptions		743,686		-	
Net difference between projected and					
actual earnings on plan investments		387,888		-	
Changes in proportion		24,905		100,094	
Contributions to GERF subsequent					
to the measurement date		100,603		-	
		_		_	
Total	\$	1,268,232	\$	383,182	

Deferred outflows of resources totaling \$100,603 related to pensions resulting from the Board's contributions to GERF subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2017. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to GERF pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

2017	\$ 198,170
2018	120,487
2019	341,142
2020	124,648
2021	-
Thereafter	-

Note 3: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE - CONTINUED

At December 31, 2015, the Board reported its proportionate share of GERF's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, and its contributions subsequent to the measurement date, from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and	Φ.	21.016	ф	100 470
actual experience	\$	21,916	\$	109,479
Changes in actuarial assumptions		133,454		-
Net difference between projected and				
actual earnings on plan investments		-		193,301
Changes in proportion		-		150,143
Contributions to GERF subsequent				
to the measurement date		98,209		-
Total	\$	253,579	\$	452,923

Deferred outflows of resources totaling \$98,209 related to pensions resulting from the Board's contributions to GERF subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to GERF pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

2016	\$ (90,420)
2017	(90,420)
2018	(168,105)
2019	51,392
2020	-
Thereafter	-

E. Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.50% per year
Active member payroll growth	3.25% per year
Investment rate of return	7.50%

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for active members, retirees, survivors and disabilitants were based on RP-2014 tables for the GERF for males or females, as appropriate, with slight adjustments. Cost of living benefit increases for retirees are assumed to be: 1 percent per year for all future years for the GERF.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies. The most recent four-year experience study in the GERF was completed in 2015.

Note 3: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE - CONTINUED

The following changes in actuarial assumptions occurred in 2016:

GERF

- The assumed post-retirement benefit increase rate was changed from 1.0 percent per year through 2035 and 2.5 percent per year thereafter to 1.0 percent per year for all future years.
- The assumed investment return was changed from 7.9 percent to 7.5 percent. The single discount rate was changed from 7.9 percent to 7.5 percent.
- Other assumptions were changed pursuant to the experience study dated June 30, 2015. The assumed future salary increases, payroll growth and inflation were decreased by 0.25 percent to 3.25 percent for payroll growth and 2.50 percent for inflation.

The State Board of Investment, which manages the investments of PERA, prepares an analysis of the reasonableness on a regular basis of the long-term expected rate of return using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce an expected long-term rate of return by weighting the expected future rates of return by the target asset allocation percentages. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

		Long-term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Domestic stocks	45.00 %	5.50 %
International stocks	15.00	6.00
Bonds	18.00	1.45
Alternative assets	20.00	6.40
Cash	2.00	0.50
Total	100.00 %	

F. Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50 percent, a reduction from the 7.90 percent used in 2015. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and employers will be made at rates set in Minnesota statutes. Based on these assumptions, the fiduciary net position of the GERF was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Note 3: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN - STATEWIDE - CONTINUED

G. Pension liability sensitivity

The following presents the Board's proportionate share of the net pension liability for all plans it participates in, calculated using the discount rate disclosed in the preceding paragraph, as well as what the Board's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current discount rate:

		Board's Proportionate Share of NPL						
		1 Percent				1 Percent		
	Decr	Decrease (6.50%)		Current (7.50%)		Increase (8.50%)		
GERF	\$	4,901,143	\$	3,450,789	\$	2,256,092		

H. Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately-issued PERA financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at www.mnpera.org.

Note 4: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

A. Plan description

The Board administers a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan ("the Retiree Health Plan"). The plan provides healthcare insurance for eligible employees and their spouses through the Board's group health insurance plan. The Board engaged an actuary to determine the Board's liability for postemployment healthcare benefits other than pensions as of January 1, 2014. The Retiree Health Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report.

B. Funding policy

The Board does not provide healthcare coverage for retired employees. Rather, it allows employees who separate from Alexandria Light and Power employment due to retirement or disability, access to the coverage; however, that coverage is paid for at the former employees' expense.

Note 4: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS - CONTINUED

C. Annual OPEB cost and net OPEB obligation

The Board's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the *annual required contribution of the employer* (ARC). The Board has elected to calculate the ARC and related information using the alternative measurement method permitted by GASB Statement No. 45 for employers in plans with fewer than one hundred total plan members. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and to amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Board's annual OPEB cost for 2016 and 2015, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Board's net OPEB obligation:

	2016		2015	
Annual required contribution Interest on net OPEB obligation Adjustment to annual required contribution	\$	32,429 6,702 (9,690)	\$	31,835 6,136 (8,870)
Annual OPEB cost (expense)		29,441		29,101
Contributions made Increase in net OPEB obligation		(20,827) 8,614		(14,966) 14,135
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year		167,541		153,406
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	\$	176,155	\$	167,541

The Board's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for fiscal year 2016 and the previous two years follows:

Net OPEB	
Obligation	
176 155	
176,155	
167,541 153,406	

Note 4: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS - CONTINUED

D. Funded status and funding progress

As of January 1, 2014, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$340,461 all of which was unfunded. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$2,271,684 and the ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to the covered payroll was 15.0 percent.

The projection of future benefit payments for an ongoing plan involves estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multi-year trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

E. Methods and assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the January 1, 2015 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4 percent investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), which is a blended rate of the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets and on the employer's own investments calculated based on the funded level of the plan at the valuation date. The initial healthcare trend rate was 7.5 percent, reduced by decrements to an ultimate rate of 5 percent after eight years. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payrolls on a closed basis. The remaining amortization period is not more than 30 years.

Note 5: RETIREMENT PAY

The Board offers union and non-union employees a choice between two benefit options. Option 1, Matching Deferred Compensation is described in Note 6. Option 2, Retirement Pay is described below. Employees hired after January 1, 2000, are only eligible for Option 1. Those employees with dates of employment before January 1, 2000 may choose whichever option is more beneficial to them.

The Board will make a retirement payment to those non-union employees who choose this option. The retirement payment will be \$2,000 for each year of completed employment with the Board. Non-union employees will be eligible for this severance payment upon reaching the age of 55 and having 3 or more years of service or upon having 30 or more years of service regardless of age (if first hired prior to July 1, 1989).

Union employees will be eligible for this retirement payment upon reaching the age for full retirement benefits as defined by PERA. Retirement pay will be paid over a five-year period in 60 monthly installments. If a separated employee dies before all or a portion of the retirement pay has been disbursed, the balance due must be paid to a named beneficiary, or lacking one, to the decedent's estate.

Retirement pay provided for an employee leaving employment may not exceed an amount equivalent to one year of pay. Currently four former employees are receiving payments and one employee is eligible for the benefit once they retire, no other employees are or will be eligible for this benefit in the future.

Note 5: RETIREMENT PAY - CONTINUED

Management has elected to record the liability at gross payout using the parameters discussed above. While this amount exceeds an actuarially computed liability which would include assumptions regarding employee retention through the date of eligibility and discounting the liability using present value calculations, the difference is immaterial to the financial statements.

Note 6: DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

A. Plan description

The Board offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all Board employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or an unforeseeable emergency. The amounts deferred by employees or related income on those amounts are not assets held in the Board's name and subject to the claims of the Board's creditors; thus the deferred compensation asset and related liability are not recorded on the Board's balance sheet.

B. Matching deferred compensation

For employees choosing this benefit option the Board will contribute an amount matching the employee contribution to the deferred compensation account on a dollar for dollar basis, but not to exceed an employer contribution of \$2,000 per year per employee. New employees will be vested at the rate of 20 percent per year for the first 5 years of participation becoming fully vested after the 5th year. The Board contributed \$53,567 and \$50,234 in matching funds to the plan for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Note 7: OTHER INFORMATION

A. Risk management

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

Workers compensation coverage is provided through a pooled self-insurance program through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance (LMCIT). The Board pays an annual premium to LMCIT. The Board is subject to supplemental assessments if deemed necessary by the LMCIT. The LMCIT reinsures through Workers Compensation Reinsurance Association (WCRA) as required by law. For workers compensation, the Board is not subject to a deductible. The Board workers compensation coverage is retrospectively rated. With this type of coverage, final premiums are determined after loss experience is known. The amount of premium adjustment, if any, is considered immaterial and not recorded until received or paid.

Property and casualty insurance are provided through a pooled self-insurance program through the LMCIT. The Board pays an annual premium to the LMCIT. The Board is subject to supplemental assessments if deemed necessary by the LMCIT. The LMCIT reinsures through commercial companies for claims in excess of various amount. The Board retains risk for the deductible portion of the insurance policies and for any exclusions from the insurance policies. These amounts are considered immaterial to the financial statements.

The Board continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including disability and employee health insurance.

There were no significant reductions in insurance from the previous year or settlements in excess of insurance coverage.

Note 7: OTHER INFORMATION - CONTINUED

B. Commitments and contingencies

The Board has contracts with two suppliers from which they purchase power, Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and Missouri Basin Municipal Power Agency (MBMPA) dba Missouri River Energy Services (MRES). The WAPA contract expires in December 2050, while the MRES contract expires in January 2057. During 2016 and 2015, power purchased from WAPA and MBMPA was expensed as follows:

	 WAPA			MBN	MPA
	 Amount	Kilowatt Hours	Kilowatt Hours Amount		Kilowatt Hours
2016	\$ 2,998,208	96,585,000	\$	11,842,748	203,631,069
2015	2,992,980	96,279,000		12,954,051	203,836,942

In addition to the power purchased through MRES, Alexandria Light and Power expensed \$2,813,497 and \$2,241,723 in wheeling charges for 2016 and 2015, respectively.

C. Concentrations

Approximately 40 percent of the Board's labor force is subject to a collective bargaining agreement, which expires December 2016.

Note 8: UNRESTRICTED NET POSITION

Alexandria Light and Power board formally approved the following future Electric and Water Utility Projects:

ELECTRIC UTILITY

County road 82 West (underground)	\$ 200,000
East industrial circuit project (underground)	850,000
New substation construction	1,000,000
Nokomis conversion (underground)	1,000,000
City Park, Jacobson Addition, Tabberts North (underground)	1,600,000
Undergrounding system	2,500,000
Rate stabilization	 750,000
Total Electric Utility	 7,900,000
WATER UTILITY	
Land and water tower north project	1,500,000
New well field project	 700,000
Total Water Utility	 2,200,000
Total Future Projects	\$ 10,100,000

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Schedule of employer's share of PERA net pension liability - General Employees Retirement Fund

	Required Supplementary Information						
						Board's	
			State's			Proportionate	
			Proportionate			Share of the	
		Board's	Share of			Net Pension	
		Proportionate	the Net Pension			Liability as a	Plan Fiduciary
	Board's	Share of	Liability		Board's	Percentage of	Net Position
Fiscal	Proportion of	the Net Pension	Associated with		Covered	Covered	as a Percentage
Year	the Net Pension	Liability	the Board	Total	Payroll	Payroll	of the Total
Ending	Liability	(a)	(b)	(a+b)	(c)	((a+b)/c)	Pension Liability
06/30/16	0.0425 %	\$ 2,450,789	\$ 45,116	\$ 2,495,905	\$ 2,638,344	92.9 %	68.9 %
06/30/15	0.0419	2,171,475	-	2,171,475	2,421,840	89.7	78.2

Note: Schedule is intended to show 10-year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available.

Schedule of employer's PERA contributions - General Employees Retirement Fund

		Required Supplementary Information								
			Con	tributions in						
			Rel	ation to the						
	S	tatutorily	S	tatutorily	Contr	ibution		Board's	Contributi	ons as
	F	Required	F	Required	Deficiency Covered			a Percent	age of	
Year	Co	ntribution	Co	ntribution	(Exc	cess)	Payroll		Covered I	ayroll
Ending		(a)		(b)	(a	-b)		(c)	(b/c))
12/31/16	\$	200,269	\$	200,269	\$	-	\$	2,670,258		7.5 %
12/31/15		193,803		193,803		-		2,584,040		7.5

Note: Schedule is intended to show 10-year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available.

Schedule of funding progress for the postemployment benefit plan

			Unfunded			
			Actuarial			UAAL as a
Actuarial	Actuarial	Actuarial	Accrued			Percentage
Valuation	Value of	Accrued	Liability	Funded	Covered	of Covered
Date	Assets (a)	Liability (b)	(UAAL) (b-a)	Ratio (a/b)	Payroll (c)	Payroll ((b-a)/c)
	' <u>'</u>					
01/01/14	\$ -	\$ 340,461	\$ 340,461	- %	\$ 2,271,684	15.0 %
01/01/11	-	579,721	579,721	-	1,947,899	29.8

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Cost						
	Balance			Balance			
	January 01,	T	D	December 31,			
ELECTRIC UTILITY	2016	Increases	Decreases	2016			
Steam production plant							
Land and land rights	\$ 16,606	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,606			
Service territory acquired	234,533	-	-	234,533			
Structures and improvements	424,468	_	-	424,468			
Turbogenerator units	33,904	-	-	33,904			
Miscellaneous power plant equipment	28,108			28,108			
Total steam production plant	737,619			737,619			
Internal combustion plant							
Structures and improvements	813,683	-	-	813,683			
Fuel holders and accessories	32,177	-	-	32,177			
Generators	1,260,877	-	-	1,260,877			
Accessory electrical equipment	21,910	-	-	21,910			
Miscellaneous power plant equipment	22,785			22,785			
Total internal combustion plant	2,151,432			2,151,432			
Transmission plant							
Station equipment	2,325,722	-	-	2,325,722			
Poles and fixtures	427,411	10,448		437,859			
Total transmission plant	2,753,133	10,448		2,763,581			
Distribution plant							
Land and land rights	17,634	-	-	17,634			
Structures and improvements	116,069	29,237	-	145,306			
Tools and fixtures	6,301,680	10,057	-	6,311,737			
Poles, towers and fixtures	2,932,009	5,519	-	2,937,528			
Overhead conductors and devices	3,449,287	-	(12.020)	3,449,287			
Underground conduit, conductors and devices	14,088,628	2,063,692	(12,029)	16,140,291			
Line transformers Services	5,667,600	632,326	-	6,299,926			
	501,805	11,112	-	512,917			
Meters	1,269,790	53,979	-	1,323,769			
Installation customer premises Street lights and signal system	40,050 2,075,578	212,413	-	40,050 2,287,991			
Load management	642,586	2,680		645,266			
Total distribution plant	37,102,716	3,021,015	(12,029)	40,111,702			
General plant							
Land and land rights	30,429	-	-	30,429			
Structures and improvements	988,262	-	-	988,262			
Office furniture	830,052	7,966	-	838,018			
Transportation equipment	1,155,367	49,923	(23,775)	1,181,515			
Stores equipment	2,252	-	-	2,252			
Tools, shop and garage equipment	187,348	18,882	-	206,230			
Laboratory equipment	95,443	-	-	95,443			
Power operated equipment	447,659	164,483	(28,761)	583,381			
Communications equipment	123,615	-	-	123,615			
Miscellaneous equipment	154,176			154,176			
Total general plant	4,014,603	241,254	(52,536)	4,203,321			

Accumulated Depreciation

	Accumulated	Depreciation						
Balance			Balance					
January 01,			December 31,	Net Book				
2016	Increases	Decreases	2016	Value				
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,606				
-	-	-	-	234,533				
(424,468)	_	_	(424,468)	-				
(33,904)	_	_	(33,904)	_				
(16,851)	(900)	_	(17,751)	10,357				
(475,223)	(900)		(476,123)	261,496				
(764,001)	(6,604)	-	(770,605)	43,078				
(24,133)	(1,073)	-	(25,206)	6,971				
(1,260,877)	-	_	(1,260,877)	_				
(14,173)	(450)	_	(14,623)	7,287				
(22,785)			(22,785)					
(2,085,969)	(8,127)		(2,094,096)	57,336				
(702.200)	(70.274)		(052.454)	1 470 040				
(783,200)	(70,274)	-	(853,474)	1,472,248				
(175,487)	(13,163)		(188,650)	249,209				
(958,687)	(83,437)	-	(1,042,124)	1,721,457				
_	-	-	_	17,634				
(74,276)	(3,919)	_	(78,195)	67,111				
(3,433,123)	(158,999)	_	(3,592,122)	2,719,615				
(2,373,972)	(39,408)	_	(2,413,380)	524,148				
(2,105,960)	(83,700)	_	(2,189,660)	1,259,627				
		972	(4,894,294)	11,245,997				
(4,484,520)	(410,746)	912						
(2,714,470)	(140,992)	-	(2,855,462)	3,444,464				
(332,143)	(10,698)	-	(342,841)	170,076				
(654,414)	(29,769)	-	(684,183)	639,586				
(39,299)	(96)	-	(39,395)	655				
(1,053,674)	(56,060)	-	(1,109,734)	1,178,257				
(520,799)	(18,795)		(539,594)	105,672				
(17,786,650)	(953,182)	972	(18,738,860)	21,372,842				
				20.422				
-	- (0.5.000)	-	-	30,429				
(579,758)	(35,292)	-	(615,050)	373,212				
(712,045)	(43,211)	-	(755,256)	82,762				
(1,028,604)	(71,873)	23,775	(1,076,702)	104,813				
(2,252)	-	-	(2,252)	- 				
(152,252)	(12,482)	-	(164,734)	41,496				
(54,833)	(10,417)	-	(65,250)	30,193				
(370,810)	(30,910)	15,329	(386,391)	196,990				
(117,806)	(3,517)	-	(121,323)	2,292				
(123,680)	(5,591)		(129,271)	24,905				
(3,142,040)	(213,293)	39,104	(3,316,229)	887,092				
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CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

		Cost							
		Balance nuary 01, 2016	Inc	creases	Decreases		D	Balance ecember 31, 2016	
Internet, WAN	\$	146,210	\$		\$		\$	146,210	
Construction work-in-progress									
Electric		1,780,366		2,473,885		(3,094,223)		1,160,028	
Total Electric Utility	4	18,686,079		5,746,602		(3,158,788)		51,273,893	
WATER UTILITY									
Water property									
Land and land rights		66,807		-		-		66,807	
Structures and improvements		129,609		-		-		129,609	
Pumping equipment		1,024,822		332,929		-		1,357,751	
Treatment facilities		7,332,726		47,914		-		7,380,640	
Production plant facilities		26,891		-		-		26,891	
Distribution mains and hydrants	. 2	28,820,174		248,236		-		29,068,410	
Water services		195,047		45.226		-		195,047	
Water meters Water storage reservoirs, towers and standpipes		643,575 2,111,025		45,336		-		688,911 2,111,025	
Miscellaneous equipment		53,943		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		53,943	
Total water property	4	10,404,619		674,415				41,079,034	
Construction work-in-progress									
Water		511,033		338,270		(650,271)		199,032	
Total Water Utility	4	10,915,652	1	,012,685		(650,271)		41,278,066	
FIBER UTILITY									
Fiber equipment and cable		1,641,405		157,256		-		1,798,661	
BPL equipment		76,660		-		-		76,660	
Construction work-in-progress									
Fiber		37,618		94,402		(67,211)		64,809	
Total Fiber Utility		1,755,683		251,658		(67,211)		1,940,130	
TOTALS	\$ 9	01,357,414	\$ 7	7,010,945	\$	(3,876,270)	\$	94,492,089	

		A	ccumulated	Deprec	iation			
Januar	Balance January 01, 2016		creases	Decreases		Balance December 31, 2016		Net Book Value
\$ (14	45,879)	\$	(331)	\$		\$	(146,210)	\$
					<u>-</u> _		<u>-</u> _	1,160,028
(24,59	94,448)	(2	1,259,270)		40,076		25,813,642)	 25,460,251
	_		_		_		_	66,807
(8	80,706)		(2,680)		_		(83,386)	46,223
	70,909)		(52,054)		_		(522,963)	834,788
	80,430)		(183,665)		_		(2,364,095)	5,016,545
	20,314)		(2,630)		_		(22,944)	3,947
	63,830)		(579,577)		_		(6,743,407)	22,325,003
	93,952)		(3,901)		_		(97,853)	97,194
	28,177)		(23,270)		_		(351,447)	337,464
	91,193)		(51,344)		-		(1,442,537)	668,488
(3	34,606)		(3,173)		_		(37,779)	 16,164
(10,76	64,117)		(902,294)			(11,666,411)	29,412,623
	-							199,032
(10,76	64,117)		(902,294)			(11,666,411)	29,611,655
(1.0	40,851)		(63,595)				(1,104,446)	694,215
	51,166)		(1,348)		-		(52,514)	24,146
	_		_		_		_	64,809
								,
(1,09	92,017)		(64,943)				(1,156,960)	 783,170
\$ (36,45	50,582)	\$ (2	2,226,507)	\$	40,076	\$ (38,637,013)	\$ 55,855,076

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF OTHER OPERATING REVENUES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016		2015	
ELECTRIC UTILITY				
Penalties and forfeited discounts	\$	154,973	\$	140,482
Miscellaneous service revenues		14,350		15,100
Rental income - transmission equipment - Nokomis Substation		-		52,252
Rental income - utility poles		26,185		26,185
Administrative service billed to ALASD		80,869		80,229
Other electric revenue		449,556		38,776
NSF fees		1,800		1,220
Total Electric Utility		727,733		354,244
WATER UTILITY				
Rent from water property		30,453		28,011
Miscellaneous service revenues		8,091		10,184
Total Water Utility		38,544		38,195
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING REVENUES	\$	766,277	\$	392,439

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF PRODUCTION AND PURCHASED POWER EXPENSE - ELECTRIC UTILITY FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016		2015	
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE OPERATION		_		
Fuel - oil	\$	9,659	\$	1,625
Fuel - natural gas		4,437		10,066
Other expenses		7,521		8,711
Total internal combustion engine operation		21,617		20,402
POWER SUPPLY				
Purchased power	1	17,654,456		18,188,754
System control and load dispatching				131
Total power supply	1	17,654,456		18,188,885
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE MAINTENANCE				
Maintenance of structures		1,177		5,617
Maintenance of internal combustion engine,				
generators and switchgear		14,534		22,629
Total internal combustion engine maintenance		15,711		28,246
TOTAL PRODUCTION AND PURCHASED POWER EXPENSE	\$ 1	17,691,784	\$	18,237,533

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF DISTRIBUTION EXPENSE - OPERATIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016		2015	
ELECTRIC UTILITY				
Station	\$	32,351	\$	43,180
Overhead lines		220,496		210,165
Underground lines		62,175		64,949
Street lighting and signal system		1,207		3,889
Meter expenses - removing and resetting meters		11,776		11,960
Customer installation expense and service on premises		17,105		24,651
Load management		39,363		48,489
Miscellaneous distribution		150,635		135,408
Rent		4,262		4,262
Supplies		81,740		138,891
Safety supplies		89,050		96,921
Total Electric Utility		710,160		782,765
WATER UTILITY				
Salary - superintendent		50,576		48,658
Station labor		435		1,215
Water locating		58,792		_
Well closure		1,418		3,673
Total Water Utility		111,221		53,546
FIBER UTILITY				
Fiber expense		182,468		142,251
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION EXPENSE - OPERATIONS	\$	1,003,849	\$	978,562

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF DISTRIBUTION EXPENSE - MAINTENANCE FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

		2016		2015	
ELECTRIC UTILITY	<u>-</u>				
Supervision	\$	27,061	\$	26,900	
Maintenance					
Station equipment		127,305		117,830	
Overhead lines		310,511		357,278	
Underground lines		84,543		101,895	
Line transformers		45,346		11,368	
Street lighting and signal system		68,845		54,059	
Customer electric meters		60,107		55,673	
Power operated equipment		19,455		14,989	
Structures distribution substations		501		221	
Miscellaneous distribution		52		-	
Total Electric Utility		743,726		740,213	
WATER UTILITY					
Maintenance					
Well head protection		-		543	
Wells		27,771		12,737	
Filter plant equipment		93,446		110,640	
Distribution System					
Water mains		62,605		42,597	
Water services		88,076		181,367	
Customer water meters		2,460		2,534	
Water hydrants		34,343		17,441	
Storage facilities, tanks, etc.		12,841		19,331	
Total Water Utility		321,542		387,190	
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION EXPENSE - MAINTENANCE	\$	1,065,268	\$	1,127,403	

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	December 31, 2016								
		Electric Utility		Water Utility	Fiber Utility			Total	
Meter reading Collection expense Billing and accounting salaries Uncollectible accounts	\$	117,309 121,296 214,907 18,941	\$	21,676 6,445 41,372	\$	1,289 13,791	\$	138,985 129,030 270,070 18,941	
Customer conservation consultant Informational advertising Customer assistance		62,018 24,017 57,470		3,913		5,619		62,018 33,549 57,470	
TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE	\$	615,958	\$	73,406	\$	20,699	\$	710,063	
				Decembe	r 31, 20)15			
		Electric Utility		Water Utility	Fiber Utility		Total		
Meter reading Collection expense Billing and accounting salaries Uncollectible accounts Customer conservation consultant Informational advertising Customer assistance	\$	124,964 130,598 213,810 15,764 58,462 17,445 57,650	\$	21,128 6,473 53,487 - 2,738	\$	1,295 17,829 - - 4,671	\$	146,092 138,366 285,126 15,764 58,462 24,854 57,650	
TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE	\$	618,693	\$	83,826	\$	23,795	\$	726,314	

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF ADMINISTRATION AND GENERAL EXPENSE FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	December 31, 2016								
		Electric		Water		Fiber			
		Utility		Utility		Utility		Total	
Administration salaries - manager	\$	203,053	\$	68,667	\$	27,016	\$	298,736	
Office supplies		86,783		9,684		1,697		98,164	
Outside services		23,851		2,650		-		26,501	
Insurance		130,891		16,098		3,220		150,209	
Employee pension and benefits		836,398		101,007		39,603		977,008	
Employee school expense		35,199		7,430		1,269		43,898	
Employer contribution - deferred compensation									
and severance		46,067		5,357		2,143		53,567	
Regulatory commission expense		33,386		4,314		-		37,700	
Miscellaneous		49,442		6,083		172		55,697	
Water conservation expense		-		(40)		-		(40)	
Maintenance of general plant		211,792		26,568		15,175		253,535	
Health insurance deductible		4,363		519		312		5,194	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND									
GENERAL EXPENSE	\$	1,661,225	\$	248,337	\$	90,607	\$	2,000,169	
GENERAL EM ENGE	Ψ	1,001,223	Ψ	240,337	Ψ	70,007	Ψ	2,000,107	
	December 31, 2015 Electric Water Fiber								
		Utility		Utility		Utility		Total	
Administration salaries - manager	\$	198,544	\$	42,678	\$	16,529	\$	257,751	
Office supplies	Ψ	83,725	Ψ	9,241	Ψ	1,848	Ψ	94,814	
Outside services		26,946		12,580		-		39,526	
Insurance		144,106		16,375		3,275		163,756	
Employee pension and benefits		652,856		70,602		27,327		750,785	
Employee school expense		18,773		7,870		1,110		27,753	
Employer contribution - deferred compensation		10,773		7,070		1,110		27,733	
and severance		43,201		5,023		2,009		50,233	
Regulatory commission expense		29,783		3,420		_,-,		33,203	
Miscellaneous		59,540		6,414		283		66,237	
Water conservation expense		_		2,870		_		2,870	
Maintenance of general plant		192,185		24,766		17,505		234,456	
Health insurance deductible		867		103		62		1,032	
Transportation expense		2,197		546				2,743	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION AND									
GENERAL EXPENSE	\$	1,452,723	\$	202,488	\$	69,948	\$	1,725,159	

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS - DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER SCHEDULES OF OTHER NONOPERATING REVENUES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016		2015	
ELECTRIC UTILITY Merchandising, jobbing and contract work Miscellaneous nonoperating income	\$	17,285 215,509	\$	32,943 55,018
Total Electric Utility		232,794		87,961
WATER UTILITY Miscellaneous service revenue		22,365		21,049
FIBER UTILITY Miscellaneous service revenue		13,625		(34)
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	\$	268,784	\$	108,976

OTHER REQUIRED REPORTS

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS DBA ALEXANDRIA LIGHT AND POWER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON MINNESOTA LEGAL COMPLIANCE

Members of the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power Alexandria, Minnesota

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial statements of the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power, (the Board), a component unit of the City of Alexandria, Minnesota as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 7, 2017.

The *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Cities*, promulgated by the State Auditor pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 6.65, contains six categories of compliance to be tested: contracting and bidding, deposits and investments, conflicts of interest, public indebtedness, claims and disbursements, and miscellaneous provisions. Our audit considered all of the listed categories.

In connection with our audit, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that the Board failed to comply with the provisions of the *Minnesota Legal Compliance Audit Guide for Cities*. However, our audit was not directed primarily toward procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding the Board's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions. Accordingly, had we performed additional procedures, other matters may have come to our attention regarding the Board's noncompliance with the above referenced provisions.

This report is intended solely for the information and use those charged with governance and management of the Board and the State Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

ABDO, EICK & MEYERS, LLP

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Mankato, Minnesota

April 7, 2017



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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

Members of the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power Alexandria, Minnesota

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Board of Public Works DBA Alexandria Light and Power (the Board), a component unit of the City of Alexandria, Minnesota as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 7, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Board's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the 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 Board's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board'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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Board'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 may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Board's financial statements are free of 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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Board's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

ABDO, EICK & MEYERS, LLP

Olldo Eich & Mayers, LLP

Mankato, Minnesota April 7, 2017