

Financial Statements December 31, 2013 and 2012

North Dakota Public Finance Authority (A Component Unit of the State of North Dakota)

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Industrial Commission State of North Dakota Bismarck, North Dakota

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of North Dakota Public Finance Authority, a component unit of the State of North Dakota as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's basic 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 financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Audit 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 from 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 entity'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 entity'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 presentation of the financial statements.

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 respective financial position of the business-type activities of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority, as of December 31, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and, where, applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

#### **Adoption of New Accounting Standard**

As described in Note 7 to the financial statements, the Authority adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. As discussed in Note 7 to the financial statements, the Authority has retroactively restated the previously reported net position to account for bond issuance costs in accordance with this Statement. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Other Matters**

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis information on pages 4 through 9 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 American, which consisted of inquires of management about the methods or preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, 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.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's financial statements. The combining financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular *A-133*, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organization*, and is also not a required part of the financial statements.

The combining financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 combining financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other

The financial statements of North Dakota Public Finance Authority as of December 31, 2012, were audited by other auditors, whose report dated March 4, 2013, expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 21, 2014 on our consideration of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, 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 North Dakota Public Finance Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance

Bismarck, North Dakota March 21, 2014

Esde Saelly LLP

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 (In Thousands)

The discussion and analysis of the financial performance of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority (PFA) that follows is meant to provide additional insight into the PFA's activities for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011. Please read it in conjunction with the PFA's financial statements and footnotes, which are presented within this report.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

Municipal securities (loans outstanding) increased 12.8% from \$386,562 in 2012 to \$436,211 in 2013; they decreased 0.3% from \$387,911 in 2011 to \$386,562 in 2012. SRF loans are funded with grant revenues and bond proceeds, which are invested until loans are funded. In 2013, there was \$38,766 of SRF loans funded, \$35,612 in 2012, and \$42,555 in 2011. The variances are due to the demand fluctuations created by the number of projects outstanding. PFA anticipates loan demand will continue to remain strong as these projects are constructed over the next one to two years. In 2013, a municipal security, and its corresponding interest, was charged down. There were no charge downs in 2012 or 2011. Investments increased by 9% to \$238,976 due to cash and cash and cash equivalents being invested, and increased 43% to \$219,741 in 2012 due to several prepayments and additional investment interest income.

In the past, the PFA has invested the bond proceeds, excess loan repayments and debt service reserve funds in guaranteed investment contracts (GIC). In April 2012, rating agencies downgraded three of the PFA's investment providers resulting in the termination of the related GICs. Two of these contracts contained a make whole provision in which the PFA received approximately \$20,272 of investment earnings that would have been earned had the contract been held until maturity. This resulted in higher than normal investment income totaling \$26,609 for 2012. Since May 2012, the PFA has been investing primarily in U.S. Treasuries, which will result in much lower investment income in the years ahead.

The PFA's rebate due to the Internal Revenue Service decreased by \$130 in 2013 and decreased by \$21 in 2012. Rebate payments of \$48 were made in 2013. There were no rebate payments made in 2012. Rebate payments of \$242 were made in 2011 to the IRS. As of year-end, none of the rebate liability is considered current.

In December 2013, Standard and Poor's upgraded both the Capital Financing Program "CFP" and Industrial Development Bond Program "IDBP" from A to AA. The PFA issued \$51,375 of CFP bonds in 2013, \$9,635 in 2012 and \$3,730 in 2011. In 2011, the Industrial Commission authorized the PFA to utilize the Capital Financing Program to provide loans for political subdivisions impacted by the weather related events of 2011. Under the Disaster Loan Program, the PFA issued bonds of \$1,696 in 2013, \$2,893 in 2012 and \$9,142 in 2011. The PFA did not issue IDBP bonds in 2013, 2012 or 2011. The State Revolving Fund Loan Program (rated Aaa by Moody's) issues bonds to provide the required match to receive capitalization grants from the EPA. The PFA did not issue SRF bonds in 2013. On August 29, 2012, the PFA issued \$37,605 of bonds. Proceeds of the issue were utilized to advance refund \$4,110 of SRF 2003A, \$8,450 of SRF 2003B, \$7,800 of SRF 2004A and \$16,575 SRF 2005A bonds. On August 9, 2011, the PFA issued \$101,210 of bonds. Proceeds of the issue were utilized to provide match for future capitalization grants, to refund \$11,765 of SRF 2001A bonds, and to advance refund \$11,775 of SRF 2003A bonds.

State Revolving Fund expenses were \$7,357 for 2013, \$4,921 for 2012, and \$4,504 for 2011. This is largely due to capitalization grants being required to provide principal forgiveness, which is presented as an expense on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 (In Thousands)

The growing State Revolving Fund Program helped the PFA's total assets increase \$56,549 to \$696,693 in 2013, and increase \$44,298 to \$640,144 in 2012. The balance sheet indicates that the PFA continues to have adequate resources to provide for bond repayments. Change in net position of the PFA resulted in an increase of \$23,209 in 2013 and \$50,702 in 2012 providing the PFA with an overall strong financial position. Grant proceeds account for a significant portion of net position. Federal law provides that grants may only be expended for SRF program purposes. Net position is also restricted for debt service of bond issues or for the purchase of municipal securities. As of December 31, 2013, and 2012, the PFA had \$135,370 and \$55,924, respectively, of commitments to extend credit.

#### **REQUIRED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

The discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the PFA's financial statements. The financial statements of the PFA provide accounting information similar to that of many other business entities. The Statements of Net Position summarize the assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. It also serves as the basis for analysis of the soundness and liquidity of the PFA. The Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position summarize the PFA's operating performance for the two years. The Statements of Cash Flows summarizes the flow of cash through the PFA as it conducts its business.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012

(In Thousands)

### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31,

		2013 vs. 2012		2012 vs. 2011			
	2013	Restated 2012	Restated 2011	Dollar Variance	Percentage Variance	Dollar Variance	Percentage Variance
	2013		2011	<u>variance</u>	<u>variance</u>	variance	variance
ASSETS							
CURRENT ASSETS - RESTRICTED	\$ 132,632	\$161,214	\$ 86,099	\$ (28,582)	-18%	\$ 75,115	87.24%
NONCURRENT ASSETS - RESTRICTED	563,911	478,930	509,747	84,981	17.74%	(30,817)	-6.05%
OTHER ASSETS	150			150			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 696,693	\$ 640,144	\$ 595,846	\$ 56,549	\$ -	\$ 44,298	81.19%
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 5,462	\$ 6,301	\$ 3,739	\$ (839)	-13.32%	\$ 2,562	68.52%
LIABILITIES							
CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 18,739	\$ 16,821	\$ 15,634	\$ 1,918	11.40%	\$ 1,187	7.59%
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	245,683	214,021	219,343	31,662	14.79%	(5,322)	-2.43%
TOTAL LIABILITIES	264,422	230,842	234,977	33,580	14.55%	(4,135)	-1.76%
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 15,640	\$ 16,719	\$ 15,099	\$ (1,079)	-6.45%	\$ 1,620	10.73%
NET POSITION							
UNRESTRICTED	\$ 1,577	\$ 3,986	\$ 3,074	\$ (2,409)	0.00%	\$ 912	29.67%
RESTRICTED FOR DEBT SERVICE	145,315	136,460	89,253	8,855	6.49%	47,207	52.89%
RESTRICTED FOR LOAN PURPOSES	275,201	258,438	257,182	16,763	6.49%	1,256	0.49%
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 422,093	\$398,884	\$ 349,509	\$ 23,209	5.82%	\$ 49,375	14.13%

#### Cash and Investments

Certain PFA cash and investments, which are included in the restricted current and non-current assets, are restricted for the debt service of bond issues or for the purchase of municipal securities. Additional discussion of these investments can be found at Note 2 to the financial statements.

#### Municipal Securities

Obligations of North Dakota political subdivisions are classified separately on the balance sheet as "municipal securities" and included in the restricted current and non-current assets of the condensed Balance Sheet. These investment securities are primarily city, school district and water district obligations and are pledged to the various bond issues. No future losses for market value declines are anticipated and an allowance has not been provided. Note 3 to the financial statements contain further information regarding municipal securities.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 (In Thousands)

#### Bonds Payable

In order to provide local political subdivisions with funds to finance projects, the PFA has issued bonds to facilitate the purchase of the political subdivision's municipal securities. The bonds payable are included in the restricted current and non-current liabilities of the preceding statement. The bonds are direct obligations of the PFA and are secured by municipal securities purchased under the applicable resolutions, interest earnings and certain accounts established pursuant to the applicable bond resolutions. Further details are contained in Note 4 to the financial statements.

#### Rebate Due to IRS

Under Internal Revenue Service Code Sections 103 and 148, earnings from non-purpose investments in excess of bond interest expense must be remitted as a rebate, once every five years, to the U.S. Treasury. This liability is included in the current and non-current liabilities. Note 10 to the financial statements contain additional information.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 (In Thousands)

# CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

				2013 v	s. 2012	2012	vs. 2011
	2013	Restated 2012	Restated 2011	Dollar Variance	Percentage Variance	Dollar Variance	Percentage Variance
OPERATING REVENUES Investment income Grant and set-asides Administrative fees and other	\$ 11,180 1,516 1,936 14,632	\$ 9,838 1,405 1,975 13,218	\$ 9,626 762 1,876 12,264	\$ 1,342 111 (39) 1,414	13.64% 7.90% -1.97% 10.70%	\$ 212 643 99 954	2.20% 84.38% 5.28% 7.78%
NONOPERATING REVENUE							
Grant and set-asides Investment income	23,728 5,595 29,323	25,135 26,609 51,744	23,541 6,374 29,915	(1,407) (21,014) (22,421)	-5.60% -78.97% -43.33%	1,594 20,235 21,829	6.77% 317.46% 72.97%
TOTAL REVENUE	43,955	64,962	42,179	(21,007)	-32.34%	22,783	54.02%
OPERATING EXPENSES Interest expense State Revolving Fund expenses Rebate (Benefit) due to IRS Amortization of bond issue costs Other	10,754 7,357 (82) 5 470 18,504	9,133 4,921 (21) 227 14,260	8,330 4,504 (127) 211 12,918	1,621 2,436 (61) 5 243 4,244	17.75% 49.50% 290.48% 100.00% 107.05% 29.76%	803 417 106 16 1,342	9.64% 9.26% -83.46% - 7.58% 10.39%
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM	2,242			2,242			
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	23,209	50,702	29,261	(27,493)	-54.22%	21,441	73.28%
TOTAL NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR	398,884	348,182	320,248	50,702	14.56%	27,934	8.72%
TOTAL NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$ 422,093	\$ 398,884	\$349,509	\$ 23,209	5.82%	\$ 49,375	14.13%

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012

(In Thousands)

Note 1 to the financial statements contains discussion of several of the various operating revenue and expense items pertaining to PFA operations.

#### Grant and set-asides

Under an agreement with the North Dakota Department of Health, the PFA assists in administering the State Revolving Loan Fund. The grant proceeds are classified as non-operating revenue in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Position.

The purpose of the Loan Fund is to provide low cost financing to local political subdivisions to finance wastewater disposal system projects and drinking water projects. The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides capitalization grants. Capitalization grants require that the state provide 20% match which is funded through bonds issued by the PFA.

Economic Factors and Budgetary Information

Note 1 to the financial statements discusses the PFA's economic dependence on North Dakota political subdivision municipal securities obligations.

As discussed in financial statement Note 1, the PFA, an agency of the Industrial Commission, operates through a biennial appropriation provided by the State Legislature. The PFA prepares a biennial budget as a part of the Industrial Commission's budget, which is included in the Governor's budget that is presented to the General Assembly at the beginning of each legislative session. The PFA has a continuous appropriation of income from operations. Changes to the appropriation not falling under the continuing appropriation are subject to approval by the State Emergency Commission.

Contacting the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's financial management:

The information in this report is intended to provide the reader with an overview of the PFA's operations along with the PFA's accountability for those operations. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the North Dakota Public Finance Authority, PO Box 5509, Bismarck, ND 58506-5509.

STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012

	2013	Restated 2012
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS Restricted		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,508	\$ 27,376
Interest receivable	4,438	4,029
Investments Municipal securities	90,553 22,133	110,491 19,318
Total restricted current assets	132,632	161,214
Total current assets	132,632	161,214
NONCURRENT ASSETS - RESTRICTED		400.550
Investments	148,423	109,250
Municipal securities Advance to Bank of North Dakota	414,078 1,410	367,244 2,436
Total restricted noncurrent assets	563,911	478,930
OTHER ASSETS	150	
Total assets	\$ 696,693	\$ 640,144
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred loss on bond refunding	\$ 5,462	\$ 6,301
Total deferred outflows of resources	\$ 5,462	\$ 6,301
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES	40	
Accounts payable Rebate due to IRS	\$ 49	\$ 21
Bonds payable	16,445	54 14,480
Interest payable	2,245	2,266
Total current liabilities	18,739	16,821
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Rebate due to IRS	12	88
Bonds payable	244,261	211,497
Advance from Bank of North Dakota	1,410	2,436
Total noncurrent liabilities	245,683	214,021
Total liabilities	\$ 264,422	\$ 230,842
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Premium on bonds payable	\$ 15,640	\$ 16,719
Total deferred inflows of resources	\$ 15,640	\$ 16,719
NET POSITION		
Unrestricted	\$ 1,577	\$ 3,986
Restricted for debt service	145,315	136,460
Restricted for loan purposes	275,201	258,438
Total net position	\$ 422,093	\$ 398,884
See Notes to Financial Statements		

## STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012

			F	Restated
		2013		2012
OPERATING REVENUES				
Investment income	\$	11,180	\$	9,838
Grant and set-asides	Ψ	1,516	Ψ	1,405
Administrative fees and other		1,936		1,975
Administrative rees and other		14,632		13,218
		11,002		15,210
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Interest expense		10,754		9,133
State Revolving Fund loan forgiveness		5,546		3,041
State Revolving Fund administration		1,562		738
State Revolving Fund set-asides		249		1,142
Rebate (Benefit) due to IRS		(82)		(21)
Salaries and benefits		182		159
Bond issue costs		5		-
Operating		284		63
Paying agent fees	<u> </u>	4		5
		18,504		14,260
OPERATING LOSS		(3,872)		(1,042)
NONOPERATING REVENUE				
Grant and set-asides		23,728		25,135
Investment income		5,595		26,609
		29,323		51,744
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM				
Loss on loan modification		2,242		
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CHANGE IN NET POSITION		23,209		50,702
TOTAL NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR,				
AS RESTATED (SEE NOTE 7)		398,884		348,182
TOTAL NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$	422,093	\$	398,884

#### STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012

	2013	Restated 2012
OPERATING ACTIVITIES Receipts of administrative fees from customers Grant and set-asides State Revolving Fund loan forgiveness Payments to service providers Payments to employees Payment of rebate to IRS	\$ 1,936 1,516 (5,546) (2,083) (182) (48)	\$ 1,975 1,405 (3,041) (1,948) (159)
NET CASH USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(4,407)	(1,768)
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Grant and set-asides Interest paid on bonds payable Bond financing costs Principal payment on advance from Bank of North Dakota Proceeds from bond premiums Proceeds from issuance of bonds payable Principal payments on bonds payable	23,728 (11,004) (5) (1,025) - 53,071 (18,342)	25,135 (14,612) (305) (384) 3,808 50,133 (52,977)
NET CASH FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	46,423	10,798_
INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received on investments and municipal securities Increase in other assets Collection of advance to Bank of North Dakota Proceeds from maturities and sales of investments Purchases of investments Proceeds from maturities of municipal securities Purchases of municipal securities Loan modification	16,366 (150) 1,025 321,508 (340,742) 48,961 (98,610) (2,242)	37,174 384 306,370 (372,575) 51,963 (50,614)
NET CASH USED FOR INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(53,884)	(27,298)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(11,868)	(18,268)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	27,376	45,644
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 15,508	\$ 27,376

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS – CONTINUED YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 (In Thousands)

	2013		Restated 2012		
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO TO NET CASH USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used for operating activities:	\$	(3,872)	\$	(1,042)	
Net amortization (accretion) of premium (discount) on bonds payable Reclassification of investment income and expense		1,064		(922)	
to other activities Changes in assets and liabilities:		(1,497)		220	
Accounts payable Rebate due IRS		28 (130)		(3) (21)	
NET CASH USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	(4,407)	\$	(1,768)	

#### STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

 $TWO\ YEARS\ ENDED\ JUNE\ 30,2013\ AND\ SIX\ MONTHS\ ENDED\ DECEMBER\ 31,2013$ 

(In Thousands)

Note: Only appropriations of specific amounts are included in this statement. A reconciliation to the operating expenses on the December 31, 2013 and 2012 statement of revenues and expenses follows:

	1-2013 priations	7-1-11 12-31-11 Expenditures	13	1-1-12 2-31-12 penditures	1-1-13 6-30-13 penditures	Ap	Inexpended oppropriations at 6-30-13	013-2015 propriations	12	7-1-13 2-31-13 penditures	App	expended ropriations 2-31-13
Salaries and wages Operating expenses	\$ 428 226	\$ 78 35	\$	159 35	\$ 84 21	\$	107 135	\$ 473 226	\$	98 25	\$	375 201
Total administrative expenses	654	113		194	105		242	699		123		576
Equipment	 	 			 			 		<u>-</u>		
Total expenses	\$ 654	\$ 113	\$	194	\$ 105	\$	242	\$ 699	\$	123	\$	576

The Public Finance Authority also incurs noninterest expenditures which are not part of the biennial appropriation process. Examples of these expenditures include expenses associated with the issuance and repayment of bonds issued to fund qualified projects. These expenditures are authorized by the Industrial Commission and come under the continuing appropriation authority as provided by Article 10, Section 12 of the North Dakota Constitution.

	 2013	2012
Total appropriation expenditures for year		
ended December 31	\$ 228	\$ 194
Interest expense	10,754	9,133
Bond issue costs	5	-
State Revolving Fund administrative fees	7,357	4,921
Rebate due to IRS	(82)	(21)
Administrative and operating expenses	238	28
paid out of general operating funds - paying agent fees	 4	 5
Total operating expenses	\$ 18,504	\$ 14,260

See Notes to Financial Statements

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 (In Thousands)

#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Nature of Operations

The North Dakota Public Finance Authority (PFA) was established July 1, 1975, by the North Dakota Legislature, as provided in Chapter 6-09.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, as a separate agency of the State of North Dakota. The purpose of the PFA is to make funds available for borrowing by North Dakota political subdivisions through the issuance of its bonds and the purchase of municipal securities of the political subdivisions. The PFA has been granted all powers required in order to accomplish this purpose and is under the control and management of the North Dakota Industrial Commission.

#### Reporting Entity

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, the PFA should include all component units over which the PFA exercises such aspects as (1) appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (2) has the ability to impose its will on that organization, or (3) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the PFA. Reporting units are further defined as a legally separate, tax exempt affiliated organization that meet all of the following criteria:

- The economic resources of the organization entirely or almost entirely directly benefit the PFA or its constituents, and
- The PFA or its component units are entitled to or can otherwise access, a majority of the economic resources of the organization, and
- The economic resources that the PFA is entitled to, or can otherwise access, are significant to the PFA.

Based on the criteria of GASB Statement No. 61, no organizations were determined to be part of the reporting entity. The PFA is included as a discretely presented component unit within the State of North Dakota's reporting entity.

#### **Budgetary Process**

The PFA operates through a biennial appropriation provided by the State Legislature. The PFA prepares a biennial budget which is included in the Governor's budget that is presented to the General Assembly at the beginning of each legislative session. The General Assembly enacts the budgets of the various state departments through passage of specific appropriation bills. The Governor has line item veto powers over all legislation subject to legislative override. Once passed and signed, the appropriation becomes the PFA's financial plan for the next two years. The PFA has a continuous appropriation of income from operations. Changes to the appropriation not falling under the continuing appropriation are subject to approval by the State Emergency Commission.

The Statement of Appropriations has been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and includes only those expenses for which an appropriation has been established.

#### Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The North Dakota Public Finance Authority is presented in the accompanying financial statements as a proprietary fund type - an enterprise fund.

An enterprise fund is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent is that costs of providing goods or services to the general public or other funds on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges. The PFA recovers its costs through administrative charges to municipalities and earnings on administrative funds. The Program revenues include 1) Income from receivables and 2) Administrative fees. The Non Program revenues include 1) Investment income and 2) Income from grants and set-asides.

As a proprietary fund type, the PFA accounts for its transactions using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

The accompanying financial statements of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority follow the pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which is the nationally accepted standard-setting body for establishing generally accepted accounting principles for governmental entities. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 62, the PFA follows all applicable GASB Pronouncements as well as following accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America..

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

#### Use of Estimates

In preparing financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the balance sheet and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

Municipal securities primarily consist of obligations of cities, school districts and water organizations. The PFA performs credit evaluations and, in some instances, municipal securities are collateralized by property and leases. Generally, the PFA maintains a security interest until related receivables are collected. Municipal securities are due under terms corresponding with applicable bonds. All customers are located in the state of North Dakota.

#### New GASB Statements

Beginning in fiscal year 2013, the PFA implemented GASB Statement No. 65 – Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities, which clarifies the use of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources to ensure consistency in financial reporting. This statement requires certain items which were previously reported as assets and liabilities to be reported as deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and as revenues or expenditures. As a result of implementing this statement, the PFA changed the classification of certain liabilities to deferred inflows and certain assets to deferred outflows. The PFA also restated beginning net position to write-off bond issuance costs as required by this Statement (see Note 7).

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The PFA considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The PFA follows the bond indenture documentation on satisfying requirements for unrestricted and restricted cash and cash equivalents.

#### Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. All investment income, including changes in the fair value of investments, is recognized in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. A portion of the PFA's investments consists of nonparticipating contracts. These instruments are reported at cost. The PFA follows the bond indenture documentation on satisfying requirements for unrestricted and restricted investments.

Funds held by trustees or the PFA under bond resolutions are to be invested to the fullest extent possible in investment obligations selected by the PFA. The maturity date or the date on which such investment obligations may be redeemed shall coincide as nearly as practicable with the date or dates on which moneys in the funds or accounts for which the investments were made will be required. The restricted bond accounts have their moneys invested in various debt securities such as U.S. Treasury securities, U.S. Government Agency securities, tax-exempt obligations of states and political subdivisions, certificates of deposit, investment contracts, and commercial paper.

#### Equipment and Furnishings

Equipment and furnishings are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. Equipment and furnishings with a cost of \$5,000 or more per unit are capitalized and reported in the accompanying financial statements. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. There is no equipment or furnishings recorded for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012.

Expenditures for major additions and improvements that extend the useful lives of equipment and furnishings are capitalized. Routine expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expenses when incurred.

#### Accumulated Unpaid Vacation and Sick Pay

Annual leave and sick leave are a part of permanent employees' compensation as set forth in Section 54-06-14 of the North Dakota Century Code. Annual leave is earned based on tenure of employment, within a range of a minimum of one working day per month of employment, to a maximum of two working days per month of employment, to be fixed by rules and regulations adopted by the employing unit. In general, accrued annual leave cannot exceed 30 days at each year-end, as set by the Agency. Employees are paid for unused annual leave upon termination or retirement.

Sick leave is earned based on tenure at the rate of one working day per month of employment. There are no limitations on the amount of sick leave that an employee can accumulate. Employees who have ten continuous years of service are paid one-tenth of their accumulated sick leave upon leaving service under chapter 54-52 of the North Dakota Century Code.

Vacation and sick leave are immaterial as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and are not accrued.

#### Restricted Net Position

The PFA administers the SRF federal grant programs for the North Dakota Department of Health. Grant proceeds account for a significant portion of net position. Federal law provides that the grants may only be expended for SRF program purposes. Net position is also restricted for debt service of bond issues or for the purchase of municipal securities. The PFA follows the CFP and SRF bond indentures for the repayment of restricted net position.

#### Operating and Non-operating Revenues

Operating revenues consist of sales of goods and services, quasi-external operating transactions with other funds, grant revenue for specific activities that are considered to be operating activities of the grantor, receipts from other agencies for reimbursement of operating transactions and other miscellaneous revenue. Grants that would qualify as an operating activity are those that do not subsidize an existing program, rather they finance a program the agency would not otherwise undertake.

All other revenues that do not meet the above criteria are classified as non-operating.

#### Administrative Fee Revenue

All loans originated by the PFA are charged an administration fee. These fees are used to cover the costs incurred in the administration of the loan programs. Income is recorded when the fees are received.

#### Grant and Set-Asides Revenue

The SRF Program grants, received from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, are to be used to make below-market interest rate loans to political subdivisions for the purpose of financing authorized projects. In addition, the Drinking Water SRF Program is allowed to "set-aside" a percentage of each grant award, which is expended for administration, technical assistance and source water assessment programs.

#### State Revolving Fund Administration Expense

State Revolving Fund administration expenses are incurred by the PFA and North Dakota Department of Health in administration of the State Revolving Loan Programs.

#### State Revolving Fund Set-Asides Expenses

The Drinking Water SRF Program is allowed to "set-aside" a percentage of each grant award, which is expended for administration, technical assistance and source water assessment programs.

#### Rebate Due to IRS

Under Internal Revenue Service Code Sections 103 and 148, earnings from nonpurpose investments in excess of bond interest expense must be remitted as rebate, once every five years, to the U.S. Treasury. Annually, rebate is calculated and the liability is accordingly adjusted.

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### **DEPOSITS**

The North Dakota Public Finance Authority is required to maintain its deposits at the Bank of North Dakota. As of December 31, the PFA had the following deposits (amounts in the thousands):

	Bank Balance 2013	Bank Balance 2012
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,508	\$ 27,376
Certificates of deposit	11,523	18,062
Certificates of deposit recorded		
as advances to Bank of		
North Dakota	1,410	2,436
Bank investment contracts -		
Bank of North Dakota	36,646	35,128
Canadian Imperial Bank of		
Commerce	8,290	7,290
Total deposits	\$ 73,377	\$ 90,292

#### Custodial and Concentration Credit Risk

For a deposit, the custodial credit risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the PFA will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The PFA's deposits are uncollateralized. All of the deposits, except Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, are with the Bank of North Dakota.

#### **INVESTMENTS**

NDCC 6-09.4-7 authorizes the PFA to invest any funds in the same manner as permitted for investment of funds belonging to the state or the Bank of North Dakota. The PFA does have a formal investment policy. Also, the General Bond Resolution and Master Trust Indenture specify the permitted investments. The PFA follows those stipulations when investing funds.

Funds held by trustees or the PFA under bond resolutions are to be invested to the fullest extent possible in investment obligations selected by the PFA. The maturity date or the date on which such investment obligations may be redeemed shall coincide as nearly as practicable with the date or dates on which moneys in the funds or accounts for which the investments were made will be required. The restricted bond accounts may have their moneys invested in various debt securities such as U.S. Treasury securities, U.S. Government Agency securities, commercial paper, guaranteed investment contracts and certificates of deposit. There is no limit on the amount the PFA may invest in any one issuer.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates of debt securities will adversely affect the fair values of an investment. The price of a debt security typically moves in the opposite direction of the change in interest rates. The PFA does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to potential fair value losses arising from future changes.

As of December 31, 2013, the following table summarizes investment by investment type and maturity (amounts are in thousands):

Investment Type	Total Fair Value	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 6 Years	6 - 10 Years		Tha	ore n 10 ars
US Treasuries Commercial Paper	\$111,704 26,838 \$138,542	\$ 50,174 26,838 \$ 77,012	\$61,530	\$	- - -	\$	- - -
Investments not subject to categorization: Guaranteed Investment Contracts: MBIA Natixis Funding Corp. Total Guaranteed Investment Contracts	19,868 24,107 43,975						
Total investments	\$182,517						

As of December 31, 2012, the following table summarizes investment by investment type and maturity (amounts are in thousands):

Investment Type	Total Fair Value	2000 111111		6 - 10 Years	More Than 10 Years
US Treasuries	\$116,823 \$116,823	\$ 116,823 \$ 116,823	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -	\$ - \$ -
Investments not subject to categorization:					
Guaranteed Investment Contracts:  MBIA  Natixis Funding Corp.  Total Guaranteed Investment Contracts	19,651 22,787 42,438				
Total investments	\$159,261				

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The PFA's North Dakota State Revolving Fund Program Master Trust Indenture restricts investments in Guaranteed Investment Contracts (GICs) and Bank Investment Contracts (BICs) issued, at the time the contract is entered into, a long-term debt rating by Moody's, at least equal to the better of (i) "A" or (ii) the then current rating assigned by Moody's to the Bonds without regard to credit enhancement for long-term obligations.

As of December 31, 2013, the following table summarizes investment by investment type and credit rating (amounts are in thousands):

	Credit Rating*						
Investment Type	Total Fair Value	AAA		A	<u> </u>	A	
Commercial Paper	\$ 26,838	\$	_	\$		\$26,838	
US Government	111,704						
Total Debt Securities	\$138,542						

As of December 31, 2012, the following table summarizes investment by investment type and credit rating (amounts are in thousands):

	Credit Rating*							
	Total l	Fair						
Investment Type	Valu	ıe	AA	.A	A	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Commercial Paper	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	
US Government	116,8	823						
Total Debt Securities	\$116,8	323						

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are determined by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

#### **NOTE 3 - MUNICIPAL SECURITIES**

Obligations of North Dakota political subdivisions are classified separately on the balance sheet as "municipal securities." These investment securities are primarily obligations of cities, school districts and water organizations, and are pledged to the various bond issues. Due to the maturity of these securities, a market value is not readily available. The PFA intends to hold these securities to maturity. No future losses for market value decline are anticipated and an allowance has not been provided. The PFA had the following municipal securities as of December 31:

	2013		 2012
Capital Financing Program	\$	82,299	\$ 37,003
State Revolving Fund Program		353,912	349,559
•		436,211	386,562
Less current portion		22,133	 19,318
	\$	414,078	\$ 367,244

#### NOTE 4 - BONDS PAYABLE

Changes in Bonds Payable

The following is a summary of changes in bonds payable for the years ended December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

Balance, December 31, 2011 Issuance of bonds payable Principal payments on bonds payable	\$ 228,821 50,133 (52,977)
Balance, December 31, 2012 Issuance of bonds payable Principal payments on bonds payable	225,977 53,071 (18,342)
Balance, December 31, 2013	\$ 260,706

#### Bonds Payable

The bonds of the PFA have been issued to provide financing to purchase municipal securities in order to provide local political subdivisions with funds to finance local projects. The bonds are direct obligations of the PFA and are secured by municipal securities purchased under the applicable resolutions, interest earnings and certain accounts established pursuant to the applicable bond resolutions.

#### Maturities of Bonds Payable

Maturities of principal and interest on all bonds are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	P	rincipal	]	Interest	otal Debt Service
2014	\$	16,445	\$	10,934	\$ 27,379
2015		16,220		10,378	26,598
2016		18,144		9,780	27,924
2017		21,952		9,151	31,103
2018		16,890		8,433	25,323
2019-2023		69,435		32,692	102,127
2024-2028		59,335		17,634	76,969
2029-2033		39,395		4,662	44,057
2034-2038		2,140		378	2,518
2039-2041		750		51	 801
	\$	260,706	\$	104,093	\$ 364,799

The following summarizes the PFA's bonds outstanding at December 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012:

Description and Due Date	Interest Rate	Original Value	2013	2012
Series 1993-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/05-6/1/13	4.70-5.75	\$ 7,905	\$ -	\$ 240
Series 1996-SRF Serial Bonds 10/1/05-10/1/17	5.10-6.00	29,845	200	200
Series 1998-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/05-6/1/23	4.20-5.25	9,695	240	360
Series 1998-SRF Serial Bonds 10/1/05-10/1/19	4.00-5.50	35,965	5,425	5,425
Series 1999 Serial Bonds 4/1/05-4/1/14	10.00	10,285	215	410
Series 1999-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/05-6/1/23	4.80-8.25	4,530	175	185
Series 2003-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/05-6/1/28	2.95 - 5.40	1,495	-	1,135
Series 2003-SRF Serial Bonds 10/1/05-10/1/23	2.00 - 5.00	47,250	-	3,120
Series 2004-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/05-6/1/24	2.00 - 4.90	880	255	325
Series 2004-SRF Serial Bonds 10/1/05-10/1/21	2.00 - 4.75	11,790	935	1,830
Series 2005-SRF Serial Bonds 10/1/06-10/1/23	3.00 - 5.00	36,210	6,200	9,875
Series 2006-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/07-6/1/31	4.25 - 5.00	1,385	595	720
Series 2006-IDBP Serial Bonds 6/1/07-6/1/31	4.00 - 5.00	1,360	1,130	1,170
Series 2008-SRF Serial Bonds 10/1/09-10/1/28	3.25 - 5.50	46,100	35,410	36,675
Series 2008-IDBP Serial Bonds 6/1/09-6/1/33	6.60 - 6.75	2,000	1,805	1,850
Series 2009-CFP Serial Bonds 6/1/10-6/1/34	2.00 - 4.88	2,125	1,860	1,930
Series 2009-IDBP Serial Bonds 6/1/10-6/1/34	3.00 - 6.00	1,500	1,365	1,405

Description and Due Date	Interest Rate	Original Value	2013	2012
Series 2011-CFP				
Serial Bonds 6/1/12-6/1/41	2.00 - 5.50	3,730	3,475	3,605
Serial Bonds 6/1/14-6/1/17	2.00*	9,142	8,911	9,947
Series 2011-SRF				
Serial Bonds 10/1/12-10/1/31	3.00 - 5.00	101,210	94,900	98,685
Series 2012-SRF				
Serial Bonds 10/1/12-10/1/25	0.24 - 5.00	37,605	36,880	37,250
Series 2012-CFP				
Serial Bonds 6/1/13-6/1/41	2.00 - 3.75	9,635	9,355	9,635
Series 2013-CFP				
Serial Bonds 6/1/14-6/1/33	3.00 - 4.00	51,375	51,375	
			\$ 260,706	\$ 225,977

<sup>\*</sup>Bonds are at a variable rate. The variable rate is adjusted monthly to the greater of (a) three-month LIBOR plus one percent or (b) two percent, or at such other rate the Executive Director may approve. The rate as of December 31, 2013 is presented.

The PFA issued \$19,705 of revenue bonds (Series 2012A SRF Bonds) with an average interest rate of 4.52 percent on August 29, 2012. The net proceeds were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all the future debt service payments on the refunded bonds. As of December 31, 2013, \$16,575 of bonds outstanding is considered defeased and the liability has been removed from the balance sheet. The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$2,093. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the life of the refunded debt, which is the same as the life of the new debt issued. This refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next 13 years by \$1,617 and resulted in an economic gain of \$1,479.

The PFA issued \$17,900 of revenue bonds (Series 2012B SRF Bonds) with an average interest rate of 1.60 percent on August 29, 2012. The net proceeds were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all the future debt service payments on the refunded bonds. As of December 31, 2013, \$7,800 of bonds outstanding is considered defeased and the liability has been removed from the balance sheet. The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$2,155. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the life of the refunded debt, which is the same as the life of the new debt issued. This refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next 9 years by \$1,196 and resulted in an economic gain of \$1,138.

#### NOTE 5 - ADVANCE FROM BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA

Changes in Advance from Bank of North Dakota

The following is a summary of changes in advance from the Bank of North Dakota for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012:

Balance, December 31, 2011	\$	2,819
Principal payments on advance from Bank of North Dakota		(384)
Balance, December 31, 2012		2,435
Principal payments on advance from Bank of North Dakota		(1,025)
Balance, December 31, 2013	•	1.410
Datance, December 31, 2013	φ	1,410

Maturities of Advance from Bank of North Dakota

Maturities of principal and interest on the advance are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	Pr	incipal	In	terest	tal Debt ervice
2014 2015	\$	- 1,410	\$	-	\$ - 1,410
	\$	1,410	\$		\$ 1,410

#### NOTE 6 - LOSS ON LOAN MODIFICATION

Commercial or financial information of a contracting party provided to the PFA as part of any qualified small issue bonds or municipal industrial revenue bonds purchased or issued by the PFA, whether obtained directly or indirectly, are confidential records under Section 6-09.4-27 of North Dakota Century Code.

Municipal securities, and their corresponding interest, are fully or partially charged down when there is potential for a recognized loss. In the current year there was a loss on loan modification of \$2,242.

#### NOTE 7 - RESTATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The PFA implemented GASB Statement No. 65 – Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities. As a result, costs of issuance previously amortized in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities were written off as those costs are now expensed in the year of the debt issuance. The total amount of those costs written off resulted in a decrease of \$1.3 million to beginning net position, which is adjusted on the statements for 2012.

The following shows the effect of the change on beginning net position:

Net Position, as previously stated, January 1, 2012	\$349,509
Costs of issuance	(1,327)
Net Position, as restated, January 1, 2012	<u>\$348,182</u>

#### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN

The North Dakota Public Finance Authority participates in the North Dakota Public Employees' Retirement System (NDPERS) administered by the State of North Dakota. The following is a brief description of the plan.

NDPERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all classified employees of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority. The plan provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. If an active employee dies with less than three years of credit service, a death benefit equal to the value of the employee's accumulated contributions, plus interest, is paid to the employee's beneficiary. If the employee has earned more than three years of credited service, the surviving spouse will be entitled to a single payment refund, life-time monthly payments in an amount equal to 50% of the employee's accrued normal retirement benefit, or 60 monthly payments equal to the employee's accrued normal retirement benefit calculated as if the employee were age 65 the day before death occurred or monthly payments in an amount equal to the employee's accrued 100% joint and survivor retirement benefit if the member had reached normal retirement age prior to date of death. If the surviving spouse dies before the employee's accumulated pension benefits are paid, the balance will be paid to the surviving spouse's designated beneficiary.

Eligible employees, who become totally disabled after a minimum of 180 days of service, receive monthly disability benefits that are equal to 25% of their final average salary with a minimum benefit of \$100. To qualify under this section, the employee must meet the criteria established by the Retirement Board for being considered totally disabled.

Employees are entitled to unreduced monthly pension benefits equal to 2% of their final average salary for each year of service beginning when the sum of age and years of credited service equal or exceed 85, or at normal retirement age (65). The plan permits early retirement at ages 55-64, with three or more years of service.

Benefit and contribution provisions are administered in accordance with chapter 54-52 of the North Dakota Century Code. This state statute requires that 6% of the participant's salary be contributed to the plan by either the employee or by the employer under a "salary reduction" agreement. The North Dakota Public Finance Authority has implemented a salary reduction agreement and is currently contributing the employee's share. The North Dakota Public Finance Authority is required to contribute 6.12% of each participant's salary as the employer's share. In addition to the 6.12% employer contribution, the employer is required to contribute 1.14% of each participating employee's gross wage to a pre-funded retiree health insurance program. The required contributions are determined using an entry age normal actuarial funding method. The North Dakota Retirement Board was created by the State Legislature and is the governing authority of NDPERS. The North Dakota Public Finance Authority's required and actual contributions to NDPERS were \$7, \$6 and \$5 for the years ended December 31 2013, 2012, and 2011, respectively.

NDPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and the required supplementary information for NDPERS. That report may be obtained by writing to NDPERS; 400 East Broadway, Suite 505; P.O. Box 1657; Bismarck, ND 58502-1657.

#### NOTE 9 - STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Under an agreement with the North Dakota Department of Health, the PFA assists in administering the State Revolving Loan Fund. The purpose of the Loan Fund is to provide low cost financing to local political subdivisions to finance wastewater disposal system projects and drinking water projects.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides capitalization grants. Capitalization grants require that the state provide 20% match which is funded through bonds issued by the PFA.

As of December 31, the following Loan Fund transactions had occurred:

	 		2012	
Municipal securities purchased	\$ 38,766	\$	35,556	
EPA grant funds received	25,238		26,451	

#### NOTE 10 - REBATE DUE TO IRS

Under Internal Revenue Service Code Sections 103 and 148, earnings from non-purpose investments in excess of bond interest expense must be remitted as a rebate, once every five years, to the U.S. Treasury. A detail of the cumulative rebate at December 31, is as follows:

	2013		2012	
1996A SRF bonds 1998A SRF bonds 2003A SRF bonds 2005A SRF bonds	\$	6 6 -	\$	5 65 5 67
Rebate due to IRS Current rebate due to IRS		12		142 (54)
Long-term rebate due to IRS	\$	12	\$	88

#### NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

All cash accounts of the PFA are deposited in the Bank of North Dakota. All investments are under the safekeeping of the Bank of North Dakota. The Bank of North Dakota acts as paying agent for all bonds and as trustee for the 1999 Bonds and the 1996, 1998, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2008, 2011 and 2012 State Revolving Fund Bonds.

The PFA had the following transactions with related parties summarized as follows:

		2012		
Bank of North Dakota				
Cash and cash equivalents - restricted	\$	15,508	\$	27,376
Interest receivable	·	6		2
Certificates of deposit recorded as investments				
(no current portion)		11,523		18,062
Municipal securities		733		914
Advance to/from Bank of North Dakota (1)		1,410		2,436
Bank investment contract (2)		36,646		35,128
Bond Payable (3)		8,912		9,947
Expenses				
Registrar, paying agent and trustee fees		107		113
Account analysis		1		2
Treasury fees		6		3
Letter of credit fees		300		92
Office of the Attorney General				
Legal fees		32		28
Information Technology Department				
Information Technology Department Telecommunications and data		3		1
1 Ciccommunications and data		3		4

(1). Notes were purchased by the Bank of North Dakota to fund required reserve funds established by the following series resolutions. The proceeds are invested in certificates of deposit with the Bank of North Dakota. Maturities and interest rates of the bonds and certificates of deposit coincide. The entire amount is non-current. (See Note 5).

	 2013		2012	
CFP 1993 1999 A/B	\$ - 1,410	\$	1,025 1,410	
	\$ 1,410	\$	2,435	

- (2). The bank investment contract in conjunction with the SRF 2001A bond issue was awarded to the Bank of North Dakota. The investment contract is at a fixed rate and matures on October 1, 2021.
- (3). Bonds Payable were issued to the Bank of North Dakota to fund disaster loans to political subdivisions. The entire amount is non-current. (See Note 4).

#### NOTE 12 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Amounts passed through from the State Department of Health from federal grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by the federal grantor agencies. Any disallowed grant costs may constitute a liability. The amount, if any, of costs which may be disallowed by the grantor will be recognized in the year determined.

The PFA is a party to credit related financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit. Such commitments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the balance sheet.

The PFA's exposure to credit loss is represented by the contractual amount of these commitments. The PFA follows the same credit policies in making commitments as it does for on-balance-sheet instruments. Commitments to extend credit totaled \$135,370 and \$55,924 as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Since some of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

The PFA purchased letters of credit from the Bank of North Dakota in order to fund the reserves for the Capital Financing Program Bonds. As of December 31, 2013, \$11,469 of credit was available through these letters of credit and no funds have been advanced.

#### NOTE 13 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The PFA 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. The following are funds/pools established by the State for risk management issues:

The 1995 Legislative Session established the Risk Management Fund (RMF), an internal service fund, to provide a self-insurance vehicle for funding the liability exposures of state agencies resulting from the elimination of the state's sovereign immunity. The RMF manages the tort liability of the state, its agencies' employees, and the University System. All state agencies participate in the RMF and their fund contribution was determined using a projected cost allocation approach. The statutory liability of the State is limited to a total of \$250 per person and \$1,000 per occurrence.

The PFA also participates in the North Dakota Fire and Tornado Fund and the State Bonding Fund. The PFA pays an annual premium to the Fire and Tornado Fund to cover property damage to personal property. Replacement cost coverage is provided by estimating replacement cost in consultation with the Fire and Tornado Fund. The Fire and Tornado Fund is reinsured by a third party insurance carrier for losses in excess of one million dollars per occurrence during a twelve-month period. The State Bonding Fund currently provides the PFA with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of \$2,000 for its employees. The State Bonding Fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage.

The PFA, as a contributor to RMF, participates in the North Dakota Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI), an Enterprise Fund of the State of North Dakota. WSI is a state insurance fund and a "no fault" insurance system covering the State's employers and employees financed by premiums assessed to employers. The premiums are available for the payment of claims to employees injured in the course of employment.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year and settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

# North Dakota Public Finance Authority

#### COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

**DECEMBER 31, 2013** 

ASSETS		Clean Water SRF		Orinking Water SRF	Capital Financing Program		Total	
CURRENT ASSETS								
Restricted								
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$	8,651	\$	6,624	\$	233	\$	15,508
Interest receivable		2,327		1,848		263		4,438
Investments Municipal securities		52,906 10,481		37,466 8,812		181 2,840		90,553 22,133
Total restricted current assets		74,365	-	54,750		3,517		132,632
Total restricted earliest assets	1	74,505		34,730		3,317		132,032
Total current assets		74,365		54,750		3,517		132,632
NONCURRENT ASSETS - RESTRICTED								
Investments		71,136		77,287		-		148,423
Municipal securities		167,173		167,446		79,459		414,078
Advance to Bank of North Dakota		- 220 200		- 244.722		1,410		1,410
Total restricted noncurrent assets		238,309		244,733		80,869		563,911
OTHER ASSETS						150		150
Total assets	\$	312,674	\$	299,483	\$	84,536	\$	696,693
DEFENDED OFFICE ONG OF DESCRIPCES								
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b> Deferred loss on bond refunding	\$	3,313	\$	2,145	\$	4		5,462
Total deferred outflows of resoures	\$	3,313	\$	2,145	\$	4	\$	5,462
LIABILITIES								
CURRENT LIABILITIES			_					
Accounts payable	\$	11	\$	4 994	\$	30	\$	49 16 445
Bonds payable Interest payable		8,676 789		4,884 1,200		2,885 256		16,445 2,245
Total current liabilities		9,476		6,092		3,171		18,739
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NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		0		4				10
Rebate due to IRS Bonds payable		8 70,615		4 95,774		77,872		12 244.261
Advance from Bank of North Dakota		70,013		93,11 <del>4</del> -		1,410		1,410
Total noncurrent liabilities		70,623		95,778		79,282		245,683
Total liabilities	\$	80,099	\$	101,870	\$	82,453	\$	264,422
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DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Premium on bonds payable	\$	6,290	\$	9,340	\$	10	- 0	15,640
Total deferred inflows of resoures	\$	6,290	\$	9,340	\$	10	\$	15,640
NET POSITION								
Unrestricted	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,577	\$	1,577
Restricted for debt service		72,117		72,698		500		145,315
Restricted for loan purposes  Total net position	<u> </u>	157,481		117,720 190,418	_	2,077	<u> </u>	275,201 422,093
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# COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

**DECEMBER 31, 2012 (RESTATED)** 

(In Thousands)

		Clean Water SRF	Ι	Orinking Water SRF	Fi	Capital nancing rogram		Total
ASSETS								
CURRENT ASSETS Restricted								
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$	15,737	\$	11,517	\$	122	\$	27,376
Interest receivable		2,016		1,739		274		4,029
Investments		63,647		46,665		179		110,491
Municipal securities		9,967		7,801		1,550		19,318
Total restricted current assets	-	91,367		67,722		2,125		161,214
Total current assets		91,367		67,722		2,125		161,214
NONCURRENT ASSETS - RESTRICTED								
Investments		50,189		59,061		_		109,250
Municipal securities		160,546		171,245		35,453		367,244
Advance to Bank of North Dakota		_				2,436		2,436
Total restricted noncurrent assets		210,735		230,306		37,889		478,930
Total assets	\$	302,102	\$	298,028	\$	40,014	\$	640,144
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Deferred loss on bond refunding	\$	3,939	\$	2,348	\$	14	\$	6,301
Total deferred outflows of resoures	\$	3,939	\$	2,348	\$	14	\$	6,301
LIABILITIES								
CURRENT LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	1	\$	1	\$	19	\$	21
Rebate due to IRS		54		-		-		54
Bonds payable		7,995		5,115		1,370		14,480
Interest payable		868		1,252		146		2,266
Total current liabilities		8,918		6,368		1,535		16,821
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES								
Rebate due to IRS		-		88		-		88
Bonds payable Advance from Bank of North Dakota		79,293		100,658		31,546		211,497 2,436
Total noncurrent liabilities		79,293		100,746		2,436 33,982		214,021
Total honeurent habilities	-	17,273		100,740		33,762	-	214,021
Total liabilities	\$	88,211	\$	107,114	\$	35,517	\$	230,842
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Premium on bonds payable	\$	6,776	\$	9,914	\$	29		16,719
Total deferred inflows of resoures	\$	6,776	\$	9,914	\$	29	\$	16,719
NET POSITION								
Unrestricted	\$	_	\$	_	\$	3,986	\$	3,986
Restricted for debt service	•	61,378		74,586	*	496		136,460
Restricted for loan purposes		149,676		108,762				258,438
Total net position	\$	211,054	\$	183,348	\$	4,482	\$	398,884

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

(In Thousands)

	Clean Water SRF		Drinking Water SRF		Capital Financing Program		 Total
OPERATING REVENUES							
Investment income	\$	4,252	\$	4,501	\$	2,427	\$ 11,180
Grant and set-asides		485		1,031		-	1,516
Administrative fees and other		834		891		211	 1,936
		5,571		6,423		2,638	14,632
OPERATING EXPENSES							
Interest expense		3,534		4,584		2,636	10,754
State Revolving Fund loan forgiveness		880		4,666		-	5,546
State Revolving Fund administration		586		976		-	1,562
State Revolving Fund set-asides		-		249		-	249
Rebate (Benefit) due to IRS		(32)		(50)		-	(82)
Salaries and benefits		-		-		182	182
Bond issue costs		-		-		5	5
Operating		-		-		284	284
Paying agent fees						4	4
		4,968		10,425		3,111	18,504
OPERATING GAIN (LOSS)		603		(4,002)		(473)	 (3,872)
NONOPERATING REVENUE							
Grant and set-asides		15,370		8,358		-	23,728
Investment income		2,571		2,714		310	5,595
		17,941		11,072		310	29,323
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM							
Loss on loan modification						2,242	 2,242
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		18,544		7,070		(2,405)	23,209
TOTAL NET POSITION,							
BEGINNING OF YEAR		211,054		183,348		4,482	 398,884
TOTAL NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$	229,598	\$	190,418	\$	2,077	\$ 422,093

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (RESTATED) (In Thousands)

		Clean Water SRF	Drinking Water SRF		Capital Financing Program			Total
OPERATING REVENUES								
Investment income	\$	4,469	\$	4,547	\$	822	\$	9,838
Grant and set-asides	Ψ	335	Ψ	1,070	Ψ	-	Ψ	1,405
Administrative fees and other		884		900		191		1,975
		5,688		6,517		1,013		13,218
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OPERATING EXPENSES								
Interest expense		3,455		4,643		1,035		9,133
State Revolving Fund loan forgiveness		545		2,496		-		3,041
State Revolving Fund administration		659		79		-		738
State Revolving Fund set-asides		-		1,142		-		1,142
Rebate (Benefit) due to IRS		21		(42)		-		(21)
Salaries and benefits		-		-		159		159
Operating		-		-		63		63
Paying agent fees						5		5
		4,680		8,318		1,262		14,260
OPERATING GAIN (LOSS)		1,008		(1,801)		(249)		(1,042)
NONOPERATING REVENUE								
Grant and set-asides		7,950		17,185		-		25,135
Investment income		18,343		7,942		324		26,609
		26,293		25,127		324		51,744
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		27,301		23,326		75		50,702
TOTAL NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS RESTATED (SEE NOTE 7)		183,753		160,022		4,407		348,182
TOTAL NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$	211,054	\$	183,348	\$	4,482	\$	398,884

COMBINING STATEMENT CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

(In Thousands)

	Clean Water SRF		Orinking Water SRF	Fi	Capital nancing rogram		Total
OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
Receipts of administrative fees from customers	\$ 834	\$	891	\$	211	\$	1,936
Grant and set-asides	485		1,031		-		1,516
State Revolving Fund loan forgiveness	(880)		(4,666)		(200)		(5,546)
Payments to service providers	(576)		(1,218)		(289)		(2,083)
Payments to employees	- (1.4)		(24)		(182)		(182)
Payment of rebate to IRS	 (14)		(34)				(48)
NET CASH USED FOR							
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(151)		(3,996)		(260)		(4,407)
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NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES							
Grant and set-asides	15,370		8,358		_		23,728
Interest paid on bonds payable	(3,475)		(5,007)		(2,522)		(11,004)
Bond financing costs	-		-		(5)		(5)
Principal payment on advance							
from Bank of North Dakota	-		-		(1,025)		(1,025)
Proceeds from issuance of bonds payable	-		-		53,071		53,071
Principal payments on bonds payable	(7,995)		(5,115)		(5,232)		(18,342)
NET CASH FROM (USED FOR)	• • • •						
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	 3,900		(1,764)		44,287		46,423
INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Investing Activities Interest received on							
investments and municipal securities	6,512		7,106		2,748		16,366
Increase in other assets	0,312		7,100		(150)		(150)
Collection of advance	-		-		(130)		(130)
to Bank of North Dakota	_		_		1,025		1,025
Proceeds from maturities					1,023		1,023
and sales of investments	187,975		133,172		361		321,508
Purchases of investments	(198,181)		(142,199)		(362)		(340,742)
Proceeds from maturities	(170,101)		(112,177)		(302)		(310,712)
of municipal securities	15,763		18,650		14,548		48,961
Purchases of municipal securities	(22,904)		(15,862)		(59,844)		(98,610)
Loan modification	-		-		(2,242)		(2,242)
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NET CASH FROM (USED FOR)							
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	 (10,835)		867		(43,916)		(53,884)
NET CHANCE IN CACH							
NET CHANGE IN CASH	(7.006)		(4.002)		111		(11.070)
AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(7,086)		(4,893)		111		(11,868)
CASH AND CASH							
EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	15,737		11,517		122		27,376
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EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 8,651	\$	6,624	\$	233	\$	15,508

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS – CONTINUED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

(In Thousands	)
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		Clean Water SRF		orinking Water SRF	Fin	apital nancing ogram		Total
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING GAIN								
(LOSS) TO NET CASH USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES								
Operating gain (loss)	\$	603	\$	(4,002)	\$	(473)	\$	(3,872)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss	Ψ	003	Ψ	(1,002)	Ψ	(173)	Ψ	(3,072)
to net cash used for operating activities								
Net amortization (accretion) of								
premium (discount) on bonds payable		488		574		2		1,064
Reclassification of investment								,
income and expense to other activities		(1,206)		(491)		200		(1,497)
Changes in assets and liabilities		. , ,		` ′				, , ,
Accounts payable		10		7		11		28
Rebate due IRS		(46)		(84)		-		(130)
NET CASH USED FOR								
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	(151)	\$	(3,996)	\$	(260)	\$	(4,407)

COMBINING STATEMENT CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (RESTATED) (In Thousands)

	Clean Water SRF	Drinking Water SRF	Capital Financing Program	Total
OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Passints of administrative fees from systemers	\$ 884	\$ 900	\$ 191	\$ 1,975
Receipts of administrative fees from customers Grant and set-asides	\$ 884 335	1,070	\$ 191	1,405
State Revolving Fund loan forgiveness	(545)	(2,496)	_	(3,041)
Payments to service providers	(659)	(1,221)	(68)	(1,948)
Payments to employees	-		(159)	(159)
NET CASH FROM (USED FOR)				
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	15	(1,747)	(36)	(1,768)
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Grant and set-asides	7,950	17,185	-	25,135
Interest paid on bonds payable	(5,873)	(7,749)	(990)	(14,612)
Bond financing costs	(178)	(133)	6	(305)
Principal payment on advance				
from Bank of North Dakota	-	-	(384)	(384)
Proceeds from bond premiums	711	3,097	-	3,808
Proceeds from issuance of bonds payable	21,560	16,045	12,528	50,133
Principal payments on bonds payable	(27,122)	(21,208)	(4,647)	(52,977)
NET CASH FROM (USED FOR)				
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(2,952)	7,237	6,513	10,798
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Interest received on				
investments and municipal securities	23,352	12,772	1,050	37,174
Collection of advance				
to Bank of North Dakota	-	-	384	384
Proceeds from maturities				
and sales of investments	176,592	129,423	355	306,370
Purchases of investments	(216,519)	(155,699)	(357)	(372,575)
Proceeds from maturities	10.210	27.127		<b>71</b> 0 <b>52</b>
of municipal securities	18,210	27,137	6,616	51,963
Purchases of municipal securities	(8,061)	(27,551)	(15,002)	(50,614)
NET CASH USED FOR				
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(6,426)	(13,918)	(6,954)	(27,298)
NET CHANGE IN CASH				
AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(9,363)	(8,428)	(477)	(18,268)
CASH AND CASH				
EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	25,100	19,945	599	45,644
CASH AND CASH				
EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 15,737	\$ 11,517	\$ 122	\$ 27,376

# COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS – CONTINUED YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012 (RESTATED) (In Thousands)

	V	Clean Water SRF		rinking Water SRF	Fin	apital ancing ogram		Total
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING GAIN (LOSS) TO NET CASH USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES								
Operating gain (loss)	\$	1.008	\$	(1,801)	\$	(249)	\$	(1,042)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used for operating activities  Net amortization (accretion) of	Ψ	1,000	Ψ	(1,001)	Ψ	(247)	Ψ	(1,042)
premium (discount) on bonds payable Reclassification of investment		(1,450)		518		10		(922)
income and expense to other activities Changes in assets and liabilities		437		(422)		205		220
Accounts payable		(1)		-		(2)		(3)
Rebate due IRS		21		(42)				(21)
NET CASH FROM (USED FOR)								
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	15	\$	(1,747)	\$	(36)	\$	(1,768)

#### **EXHIBIT A-1**

# NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	enditures housands)
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Passed Through the North Dakota Department of Health Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds ARRA - Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds ARRA - Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.458 ARRA - 66.458 66.468 ARRA - 66.468	\$ 15,650 205 8,469 914
Total Environmental Protection Agency		\$ 25,238

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### NOTE 1 - AGENCY OR PASS-THROUGH NUMBER

The pass-through entity has not provided us with the identifying number on all programs; therefore, they are not included in this schedule.

#### **NOTE 2 - SUBRECIPIENTS**

Of the federal expenditures presented in the schedule, the North Dakota Public Finance Authority provided federal awards to sub-recipients as follows:

The above awards consist entirely of loans advanced to the sub-recipients.

The North Dakota Public Finance Authority also has outstanding loan balances to sub-recipients from prior years. These balances are not included on the accompanying schedule of expenditures and federal awards because the federal government imposes no continuing compliance requirements on the sub-recipient.

Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	(In T	housands)
Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds ARRA - Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds ARRA - Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds	66.458 ARRA - 66.458 66.468 ARRA - 66.468	\$	15,166 205 7,444 914
		\$	23,729

### NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR FEDERAL AUDIT FINDINGS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

**EXHIBIT A-2** 

#### A. SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

None.



# 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

The Industrial Commission State of North Dakota Bismarck, North Dakota

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the business-type activities of North Dakota Public Finance Authority, an enterprise fund of the State of North Dakota, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 21, 2014.

#### **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered North Dakota Public Finance Authority'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 North Dakota Public Finance Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of North Dakota Public Finance Authority's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting 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 yet been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether North Dakota Public Finance Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Bismarck, North Dakota

Esde Saelly LLP



#### Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control Over Compliance Required by OMB Circular A-133

The Industrial Commission State of North Dakota Bismarck, North Dakota

#### Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

We have audited North Dakota Public Finance Authority's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2013. North Dakota Public Finance Authority's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its federal programs.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the compliance for the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about North Dakota Public Finance Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of North Dakota Public Finance Authority's compliance.

#### **Opinion on the Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, North Dakota Public Finance Authority complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the major Federal program for the year ended December 31, 2013.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of North Dakota Public Finance Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered North Dakota Public Finance Authority's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority's internal control over compliance.

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Bismarck, North Dakota

Esde Saelly LLP

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

**EXHIBIT A-5** 

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results				
Financial Statements				
Type of auditor's report issued	Unmodified			
Internal control over financial reporting:  Material weakness identified  Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	No None reported			
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted	No			
Federal Awards				
Internal control over major programs:  Material weakness identified  Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses	No None reported			
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs	Unmodified			
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with section 510(a) of Circular A-133	No			
Identification of major programs:  Name of Federal Program or Cluster	CFDA Number			
Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds - ARRA	66.468 66.468			
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs	\$757,140			
Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee	Yes			
Section II – Financial Statement Findings				

There are no findings relating to the financial statements, which are required to be reported in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards.

## Section III – Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

There are no findings or questioned costs relating to the federal award programs which are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133.



#### Independent Auditor's Specific Comments Requested by the North Dakota Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee Year Ended December 31, 2013

The Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee requires that certain items be addressed by independent certified public accountants performing audits of State agencies. The items and our responses regarding the December 31, 2013 audit of the North Dakota Public Finance Authority are as follows:

#### **Audit Report Communications**

and is functioning?

	Unmodified
2.	Was there compliance with statutes, laws, rules and regulations under which the Agency was created

Yes

3. Was internal control adequate and functioning effectively?

1. What type of opinion was issued on the financial statements?

Yes

4. Were there any indications of lack of efficiency in financial operations and management of the Agency?

No

5. Was action taken on prior audit findings and recommendations?

There were no findings from the prior year

6. Was a management letter issued? If so, provide a summary below, including any recommendations and the management responses.

Yes, a separate management letter has been issued and is attached following this report. There were no additional findings or recommendations noted in this letter.

#### **Audit Committee Communications**

1. Identify any significant changes in accounting policies, any management conflicts of interest, any contingent liabilities, or any significant unusual transactions.

Emphasis of Matter: During the year, GASB 65 – *Items Reported Previously as Assets and Liabilities* was implemented. Accordingly, the cumulative effect of the accounting change as of the beginning of the year is reported in the financial statements.

Extraordinary Item: During the year, North Dakota Public Finance determined a loan was uncollectible and therefore, have a loss on loan modification.

2. Identify any significant accounting estimates, the process used by management to formulate the accounting estimates, and the basis for the auditor's conclusions regarding the reasonableness of these estimates.

None

3. Identify any significant audit adjustments.

None

4. Identify any disagreements with management, whether or not resolved to the auditor's satisfaction, relating to financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements.

None

5. Identify any significant difficulties encountered in performing the audit.

None

6. Identify any major issues discussed with management prior to retention.

None

7. Identify any management consultations with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters.

None

8. Identify any high-risk information technology systems critical to operations based on the auditor's overall assessment of the importance of the system to the agency and its mission or whether any exceptions identified in the six audit report questions addressed above are directly related to the operations of an information technology system.

The North Dakota Public Finance Authority has one critical information technology system. There were no exceptions identified that were related to this application.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the North Dakota Industrial Commission, Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee, and management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties

Bismarck, North Dakota

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#### **Independent Auditor's Communication** to the Industrial Commission of North Dakota

The Industrial Commission State of North Dakota Bismarck, North Dakota

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities of North Dakota Public Finance Authority for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards and OMB Circular A-133, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated December 4, 2013. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

#### **Significant Audit Findings**

#### **Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices**

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by North Dakota Public Finance Authority are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, North Dakota Public Finance Authority changed accounting policies related to deferred financing costs by adopting Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statement) No. 65- Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities, in 2013. Accordingly, the cumulative effect of the accounting change as of the beginning of the year is reported in the financial statements. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

#### **Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit**

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### **Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements**

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. There were no uncorrected or corrected misstatements.

#### **Disagreements with Management**

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### **Management Representations**

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated March 21, 2014.

#### **Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants**

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

#### **Other Audit Findings or Issues**

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

#### **Other Matters**

With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

This information is intended solely for the use of North Dakota Industrial Commission, Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review, and management of North Dakota Public Finance Authority and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Bismarck, North Dakota

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