Financial Statements

HALLSDALE-POWELL UTILITY DISTRICT

Year Ended March 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' AUDIT REPORT

Board of Commissioners Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Knoxville, Tennessee

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and the fiduciary fund activities of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District as of and for the year ended March 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial positions of the business-type activities of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District as of March 31, 2023 and the fiduciary fund of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District as of December 31, 2022 and the change in the financial position and cash flows of the business-type activities for the year ended March 31, 2023 and the change in fiduciary net position of the fiduciary fund for the year ended December 31, 2022 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We did not audit the financial statements of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan, which represents 100 percent of the assets, net position, additions and deductions of the fiduciary fund activities. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan is based solely on the report of the other auditors.

Basis for Opinion

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 Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information/Management's Discussion and Analysis

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 to 15, the schedule of changes in net pension liability(asset), the schedule of pension contributions and the schedule of investment returns on pages 48 to 53 be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We and other auditors have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other information we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of long-term debt requirements, schedule of changes in long-term debt by individual issue, and 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 financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the schedules of customers and utility rates and officials. Our opinion on the financial statements do not cover this other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 8, 2023 on our consideration of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District'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 solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Mitchell Emert + Hill

September 8, 2023

HALLSDALE-POWELL UTILITY DISTRICT OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section presents management's analysis of the District's financial condition and activities for the years ended March 31, 2023 and 2022. This information should be read in conjunction with the financial statements.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Management believes the District is financially strong. It is well within its debt covenants and as the District makes additions and improvements to its distribution system, the operations of the District become more efficient. The following are key financial highlights:

- Total assets at year-end were \$367.7 million and exceeded liabilities (net position) by \$187.8 million. Of the total net position, \$15.1 million was unrestricted and was available to support short-term operations. Total assets and total net position increased from 2022 to 2023 by \$7.1 million and \$11.4 million, respectively. Unrestricted net position decreased from 2022 to 2023 by \$5.1 million.
- Operating revenues were \$39.5 million, an increase of \$485.8 thousand or 1.2% from 2022.
- Operating expenses before depreciation increased by \$3.1 million which represents a 13.3% increase in 2023 compared to 2022.
- Operating income, in total, for 2023 decreased \$2.6 million from 2022.
- The ratios of operating income to total operating revenues were 33.4% for 2023 and 40.5% for 2022.
- Debt service coverage was 183% for 2023, exceeding the 120% required by various bond covenants.
- Revenues from water sales in 2023 increased by \$190.0 thousand, an increase of 1.1% from 2022 and revenues from sewer sales increased by \$116.4 thousand in 2023, an increase of .06% over 2022 sales.

OVERVIEW OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) serves as an introduction to the basic financial statements and supplementary information. The MD&A represents management's examination and analysis of the District's financial condition and performance. Summary financial statement data, key financial and operational indicators, budget, bond resolutions and other management tools were used for this analysis.

The financial statements report information about the District using full accrual accounting methods as utilized by similar business activities in the private sector. However, rate-regulated accounting principles applicable to private sector utilities are not used by governmental utilities, such as the District.

The financial statements include the statement of net position, statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, statement of cash flows, notes to the financial statements and other supplementary information. While the statement of net position provides information about the nature and number of resources and obligations at year end, the statement of revenue, expenses and changes in net position presents results of the District's business activities over the course of the fiscal year presented and information as to how the net position of the entity changed during those periods.

All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. These statements also provide certain information about the District's recovery of its costs. The District's rates are based on cost of service rate studies that are typically updated annually. The District uses a combination of cost recovery methods in accordance with generally accepted rate making principles in developing its rates.

The statement of cash flows presents changes in cash and cash equivalents, resulting from operating, financing and investing activities. The statement presents cash receipts and cash disbursements information, without consideration of the earnings event, when an obligation arises, or depreciation of capital assets.

The notes to the financial statements provide required disclosures and other information essential to obtaining a full understanding of material data provided in the statements. The notes present information about the District's accounting policies, significant account balances and activities, material risks, obligations, commitments, contingencies, and subsequent events, if any. Supplementary information presents insurance coverage for the District and the rate schedule still in effect at September 1, 2018, among other information.

The financial statements were prepared by the District's staff from the detailed records of the District. The financial statements are audited and adjusted, if materially incorrect, during the independent external audit process.

SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS

As mentioned in Note A of the financial statements, Hallsdale-Powell Utility District of Knox County Tennessee, one of Tennessee's largest public utility districts, was created on September 13, 1954, by decree of the County Court of Knox County, Tennessee pursuant to the provisions of the Utility District Law of 1937 for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining a system for the furnishing of water and sewer services for the public. The District serves portions of North Knox County, and portions of Anderson and Union Counties.

The District is governed by a Board of Commissioners composed of three citizens who live or own real estate within the District's boundaries. Board members are appointed by the Knox County Mayor for a term of four years. The District is subject to various regulatory requirements of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Tennessee Utility Management Review Board and the Tennessee Water and Wastewater Financial Board.

The District does not have taxing authority and does not receive any financial support from Knox County, Tennessee. The District's revenues are derived from water charges, sewer charges based upon metered water consumption of customers and ancillary revenues from various other service fees and charges. The District's customer base, on March 31, 2023, consisted of 32,928 water connections and 25,085 sewer connections.

The District's primary capital assets consist of two water treatment plants, two sewer treatment facilities, one office building and related maintenance facility, and 14 reservoir tanks. The collection system, consisting of mains, laterals and pump stations, is also owned and maintained by the District. The water customer base is served by means of over 695 miles of water distribution lines, 17 water booster stations, and over 12.3 million gallons of clean drinking water reservoir tank capacity. The District uses over 491 miles of sewer collection lines and 22 sewer lift stations in servicing its sewer customer base.

The acquisition and construction of the utility plant is financed partially through customer revenues and partially through bonded indebtedness. Based on cost-of-service rate studies, the District assesses the need for funds at current and projected operating levels in relation to the projected capital needs for new construction, maintenance of current distribution and collection system assets and replacement of assets as needed. The District's water and sewer rates are established by the Board of Commissioners based on cost-of-service rate studies which determine the projected revenue necessary to satisfy projected costs of operations, debt service, costs of necessary improvements to the District's Systems and the requirements of the District's bonded debt, bond covenants and state laws.

The District has a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system to improve monitoring and operational control and efficiency of the entire system. The SCADA system allows the District to monitor the water and sewer systems and the flow of water and sewage through those systems at all junctures from a centralized location. A computer console in the District's main office monitors the systems for problems, actual or potential, and gives timely, accurate information in order to avoid costly problems.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following condensed financial statements and other selected information provide key financial information for management in conducting, monitoring and planning for operations of the District.

Fiscal Year 2023 as compared to fiscal year 2022:

Condensed Statement of Net Position (In Thousands of Dollars) March 31, 2023 and 2022

| | | | | Variar | ice |
|---|---------------|---------------|----|---------|----------|
| | 2023 | 2022 | | mount | <u>%</u> |
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current assets | \$ 17,136 | \$ 22,387 | \$ | (5,251) | -23.5% |
| Restricted assets | 27,151 | 29,765 | | (2,614) | -8.8% |
| Capital Assets: | | | | | |
| Producing - net of depreciation | 261,786 | 265,295 | | (3,509) | -1.3% |
| Construction in progress | 56,550 | 40,946 | | 15,604 | 38.1% |
| Net Pension Asset | 510 | 14 | | 496 | 3543% |
| DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES | | | | | |
| Deferred outflow related to pension | 4,542 | 2,189 | | 2,353 | 107.5% |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 367,675 | \$ 360,596 | \$ | 7,079 | 2.0% |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | |
| Current Liabilities | \$ 13,933 | \$ 12,856 | \$ | 1,077 | 8.4% |
| Long-Term Liabilities | 162,021 | 169,768 | | (7,747) | -4.6% |
| Net Pension Liability | | _ | | | 0.0% |
| | 175,954 | 182,623 | | (6,669) | -3.7% |
| DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES | | | | | |
| Deferred Inflow of related pension | 3,938 | 1,602 | | 2,336 | 145.8% |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 179,892 | 184,226 | | (4,334) | -2.4% |
| NET ASSETS | | | | | |
| Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt | 148,330 | 128,774 | | 19,556 | 15.2% |
| Restricted | 24,331 | 27,332 | | (3,001) | -11.0% |
| Unrestricted | 15,122 | 20,265 | | (5,143) | -25.4% |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | \$ 367,675 | \$ 360,596 | \$ | 7,079 | 2.0% |

Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets (In Thousands of Dollars) For the Years Ended March 31, 2023 and 2022

| | | | | | Varia | nce |
|--|---------------|-----|---------|----|---------|---------|
| | 2023 | | 2022 | | Amount | % |
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Water service revenues | \$ 17,988 | \$ | 17,798 | \$ | 190 | 1.1% |
| Wastewater service revenues | 19,140 | | 19,024 | | 116 | 0.6% |
| Other revenues | 2,340 | | 2,160 | | 180 | 8.3% |
| Total Operating Revenues | 39,468 | \$ | 38,982 | | 486 | 1.2% |
| Operating Expenses | | | | | | |
| Operations and Maintenance | 17,876 | | 15,238 | | 2,638 | 17.3% |
| Depreciation | 8,397 | | 7,952 | | 445 | 5.6% |
| Total Operating Expenses | 26,273 | | 23,190 | | 3,083 | 13.3% |
| Operating Income | 13,195 | | 15,792 | | (2,597) | -16.4% |
| Non-operating Revenues and (Expenses) | | | | | | |
| Investment Income | 801 | | 39 | | 762 | 1953.8% |
| Gain (Loss) on sale of assets | 0 | | 134 | | (134) | -100.0% |
| Bond issuance costs | 0 | | (660) | | 660 | -100.0% |
| Interest Expense | (4,789) | | (4,273) | | (516) | 12.1% |
| Total Non-Operating - net | (3,988) | | (4,759) | | 771 | -16.2% |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Before Capital | | | | | | |
| Contributions | 9,207 | | 11,033 | | (1,826) | -16.5% |
| Capital Contributions | | | | | | |
| Grant Revenue | 1,195 | | 0 | | 1,195 | - |
| Cash Contributions | 127 | | 52 | | 75 | 144.2% |
| Non-Cash | 884 | | 421 | | 463 | 110.0% |
| Total Capital Contributions | 2,206 | | 472 | | 1,734 | 367.3% |
| Increase in Net Assets | \$ 11,413 | \$ | 11,505 | \$ | (92) | -0.8% |
| Net Assets, Beginning of Year | \$ 176,371 | _\$ | 164,865 | \$ | 11,506 | 7.0% |
| Net Assets, End of Year | 187,784 | \$ | 176,371 | \$ | 11,413 | 6.5% |

OTHER SELECTED INFORMATION

Selected Data:

| | 2023 | 2022 | Difference | %Change |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------|---------|
| Employees at Year-End | 107 | 103 | 4 | 3.9% |
| Average Employees | 108 | 105 | 3 | 2.9% |
| Customers (Billing Units) at Year-End: | | | | |
| Water | 32,928 | 32,442 | 486 | 1.5% |
| Wastewater | 25,085 | 24,673 | 412 | 1.7% |
| Per Average Employee: | | | | |
| Operating Revenues | \$ 365,444 | \$ 371,258 | (5,814) | -1.6% |
| Operating Expenses | \$ 243,272 | \$ 220,862 | 22,410 | 10.1% |
| Ratio of Operating Revenues to: | | | | |
| Operating Expenses | 1.50 | 1.68 | (0.18) | -10.6% |
| Operating Expenses - Net of Depreciation | 2.21 | 2.56 | (0.35) | -13.7% |
| Total Assets | 0.11 | 0.11 | (0.00) | 0.0% |
| Net Assets | 0.21 | 0.22 | (0.01) | -4.9% |
| Debt Related Ratios: | | | | |
| Long-Term Debt to Net Assets | 0.86 | 0.96 | (0.10) | -10.4% |
| Long-Term Debt to Total Assets | 0.44 | 0.47 | (0.03) | -6.4% |
| Operating Coverage | 1.89 | 1.77 | 0.12 | 7.1% |

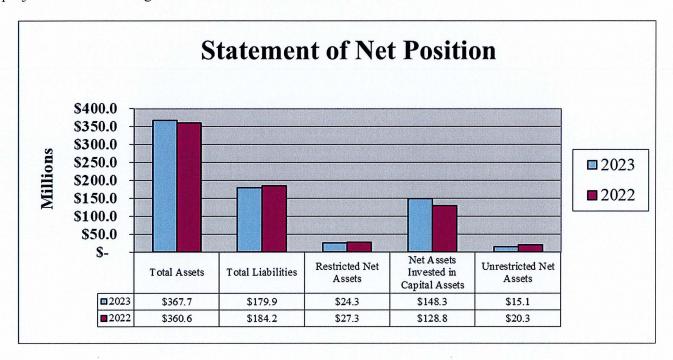
GENERAL TRENDS AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

Customer growth in the District has remained strong over the last decade. The District's number of water and sewer customers (billing units) increased during 2023 by 1.5% and 1.7%, respectively.

Weather temperatures during FY 2023 and FY 2022 were generally normal for the seasons. However, wetter conditions were more present in FY 2023 versus FY 2022; 2023 and 2022 resulted in 55.24 and 52.67 inches of rainfall for each of the two fiscal years, respectively. The six-year average rainfall is 57.96.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

The District remained financially strong through the end of 2023. The District met all bond covenants for the fiscal year, generated positive operating cash flows and accomplished several goals concerning capital projects. The following charts summarize the financial statements.

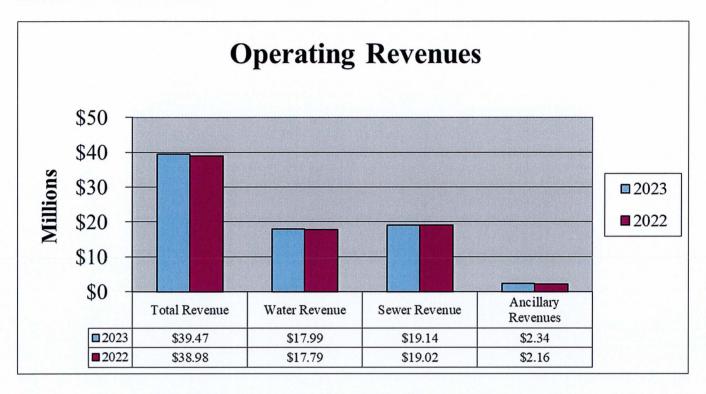


Total assets grew from \$360.6 million in 2022 to \$367.7 million in 2023, an increase of approximately \$7.1 million. Total liabilities decreased from \$184.2 million in 2022 to \$179.9 million in 2023, an approximate decrease of \$4.3 million. Restricted Net Position decreased from \$27.3 million in 2022 to \$24.3 million in 2023, a decrease of \$3.0 million. Net Investment in Capital Assets increased from \$128.8 million in 2022 to \$148.3 million in 2023, an increase of approximately \$19.6 million. Unrestricted Net Position decreased from \$20.3 million in 2022 to \$15.1 million in 2023, a decrease of approximately \$5.1 million.

Net accounts receivable at year-end 2023 was 19.9% less than fiscal year 2022. The District's provision for bad debt expense was \$116,739 on \$37.1 million in water and sewer sales.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Revenues from operations fall into three general categories: water service, sewer service, and ancillary charges. Ancillary charges include connection fees, account set-up, penalty fees, and charges from miscellaneous billed services.



Total revenues grew from \$38.9 million in 2022 to \$39.5 million in 2023, an increase of approximately \$485.8 thousand. Water revenue increased from \$17.8 million in 2022 to \$17.9 million in 2023, an approximate increase of \$190.0 thousand. Sewer revenue increased from \$19.0 million in 2022 to \$19.1 million in 2023, an increase of \$116.4 thousand. Ancillary revenue increased from \$2.2 million in 2022 to \$2.3 million in 2023 an increase of \$179.4 thousand.

Rates remained the same in 2023 compared to 2022. The base rate for sewer was \$13.35 and \$12.56 per thousand gallons. The base rate for water was \$9.91 and \$9.43 per thousand gallons.

Capital Contributions

The District collects water and sewer connection fees in order to ensure that current customers do not bear the burden of growth. These fees are paid by new customers and represent the cost of water and sewer capacity of the new customer. These fees are paid at the time a new customer water meter is connected to the system. In addition, the District accepts new water and sewer lines that are donated by residential and commercial real estate developers. Prior to implementation Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 33, the money and system assets received were recorded as direct contributions to equity. GASB defines these fees as non-operation revenues and requires reporting the amounts through the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position.

Capital cash contributions were \$127,181 for 2023 compared to \$51,588 for 2022, an increase of \$75,593. These contributions represent system-connection related fees.

Noncash capital contributions were \$883,680 for 2023 and \$420,931 for 2022, an increase of \$462,749. These contributions represent water and sewer distribution and collection systems completed by developers during FY 2023 and FY 2022.

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District will be reimbursed from the American Rescue Plan Act for the \$1,195,272 expenditures in FY 2023.

Expenses

Operating expenses excluding depreciation, increased by \$2.6 million in 2023.

Depreciation expense of the District's assets increased by \$444,831 in 2023.

CAPITAL ASSETS

The District is undergoing aggressive water and sewer treatment plant upgrades, line relocation and replacements. The District is improving and increasing the capacity of its water and wastewater treatment facilities in order to provide adequate capacity for future customer growth.

DEBT

On March 31, 2023, the District had \$170.0 million in long and short-term debt, a decrease of \$7.5 million dollars from 2022.

In June 2021, the District refunded the Series 2009, State of Tennessee DWSRF Loan # 2006-69, State of Tennessee CWSRF Loan # 2014-332, State of Tennessee CWSRF Loan # 2014-333, State of Tennessee DWSRF Loan # 2011-111. State of Tennessee CWSRF Loan # 2011-279, and State of Tennessee CWSRF # 2018-410. The 2021 Series Refunding Bond has a par amount of \$38,595,000 with an all-in true interest cost of 1.06%.

In August 2017, the District received a funding obligation commitment from USDA Rural Development (RUS), to embark on Sewer System Improvements. On August 26, 2021, these sewer improvement projects resulted in a bond, 2021A, in the amount of \$9,500,00 which bears a fixed interest rate of 2.25% and has a 40-year term.

In January 2022, the District defeased the 2013 Bonds \$30.92 million and issued new money debt in the amount of \$20.5 million into the Construction account with Regions Bank. The total refunding resulted in a total debt of \$39.25 million in the form of Waterworks and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bond, Series 2023A, in trust with Regions Bank as the Escrow Agent. This will pay the principal and interest on the defeased Bonds on April 1, 2022. The bond is a 25-year term with an all-in true interest rate of 2.11%.

The District's total debt is described in Notes H, and in the Other Supplementary Information section to the financial statements.

The long-term debt to total asset ratio was 0.44 in 2023.

The District is bound by restrictive covenants as set forth in the Series 2018, 2019, 2021, and 2021A bond documents. These covenants are monitored closely by management and the Board of Commissioners and are intricate in prescribing allowable uses for revenues of the District, amounts to be reserved for debt service and sinking fund requirements, identifying certain financial ratios that must be met by the District and a number of operational restrictions by which the District must abide. Adhering to the Series 2002 Bonds Master Resolution, the District is required to set rates prior to the commencement of each fiscal year sufficient to cover the bond debt service ratio as computed above by 110%. In 2019, the District approved the amended 2008 rate study and the included recommendations. As evidenced in the amended rate study, the adopted rates for 2023 are estimated to cover the expected debt service for FY 2023 by 120%.

The District is also responsible for complying with several operational requirements as provided in restricted covenants of its bond covenants. Some of these operational requirements include not providing free service to any user, ensuring the system is operated on a fully metered basis, billing customers on a monthly basis, and discontinuing service to any customer whose bill remains unpaid after a designated number of days.

The District was in full compliance with all restrictive covenants contained in its bond covenants on March 31, 2023, and 2022.

FINAL COMMENTS

As mentioned earlier, the District currently serves parts of Knox, Anderson, and Union County. The District has projected several areas for expansion of its distribution and transmission system. Much of this expansion is in the north portion of Knox County and the west portion of Union County. There are also several new developments planned for the Sharps Chapel area in Union County. The District projects the highest growth in its customer base, total distribution growth and, therefore, revenue growth in the aforementioned areas for the next several years. These areas are rapidly expanding as the population in the Knox and Union County areas grow. Many of the current and planned capital water projects for the District are aimed at accomplishing more efficient service in these areas as well as further system expansion.

The District has sustained healthy operational and financial stability through planned improvements to its water and sewer facilities over the past 68 years. The District is in position to accept additional planned opportunities for service to the public in the Knox, Anderson, Union County areas, while consistently improving quality and efficiency of services and maintaining its fiscal strength.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT

This financial report is designed to provide the District's customers and other interested parties with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's fiscal accountability to the public it serves. Questions about this report or requests for additional financial information may be directed to the District:

Darren Cardwell, General Manager Hallsdale-Powell Utility District 3745 Cunningham Drive P.O. Box 5199 Knoxville, Tennessee 37928-0199

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

March 31, 2023

ASSETS

| UTILITY PLANT IN SERVICE Capital assets not being depreciated: Land Construction in process Capital assets being depreciated | | | 4,832,625 56,549,866 387,985,659 |
|--|--|----------|--|
| Accumulated depreciation | | _(| 449,368,150 131,031,532) 318,336,618 |
| RESTRICTED CASH | | | |
| Cash | | | 27,150,893 |
| CURRENT ASSETS Cash Accounts receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$627,623 Grants receivable Prepaid expenses Materials and supplies | \$ 12,203,540 900,736 1,195,272 114,908 2,721,305 | | |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS | | | 17,135,761 |
| NET PENSION ASSET | | | 510,057 |
| DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred outflows related to pension | | <u> </u> | 4,541,636 |
| | | \$ 3 | 367,674,965 |

See the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

<u>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</u>

| Accounts payable 2,110 634,041 6234, | CURRENT LIABILITIES PAYABLE | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Prepaid tap fees 2,110 Accrued compensated absences 634,041 CURRENT LIABILITIES PAYABLE FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS Current maturities of long-term debt \$ 7,986,671 Customer deposits 457,945 Accrued interest 2,871,564 11,316,180 TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES 13,932,807 LONG-TERM DEBT, net of current portion Bonds payable 162,020,534 DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred inflows related to pension 3,938,350 NET POSITION Net investment in capital assets 148,329,414 Restricted: 12,194,889 Pension 510,057 Debt retirement 11,626,495 Unrestricted 15,122,419 187,783,274 | FROM CURRENT ASSETS | | \$ 1.080.476 |
| Accrued compensated absences 634,041 2,616,627 CURRENT LIABILITIES PAYABLE FROM RESTRICTED ASSETS 7,986,671 457,945 2,871,564 11,316,180 Current maturities of long-term debt Customer deposits Accrued interest 2,871,564 11,316,180 TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES 13,932,807 LONG-TERM DEBT, net of current portion Bonds payable 162,020,534 DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred inflows related to pension 3,938,350 NET POSITION Net investment in capital assets 148,329,414 Restricted: 12,194,889 Pension 510,057 Debt retirement 11,626,495 Unrestricted 115,122,419 187,783,274 | ★ ▼ | | |
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| Debt retirement 11,626,495 Unrestricted 15,122,419 187,783,274 | | | |
| Unrestricted | | | |
| | | | 187,783,274 |
| \$ 367.674.965 | | | |
| | | | <u>\$ 367,674,965</u> |

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGE IN NET POSITION

Year Ended March 31, 2023

| OPERATING REVENUE | | | |
|--|-----------------|-------|------------|
| Metered water sales | | \$ | 17,987,740 |
| Metered sewer sales | | | 19,140,446 |
| Fire protection | | | 113,451 |
| Transfer fees | | | 113,520 |
| Road boring and tap fees | | | 780,128 |
| Service charges and reconnection fees | | | 17,860 |
| Backflow inspection | | | 28,512 |
| Penalties | | | 574,746 |
| Sale of materials | | | 647,435 |
| Miscellaneous income | | | 64,116 |
| TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE | | | 39,467,954 |
| OPERATING EXPENSES | | | |
| Salaries and related expenses | \$ 8,808,813 | | |
| Professional and contract services | 772,323 | | |
| Administration | 1,117,026 | | |
| Utilities | 2,738,475 | | |
| Supplies, repairs and maintenance | 4,173,757 | | |
| Vehicles and equipment | 266,098 | | |
| TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES | | | 17,876,492 |
| INCOME FROM OPERATIONS BEFORE DEPRECIATION | | | 21,591,462 |
| Depreciation | | ***** | 8,396,861 |
| INCOME FROM OPERATIONS | | | 13,194,601 |

See the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGE IN NET POSITION

(continued)

Year Ended March 31, 2023

| Interest income Interest expense | 800,636 (4,788,784) | (3,988,148) |
|---|------------------------|----------------|
| INCOME BEFORE CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS | | 9,206,453 |
| Capital contributions | | 2,206,134 |
| CHANGE IN NET POSITION | | 11,412,587 |
| NET POSITION AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR | | 176,370,688 |
| NET POSITION AT THE END OF THE YEAR | | \$ 187,783,274 |

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended March 31, 2023

| CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY | | | |
|--|-------------------|------|------------------------------------|
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Cash received from customers | | \$ 3 | 9,702,228 |
| Cash paid to employees | | | 6,416,060) |
| Cash paid to suppliers | | _(12 | 2,832,553) |
| NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | 20 | 0,453,615 |
| CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY CAPITAL AND | | | |
| RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Principal payments on long-term debt | \$ (6,008,969) | | |
| Acquisition of property and equipment | (19,609,157) | | |
| Capital contributions | 127,181 | | |
| Interest paid | (5,816,262) | | |
| | | | |
| NET CASH (USED) BY CAPITAL AND | | | |
| NET CASH (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | (3) | 1,307,207) |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | (3) | 1,307,207) |
| RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | (3) | 1,307,207) 800,636 |
| RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | | , |
| RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received | | (10 | 800,636 |
| RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received NET (DECREASE) IN CASH | | (10 | 800,636 0,052,956) |
| RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received NET (DECREASE) IN CASH CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR | | (10 | 800,636 0,052,956) 9,407,390 |

See the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(continued)

Year Ended March 31, 2023

RECONCILIATION OF INCOME(LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS TO NET CASH PROVIDED(USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
|--|----|-------------|---------------|
| Income from operations | | | \$ 13,194,601 |
| Adjustments to reconcile income from operations to | | | |
| net cash provided by operating activities: | | | |
| Depreciation | \$ | 8,396,861 | |
| Pension expense | | 577,516 | |
| Pension contributions | | (1,089,313) | |
| (Increase)decrease in: | | | |
| Accounts receivable | | 223,805 | |
| Materials and supplies | | (1,216,936) | |
| Prepaid expenses | | 881 | |
| Increase in: | | | |
| Accounts payable | | 325,830 | |
| Customer deposits | | 10,470 | |
| Accrued compensated absences | - | 29,900 | 7,259,014 |
| NET CASH PROVIDED BY | | | |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | \$ 20,453,615 |

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION HALLSDALE-POWELL UTILITY DISTRICT RETIREMENT PLAN

December 31, 2022

ASSETS

| Investments: | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Mutual funds - equity | | \$ | 3,015,116 |
| Mutual funds - fixed income | | | 1,898,519 |
| Exchange traded funds | | | 5,636,537 |
| Money market mutual funds | | | 634,019 |
| Certificates of deposit | | | 1,564,077 |
| U.S. government obligations | | | 1,116,495 |
| Municipal obligations | | | 1,079,646 |
| Corporate bonds | | | 329,959 |
| | | | 15,274,368 |
| Accounts recievable: | | | |
| Accrued income | | | 36,719 |
| | TOTAL ASSETS | <u>\$</u> | 15,311,087 |
| | NET POSITION | ¢ | 15 211 007 |
| | RESTRICTED FOR PENSION | \$ | 15,311,087 |

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION HALLSDALE-POWELL UTILITY DISTRICT RETIREMENT PLAN

Year Ended December 31, 2022

| ADDITIONS | | |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| Employer contributions | | \$ 1,089,311 |
| | | |
| Investment income: | | |
| Net depreciation in fair value of investments | \$ (2,485,868) | |
| Dividend and interest income | 431,180 | |
| | (2,054,688) | |
| Less investment expense | (43,404) | _(2,098,092) |
| | | (1,009,791) |
| | | (1,008,781) |
| DEDUCTIONS | | |
| Benefits paid to participants | | 602,927 |
| z chozno pina co pinacipina | | |
| NET DECREASE IN PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION | | |
| NET DECREASE IN FLAN FIDUCIARY NET FOSITION | | (1,611,708) |
| | | |
| PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION | | |
| AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR | | 16,922,795 |
| PLAN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION | | |
| AT THE END OF THE YEAR | | \$15,311,087 |
| AT THE END OF THE TEAM | | Ψ 13,311,007 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District (the District) was created on September 13, 1954 by decree of the County Court of Knox County, Tennessee under the provisions of Chapter 248 of the Public Acts of Tennessee, 1937, as amended. The District was created to provide water and wastewater utility services within certain boundaries of Knox, Union and Anderson Counties. All corporate powers of the District are vested in and exercised by a three-member Board of Commissioners.

The assets of the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan are controlled or directed by the Board of Commissioners of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District. Because of this, the assets, net position, additions and deductions of the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan are reported in a fiduciary fund in the basic financial statements.

The District is an independent political subdivision of the State of Tennessee with no connection to Knox County except the County Mayor appoints the members of the Board of Commissioners. The District has an exclusive right to provide water and sewer services within its boundaries except as described herein.

The District has the power of eminent domain and has the power to issue bonds for the purpose of constructing, acquiring, reconstructing, improving, bettering or extending any of its facilities or systems and to pledge to the payment of such bonds all or any part of the revenue derived from the operation of such facilities, systems or combination thereof. The District has no power to levy or collect taxes.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District

Financial Reporting

The District uses the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, all assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) are included in the statement of net position. The statement of revenue, expenses and change in net position presents increases (revenue) and decreases (expenses) in total net position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenue is recognized in the period in which it is earned while expenses are recognized in the period in which the liability is incurred. Revenue is recorded when billed to the customers, based on a monthly meter reading cycle.

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March 31, 2023

The District distinguishes operating revenue and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenue for proprietary funds is revenue that is generated from the primary operations of the District. The principal operating revenue of the District is charges to customers for water sales and sewer services. The District also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of connection fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. All other revenue is reported as nonoperating revenue. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All other expenses are reported as nonoperating expenses.

The District prepares its financial statements in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis—for State and Local Governments*. GASB Statement No. 34 establishes standards for external financial reporting for state and local governments and requires that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into the following three net position groups:

Net Investment in Capital Assets

This category includes capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and outstanding principal balances of debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Net investment in capital assets has been calculated as follows:

| Capital assets | \$ 449,368,150 |
|--|----------------|
| Accumulated depreciation | (131,031,532) |
| Bond discounts, premiums and refunding costs | (21,612,191) |
| Principal balance on long-term debt | (148,395,013) |

\$ 148,329,414

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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March 31, 2023

Restricted

This category includes net position whose use is subject to externally imposed stipulations that can either be fulfilled by actions of the District pursuant to those stipulations or that expire by the passage of time. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. At March 31, 2023, the restricted net position consisted of the following:

| | Pension | Construction Projects | |
|---------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Restricted cash and investments | \$ 0 | \$ 14,956,004 | \$ 12,194,889 |
| Net pension asset | 510,057 | 0 | 0 |
| Customer deposits | 0 | (457,945) | 0 |
| Accrued interest payable | 0 | (2,871,564) | 0 |
| Total | \$ 510,057 | <u>\$ 11,626,495</u> | <u>\$ 12,194,889</u> |

Unrestricted

This category includes net position whose use is not subject to externally imposed stipulations and that does not meet the definition of "Restricted" or "Net Investment in Capital Assets". Unrestricted net position may be designated for specific purposes by action of management or the Board of Commissioners or may otherwise be limited by contractual agreements with outside parties.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Although these estimates are based on management's knowledge of current events and actions they may undertake in the future, actual results could differ from these estimates. Estimates are used when accounting for allowances for uncollectible accounts receivable, depreciation, revenue and contingencies.

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March 31, 2023

Bond Discounts and Premiums

Bond discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized over the term of the bonds using the straight line method. Amortization of bond issuance costs, discounts and premiums for the year ended March 31, 2023 was \$1,418,016 and is included as an increase of interest expense in the statement of revenue, expenses and change in net position. Unamortized bond discounts and premiums are presented as either a reduction or addition to the face amount of bonds payable.

Refunding of Debt

The difference between the book value of refunded debt and the amount required to retire debt is deferred together with any related unamortized discount or premium and bond issuance costs. The deferred gain and loss on refunded debt is reported on the statement of net position as an adjustment to the book value of the new debt issued to finance the refunding. The deferral is amortized over the original remaining life of the old debt or life of the new debt, whichever is less, using the straight line method. Amortization of the deferred gain(loss) for the year ended March 31, 2023 was \$32,803 and is included in interest expense in the statement of revenue, expenses and change in net position.

Materials and Supplies

Materials and supplies are valued at the lower of cost (as determined by the first in, first out method) or net realizable value.

Utility Plant in Service

Utility plant in service is recorded at the original cost of purchase or construction. Certain distribution and collection lines, acquired by contributions from developers, are valued at the District's estimate of cost. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. The District uses the straight-line method of depreciation over the estimated lives of the assets, which range from 5 to 50 years. Depreciation expense for the year ended March 31, 2023 was \$8,396,861.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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March 31, 2023

Compensated Absences

Full-time employees of the District are granted paid time off (PTO) in varying amounts based on years of service. Employees with less than eleven (11) years of service may accumulate a maximum of forty-five (45) days of PTO. Employees with eleven (11) or more years of service may accumulate a maximum of sixty (60) days of PTO. At the end of each calendar year, days over the maximum accumulation are either paid to the employee at one-half of regular pay, or transferred to a long-term disability and/or retirement account. An employee must take at least five (5) PTO days per year. Failure to take the required PTO results in a reduction of the unused days at the end of the year. In the event of termination, the employee is paid fifty percent (50%) of accumulated PTO and twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount accrued in the long-term disability/retirement account. PTO is recorded as an expense in the statement of revenue, expenses and change in net position as the benefits accrue to employees.

Pensions

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

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan

Basis of Accounting

The accounting policy of the Plan conforms to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) applicable to governmental units. The Plan's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Contributions are recognized when received by Home Federal Bank of Tennessee.

Methods Used to Value Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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March 31, 2023

Operating Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the District and are excluded from these financial statements. Certain investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

NOTE C - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Investments that have original maturities of three months or less are classified as cash equivalents. Cash and investments are stated at cost, which approximates market value. Carrying amounts at March 31, 2023 were as follows:

| Cash on hand Checking and savings accounts | \$ 2,520 <u>39,351,913</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|
| | <u>\$ 39,354,434</u> |
| Unrestricted assets Restricted assets | \$ 12,203,540 |
| | \$ 39,354,434 |

State of Tennessee law authorizes the District to invest in obligations of the United States of America or its agencies, nonconvertible debt securities of certain federal agencies, other obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States of America or any of its agencies, secured certificates of deposit and other evidences of deposit in state and federal banks and savings and loan associations, and the Tennessee Department of Treasury Local Government Investment Pool (the LGIP). The LGIP contains investments in certificates of deposits, U.S. Treasury securities and repurchase agreements, backed by the U.S. Treasury securities. The Treasurer of the State of Tennessee administers the investment pool.

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March 31, 2023

District policy dictates that collateral meet certain requirements, such as, be deposited in an institution which participates in the State of Tennessee Bank Collateral Pool or be deposited in an escrow account in another institution for the benefit of the District and must be a minimum of 105% of the value of the deposits placed in the institution less the amount protected by federal deposit insurance. The State of Tennessee Bank Collateral Pool is administered by the State of Tennessee. Members of the pool may be required by agreement to pay an assessment to cover any deficiency. Under this additional agreement, public fund accounts covered by the pool are considered to be insured in accordance with GASB Statement No. 3, Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments (Including Repurchase Agreements) and Reverse Repurchase Agreements.

The District's cash and investments at March 31, 2023 were entirely insured through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the State of Tennessee Bank Collateral Pool.

NOTE D - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District 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 District obtains commercial insurance to cover general liability claims, errors or omissions liability, auto liability, and property damage. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in the past three fiscal years.

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, liquidity and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of fiduciary net position.

Plan contributions are made, and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term would be material to the financial statements.

NOTE E - COMMITMENTS

The District entered into agreements with contractors for water and sewer rehabilitation projects in the amount of \$33,885,962; \$25,912,087 has been expended as of March 31, 2023.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

March 31, 2023

NOTE F - UTILITY PLANT IN SERVICE

Utility plant in service for the year ended March 31, 2023 was as follows:

| Capital assets not being depreciated | Balance 4/1/22 | _Additions_ | Retirements | Balance 3/31/23 |
|--|-------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Capital assets not being depreciated Land | \$ 4,807,564 | \$ 25,061 | \$ 0 | \$ 4,832,625 |
| Construction in progress | 40,946,318 | 17,220,722 | (1,617,173) | 56,549,866 |
| Construction in progress | 45,753,882 | 17,245,783 | (1,617,173) | 61,382,491 |
| | 10,700,000 | 17,210,700 | (1,017,173) | 01,502,151 |
| Capital assets being depreciated | | | | |
| Buildings | 6,717,749 | 36,619 | 0 | 6,754,368 |
| Distribution and collection system | 86,775,107 | 0 | 0 | 86,775,107 |
| Vehicles | 3,764,398 | 426,004 | 0 | 4,190,402 |
| Equipment, tools and furniture | 10,520,595 | 1,173,059 | (137,236) | 11,556,418 |
| Wastewater treatment plants | 77,576,373 | 166,572 | 0 | 77,742,946 |
| Water treatment plant | 60,803,805 | 480,237 | 0 | 61,284,043 |
| Sewer lines | 103,831,512 | 1,977,915 | 0 | 105,809,428 |
| Steel reservoirs | 14,508,999 | 15,853 | 0 | 14,524,852 |
| Pumping and booster stations | 1,650,511 | 1,847 | 0 | 1,652,358 |
| Service connection and meters | <u>17,109,619</u> | 586,121 | 0 | <u>17,695,741</u> |
| | 383,258,669 | 4,864,227 | (137,236) | 387,985,662 |
| | | | | |
| Accumulated depreciation | (1.0.40.550) | (120,020) | 0 | (1.4(4.000) |
| Buildings | (1,343,558) | (120,829) | 0 | (1,464,388) |
| Distribution and collection system | (25,680,391) | (1,719,014) | 0 | (27,399,405) |
| Vehicles | (2,800,137) | (337,643) | 0 | (3,137,781) |
| Equipment, tools and furniture | (8,047,852) | (782,186) | 137,236 | (8,692,801) |
| Wastewater treatment plants | (22,776,730) | (1,549,860) | 0 | (24,326,589) |
| Water treatment plant | (15,016,385) | (1,204,290) | 0 | (16,220,676) |
| Sewer lines | (37,579,986) | (2,019,876) | 0 | (39,599,862) |
| Steel reservoirs | (3,264,368) | (290,464) | 0 | (3,554,832) |
| Pumping and booster stations | (395,958) | (30,507) | 0 | (426,465) |
| Service connection and meters | (5,866,543) | (342,192) | 0 | (6,208,734) |
| | (122,771,907) | (8,396,861) | 137,236 | (131,031,532) |
| | \$ 306,240,643 | \$ 13,713,149 | \$ (1,617,173) | \$ 318,336,618 |
| | 2.1 | | | |

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NOTE G - CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Capital contributions for the year ended March 31, 2023 were as follows:

Cash:

| \$ 127,181 |
|------------|
| 1,195,272 |
| |
| 883,680 |
| |

\$ 2,206,134

NOTE H - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt at March 31, 2023 consisted of the following:

Bonds Payable

Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2018, varying interest rates from 3% to 5% maturing in 2040, principal payments ranging from \$925,000 to \$1,630,000 due annually, with interest payments due semi-annually (including issue premium of \$917,086 and deferred gain on refunding of \$105,135)

\$ 22,447,221

Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2019, varying interest rates from 3% to 5% maturing in 2040, principal payments ranging from \$1,585,000 to \$2,430,126 due annually, with interest payments due semi-annually (including issue premium of \$4,403,517 and net of deferred loss on refunding of \$123,559)

38,860,084

Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2022A, 5% interest rate maturing in 2047, principal payments ranging from \$740,000 to \$2,825,000 due annually, with interest payments due semi-annually (including issue premium of \$6,831,454 and net of deferred gain on refunding of \$2,059,632)

48,141,086

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| Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2021, 5% interest rate, maturing in 2033, principal payments ranging from \$1,545,000 to \$3,840,000 due annually, with interest payments due | |
|--|--------------------------|
| semi-annually (including issue premium of \$7,418,926) | 40,058,926 |
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2021-A | |
| (Rural Utilities Services), 2.25% interest rate maturing in 2062, monthly installments of \$30,115 | 9,262,266 |
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-B | |
| (Rural Utilities Services), 2.125% interest rate maturing in 2061, monthly installments of \$12,218 | 3,796,343 |
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-C | |
| (Rural Utilities Services), 2.125% interest rate maturing in 2061, | 7 441 070 |
| monthly installments of \$23,948 | 7,441,278 170,007,204 |
| Less current maturities | (7,986,671) |
| | \$ 162,020,534 |

Future maturities of bonds and notes payable are as follows:

| Year Ending March 31: | Principal | Interest | Totals |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 2024 | \$ 7,986,671 | \$ 6,026,826 | \$ 14,013,497 |
| 2025 | 8,374,414 | 5,638,333 | 14,012,747 |
| 2026 | 8,792,329 | 5,223,293 | 14,015,622 |
| 2027 | 9,210,417 | 4,803,005 | 14,013,422 |
| 2028 | 9,643,683 | 4,369,639 | 14,013,322 |
| 2029 | 9,607,133 | 3,906,189 | 13,513,322 |
| 2030 | 9,265,768 | 3,462,579 | 12,728,347 |
| 2031 | 9,694,593 | 3,024,754 | 12,719,347 |
| 2032 | 10,048,612 | 2,579,559 | 12,628,171 |
| 2033 | 7,652,832 | 2,136,190 | 9,789,022 |

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Future maturities of bonds and notes payable are as follows:

| Year Ending | Principal | Principal Interest | |
|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| March 31: | | | |
| 2034 | 6,192,253 | 1,820,819 | 8,013,072 |
| 2035 | 6,401,883 | 1,576,989 | 7,978,872 |
| 2036 | 4,451,724 | 1,368,148 | 5,819,872 |
| 2037 | 4,631,783 | 1,194,889 | 5,826,672 |
| 2038 | 4,812,063 | 1,014,608 | 5,826,672 |
| 2039 | 4,997,570 | 827,202 | 5,824,772 |
| 2040 | 5,178,435 | 637,838 | 5,816,273 |
| 2041 | 1,414,284 | 520,338 | 1,934,622 |
| 2042 | 1,460,501 | 476,921 | 1,937,422 |
| 2043 | 1,501,965 | 436,807 | 1,938,772 |
| 2044 | 1,538,682 | 395,615 | 1,934,297 |
| 2045 | 1,580,658 | 353,339 | 1,933,997 |
| 2046 | 1,627,898 | 309,824 | 1,937,722 |
| 2047 | 1,670,407 | 265,065 | 1,935,472 |
| 2048 | 1,718,192 | 219,055 | 1,937,247 |
| 2049 | 606,259 | 189,113 | 795,372 |
| 2050 | 619,613 | 175,758 | 795,371 |
| 2051 | 633,263 | 162,109 | 795,372 |
| 2052 | 647,213 | 148,158 | 795,371 |
| 2053 | 661,471 | 133,901 | 795,372 |
| 2054 | 676,044 | 119,328 | 795,372 |
| 2055 | 690,938 | 104,434 | 795,372 |
| 2056 | 706,159 | 89,212 | 795,371 |
| 2057 | 721,717 | 73,655 | 795,372 |
| 2058 | 737,618 | 57,754 | 795,372 |
| 2059 | 753,868 | 41,504 | 795,372 |
| 2060 | 770,479 | 24,893 | 795,372 |
| 2061 | 628,644 | 8,399 | 637,043 |
| 2062 | 86,979 | 321 | 87,300 |
| | <u>\$ 148,395,013</u> | <u>\$ 53,916,361</u> | \$ 202,311,375 |

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All bond issues are collateralized by a pledge of the net revenue derived from the operations of the District and a statutory mortgage lien on the Waterworks and Sewage Systems. Covenants of the Water and Sewer Bond Resolutions contain various requirements, including monthly deposits to a debt service fund, a debt service reserve requirement, maintenance of insurance coverage on the District's utility plant, officer fidelity bonds, an annual coverage requirement based on budgeted revenue and restrictions on the issuance of additional parity bonds, all of which were complied with during the year.

During the year ended March 31, 2020, the District issued \$24,930,000 in Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2018. The District makes annual principal payments varying from \$925,000 to \$1,630,000 and semi-annual payments of interest. The interest rates on these bonds vary from 3% to 5%. The Refunding Series 2018 bonds were to refund the Water and Sewer Revenue Improvement Bonds, Series 2006 and 2008 and the Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2005, 2007 and 2011 at an interest rate of 3.23%.

On December 5, 2019, the District issued \$38,560,000 in Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds Series 2019. The District makes annual principal payments varying from \$1,585,000 to \$2,430,126 and semi-annual payments of interest. The coupon interest rates on these bonds vary from 3% to 5%. The Series 2019 Refunding bond refunded the State Revolving Fund Loans 2009-086 and 2009-233, and the Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds Series 2013A and 2013B at a total interest cost rate of 2.55%.

During the year ended March 31, 2021, the District issued \$7,725,000 in Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-C. The proceeds of the bonds are being used to finance the costs of sewer system improvements. The District makes monthly payments of principal and interest in the amount of \$23,948. The interest rates on these bonds are 2.125%.

During the year ended March 31, 2021, the District issued \$3,941,100 in Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-B. The proceeds of the bonds are being used to finance the costs of water system improvements. The District makes monthly payments of principal and interest in the amount of \$12,218. The interest rates on these bonds are 2.125%.

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During the year ended March 31, 2022, the District issued \$39,250,000 in Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds Series 2022A. The District makes annual principal payments varying from \$740,000 to \$2,825,000 and semi-annual payments of interest. The interest rates on these bonds vary from 3% to 5%.

During the year ended March 31, 2022, the District issued \$9,500,000 in Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2021-A. The proceeds of the bonds are being used to finance the costs of water system improvements. The District makes monthly payments of principal and interest in the amount of \$30,115. The interest rate on these bonds is 2.25%.

During the year ended March 31, 2022, the District issued \$38,595,000 in Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds Series 2021. The District makes annual principal payments varying from \$1,545,000 to \$3,840,000 and semi-annual payments of interest. The interest rate on these bonds is 5%. The Series 2021 Refunding bond refunded the State Revolving Fund Loans 2005-062, 2005-186, 2006-069, 2011-111, 2011,279, 2014-333, 2014-332, and 2014-332, and the Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds Series 2009 at a total interest cost rate of 3.25%.

Interest cost incurred for the year ended March 31, 2023 was \$4,788,784, all of which was charged to expense.

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Changes in long-term debt for the year ended March 31, 2023 were as follows:

| | Balance 4/1/22 | Issued | | Paid | Balance | Amounts Due Within One Year |
|----------------|-------------------|--------|---|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Bonds Payable: | | | | | | |
| Series 2018 | \$ 22,690,000 | \$ | 0 | \$ 1,265,000 | \$ 21,425,000 | \$ 1,325,000 |
| Series 2019 | 36,085,000 | | 0 | 1,504,874 | 34,580,126 | 1,585,000 |
| Series 2020-C | 7,569,051 | | 0 | 127,773 | 7,441,278 | 130,515 |
| Series 2020-B | 3,861,534 | | 0 | 65,191 | 3,796,343 | 66,590 |
| Series 2022-A | 39,250,000 | | 0 | 0 | 39,250,000 | 1,690,000 |
| Series 2021-A | 9,413,397 | | 0 | 151,131 | 9,262,266 | 154,566 |
| Series 2021 | 35,535,000 | | 0 | 2,895,000 | 32,640,000 | 3,035,000 |
| | \$ 154,403,982 | \$ | 0 | \$ 6,008,969 | \$ 148,395,013 | \$ 7,986,671 |

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NOTE I - RETIREMENT PLANS

The District provides a defined contribution plan (401k Plan) for employees administered by the State of Tennessee. To participate in this plan, an employee must be at least age 21 and have completed one year of service. An employee completes a year of service by working at least 1,000 hours in the employee's first year of employment or in a subsequent calendar year. Once eligible, an employee will enter the 401k Plan the next January 1 or July 1. Employees are required to contribute 4% of their Compensation (excluding overtime, bonuses, fringe benefits, etc.) to the 401k Plan each pay period. The District will contribute 6% of the employee's compensation to the defined contribution plan each pay period. If the employee is under age 45, the District will match 50% of the employee's elective deferrals up to 6% of their compensation, which means if they defer at least 6% of their compensation to the defined contribution plan, the District will contribute a matching contribution equal to 3% of their compensation to the defined contribution plan. If the employee is over age 45, the District will match 100% of their elective deferrals up to 6% of their compensation, for a maximum matching contribution equal to 6% of their compensation. Employees are always 100% invested in their contributions. The employer contributions are subject to a 5-year vesting schedule, pursuant to which they will vest 20% each year for 5 years. They will also become 100% vested upon reaching their normal retirement age (the later of age 60 or 5 years of participation), death, or disability.

The District also provides a deferred compensation plan (457b Plan) for employees administered by the State of Tennessee. To participate in the plan, an employee must be least age 21 and have completed three months of service. Once eligible, an employee will enter the deferred compensation plan and may begin making contributions the first of the next month. Employees may choose to defer up to up to the maximum amount permitted by law. The District does not make contributions to the deferred compensation plan. However, if an employee elects to defer a portion of their compensation into the deferred compensation plan, the District will contribute a matching contribution to the defined contribution plan. Retirement expense for the year ended March 31, 2023 was \$81,382.

NOTE K - HALLSDALE-POWELL UTILITY DISTRICT RETIREMENT PLAN

Plan Description

Employees of the District who were hired before January 1, 2016 are provided a single-employer defined benefit pension plan through the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan (the Plan), a single employer pension plan administered by a three-person committee appointed by the District. Employees of the District who were hired after January 1, 2016 are provided a single-employer defined contribution pension plan. The District contributes 6% of each participant's compensation and participants are fully vested after 5 years of service.

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Benefits Provided

The Plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits for Plan members are calculated as 62.5% of the participant's average monthly compensation (defined as the monthly earnings of a participant averaged over the three consecutive plan years which produce the highest monthly average) reduced proportionately for each year of benefit service less than 25 years for participant's who entered the Plan before July 1, 2007. For participant's who entered the Plan on or after July 1, 2007, the benefit is calculated as 60% of the participant's average monthly compensation (defined as the monthly earnings of a participant averaged over the three consecutive plan years which produce the highest monthly average reduced proportionately for each year of benefit service less than 25 years. Participants may retire at the later of a participant's sixty-fifth birthday or the fifth anniversary of entering the Plan. Disability retirement benefits are determined in the same manner as retirement benefits but are payable immediately. Death benefits are to be determined as the greater of the actuarial equivalent of the vested accrued benefit or the present value of 100 times the participant's anticipated monthly retirement benefit determined as of the participant's normal retirement date. For a participant who entered the Plan prior to July 1, 2007, and who has not elected to receive an incentive in lieu of the lump sum option, they may receive their payment as (1) a life annuity with no survivorship benefit; (2) a life annuity with either 10, 15 or 20 years of certain payments; (3) a joint and survivor annuity in one of the following survivorship percentages: 50%, 66 2/3% or 100%; (4) as a cash refund life income, whereby the payee will receive adjusted monthly income payments for such payee's life. If the payee dies before the sum of all monthly payments that have become due prior to his death exceeds the lump-sum actuarial equivalent of his normal retirement benefit, the payee's beneficiary will be entitled to a single cash payment equal to the excess of the lump-sum actuarial equivalent amount over the sum of such monthly payments; (5) as period certain installments, whereby the payee will receive adjusted monthly installment payments for a period of 1 to 20 years, as elected by the payee. If the payee dies during the guaranteed payment period, the balance of the unpaid payments will be paid to the payee's beneficiary; or (6) as a single lump-sum.

For a participant who entered the Plan on or after July 1, 2007, or a participant who elects an incentive in lieu of the lump-sum option, they may receive their payment as (1) a life annuity with no survivorship benefit; (2) a life annuity with 5, 10 or 15 years certain payments; (3) a joint and survivor annuity, with or without a "pop-up" (under a "pop-up" option for a joint and survivor annuity, if the beneficiary dies prior to the participant, the participant's monthly benefit shall increase or "pop-up" to the unreduced life annuity amount upon the beneficiary's death) option in one of the following survivorship percentages: 50%, 75% or 100%; or (4) as a single lump-sum, subject to certain restrictions.

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Contributions

The District makes employer contributions at the rate set by the Board of Commissioners as determined by an actuarial valuation. For the year ended December 31, 2022 employer contributions for the District were \$1,089,311. By law, employer contributions are required to be paid.

Delayed Retirement

A participant may postpone retirement beyond age 65. The benefit is calculated the same as normal retirement as of the delayed retirement date. The participant will receive the greater of continued accruals or the actuarial equivalent of the accrued benefit.

Vesting

The vesting schedule provides for 100 percent vesting of benefits after four years of credited service for participants who entered the Plan prior to July 1, 2007 or after five years of credited service for participants who entered the Plan on or after July 1, 2007. A year of vested service is determined by completion of 1,000 hours of service. A participant becomes fully vested upon death, total and permanent disability, attainment of normal retirement age or attainment of the participant's early retirement date (age 55 and five years of credited service).

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

At the measurement date of December 31, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

| Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits | 19 |
|--|-----------|
| Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits | 8 |
| Active employees | <u>66</u> |
| | <u>93</u> |

Net Pension Liability (Asset)

The District's net pension liability (asset) was measured as of December 31, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate net pension liability (asset) was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

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Rate of Return

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the annual money-weighted rate of return on Plan investments, net of Plan investment expense, was (11.98) %. The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of the December 31, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Salary increases

Annual increases of 4%

Investment rate of return

6.75% per year, compounded annually

Target

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table projected to 2021 using MP 2021.

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.75%.

Investment Policy

The Plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan through the prudent diversification of the portfolio across a broad selection of distinct asset classes. The following is the current asset allocation policy as of December 31, 2022:

| | raiget |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Asset Class | Allocation |
| Domestic Equity | 40.00-60.00% |
| Fixed Income | 40.00-60.00% |
| Money Market | 0.00-5.00% |

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| Changes in Net Pension Liability(Asset) | То | otal Pension | D1a | n Fiduciary | N | let Pension |
|---|----|---------------|-----|-----------------|----|--------------------------|
| | | Liability (a) | | et Position (b) | | ability(Asset) (a) – (b) |
| Changes for the year ended December 31, 2022: | | | | | | |
| Increase(decrease): | | | | | | |
| Service cost | \$ | 455,021 | \$ | 0 | \$ | 455,021 |
| Interest | | 1,151,678 | | 0 | | 1,151,678 |
| Differences between expected | | | | | | |
| and actual experience | | (2,729,849) | | 0 | | (2,729,849) |
| Changes of assumption | | (381,226) | | 0 | | (381,226) |
| Contributions - employer | | 0 | | 1,089,311 | | (1,089,311) |
| Contributions - employees | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 |
| Net investment income | | 0 | | (2,054,688) | | 2,054,688 |
| Refunds of contributions | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 |
| Benefit payments, including refunds | | | | | | |
| of employee contributions | | (602,927) | | (602,927) | | 0 |
| Administrative expense | | 0 | | (43,404) | | 43,404 |
| Other changes | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 |
| Net changes | | (2,107,303) | | (1,611,708) | | (495,595) |
| Balances at December 31, 2021 | | 16,908,332 | | 16,922,795 | | (14,463) |
| Balances at December 31, 2022 | \$ | 14,801,029 | \$ | 15,311,086 | \$ | (510,057) |

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Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability(Asset) to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability(asset) of the District calculated using the discount rate of 6.75%, as well as what the net pension liability(asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.75%) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.75%) than the current rate:

| | | Current | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| | 1% Decrease | Discount Rate | 1% Increase | | | |
| | 5.75% | 6.75% | 7.75% | | | |
| Net pension liability(asset) | \$ 1,123,179 | \$ (510,057) | \$ (1,901,164) | | | |

Pension Expense

For the year ended March 31, 2023, the District recognized pension expense of \$577,516.

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

For the year ended March 31, 2023, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

| | Deferred Outflows of Resources | | | Deferred inflows of Resources |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Differences between expected and actual experience Net difference between projected and | \$ | 1,684,971 | \$ | (2,653,939) |
| actual earnings on pension plan investments | | 2,569,542 | | (950,838) |
| Changes of assumptions Contributions subsequent to the | | 0 | | (333,573) |
| measurement date of December 31, 2022 | | 287,123 | <u>n</u> | ot applicable |
| Totals | \$ | 4,541,636 | <u>\$</u> | (3,938,350) |

The amount shown above for "Contributions subsequent to the measurement date of December 31, 2022," will be recognized as a reduction (increase) to net pension liability (asset) in the following measurement period.

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Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

| Year Ending March 31: | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| 2024 | \$ (151,708) |
| 2025 | 153,940 |
| 2026 | 142,236 |
| 2027 | 434,310 |
| 2028 | (208,077) |
| Thereafter | (54,538) |

In the table shown above, positive amounts will increase pension expense while negative amounts will decrease pension expense.

Increases(decreases) in pension expenses arising from the difference between projected and actual earnings on investments, difference between expected and actual actuarial experiences and changes in assumptions are amortized over various periods. The following table shows the amount deferred and not recognized in the pension liability as of December 31, 2022:

| | Deferred |
|---|-------------------|
| | Outflows |
| | (Inflows) |
| | of Resources |
| Investment earnings | \$ 1,618,704 |
| Actuarial experiences | (968,968) |
| Change in assumptions | (333,573) |
| Net amount to be recognized in future years | <u>\$ 316,163</u> |

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Net Pension Liability of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan

The components of the net pension liability of the Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan at December 31, 2022 were as follows:

| Total pension liability | \$ 14,801,029 |
|---|---------------|
| Plan fiduciary net position | (15,311,087) |
| • | |
| Hallsdale-Powell net pension (asset) | \$ (510,057) |
| | |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage | |

103.45%

NOTE L - INVESTMENTS

of the total pension liability

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan (the Plan) categorizes investments measured at fair value within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level I) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows:

- Level 1: Inputs using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets or exchanges for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Significant other observable inputs, which may include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in non-active markets; and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3: Valuations for which one or more significant inputs are unobservable and may include situations where there is minimal, if any, market activity for the asset or liability.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Investment value is determined by reference to quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions.

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Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value:

- *Mutual Funds*. Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price.
- Exchange Traded Funds. Exchange traded funds that hold assets such as stock, commodities or bonds and are designed to trade close to their net asset value. The fair values of exchange traded funds are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges.
- *Money Market Mutual Fund*. Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. The money market fund is an open-end mutual fund that is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This fund is required to publish its daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The money market fund is deemed to be actively traded.
- Certificates of Deposit. Valued at amortized cost which approximates fair value.
- *Corporate Bonds*. Valued using pricing models maximizing the use of observable inputs for similar securities. This includes basing value on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar securities.
- *U.S. Government Obligations*. Valued using pricing models maximizing the use of observable inputs for similar securities.
- *Municipal Obligations*. Valued using quoted prices for comparable securities with similar yields and credit ratings. When quoted prices are not available for identical or similar bonds, the security is valued using discounted cash flows that maximize observable inputs, such as current yields of similar instruments.

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The following table summarizes the valuation of the Plan's investments by the fair value hierarchy levels as of December 31, 2022:

Investment Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2022

| 1111 | 12/31/22 | | Level 1 | Level 2 | L | evel 3 |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----|------------|-----------------|----|--------|
| Investments by fair value level | | - | - | | | |
| Mutual funds: | | | | | | |
| Fixed income | \$ 1,898,519 | \$ | 1,898,519 | \$ 0 | \$ | 0 |
| Equity | 3,015,116 | | 3,015,116 | 0 | | 0 |
| Exchange traded funds | 5,636,537 | | 5,636,537 | 0 | | 0 |
| Money market mutual fund | 634,019 | | 634,019 | 0 | | 0 |
| Certificates of deposit | 1,564,077 | | 0 | 1,564,077 | | 0 |
| Corporate bonds | 329,959 | | 329,959 | 0 | | 0 |
| U.S. government obligations | 1,116,495 | | 1,116,495 | 0 | | 0 |
| Municipal obligations | 1,079,646 | | 0 | 1,079,646 | | 0 |
| Total investment assets at fair value | \$ 15,274,368 | \$ | 12,630,645 | \$ 2,643,723 | \$ | 0 |



CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY(ASSET)

March 31, 2023

| | Measuren at Decer 2022 | |
|---|--|---|
| Total pension liability | | |
| Service cost | \$ 455,021 | \$ 503,013 |
| Interest | 1,151,678 | 967,744 |
| Differences between actual and expected experience | (2,729,849) | 1,988,882 |
| Changes of assumptions | (381,226) | 0 |
| Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions | (602,927) | (770,475) |
| Net change in total pension liability | (2,107,303) | 2,689,164 |
| Total pension liability - beginning | 16,908,332 | 14,219,168 |
| Total pension liability - ending (a) | 14,801,029 | 16,908,332 |
| Plan fiduciary net position Contributions - employer Net investment income Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions Administrative expense Net change in plan fiduciary net position Plan fiduciary net position - beginning Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b) Net pension liability(asset) - ending (a) - (b) | 1,089,311 (2,054,688) (602,927) (43,404) (1,611,708) 16,922,794 15,311,086 \$ (510,057) | 1,089,313 2,100,846 (770,475) (42,391) 2,377,293 14,545,500 16,922,795 \$ (14,463) |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of | | |
| total net pension liability | 103.45% | 100.09% |
| Covered employee payroll | \$ 4,257,734 | \$ 4,136,590 |
| Net pension liability(asset) as a percentage of covered employee payroll | (12.00)% | (0.40)% |

This is a 10-year schedule; however, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available.

See the accompanying independent accountants' audit report.

| | | Measurement Dat | te at December 31, | , | |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
| | | | | | |
| \$ 531,718 | \$ 523,395 | \$ 477,231 | \$ 488,017 | \$ 521,488 | \$ 506,156 |
| 948,493 | 882,902 | 800,608 | 763,090 | 712,467 | 661,831 |
| (445,297) | 28,606 | 159,050 | (298,704) | 68,179 | (38,631) |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (671,565) | (271,438) | (256,319) | (515,292) | (522,076) | (266,983) |
| 363,349 | 1,163,465 | 1,180,570 | 437,111 | 780,058 | 862,373 |
| 13,855,819 | 12,692,354 | 11,511,784 | 11,074,673 | 10,294,615 | 9,432,242 |
| 14,219,168 | 13,855,819 | 12,692,354 | 11,511,784 | 11,074,673 | 10,294,615 |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 1,032,973 | 906,540 | 906,540 | 982,085 | 830,995 | 906,540 |
| 961,138 | 2,051,233 | (432,772) | 1,037,400 | 666,853 | 29,010 |
| (671,565) | (271,438) | (256,319) | (515,292) | (522,076) | (266,983) |
| (37,537) | (34,816) | (33,020) | (30,430) | (36,062) | (56,726) |
| 1,285,009 | 2,651,519 | 184,429 | 1,473,763 | 939,710 | 611,841 |
| 13,260,492 | 10,608,973 | 10,424,544 | 8,950,781 | 8,011,071 | 7,399,230 |
| 14,545,500 | 13,260,492 | 10,608,973 | 10,424,544 | 8,950,781 | 8,011,071 |
| Φ (22(222) | Φ 505 227 | Ф 2 002 201 | Ф 1 00 7 2 40 | Ф 2 122 002 | #2 202 <i>544</i> |
| \$ (326,333) | \$ 595,327 | \$ 2,083,381 | \$ 1,087,240 | \$ 2,123,892 | \$2,283,544 |
| | | | | | |
| 102.30% | 95.70% | 83.59% | 90.56% | 80.82% | 77.82% |
| | | | | | |
| \$ 4,303,599 | \$ 4,520,786 | \$ 4,446,147 | \$ 4,172,404 | \$ 4,158,318 | \$4,044,651 |
| | | | | | |
| (7.50\0/ | 12 170/ | 16 060/ | 26.069/ | £1 000/ | 56 460/ |
| (7.58)% | 13.17% | 46.86% | 26.06% | 51.08% | 56.46% |

PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

March 31, 2023

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | | |
| Actuarially determined contribution | \$ 706,694 | \$ 534,512 | \$ 727,142 | | |
| Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution | (1,089,311) | (1,089,313) | (1,032,973) | | |
| Contribution deficiency(excess) | \$ (382,617) | \$ (554,801) | \$ (305,831) | | |
| Covered employee payroll Contributions as a percentage of covered | \$4,257,734 | \$4,136,590 | \$4,303,599 | | |
| employee payroll | 25.58% | 26.33% | 24.00% | | |

This is a 10-year schedule; however, the information in this schedule is not required to be presented retroactively. Years will be added to this schedule in future fiscal years until 10 years of information is available.

Notes to Pension Contributions

Valuation date: Actuarially determined contribution rates for the year ended December 31, 2021 were calculated based on the January 1, 2022 actuarial valuation.

Methods and assumptions used to determined contribution rates:

| Actuarial cost method | Entry age normal funding method |
|---------------------------|---|
| Amortization method | Level percentage of salary amortization of unfunded liabilities |
| | amortized over 10 years |
| Salary increases | 4% |
| Investment Rate of Return | 6.75% per year, compounded annually |
| Retirement age | Later of a participants 65th birthday or the 5th anniversary of the |
| | first day of the plan year in which participation in the plan |
| | commenced |
| Mortality | RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table projected to 2021 using MP |
| | 2021 |

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| Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | | |
| \$ 754,465 | \$ 675,198 \$ | 754,465 | \$ 770,448 | \$ 756,583 | \$ 900,422 | | |
| (906,540) | (906,540) | (982,085) | (830,995) | (906,540) | (1,064,000) | | |
| \$ (152,075) | \$ (231,342) \$ | (227,620) | \$ (60,547) | \$ (149,957) | \$ (163,578) | | |
| \$4,520,786 | \$4,446,147 \$ | 4,172,404 | \$4,228,284 | \$4,158,318 | \$4,044,651 | | |
| 20.05% | 20.39% | 23.54% | 19.65% | 21.80% | 26.31% | | |

INVESTMENT RETURNS

March 31, 2023

| | Year Ended D | ecember 31, |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| | 2022 | 2021 |
| Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expense | (11.98)% | 14.31% |

This schedule is being built prospectively. Ultimately, 10 years of data will be presented.

| Year Ended December 31, | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 7.16% | 18.80% | (4.03)% | 11.31% | 8.18% | 0.38% | 6.71% | | |



LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

March 31, 2023

| | Principal Interest | | Interest | Totals | |
|---|------------------------|----|-----------|--------|------------|
| Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2018, interest rate 3% to 5% | | | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ 1,325,000 | \$ | 833,450 | \$ | 2,158,450 |
| 2025 | 1,380,000 | | 772,450 | | 2,152,450 |
| 2026 | 1,455,000 | | 701,575 | | 2,156,575 |
| 2027 | 1,505,000 | | 642,625 | | 2,147,625 |
| 2028 | 1,570,000 | | 588,650 | | 2,158,650 |
| 2029 | 1,630,000 | | 524,650 | | 2,154,650 |
| 2030 | 925,000 | | 473,550 | | 1,398,550 |
| 2031 | 965,000 | | 435,750 | | 1,400,750 |
| 2032 | 1,005,000 | | 396,350 | | 1,401,350 |
| 2033 | 1,045,000 | | 355,350 | | 1,400,350 |
| 2034 | 1,090,000 | | 312,650 | | 1,402,650 |
| 2035 | 1,135,000 | | 268,150 | | 1,403,150 |
| 2036 | 1,180,000 | | 221,850 | | 1,401,850 |
| 2037 | 1,225,000 | | 173,750 | | 1,398,750 |
| 2038 | 1,280,000 | | 123,650 | | 1,403,650 |
| 2039 | 1,330,000 | | 71,450 | | 1,401,450 |
| 2040 | 1,380,000 | | 22,425 | | 1,402,425 |
| | \$ 21,425,000 | \$ | 6,918,325 | \$ | 28,343,325 |

See the accompanying independent accountants' audit report.

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | | Principal Interest | | <u> </u> | Totals | |
|--|----|--------------------|----|---------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding and Improvements Bond, Series 2019, interest rate 4% to 5% | | | | | | |
| Year Ending | | | | | | |
| March 31: | | | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ | 1,585,000 | \$ | 1,473,025 | \$ | 3,058,025 |
| 2025 | Ψ | 1,665,000 | Ψ | 1,391,775 | Ψ | 3,056,775 |
| 2026 | | 1,750,000 | | 1,306,400 | | 3,056,400 |
| 2027 | | 1,840,000 | | 1,216,650 | | 3,056,650 |
| 2028 | | 1,935,000 | | 1,122,275 | | 3,057,275 |
| 2029 | | 2,030,000 | | 1,023,150 | | 3,053,150 |
| 2030 | | 2,140,000 | | 918,900 | | 3,058,900 |
| 2031 | | 2,235,000 | | 820,700 | | 3,055,700 |
| 2032 | | 2,235,000 | | 731,300 | | 2,966,300 |
| 2033 | | 1,990,000 | | 646,800 | | 2,636,800 |
| 2034 | | 1,915,000 | | 568,700 | | 2,483,700 |
| 2035 | | 1,995,000 | | 490,500 | | 2,485,500 |
| 2036 | | 2,075,000 | | 409,100 | | 2,484,100 |
| 2037 | | 2,165,000 | | 324,300 | | 2,489,300 |
| 2038 | | 2,250,000 | | 236,000 | | 2,486,000 |
| 2039 | | 2,345,000 | | 144,100 | | 2,489,100 |
| 2040 | | 2,430,126 | | 48,600 | | 2,478,726 |
| | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | · · · |
| | \$ | 34,580,126 | \$ | 12,872,275 | \$ | 47,452,401 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | | Interest | | Totals |
|---|-----------|---------|----------|--------|---------------|
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2020-B (Rural Utilities Service), interest rate 2.125% | | | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ | 66,590 | \$ | 80,026 | \$ 146,616 |
| 2025 | | 68,019 | | 78,597 | 146,616 |
| 2026 | | 69,478 | | 77,138 | 146,616 |
| 2027 | | 70,969 | | 75,647 | 146,616 |
| 2028 | | 72,492 | | 74,124 | 146,616 |
| 2029 | | 74,047 | | 72,568 | 146,615 |
| 2030 | | 75,636 | | 70,980 | 146,616 |
| 2031 | | 77,259 | | 69,357 | 146,616 |
| 2032 | | 78,917 | | 67,699 | 146,616 |
| 2033 | | 80,611 | | 66,005 | 146,616 |
| 2034 | | 82,340 | | 64,276 | 146,616 |
| 2035 | | 84,107 | | 62,509 | 146,616 |
| 2036 | | 85,912 | | 60,704 | 146,616 |
| 2037 | | 87,756 | | 58,860 | 146,616 |
| 2038 | | 89,639 | | 56,977 | 146,616 |
| 2039 | | 91,562 | | 55,054 | 146,616 |
| 2040 | | 93,527 | | 53,089 | 146,616 |
| 2041 | | 95,534 | | 51,082 | 146,616 |
| 2042 | | 97,584 | | 49,032 | 146,616 |
| 2043 | | 99,678 | | 46,938 | 146,616 |
| 2044 | | 101,817 | | 44,799 | 146,616 |
| 2045 | | 104,002 | | 42,614 | 146,616 |
| 2046 | | 106,233 | | 40,383 | 146,616 |
| 2047 | | 108,513 | | 38,103 | 146,616 |
| 2048 | | 110,841 | | 35,775 | 146,616 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal Interest | | Totals |
|--|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2020-B (Rural Utilities Service), interest rate 2.125% (continued) | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | |
| 2049 | 113,220 | 33,396 | 146,616 |
| 2050 | 115,649 | 30,967 | 146,616 |
| 2051 | 118,131 | 28,485 | 146,616 |
| 2052 | 120,666 | 25,950 | 146,616 |
| 2053 | 123,255 | 23,361 | 146,616 |
| 2054 | 125,900 | 20,716 | 146,616 |
| 2055 | 128,601 | 18,015 | 146,616 |
| 2056 | 131,361 | 15,255 | 146,616 |
| 2057 | 134,180 | 12,436 | 146,616 |
| 2058 | 137,059 | 9,557 | 146,616 |
| 2059 | 140,000 | 6,616 | 146,616 |
| 2060 | 143,004 | 3,612 | 146,616 |
| 2061 | 92,255 | 707 | 92,962 |
| | \$ 3,796,343 | \$ 1,721,409 | \$ 5,517,753 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | | Interest | | Totals |
|---|---------------|----|----------|----|---------|
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2020-C (Rural Utilities Service), interest rate 2.125% | | | | | |
| Year Ending | | | | | |
| March 31: | | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ 130,515 | \$ | 156,861 | \$ | 287,376 |
| 2025 | 133,316 | | 154,060 | | 287,376 |
| 2026 | 136,176 | | 151,200 | | 287,376 |
| 2027 | 139,099 | | 148,277 | | 287,376 |
| 2028 | 142,083 | | 145,293 | | 287,376 |
| 2029 | 145,132 | | 142,244 | | 287,376 |
| 2030 | 148,246 | | 139,130 | | 287,376 |
| 2031 | 151,428 | | 135,948 | | 287,376 |
| 2032 | 154,677 | | 132,699 | | 287,376 |
| 2033 | 157,996 | | 129,380 | | 287,376 |
| 2034 | 161,386 | | 125,990 | | 287,376 |
| 2035 | 164,849 | | 122,527 | | 287,376 |
| 2036 | 168,387 | | 118,989 | | 287,376 |
| 2037 | 172,000 | | 115,376 | | 287,376 |
| 2038 | 175,691 | | 111,685 | | 287,376 |
| 2039 | 179,461 | | 107,915 | | 287,376 |
| 2040 | 183,312 | | 104,064 | | 287,376 |
| 2041 | 187,245 | | 100,131 | | 287,376 |
| 2042 | 191,263 | | 96,113 | | 287,376 |
| 2043 | 195,367 | | 92,009 | | 287,376 |
| 2044 | 199,560 | | 87,816 | | 287,376 |
| 2045 | 203,842 | | 83,534 | | 287,376 |
| 2046 | 208,216 | | 79,160 | | 287,376 |
| 2047 | 212,684 | | 74,692 | | 287,376 |
| 2048 | 217,248 | | 70,128 | | 287,376 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | Interest | Totals |
|--|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2020-C (Rural Utilities Service), interest rate 2.125% (continued) | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | |
| 2049 | 221,909 | 65,467 | 287,376 |
| 2050 | 226,671 | 60,705 | 287,376 |
| 2051 | 231,535 | 55,841 | 287,376 |
| 2052 | 236,503 | 50,873 | 287,376 |
| 2053 | 241,578 | 45,798 | 287,376 |
| 2054 | 246,762 | 40,614 | 287,376 |
| 2055 | 252,057 | 35,319 | 287,376 |
| 2056 | 257,466 | 29,910 | 287,376 |
| 2057 | 262,991 | 24,385 | 287,376 |
| 2058 | 268,634 | 18,742 | 287,376 |
| 2059 | 274,398 | 12,978 | 287,376 |
| 2060 | 280,286 | 7,089 | 287,375 |
| 2061 | 181,308 | 1,393_ | 182,701 |
| | \$ 7,441,278 | \$ 3,374,335 | \$ 10,815,612 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal Interest | | Totals | | |
|--|------------------------|----|---------|----|---------|
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2021-A (Rural Utilities Service), interest rate 2.25% | | | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ 154,566 | \$ | 206,814 | \$ | 361,380 |
| 2025 | 158,080 | | 203,300 | | 361,380 |
| 2026 | 161,674 | | 199,706 | | 361,380 |
| 2027 | 165,349 | | 196,031 | | 361,380 |
| 2028 | 169,108 | | 192,272 | | 361,380 |
| 2029 | 172,953 | | 188,427 | | 361,380 |
| 2030 | 176,885 | | 184,495 | | 361,380 |
| 2031 | 180,906 | | 180,474 | | 361,380 |
| 2032 | 185,018 | | 176,361 | | 361,379 |
| 2033 | 189,225 | | 172,155 | | 361,380 |
| 2034 | 193,526 | | 167,854 | | 361,380 |
| 2035 | 197,926 | | 163,454 | | 361,380 |
| 2036 | 202,425 | | 158,955 | | 361,380 |
| 2037 | 207,027 | | 154,353 | | 361,380 |
| 2038 | 211,734 | | 149,646 | | 361,380 |
| 2039 | 216,547 | | 144,833 | | 361,380 |
| 2040 | 221,470 | | 139,910 | | 361,380 |
| 2041 | 226,505 | | 134,875 | | 361,380 |
| 2042 | 231,654 | | 129,726 | | 361,380 |
| 2043 | 236,920 | | 124,460 | | 361,380 |
| 2044 | 242,306 | | 119,074 | | 361,380 |
| 2045 | 247,815 | | 113,565 | | 361,380 |
| 2046 | 253,449 | | 107,931 | | 361,380 |
| 2047 | 259,210 | | 102,170 | | 361,380 |
| 2048 | 265,103 | | 96,277 | | 361,380 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | Interest | Totals |
|---|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2021-A (Rural Utilities Service), interest rate 2.25% (continued) | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | |
| 2049 | 271,130 | 90,250 | 361,380 |
| 2050 | 277,293 | 84,086 | 361,379 |
| 2051 | 283,597 | 77,783 | 361,380 |
| 2052 | 290,044 | 71,335 | 361,379 |
| 2053 | 296,638 | 64,742 | 361,380 |
| 2054 | 303,382 | 57,998 | 361,380 |
| 2055 | 310,279 | 51,101 | 361,380 |
| 2056 | 317,332 | 44,047 | 361,379 |
| 2057 | 324,547 | 36,833 | 361,380 |
| 2058 | 331,925 | 29,455 | 361,380 |
| 2059 | 339,470 | 21,910 | 361,380 |
| 2060 | 347,188 | 14,192 | 361,380 |
| 2061 | 355,081 | 6,299 | 361,380 |
| 2062 | 86,979 | 321 | 87,300 |
| | \$ 9,262,266 | \$ 4,557,470 | \$ 13,819,736 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | | Interest | | Totals |
|---|------------------|----|-----------|----|------------|
| Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2021, interest rate 5% | | | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ 3,035,000 | \$ | 1,632,000 | \$ | 4,667,000 |
| 2025 | 3,190,000 | | 1,480,250 | | 4,670,250 |
| 2026 | 3,345,000 | | 1,320,750 | | 4,665,750 |
| 2027 | 3,515,000 | | 1,153,500 | | 4,668,500 |
| 2028 | 3,690,000 | | 977,750 | | 4,667,750 |
| 2029 | 3,325,000 | | 793,250 | | 4,118,250 |
| 2030 | 3,495,000 | | 627,000 | | 4,122,000 |
| 2031 | 3,660,000 | | 452,250 | | 4,112,250 |
| 2032 | 3,840,000 | | 269,250 | | 4,109,250 |
| 2033 | 1,545,000 | | 77,250 | | 1,622,250 |
| | \$ 32,640,000 | \$ | 8,783,250 | \$ | 41,423,250 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | Interest | . <u></u> | Totals |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2022A, interest rate 3% to 5% | | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | | |
| 2024 | \$ 1,690,000 | \$ 1,644,650 | \$ | 3,334,650 |
| 2025 | 1,780,000 | 1,557,900 | | 3,337,900 |
| 2026 | 1,875,000 | 1,466,525 | | 3,341,525 |
| 2027 | 1,975,000 | 1,370,275 | | 3,345,275 |
| 2028 | 2,065,000 | 1,269,275 | | 3,334,275 |
| 2029 | 2,230,000 | 1,161,900 | | 3,391,900 |
| 2030 | 2,305,000 | 1,048,525 | | 3,353,525 |
| 2031 | 2,425,000 | 930,275 | | 3,355,275 |
| 2032 | 2,550,000 | 805,900 | | 3,355,900 |
| 2033 | 2,645,000 | 689,250 | | 3,334,250 |
| 2034 | 2,750,000 | 581,350 | | 3,331,350 |
| 2035 | 2,825,000 | 469,850 | | 3,294,850 |
| 2036 | 740,000 | 398,550 | | 1,138,550 |
| 2037 | 775,000 | 368,250 | | 1,143,250 |
| 2038 | 805,000 | 336,650 | | 1,141,650 |
| 2039 | 835,000 | 303,850 | | 1,138,850 |
| 2040 | 870,000 | 269,750 | | 1,139,750 |
| 2041 | 905,000 | 234,250 | | 1,139,250 |
| 2042 | 940,000 | 202,050 | | 1,142,050 |
| 2043 | 970,000 | 173,400 | | 1,143,400 |
| 2044 | 995,000 | 143,925 | | 1,138,925 |
| 2045 | 1,025,000 | 113,625 | | 1,138,625 |

LONG-TERM DEBT REQUIREMENTS

(continued)

| | Principal | Interest | Totals |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Water and Sewer Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2022A, interest rate 3% to 5% (continued) | | | |
| Year Ending March 31: | | | |
| 2046 2047 2048 | 1,060,000 1,090,000 1,125,000 | 82,350 50,100 16,875 | 1,142,350 1,140,100 1,141,875 |
| | \$ 39,250,000 | \$ 15,689,300 | \$ 54,939,300 |

CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT BY INDIVIDUAL ISSUE

March 31, 2023

| Description of Indebtedness | Original Amount of Issue | Interest Rate % | Date of Issue |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Bonds payable | | | |
| Water and Sewer Refunding Bonds, Series 2018 | \$ 24,930,000 | 3-5 | 3/31/2019 |
| Water and Sewer Refunding Bonds, Series 2019 | 38,560,000 | 3-5 | 3/31/2020 |
| Water and Sewer Refunding Bonds, Series 2022-A | 39,250,000 | 5 | 3/31/2022 |
| Water and Sewer Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 | 38,595,000 | 5 | 3/31/2022 |
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2021-A | 9,500,000 | 2.25 | 3/31/2022 |
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-C | 7,725,000 | 2.125 | 3/31/2021 |
| Utilities Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-B | 3,941,100 | 2.125 | 3/31/2021 |

See the accompanying independent accountant's audit report.

| | | | Paid and/or | | |
|-----------|----------------|--------|--------------|----------|----------------|
| Last | | Issued | Matured | Refunded | |
| Maturity | Outstanding | During | During | During | Outstanding |
| Date | 4/1/2022 | Period | Period | Period | 3/31/2023 |
| | | ., | | | |
| 3/31/2040 | \$ 22,690,000 | \$ 0 | \$ 1,265,000 | \$ 0 | \$ 21,425,000 |
| 3/31/2040 | 36,085,000 | 0 | 1,504,874 | 0 | 34,580,126 |
| 3/31/2047 | 39,250,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 39,250,000 |
| 3/31/2033 | 35,535,000 | 0 | 2,895,000 | 0 | 32,640,000 |
| 3/31/2062 | 9,413,397 | 0 | 151,131 | 0 | 9,262,266 |
| 3/31/2061 | 7,569,051 | 0 | 127,773 | 0 | 7,441,278 |
| 3/31/2061 | 3,861,534 | 0 | 65,191 | 0 | 3,796,343 |
| | \$ 154,403,982 | \$ 0 | \$ 6,008,969 | \$ 0 | \$ 148,395,013 |

EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Year Ended March 31, 2023

| Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title | Assistance Listing Number | Expenditures |
|--|---------------------------|--------------|
| U.S Department of Treasury/ TN Department of Environment | | |
| And Conservation/ American Rescue Plan Act | 21.027 | \$ 1,195,272 |

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION

This schedule summarizes the expenditures of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District under programs of the federal government for the year ended March 31, 2023. The schedule is presented using the full accrual basis of accounting.

NOTE 2 – INDIRECT COST RATE

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District did not elect to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate; however, no indirect costs were allocated to the federal awards during the year ended March 31, 2023.

NOTE 3 – OUTSTANDING BALANCE

Hallsdale-Powell Utility District had no outstanding federal loan balances at March 31, 2023 which had continuing compliance requirements other than to repay the loans.

CUSTOMERS AND UTILITY RATES

March 31, 2023

Water:

Active customer accounts 32,928

Sewer:

Active customer accounts 25,085

Residential and Commercial Water:

Base charge \$ 9.91 (minimum bill)
Each 1,000 gallons \$ 9.43

Residential Sewer:

Base charge \$13.35 (minimum bill)
0 gallons through 12,000 gallons
Over 12,000 gallons
*Grinder pump (if applicable)
\$13.35 (minimum bill)
\$12.56 per 1,000 gallons
no additional charge
\$8.16 per month

Commercial Sewer:

Base charge \$13.35 (minimum bill)
Over 1,500 gallons
*Grinder pump (if applicable) \$12.56 per 1,000 gallons
\$8.16 per month

Sunset Bay Sewer:

Vacant Lot \$ 9.00 (minimum bill)
Base charge \$ 13.35 (minimum bill)
Each 1,000 gallons \$ 12.56

CUSTOMERS AND UTILITY RATES

(continued)

March 31, 2023

Sewer Grinder Pump Service/Maintenance Fees

The service maintenance fee for sewer grinder pumps is \$8.16 per month as of March 31, 2023. This fee only applies for E-One pump model numbers.

Surcharge for Excess Concentration

Grease, fats, oils, etc., in excess of 50 milligrams/liter at \$4.00 per hundred pounds; biochemical oxygen demand in excess of 240 milligrams/liter at \$6.00 per hundred pounds; suspended solids in excess of 300 milligrams/liter at \$5.50 per hundred pounds; ammonia in excess of 30 milligrams/liter at \$4.00 per hundred pounds.

The Board of Commissioners for Hallsdale-Powell Utility District sets the rates, fees and charges for the services provided by Hallsdale-Powell Utility District to ensure that the utility system is self-supporting. These rates, fees and charges are set so as to produce revenue at least sufficient to provide for all expenses of operation and maintenance of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District, including establishing necessary reserves, and pay when due all of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's debt obligations, including related interest and debt service reserve requirements.

CUSTOMERS AND UTILITY RATES

(continued)

March 31, 2023

Connection Fees

The minimum connection fee for tapping privileges shall be determined in accordance with the following schedule determined by Hallsdale-Powell Utility District.

Standard Water and Sewer Connection Fees

Residential

| | <u>Subdivision</u> | Not in Subdivision |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Water connection fee | \$ 950.00 | \$ 950.00 |
| Sewer connection fee | 600.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Service application fee | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Sewer inspection fee | 30.00 | 30.00 |

Commercial and Industrial

| Water Meter Size | Water Tap Fee | Sewer Connection Fee |
|------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 5/8-3/4" | \$ 950.00 | \$ 800.00 |
| 1" | 1,300.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 1 ½" | 3,000.00 | 1,900.00 |
| 2" | 3,300.00 | 2,100.00 |
| 3" | 8,500.00 | 6,000.00 |
| 4" | 9,800.00 | 8,200.00 |
| 6" | 18,000.00 | 12,000.00 |

All of the above connection fees are also potentially subject to surcharges by Hallsdale-Powell Utility District for road crossing (boring) costs. Customers located outside Knox County are also potentially liable for a Water System Improvements Fee of \$1,000 to \$2,600 to offset Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's cost of extending its lines and providing service outside its service boundary.



OFFICIALS

March 31, 2023

Board of Commissioners

Kevin Julian, Chairman Todd Cook, Secretary Kelly Barger, Treasurer

President

Darren Cardwell

Chief Financial Officer

Summer Price

INTERNAL CONTROL

<u>AND</u>

COMPLIANCE



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' 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

Board of Commissioners Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Knoxville, Tennessee

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, the financial statements of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 8, 2023. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Retirement Plan, as described in our report on Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those auditors.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District'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 Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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 Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Mitchell Emert + Hill

September 8, 2023

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

Year Ended March 31, 2023

There were no prior year findings reported.



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Board of Commissioners Hallsdale-Powell Utility District Knoxville, Tennessee

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 2023. Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's major federal program are identified in the summary of audit results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended March 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

Auditor's Responsibility for Audit of Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal 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 type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal 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 the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might 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 or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that have not been identified.

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

Mitchell Emert + Hill

September 8, 2023

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year Ended March 31, 2023

SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The Independent Accountants' Audit Report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of Hallsdale-Powell Utility District.
- 2. No significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting were disclosed.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements were disclosed.
- 4. No significant deficiencies in internal control over major federal programs were disclosed.
- 5. The Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance As Required by the Uniform Guidance expresses an unmodified opinion on Hallsdale-Powell Utility District's compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its major federal programs.
- 6. No findings or questioned costs were disclosed which would be required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.
- 7. The following programs were tested as major programs:

| | Assistance |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Program Name | <u>Listing No.</u> |
| American Rescue Plan Act | 21.027 |

- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$750,000.
- 9. Hallsdale-Powell Utility District was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No findings or questioned costs were disclosed which would be required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.