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INTRODUCTORY SECTION



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Perry J. Williams

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General Manager

Date: June 1, 2020

To the customers of Greer Commission of Public Works, Greer, South Carolina:

INTRODUCTION

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR") of Greer Commission of Public Works (the "Commission") for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 is hereby submitted. This report was prepared by the Commission's financial staff and conforms to the guidelines of the Governmental Finance Officers Association ("GFOA") and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"). The Commission is in compliance with GASB Statement No. 34, entitled "Basic Financial Statements - For State and Local Governments" (hereafter referred to as GASB Statement No. 34), as amended by GASB Statement No. 37, entitled "Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - For State and Local Governments: Omnibus - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 21 and No. 34", GASB Statement No. 41, entitled "Budgetary Comparison Schedules - Perspective Differences - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 34", GASB Statement No. 46, entitled "Net Assets Restricted by Enabling Legislation - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 34", and GASB Statement No. 61, entitled "The Financial Reporting Entity - Omnibus - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34". Responsibility for both accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation rests with the Commission. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the Commission has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the Commission's assets from loss, theft, or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the Commission's financial statements in conformity with GAAP. Because the costs of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, the Commission's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements will be free from material misstatement. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed data is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly, the financial position and results of operations of the Commission. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Commission's financial activities have been included.

The CAFR is presented in four sections: introductory, financial, statistical, and compliance. The introductory section includes this transmittal letter, a list of Commissioners and operating officers, and the Commission's organizational chart. The financial section includes the Management's Discussion and Analysis, the report of independent auditor, the basic financial statements, the notes to the financial statements, and supplementary schedules. The statistical section includes selected unaudited financial and demographic information generally presented on a multi-year basis. The compliance section includes the report on audits performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Commission's financial statements have been audited by Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC, a firm of licensed certified public accountants. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the Commission are free of material misstatement. As part of their audit, the independent auditor examined, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessed the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluated the overall financial statement presentation. GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A"). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The Commission's MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditor.

PROFILE OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission was formed in 1913 for the purposes of providing electricity, water distribution, and sewer collection and treatment to the residents of the City of Greer. In 1950, the City of Greer's ("City") City Council enacted an ordinance to combine the previously separate systems of the Commission. In 1957, the City Council enacted an ordinance which founded a natural gas unit to be added to what is now the present-day "System".

Designation of management, contractual and budgetary authority, funding of deficits, responsibility for debt, setting of rates, and fiscal management of the affairs of the Commission are the exclusive responsibility of the Commission. The Commission makes recommendations to the City Council for the issuance of bonds, but is otherwise authorized under the laws of the state of South Carolina to have full control and management of the System. The laws of the state of South Carolina provide for three Commissioners to be elected by the public for six-year, staggered terms, with one seat up for election every two years. The members of the Commission, as of December 31, 2019, and the number of years of continuous services as Commissioners are as follows:

Name	Years of Service
Eugene Gibson (chairman)	37
Jeffery Howell	21
Perry Williams	10

Waterworks Unit

The Waterworks Unit was established in 1914. The Commission owns and manages two raw water reservoirs, Lake Cunningham and Lake Robinson. Lake Cunningham is the Commission's primary water supply and was constructed on the South Tyger River in 1957. It is approximately 200 surface acres in size. Lake Robinson was constructed in 1984 and includes approximately 800 surface acres. Lake Robinson is the secondary water supply and is located just north of Lake Cunningham.

The water treatment plant is located at Lake Cunningham and has a treatment capacity of 24 million gallons per day ("MGD") with an average daily flow of 8.62 MGD. The water distribution system operates on three gradient levels, a high-level system (1,272 ft. mean sea level ("MSL")), intermediate level system (1,130 ft. MSL), and a low-level system (1,104 ft. MSL). Each level has two elevated storage tanks for a total capacity of 5.75 million gallons. The Commission supplies potable water to 20,269 customers and serves all the population within the City limits and surrounding areas. Over the last year, the Commission experienced a customer growth rate of 3.33% in the Waterworks Unit.

Sewer Unit

The Sewer Unit of the Commission was established in 1914 and provides wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal by means of its sole wastewater treatment facility. The Maple Creek treatment facility experiences an average daily processing flow of 2.73 MGD, with a current capacity of 5.0 MGD. The plant received its latest upgrade in 2009 and is designed for future upgrades to 7.5 MGD and 10.0 MGD to provide for additional capacity growth. The upgrade included significant improvements to the headworks, influent pumping, sludge handling facilities, and provides for ultra-violet treatment of the wastewater at the Maple Creek plant. The upgrade also provided an energy generation plant that will not only provide the energy needed for this wastewater treatment facility, but will provide additional energy that can be added to the electrical system, and may generate significant load-side generation credits from our energy provider. Sewer collection and treatment for the Commission's 14,027 customers is accomplished through approximately 247.7 miles of gravity sewer lines and 24.4 miles of force sewer mains for a total of 272.2 miles maintained by the Commission. Over the last year, the Commission experienced a customer growth rate of 5.09% in the Sewer Unit. The Commission also provides sewer collection services to the customers of Renewable Water Resources ("ReWa") that live in the City of Greer and transports this sewage to ReWa's treatment facilities.

Electric Unit

The Electric Unit was established in 1914 and provides for the generation and distribution of electricity to City residents. In 1927, the Commission ceased generating electricity and from that time initiated the purchase of power from outside electric utilities to provide its supply of electricity. Up until 1985, the Commission purchased most of its electric power from Duke Energy Company. During 1985, the Commission began purchasing its primary supply of electrical power from the Piedmont Municipal Power Agency ("PMPA"), a joint public agency consisting of ten municipal participants, of which the Commission is a charter member. The Commission also purchases a portion of its electrical supply from the United States Department of Energy's Southeastern Power Agency's ("SEPA") allocation of pooled hydroelectric power generated along the Savannah River. Over 90% of the purchased power is carbon free, generated by nuclear and hydro resources.

The Electric Unit consists of five substations operating 30 circuits. Distribution of 12,470 volts of electricity is managed with approximately 216 miles of overhead distribution facilities and approximately 251 miles of underground facilities. The service area served by this unit is approximately 33.75 square miles, including the City limits and surrounding areas, and serves 20,089 customers. Over the last year, the Commission experienced a customer growth rate of 3.95% in the Electric Unit.

Natural Gas Unit

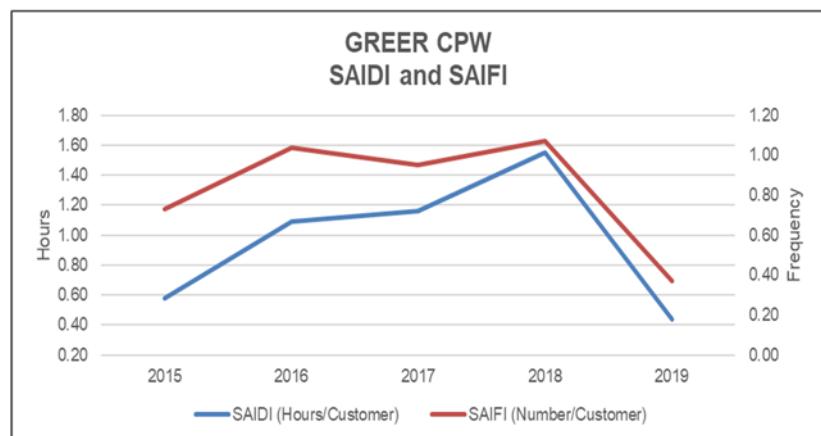
The Natural Gas Unit was established during 1957 and provides for distribution of natural gas to residents of the City and surrounding areas. The transmission originates on the Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Corporation ("Transco") mainline in Crescent, South Carolina, from which point gas is transported to the City by means of an eight-inch high-pressure transmission line which is owned and maintained by the Commission. The Commission operates and maintains approximately 47 miles of high-pressure lines and approximately 789 miles of intermediate and distribution lines, along with 110 pressure-reducing and regulating stations. These distribution lines serve 24,079 customers located from the City of Landrum, north of the City of Greer on Highway 14, to south of the City of Greer along Highway 101 towards the City of Woodruff, encompassing approximately 460 square miles. Over the last year, the Commission experienced a customer growth rate of 4.34% in the Gas Unit. The Commission operates one of the few compressed natural gas ("CNG") fueling stations in the area made available to the public.

SERVING OUR CUSTOMERS

The primary mission of the Commission is to serve our community by providing safe, high quality, and reliable water, natural gas, electric and wastewater services in an environmentally and fiscally responsible manner consistent with sound business principles. The utility has the ability to set rates that are competitive with not only neighboring utilities, but with other providers throughout the region. These rates continue to benefit the growth and development in the community, while delivering a high value to all customers.

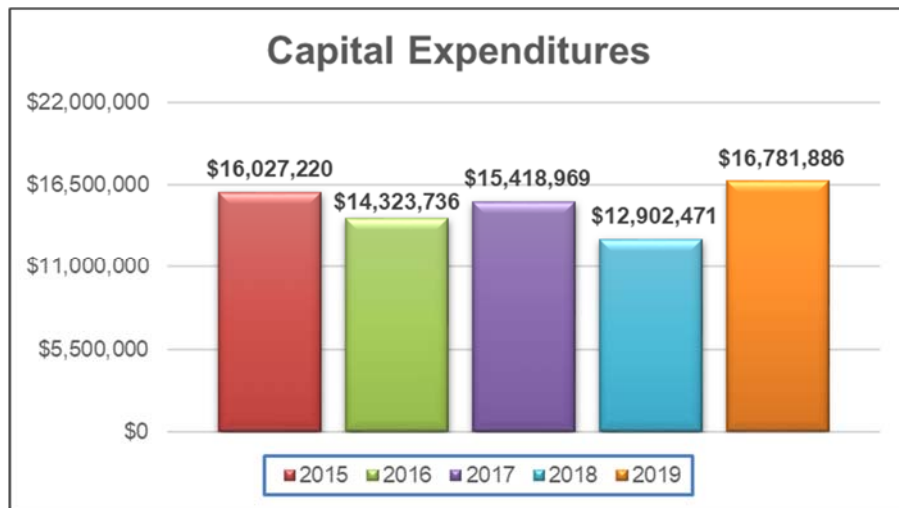
The Commission's reliability is among the very best nationally. Of the customers that experienced an electric outage, the occurrence averaged to only one time per customer, with an average duration was nearly .44 hours.

The Commission has a solid commitment to environmental stewardship. The utility is a member of PMPA, which owns a 25% stake in Unit 2 of the Catawba Nuclear Generating Station, operated by Duke Energy, in York, SC. In addition to clean burning nuclear power, hydro-electric power is purchased from SEPA. Overall, roughly 94% of the Commission's power is carbon free. To complement our clean power, the Commission's CNG fueling station celebrated five years of service providing low emissions for fueling of vehicles, not only in the surrounding Community, but for use in approximately 22% of the Commission's service fleet.



Capital Investment

The Commission continued to invest in improving and expanding its infrastructure during 2019 by investing more than \$16 million into the System. Investment in new utility infrastructure to new subdivisions and industries totaled approximately \$7.7 million. This investment provided support for the 4.22% average growth rate.

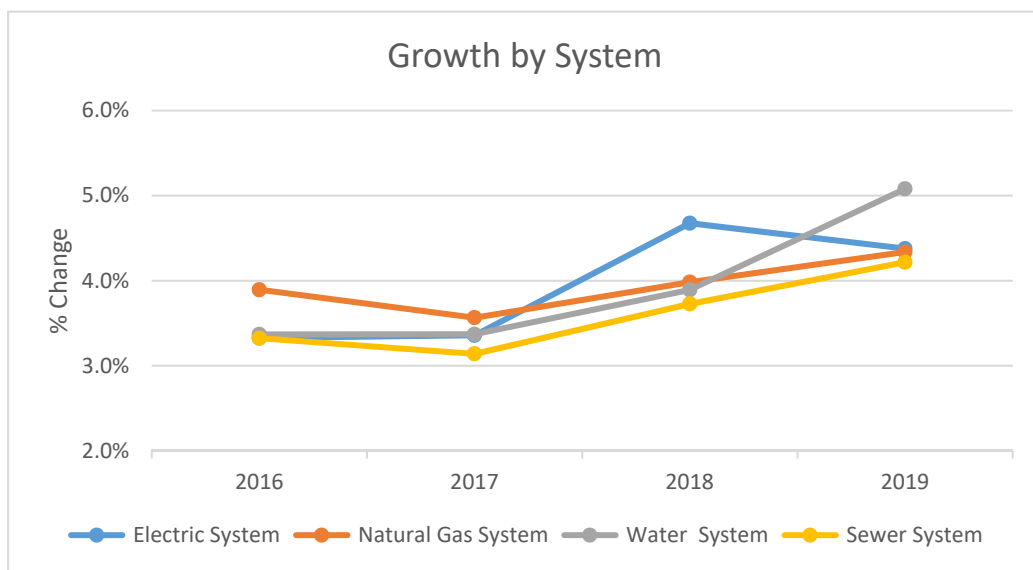


The Commission continued its project to repair and replace its water and sewer aging infrastructure in downtown Greer while contributing to the City of Greer's Streetscape Project. This project will transform downtown Greer into a shared street design that will allow the creation of a pedestrian plaza for special events. The Commission invested approximately \$397 thousand during 2019.

Growth in the Community, Growth in our Business

The Greer community experienced continued economic growth in its residential, commercial, and industrial sectors. The Commission realized a growth rate of 4.22% during 2019, with a 5-year average growth rate of 3.28% across its service area.

The region continues to enjoy diverse employers with solid financial footing, including advanced materials manufacturing, distribution and logistics, automotive Original Equipment Manufacturers ("OEMs"), automotive manufacturing and engineering. The BMW North America plant, located in Greer, SC, exported approximately 70% of its total volume through six southeastern ports, including Charleston, SC., Savannah and Brunswick, GA, Jacksonville, Miami and Everglades, FL. The exports ultimately arrived in 125 different countries around the world during 2019,

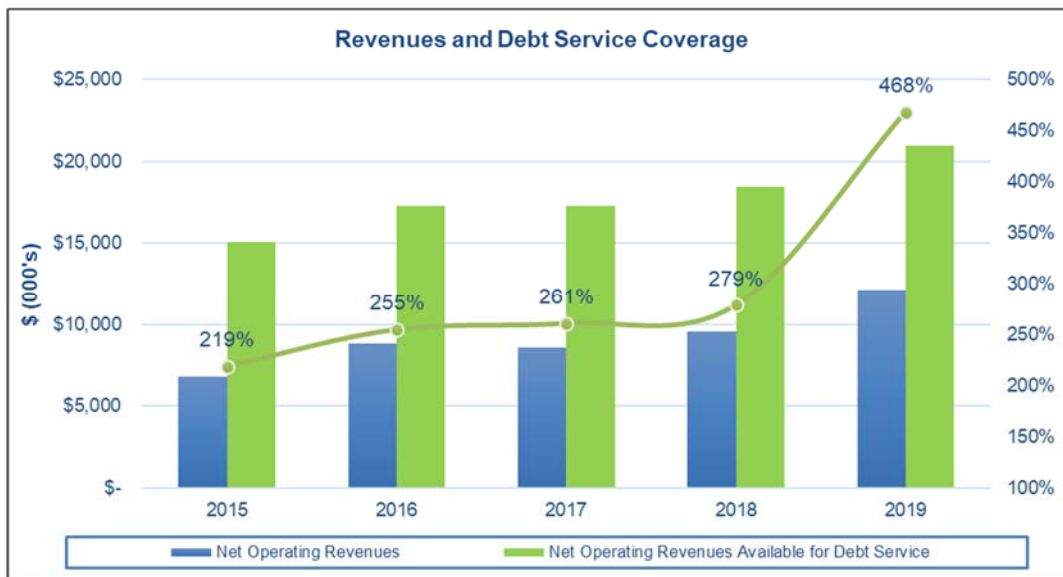


continuing to make this facility the leading United States automotive exporter, with a value of \$9.6 billion. During the year 2020 the plant will celebrate a significant event when it produces the five millionth BMW built in South Carolina.

Financial Stewardship, Financial Strength

The Commission operates under established policies for financing, rate setting, and cash management. These policies serve as parameters for developing annual operating budgets, as well as the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. The revenue bond ordinance provides that the rates shall be maintained at levels which yield net revenues equal to a minimum of 120% of the annual principal and interest requirement in each fiscal year. The management of the Commission strives to maintain an internal target equal to a minimum of 200% of the annual requirement.

The Commission continued to realize another strong financial performance during 2019. Net revenues exceeded projections through staff efforts to reduce expenditures and improve efficiencies, while minimizing the effects of weather patterns changing from the normal patterns of the region. Debt service coverage for 2019 outpaced the results of previous years with 468% coverage.



Awards

Employee dedication is evident by the many awards and recognitions that all aspects of the Commission's operations have received:

- The American Public Gas Association (APGA) awarded Greer CPW with the Gold System Operational Achievement Recognition (SOAR) award in 2019. The Gas department of Greer CPW was one of six companies in the United States given this award. This award is based on system integrity, system improvement, workforce development and employee safety.
- The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control's ("SCDHEC") Area Wide Optimization Program ("AWOP") is an EPA-sponsored program that recognizes water utilities for continual production of superior quality water based on strict compliance with rigorous standards. The Commission's Water Filter Plant was given this award for the eleventh consecutive year in 2019.
- The International Association of Business Communicators in South Carolina recognized the Commission's Sewer department for their "Can the Grease" initiative. This award was given in the Customer Relation category. These awards are presented annually.
- The American Public Power Association's ("APPA") Reliable Public Power Provider ("RP₃") designation continues to recognize the Commission at the Platinum Level. The RP₃ designation recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines including reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvements. The RP₃ designation is awarded for a three-year period.

Financial Award: The GFOA awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Commission for its CAFR for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. This was the fifteenth consecutive year that the Commission has achieved this prestigious award. To be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR. This report must satisfy both GAAP and applicable legal requirements and is valid for a period of one year only.

Acknowledgements

This report could not have been prepared on a timely basis without the efficient and dedicated services of all the Commission's employees who assisted and contributed to its preparation. We are thankful for the leadership and support of the Board of Commissioners who enable the Commission to fulfill its role in providing our customers with the most reliable services at a reasonable price while protecting the environment and public health.

Sincerely,



Michael Richard
General Manager



Angela Karcher
Finance Manager



Government Finance Officers Association

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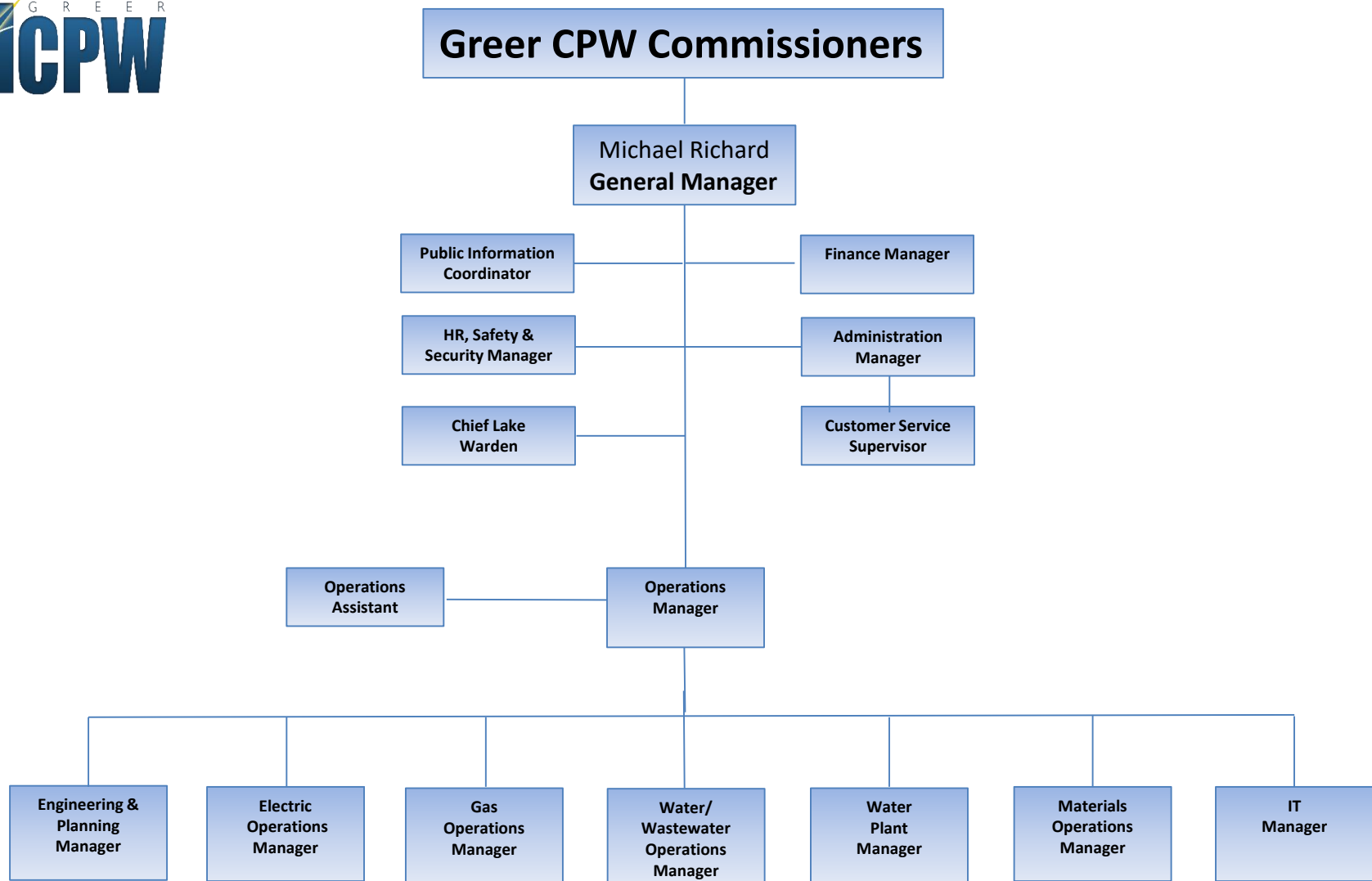
**Greer Commission of Public Works
South Carolina**

For its Comprehensive Annual
Financial Report
for the Fiscal Year Ended

December 31, 2018



Executive Director/CEO



GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

LIST OF PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS DECEMBER 31, 2019



From left to right: Gene Gibson (Commissioner - Chairman), Mike Richard (General Manager), Perry Williams (Commissioner), and Jeffery Howell (Commissioner)

FINANCIAL SECTION



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Commission
Greer Commission of Public Works
Greer, South Carolina**

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the **Greer Commission of Public Works** (the "Commission"), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Greer Commission of Public Works as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the changes in financial position and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis (on pages 4 through 12), the Schedule of Changes in the Commission's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios (on page 46), the Schedule of the Commission's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (on page 44), and the Schedule of Commission Pension Contributions (on page 45) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements. The introductory section and the statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Budgeted and Actual Revenues and Expenses and the Schedule of Divisional Operating Revenue and Expenses (collectively the "supplementary information") are also presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole for the year ended December 31, 2019.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 1, 2020, on our consideration of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Commission's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

Columbia, South Carolina
June 1, 2020

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the Greer Commission of Public Works' (the "Commission") provides an overview of the financial activities for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017. This information serves as an introduction to the financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The Commission continued to show a solid financial position for fiscal year 2019. The Commission is well within its debt covenants and the more stringent financial policies and guidelines set by the Board and management. The following are financial highlights for 2019:

- The Commission's net position increased by \$20,976,639, or 11.86% for 2019 as compared to an increase of \$16,201,252, or 10.08% in 2018.
- During the year, the Commission's operating revenues decreased to \$92,731,910, which represents a 4.35% decrease from the prior year. Operating revenues increased to \$96,950,446, or 13.16% in 2018.
- Total operating expenses decreased to \$80,568,971, which represents a 7.8% decrease from the prior year. Total expenses increased to \$87,385,011, or 13.31% in 2018.
- Purchased power expenses increased to \$37,327,972, up from \$36,821,848 last year. This 1.37% increase is reflected in the total operating expenses shown above. Purchased power increased from \$35,502,277, or by 3.72%, to \$36,821,848 in 2018.
- Purchased gas expenses decreased to \$12,366,038 last year. This 39.67% decrease is reflected in the total expenses shown above. Purchased gas increased from \$13,986,313, or by 46.56%, to \$20,498,377 in 2018.
- Capital contributions to the Commission decreased by \$1,561,262, which represents a 22.59% decrease from the prior year. Capital contributions increased by \$1,860,825, or 36.84% in 2018.
- Transfers to the City of Greer remained at \$1,000,000 for 2019 and 2018.
- Debt service coverage for 2019 was 468% of the bond ordinance requirement, which is 120% debt service coverage. Debt service coverage for 2018 was 279%.
- The Commission's credit ratings continue to remain solid with credit ratings from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch Ratings with ratings of A1, AA-, and AA-, respectively, which reflects the declining leverage and improved coverage of full obligations, competitive retail rates, diverse customer base, and robust area economics.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

Overview of the Financial Statements

The Commission's annual statement consists of the Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A"), the basic financial statements, required supplementary information, other supplementary information, and the compliance section. The MD&A serves as an introduction to and should be read in conjunction with the basic audited financial statements. The basic financial statements include notes which explain in detail information included in the basic financial statements.

Basic Financial Statements - The basic financial statements of the Commission report information about the Commission using the full accrual basis of accounting in a manner similar to those used by private sector companies. However, rate-regulated accounting principles applicable to private sector utilities are not used by government utilities. These statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about its activities. The basic financial statements include the statement of net position, statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, statement of cash flows, and notes to the financial statements. The Commission accounts for its activities using a single proprietary (enterprise) fund. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Statement of Net Position - The *statement of net position* includes all the Commission's assets and liabilities and provides information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to the Commission's creditors (liabilities). It also provides the basis for computing rate of return, evaluating the capital structure of the Commission, and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the Commission.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position - All the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the *statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position*. This statement measures the success of the Commission's operations over the past year and can be used to determine whether the Commission has successfully recovered all its costs through its user fees and other charges, profitability, and credit worthiness.

Statement of Cash Flows - The *statement of cash flows* provides information about the Commission's cash receipts and cash payments during the reporting period. The statement reports cash receipts, cash payments, and net changes in cash resulting from operations, investing, and financing activities, and provides comparative information on the source and use of cash, and the change in the cash balance for each of the last two fiscal years.

Notes to the Financial Statements – The *notes to the financial statements* provide information about accounting policies, significant account balances and activities, material risks, obligations, commitments, contingencies and subsequent events, if any.

Required Supplementary Information – In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents *required supplementary information* concerning progress in funding its obligation to provide pension to its employees. The MD&A is also considered required supplementary information.

The basic financial statements were prepared by the Commission's staff from the detailed books and records of the Commission. The basic financial statements were audited and adjusted, if material, during the independent external audit process.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

Financial Analysis

The following comparative condensed financial statements and other selected information serve as the key financial data and indicators for management, monitoring and planning:

Condensed Financial Statements

Condensed Statement of Net Position

	December 31,			2018 to 2019		2017 to 2018	
	Restated	FY 2018	FY 2019	Dollars	%	Dollars	%
	FY 2017						
				Increase (decrease)		Increase (decrease)	
Current and other assets	\$ 45,898,580	\$ 53,677,937	\$ 58,875,307	\$ 5,197,370	9.68%	\$ 7,779,357	16.95%
Capital assets	215,083,773	220,871,193	227,748,220	6,877,027	3.11%	5,787,420	2.69%
Total assets	\$ 260,982,353	\$ 274,549,130	\$ 286,623,527	\$ 12,074,397	4.40%	\$ 13,566,777	5.20%
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 3,187,947	\$ 2,505,179	\$ 1,810,080	\$ (695,099)	-27.75%	\$ (682,768)	-21.42%
Long-term debt outstanding	\$ 68,287,078	\$ 63,439,534	\$ 56,388,730	\$ (7,050,804)	-11.11%	\$ (4,847,544)	-7.10%
Other liabilities	34,949,491	36,026,291	30,966,906	(5,059,385)	-14.04%	1,076,800	3.08%
Total liabilities	\$ 103,236,569	\$ 99,465,825	\$ 87,355,636	\$ (12,110,189)	-12.18%	\$ (3,770,744)	-3.65%
Deferred inflows of resources	\$ 233,912	\$ 687,413	\$ 3,200,261	\$ 2,512,848	365.55%	\$ 453,501	193.88%
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 143,103,152	\$ 153,598,034	\$ 167,379,594	\$ 13,781,560	8.97%	\$ 10,494,882	7.33%
Restricted	7,173,310	8,277,810	9,885,128	1,607,318	19.42%	1,104,500	15.40%
Unrestricted	10,423,357	15,025,227	20,612,988	5,587,761	37.19%	4,601,870	44.15%
Total net position	\$ 160,699,819	\$ 176,901,071	\$ 197,877,710	\$ 20,976,639	11.86%	\$ 16,201,252	10.08%

Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	December 31,			2018 to 2019		2017 to 2018	
	Restated	FY 2018	FY 2019	Dollars	%	Dollars	%
	FY 2017						
				Increase (decrease)		Increase (decrease)	
Electric revenues	\$ 41,944,704	\$ 45,295,406	\$ 46,669,567	\$ 1,374,161	3.03%	\$ 3,350,702	7.99%
Gas revenues	26,147,506	33,642,411	26,981,127	(6,661,284)	-19.80%	7,494,905	28.66%
Water revenues	8,401,020	8,496,694	8,799,822	303,128	3.57%	95,674	1.14%
Sewer revenues	6,268,682	6,572,392	6,895,616	323,224	4.92%	303,710	4.84%
Other operating revenues	2,911,253	2,943,543	3,385,778	442,235	15.02%	32,290	1.11%
Non-operating revenues	66,237	93,200	7,184,063	7,090,863	7608.22%	26,963	40.71%
Total revenues	\$ 85,739,402	\$ 97,043,646	\$ 99,915,973	\$ 2,872,327	2.96%	\$ 11,304,244	13.18%
Purchased power	\$ 35,502,277	\$ 36,821,848	\$ 37,327,972	\$ 506,124	1.37%	\$ 1,319,571	3.72%
Purchased gas	13,986,313	20,498,377	12,366,038	(8,132,339)	-39.67%	6,512,064	46.56%
Depreciation	8,734,655	8,887,018	8,779,476	(107,542)	-1.21%	152,363	1.74%
Other operating expense	18,897,250	21,177,768	22,095,485	917,717	4.33%	2,280,518	12.07%
Non-operating expense	3,235,547	3,342,877	3,720,761	377,884	11.30%	107,330	3.32%
Total expense	\$ 80,356,042	\$ 90,727,888	\$ 84,289,732	\$ (6,438,156)	-7.10%	\$ 10,371,846	12.91%
Change in net position before capital contributions and extraordinary items	\$ 5,383,360	\$ 6,315,758	\$ 15,626,241	\$ 9,310,483	147.42%	\$ 932,398	17.32%
Contributions and extraordinary items							
Capital contributions	\$ 5,050,835	\$ 6,911,660	\$ 5,350,398	\$ (1,561,262)	-22.59%	\$ 1,860,825	36.84%
Extraordinary revenues from electrical demand credits	-	2,973,834	-	(2,973,834)	100.00%	2,973,834	0.00%
Change in net position after capital contributions and extraordinary items	\$ 10,434,195	\$ 16,201,252	\$ 20,976,639	\$ 4,775,387	29.48%	\$ 5,767,057	55.27%
Beginning net position	\$ 151,961,624	\$ 160,699,819	\$ 176,901,071	\$ 16,201,252	10.08%	\$ 8,738,195	5.75%
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (1,696,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	\$ 1,696,000	100.00%
Ending net position	\$ 160,699,819	\$ 176,901,071	\$ 197,877,710	\$ 20,976,639	11.86%	\$ 16,201,252	10.08%

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General Trends

During 2019, the Greater Greer area continued to realize the steady growth in the residential, commercial and industrial base that it has experienced for the past 10 years. The Commission experienced growth in its customer base adding approximately 3,100 new customers, or 4.22%, continuing the growth trend that has averaged 2.41% over the past 10 years.

The Commission remains positioned to manage the growth that continues in our service area. We have a plentiful water supply and sufficient capacity to manage the demand of our Water and Sewer systems. The five strategically located Electric substations throughout the service area continue to provide reliable and competitive Electric services. Our Natural Gas service area is fed by our connections to the Transcontinental Pipeline, which provides our customers with an abundant supply of commodity.

Financial Position

The Commission employs conservative management principles to maintain sustained and healthy debt service coverages. This management style lends itself to our continued financial strength and stability. Total assets of \$286,623,527 increased by \$12,074,397, or 4.4%, compared to the 2018 increase of \$13,566,777. Current and other assets increased by \$5,197,370, or 9.68%, to \$58,875,307 from fiscal year 2018 results of \$53,677,937. As we continue to expand and improve our capital infrastructure, the capital assets for fiscal year 2019 increased by \$6,877,027, or 3.11%, to \$227,748,220 from fiscal year 2018 results of \$220,871,193. Total liabilities decreased by \$12,110,189, or 12.18%, to \$87,355,636 from fiscal year 2018 results of \$99,465,825. Total liabilities decreased partly due to the reduction in long-term debt from annual required debt service.

Results of Operations

Operating Revenues: Operating revenues are primarily comprised of electric, natural gas, water and sewer sales that are supplemented by revenues from connection fees, service charges, collection fees, and some miscellaneous fees. Total revenues increased by \$2,872,327 to \$99,915,973 in fiscal year 2019 from \$97,043,646 in fiscal year 2018 due to the net effects of increases to the electric, natural gas, water and sewer revenues. The increases in the electric, water and sewer revenues of 3.03%, 3.57% and 4.92% respectively and decrease in natural gas of 19.8%, can be attributed to several factors, but mostly due to weather, growth and commodity prices. Once again in 2019, PMPA determined that certain conditions were met that enabled them to issue a base billing demand credit on the Commissions electric rates received from PMPA. During 2019, this amount received from PMPA as base billing demand credits were \$7,019,551. In 2018 this was shown in the extraordinary revenues line. Weather is always a factor to be reviewed when evaluating revenues. The heating degree days ("HDD") during 2019 were 2,973 days, 4.3% lower than the 3,106 days experienced during 2018, and the cooling degree days ("CDD") during 2019 were 2,007 days also a decrease from 2018 of 2%. In addition to the volatility of the temperatures, the weather patterns also brought to the area 52.06 inches of precipitation, a decrease of 23.1% from 2018 totals of 67.71 inches. The fluctuations in the price of the natural gas commodity resulted in weighted average costs of \$3.806 per dT, a decrease from 2018 of \$3.918 per dT.

Operating revenues during 2018 were increased by \$11,304,244 to \$97,043,646 over fiscal year 2017 due to the net effects of increases to the electric, natural gas, water and sewer revenues. The increases in the electric, natural gas, water and sewer revenues of 7.99%, 28.66%, 1.14%, and 4.84%, respectively, can be attributed to several factors, but mostly due to weather, growth and commodity prices. During the fiscal year 2018, temperature patterns experienced in the Upstate region of South Carolina included two cold patterns that were more severe than recent years past. The heating degree days ("HDD") during 2018 were 3,070 days, 29.15% higher than the 2,377 days experienced during 2017, and the cooling degree days ("CDD") during 2018 were 2,098 days and increase from 2017 of 16.43%. In addition to the volatility of the temperatures, the weather patterns also brought to the area 67.96 inches of precipitation, an increase of 27.96% from 2017 totals of 53.11 inches. The fluctuations in the price of the natural gas commodity resulted in weighted average costs of \$3.811 per dT, an increase from 2017 of 27.10%.

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Other operating revenues increased by \$442,235 and increased by \$32,290 during 2019 and 2018, respectively. The increases are attributable to several factors, including changes in the collection of reconnect fees, sales of gas, water, and sewer tap fees, sales of inventoried materials, and recovery of bad debts.

During 2019, non-operating revenues increased to \$7,184,063. These increases are attributable to the addition of the electric demand credits issued by PMPA and an increase in interest earnings from cash balances held at banking institutions. During 2018, non-operating revenues increased by \$26,963, or 40.71%. These increases can be attributed to the increased earnings on investments.

Operating Expenses: Operating expenses are primarily comprised of the costs to procure electricity and natural gas for sales to our customers, to provide water treatment and distribution, and sewer collection and treatment. During 2019, expenses decreased by \$6,816,040 to \$80,568,971, from \$87,385,011 in fiscal year 2018, due to the net effect of an increase in related purchased gas, purchased power and other operating expenses. Purchased gas costs decreased by \$8,132,339, or 39.67%, as a result of increased commodity prices and colder weather experienced in the first and last quarters of 2019. Purchased power costs increased by \$506,124, or 1.37%, as a result of increased customer demand experienced during the increased temperatures during the summer months. Other operating expenses increased by \$917,717, with the increase attributable to increases in salaries and benefits, water and wastewater treatment chemicals, and the operations and maintenance of equipment.

During 2018, expenses increased by \$10,264,516 to \$87,385,011, from \$77,120,495 in fiscal year 2017, due to the net effect of an increase in expenses in related purchased gas, depreciation and amortization, and other operating expenses, and the decrease in expenses related to purchased power costs. Purchased gas costs increased by \$6,512,064, or 46.56%, as a result of increased commodity prices. The average costs of the natural gas commodity, per dT, to the Commission was \$3.92 and \$3.00, respectively, for 2018 and 2017. Purchase power costs increased by \$1,319,517, or 3.72%, mainly due to the reduction of customer demand coupled with the net effect of decreased costs from PMPA. The Commission's allocation of power supply during 2018 included 4.11% of hydroelectric power. The Commission also received \$343,843 in Load Side Generation credits from PMPA. Other operating expenses increased by \$2,280,518, with the increase attributable to increases in salaries and benefits, water and wastewater treatment chemicals, and the operations and maintenance of equipment.

Non-operating expenses increased by \$377,884, or 11.3%, to \$3,720,761 during 2019. The disposal of assets resulted in loss realized in the amount of \$741,833, a decrease from \$282,974 realized during 2018.

During 2018, non-operating expenses increased by \$107,330, or 3.32%, to \$3,342,877 during 2018. Debt service decreased by \$331,456, or 14.26%, to \$1,9925,276 due to the annual retirement of long-term debt. The loss realized on the disposal of assets decreased by \$282,974.

As a result of these factors, the Commission experienced net revenues over expenses of \$15,626,241 and \$6,315,758, respectively, in 2019 and 2018, before capital contributions.

Capital Contributions and Grants: Capital contributions include cash contributions, non-cash contributions and grants from various sources such as developers, customer assessments, and state and federal agencies. During 2019, the Commission received \$5,350,398 in capital contributions. This was a \$1,561,262 decrease from fiscal year 2018 capital contributions of \$6,911,660. Capital contributions for 2019 included the following receipts:

- \$236,412 received from various sources to offset capital costs related to lighting infrastructure
- \$3,389,753 received from various developer contributed properties that consists of water and sewer infrastructure
- \$33,104 received for installing a natural gas mainline and pressure reducing station
- \$60,589 for gas infrastructure future needs

During 2018, the Commission received \$6,911,660 in capital contributions. This was an increase of \$1,860,825 from \$5,050,835 received during fiscal year 2017.

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During 2017, the Commission was awarded \$500,000 in Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Grants for assistance in constructing an extension of gravity sewer service in the Bent Creek Basin. This project will provide sewer services to a planned \$50 million commercial and industrial development near the Greenville Spartanburg International Airport. As of December 31, 2019, this work has yet to be completed.

Extraordinary Revenues: During 2019, the amount received from PMPA as base billing demand credits were determined to be a non-operating revenue and not an extraordinary item. In 2018, these were shown to be extraordinary since at that time the Commission was unsure if this would be an on-going event.

Transfers to the City: During fiscal years 2019 and 2018, the Commission made transfers to the City of Greer's General Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000.

Capital Assets and Long-term Debt

Capital Assets: At the end of 2019, the Commission has invested \$407,874,045 in land and a broad range of infrastructure including electric distribution facilities; electric substations; fiber optic infrastructure and equipment; water and sewer plants; wastewater facilities; water and sewer lines; maintenance and administration facilities; vehicles and equipment; and office and computer equipment. Please refer to Note 3 to the financial statements for additional information on the Commission's capital assets.

In 2019 and 2018, the Commission's capital assets increased in the amount of \$13,009,643 and \$12,902,471, respectively. Of this increase, \$10,041,389 and \$13,871,592, respectively, was for expansion and improvement to utility plant and the remainder for other operating assets during 2019 and 2018.

Capital Assets

	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	2018 to 2019		2017 to 2018	
				Dollars	%	Dollars	%
				Increase (decrease)		Increase (decrease)	
Land	\$ 2,684,952	\$ 2,692,270	\$ 5,981,856	\$ 3,289,586	122.19%	\$ 7,318	0.27%
Buildings	6,981,188	6,928,372	7,056,402	128,030	1.85%	(52,816)	-0.76%
Machinery, equipment, and vehicles	11,149,286	11,044,469	10,678,173	(366,296)	-3.32%	(104,817)	-0.94%
Electric distribution system	57,996,292	63,111,789	65,324,176	2,212,387	3.51%	5,115,497	8.82%
Water distribution system	78,051,517	80,691,782	82,599,249	1,907,467	2.36%	2,640,265	3.38%
Water reservoirs and dams	12,835,008	12,848,308	11,637,402	(1,210,906)	-9.42%	13,300	0.10%
Recreational facilities	773,734	773,760	777,755	3,995	0.52%	26	0.00%
Gas distribution system	71,533,509	75,292,672	76,699,125	1,406,453	1.87%	3,759,163	5.26%
Disposal plants and sanitary sewer	101,531,322	104,195,666	106,580,748	2,385,082	2.29%	2,664,344	2.62%
Office equipment and software	4,186,350	3,367,544	3,284,478	(83,066)	-2.47%	(818,806)	-19.56%
Fiber optic	550,200	550,200	550,200	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
Construction in progress	4,128,573	3,807,570	7,144,481	3,336,911	87.64%	(321,003)	-7.78%
Subtotal	\$ 352,401,931	\$ 365,304,402	\$ 378,314,045	\$ 13,009,643	3.56%	\$ 12,902,471	3.66%
Less accumulated depreciation	137,318,158	144,433,209	150,565,825	6,132,616	4.25%	7,115,051	5.18%
Net property, plant, and equipment	\$ 215,083,773	\$ 220,871,193	\$ 227,748,220	\$ 6,877,027	3.11%	\$ 5,787,420	2.69%

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The following is a summary of some of the major capital improvements completed and added to the system during fiscal year 2019.

Commercial utility infrastructure	\$ 1,398,242
Computers and related equipment replacements	53,127
Downtown Greer Water and Sewer infrastructure upgrades	79,819
Downtown streetscape project	396,929
Equipment and tools for maintaining utility services and administration	657,646
Improvements and upgrades to the Electric system	456,132
Improvements, upgrades and extension of the Natural Gas system	725,196
Land purchases	515,844
Motor vehicles and heavy equipment replacements	363,158
New meters and upgrades to existing meters	3,568,568
New subdevelopments utility infrastructure	3,043,934
Pump Station improvements and upgrades	898,182
Sewer Extension	217,922
Software upgrades and improvements	323,566
Water Filter Plant infrastructure upgrades	201,498
Water line improvements, relocations and upgrades	324,919
Commission's LED lighting project	187,790
Total major capital improvements	\$ 13,412,472

Long-term Debt: At the end of 2019, the Commission had \$60,262,111 in aggregate long-term debt, down from \$67,873,093 at the end of fiscal year 2018, a decrease of \$7,610,982, or 11.21%. In 2018, the Commission had \$67,873,093 in aggregate long-term debt, decreased from \$71,887,006 at the end of fiscal year 2017, a decrease of \$4,013,913, or 5.58%. The changes resulted from scheduled principal payments made on the existing debt, along with one debt refunding. Please refer to Note 7 to the financial statements for additional information on the Commission's long-term debt.

	FY 2017		FY 2018		FY 2019		2018 to 2019		2017 to 2018	
	Principal Outstanding	Weighted Average Coupon Rate	Principal Outstanding	Weighted Average Coupon Rate	Principal Outstanding	Weighted Average Coupon Rate	Dollars	%	Dollars	%
Series 2002 revenue bonds	\$ 22,865,000	5.47%	\$ 22,640,000	5.47%	\$ 22,405,000	5.48%	\$ (235,000)	-1.04%	\$ (225,000)	-0.98%
2004 South Carolina SRF loan	6,108,242	2.25%	5,804,418	2.25%	5,493,700	2.25%	(310,718)	-5.35%	(303,824)	-4.97%
2005 South Carolina SRF loan	5,087,851	2.25%	4,825,437	2.25%	4,557,069	2.25%	(268,368)	-5.56%	(262,414)	-5.16%
Series 2007 revenue bonds	3,404,476	4.02%	3,121,177	4.02%	2,826,489	4.02%	(294,688)	-9.44%	(283,299)	-8.32%
2007 South Carolina SRF loan	8,426,455	2.25%	7,760,554	2.25%	7,079,544	2.25%	(681,010)	-8.78%	(665,901)	-7.90%
Series 2009 refunding bonds	-	4.03%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
2009 South Carolina SRF loan	4,194,982	2.25%	4,051,507	2.25%	3,905,309	2.25%	(146,198)	-3.61%	(143,475)	-3.42%
2013 SC Public Service Authority loan	3,500,000	0.00%	3,500,000	0.00%	-	0.00%	(3,500,000)	-100.00%	-	0.00%
Series 2015 refunding bonds	3,745,000	2.10%	3,310,000	2.10%	2,865,000	2.10%	(445,000)	-13.44%	(435,000)	-11.62%
Series 2017 refunding bonds	14,555,000	0.00%	12,860,000	1.99%	11,130,000	1.99%	(1,730,000)	-13.45%	(1,695,000)	-11.65%
Total Long-term debt	\$ 71,887,006	2.78%	\$ 67,873,093	3.23%	\$ 60,262,111	3.48%	\$ (7,610,982)	-11.21%	\$ (4,013,913)	-5.58%

Bond Ratings - All outstanding Combined Utility System Revenue Bonds ("Revenue Bonds") carry an A1, A+ and AA- ratings from Moody's, Standard & Poor's, and Fitch Ratings, respectively. During 2017 and 2016, the Commission received affirmations of each of its ratings from Moody's and Standard & Poor's, with Fitch Ratings issuing an upgrade to its ratings to AA-, from A+. During the first quarter of 2020, the Commission was upgraded by Standard & Poor's to A+ from AA- with a stable outlook.

Limitations on Debt - The Bond Ordinance provides that debt may be issued under the Bond Ordinance from time to time in such amounts as deemed necessary or advisable to the City, upon request of the Commission, for any purpose for which bonds may be issued for the benefit of the Commission under the Enabling Act. Prior to

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issuing any additional bonds, other than refunding bonds, the Commission is required to prove that the estimated future net revenues of the Commission are expected to be at least 120% of the actual highest combined debt service requirement (including debt service on the proposed additional bonds) for the current fiscal year and for the three fiscal years following the issuance of the additional bonds. The Commission currently reports a maximum debt service coverage ratio of 468%, 279%, and 261%, for the years 2019, 2018, and 2017, respectively.

	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	2018 to 2019		2017 to 2018	
				Dollars	%	Dollars	%
Revenues				Increase (decrease)		Increase (decrease)	
Revenues from operations	\$ 85,673,165	\$ 96,950,446	\$ 92,731,910	\$ (4,218,536)	-4.35%	\$ 11,277,281	13.16%
Non-operating revenue	66,237	93,200	7,184,512	7,091,312	7608.70%	26,963	40.71%
Capacity fees*	1,065,325	1,153,000	1,630,000	477,000	41.37%	87,675	8.23%
Total revenues	\$ 86,804,727	\$ 98,196,646	\$ 101,546,422	\$ 3,349,776	3.41%	\$ 11,391,919	13.12%
Expenses							
Total expenses	\$ 79,356,042	\$ 89,727,888	\$ 83,289,732	\$ (6,438,156)	-7.18%	\$ 10,371,846	13.07%
Depreciation	(8,734,655)	(8,887,018)	(8,779,476)	107,542	-1.21%	(152,363)	1.74%
Bond interest expense	(2,323,732)	(2,059,903)	(1,978,928)	80,975	-3.93%	263,829	-11.35%
Gain (loss) on sale of assets	88,185	(282,974)	(741,833)	(458,859)	162.16%	(371,159)	-420.89%
Total expenses	\$ 68,385,840	\$ 78,497,993	\$ 71,789,495	\$ (6,708,498)	-8.55%	\$ 10,112,153	14.79%
Income available for debt service	\$ 18,418,887	\$ 19,698,653	\$ 29,756,927	\$ 10,058,274	51.06%	\$ 1,279,766	6.95%
Maximum annual debt service (ADS)	\$ 7,056,895	\$ 7,056,895	\$ 6,357,000	\$ (699,895)	-9.92%	\$ -	0.00%
Maximum ADS coverage	261%	279%	468%		67.74%		6.90%

*Although Capacity fees are allocated to Contributions of Capital, they are available for debt service under the Bond Ordinance

With this continued strong debt service coverage ratio, the Commission has the ability and capacity to issue additional bonds to fund future capital additions to the system. As a result of the increase in capital reserves and strategic planning, the Commission currently anticipates internally funding capital projects within the current long-range Capital Improvement Plan through fiscal year 2024.

Economic Outlook and Final Comments

The economic outlook for the Greenville and Spartanburg Counties continues to show positive trends in several areas. With the continued increase in the receipt of capacity fees received by the Commission, both Greenville and Spartanburg Counties are showing continual developer activity, which coincides with economic growth. Both Greenville and Spartanburg Counties have experienced an increase of .94% in the number of jobs as of December 31, 2019 compared to prior year. Unemployment rates for the Greenville and Spartanburg Counties were 1.8% at the end of 2019 and per capita personal income has increased 6.66% from prior year. Population increases in both counties mirror the positive trend the Commission has seen in customer growth.

These positive economic indicators promote the financial health and sustainability of the Commission. The Commission is committed to fiscal responsibility, which is our assurance we will sensibly spend, earn and generate funds without placing undue hardship on our ratepayers. While the impacts of COVID-19 on the Commission can not be fully realized at this point, we have reason to believe this event will not affect the overall business plan for 2020. It will certainly not change our expectations for rate increases in the immediate future.

The Commission considered a variety of factors in developing the fiscal year 2020 budget, including required rates by utility and customer class, user fees, and other charges. The Commission is required under the Ordinance to set rates and fees at levels which are at least sufficient to provide 100% of the amounts required to be deposited into the Operation and Maintenance Fund for the then current fiscal year, any amounts required to be deposited into any Debt Service Reserve Fund for the then current fiscal year, and any other amounts necessary to comply with the terms of the Bond Ordinance or any other contract or agreement with the Bondholders.

The fiscal year 2020 budget provided for no rate increases in any of the Commission's utility services. For 2020, requirements, such as increasing legislative environmental requirements mandated for our drinking water and wastewater treatment facilities, volatile natural gas markets and the rising cost of purchased power, rising health care costs, and the general overall effects of inflation on our day-to-day operating requirements, must be dealt

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with effectively through the rates and fees charged for our services in order to achieve revenue sufficiency and appropriate levels of debt service coverage for each of the four operating utilities.

The Commission's customer base for each utility is evaluated in consideration of the City and County projected population growth, the impacts of annexations, the general economy, and other known factors affecting each individual utility.

Contacting the Commission's Finance Manager

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the Commission's finances and to demonstrate the Commission's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to the office of: Angela M. Karcher, Finance Manager, Greer Commission of Public Works, P.O. Box 216, Greer, South Carolina 29652-0216.

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STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

	December 31,	
	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 34,334,854	\$ 27,823,763
Accounts receivable - customer (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$240,095 and \$275,644 for 2019 and 2018, respectively)	10,076,345	12,339,079
Inventories	3,791,864	3,329,434
Prepaid expenses	126,860	168,675
Restricted assets, cash and cash equivalents	10,545,384	10,016,986
Total Current Assets	58,875,307	53,677,937
Noncurrent Assets		
Capital Assets:		
Utility plant	378,314,045	365,304,402
Less: accumulated depreciation	(150,565,825)	(144,433,209)
Net utility plant	227,748,220	220,871,193
Total Noncurrent Assets	227,748,220	220,871,193
Total Assets	286,623,527	274,549,130
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Unamortized charge on refunding	234,346	277,358
Deferred outflows-other postemployment benefits	390,000	287,000
Deferred outflows-pension	1,185,734	1,940,821
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	1,810,080	2,505,179
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	5,428,399	6,019,592
Construction contract retainage payable	16,718	-
Accrued interest	606,562	634,224
Other accrued liabilities	2,224,303	2,165,232
Customers' deposits	660,256	1,739,175
Compensated absences	713,501	584,428
Current portion of landfill post-closure liability	16,700	16,700
Current portion of long-term debt	4,214,242	4,810,984
Total Current Liabilities	13,880,681	15,970,335
Long-term Liabilities		
Landfill post-closure liability, net of current portion	200,400	217,100
Total other postemployment benefit liability	941,833	3,041,000
Net pension liability	15,943,992	16,797,856
Long-term debt, net of unamortized premium and current portion of long-term debt	56,388,730	63,439,534
Total Long-term Liabilities	73,474,955	83,495,490
Total Liabilities	87,355,636	99,465,825
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred inflows-pension	1,268,227	609,413
Deferred inflows-other postemployment benefits	1,932,034	78,000
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,200,261	687,413
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	167,379,594	153,598,034
Restricted for:		
Debt service	472,525	435,807
Capital projects	9,412,603	7,842,003
Unrestricted	20,612,988	15,025,227
Total Net Position	\$ 197,877,710	\$ 176,901,071

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

	December 31,	
	2019	2018
Operating Revenues		
Electric revenues	\$ 46,669,567	\$ 45,295,406
Gas revenues	26,981,127	33,642,411
Water revenues	8,799,822	8,496,694
Sewer revenues	6,895,616	6,572,392
Other operating revenues	3,385,778	2,943,543
Total Operating Revenues	92,731,910	96,950,446
Operating Expenses		
Purchased power	37,327,972	36,821,848
Purchased gas	12,366,038	20,498,377
Depreciation	8,779,476	8,887,018
Other operating expenses	22,095,485	21,177,768
Total Operating Expenses	80,568,971	87,385,011
Operating Income	12,162,939	9,565,435
Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Investment income	164,512	93,200
Loss on sale of capital assets	(741,833)	(282,974)
Interest expense	(1,978,928)	(2,059,903)
Revenues from electric demand credits	7,019,551	2,973,834
Intergovernmental expense to the City of Greer	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total Non-operating Revenues (Expenses), Net	3,463,302	(275,843)
Income before Contributions	15,626,241	9,289,592
Capital Contributions	5,350,398	6,911,660
Change in Net Position	20,976,639	16,201,252
Net Position, Beginning of Year	176,901,071	160,699,819
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 197,877,710	\$ 176,901,071

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

	December 31,	
	2019	2018
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash Received from Customers	\$ 90,529,947	\$ 92,921,151
Cash Paid to Employees	(8,314,858)	(7,059,633)
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(64,103,097)	(70,523,786)
Other receipts	3,385,778	2,943,543
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	21,497,770	18,281,275
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities		
Intergovernmental Payments to the City of Greer	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Electric Demand Credit Revenues Received	7,019,551	2,973,834
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	6,019,551	1,973,834
Cash Flows for Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Capital Grants and Contributions	1,960,645	2,846,390
Construction and Improvement of Utility Plant	(13,392,133)	(11,025,192)
Debt Principal Payments	(7,610,982)	(4,013,913)
Proceeds from Sales of Capital Assets	400,268	106,572
Interest Paid	(2,000,142)	(2,077,382)
Net Cash Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities	(20,642,344)	(14,163,525)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest Received	164,512	93,200
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	164,512	93,200
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	7,039,489	6,184,784
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	37,840,749	31,655,965
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 44,880,238	\$ 37,840,749
Per Statement of Net Position:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 34,334,854	\$ 27,823,763
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Restricted	10,545,384	10,016,986
	\$ 44,880,238	\$ 37,840,749

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See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 AND 2018

	December 31,	
	2019	2018
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Operating Income	\$ 12,162,939	\$ 9,565,435
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	8,779,476	8,887,018
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	2,262,734	(1,358,734)
Increase in Inventory	(462,430)	(419,113)
Decrease in Prepaid Expenses	41,815	183,274
Decrease in Deferred Outflows of Resources	652,087	639,756
Decrease in Accounts Payable	(625,314)	(663,934)
Increase in Other Accrued Liabilities	222,265	1,186,159
Increase (Decrease) in Customer Deposits	(1,078,919)	272,982
Increase (Decrease) in Total Other Postemployment Benefit Liability	(2,099,167)	239,000
Decrease in Net Pension Liability	(853,864)	(692,569)
Decrease in Landfill Post-closure Liability	(16,700)	(11,500)
Increase in Deferred Inflows of Resources	2,512,848	453,501
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 21,497,770	\$ 18,281,275
Non-Cash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities:		
Non-cash Capital Contributions	\$ 3,389,753	\$ 4,065,270

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Greer Commission of Public Works (the “Commission”) is a municipal utility system established in 1913 to furnish electricity, natural gas, water, and sanitary sewer service to the City of Greer (the “City”) and the surrounding area. The Commission is governed by three elected Commissioners and managed by an appointed General Manager.

For its electric service needs, under an all requirements contract, the Commission is a member of Piedmont Municipal Power Agency (“PMPA”) which owns a 25% undivided ownership interest in Duke Energy’s Catawba Nuclear Station Unit 2 and its initial nuclear core. This jointly-owned reactor furnishes approximately 96% of the Commission’s electrical needs. The Commission also purchases power from the U.S. Department of Energy – Southeastern Power Administration and from the Laurens Electric Cooperative.

In addition to the incorporated City service area, natural gas is provided to five other municipalities. Natural gas supplies are purchased from a variety of sources including Conoco Phillips, BP Energy, Direct Energy, NJR Energy, SW Virginia Gas Company, and other providers and delivered to the Commission’s marketing areas via transmission lines owned by Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Corporation. In June 2013, the Commission began participating as a cooperative buyer from Municipal Gas Acquisition and Supply Corporation (“MuniGas”).

Raw water supply is provided from two reservoirs located approximately 5 miles north of the City. This water undergoes treatment in compliance with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control and Federal Environmental Protection Agency regulations and is partially softened during the process.

The sanitary sewer system consists of a series of collection mains, as well as a primary sewage treatment plant.

The Commission’s significant accounting policies are as follows:

REPORTING ENTITY

This report includes all operations of the Primary Government for which the Commission is financially accountable. The following criteria were used in determining the operations for which financial accountability existed:

1. Selection of a majority of the governing board of the unit
2. Ability to impose its will upon the unit
3. Possibility of the unit to provide a benefit or impose a burden on the Primary Government

There are no component units.

MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The Commission’s accounting records are maintained on the full accrual basis in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental entities and substantially in conformity with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s Uniform System of Accounts.

The Commission accounts for its activities similar to those found in private business enterprises. The Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) and its predecessor organizations have issued accounting and reporting standards for activities in the private sector, however, the Commission has applied all applicable pronouncements issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”).

The Commission reports its activities in a single proprietary fund. Proprietary funds are accounted for using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. The accounting objective of this measurement focus is the determination of operating income, changes in net position (or cost recovery), financial position and cash flows. All assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activities are reported. Proprietary fund equity is classified as net position.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION (CONTINUED)

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

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenue and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Commission are charges to customers for services. The Commission also recognizes origination fees, which are intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system, as operating revenue. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost to provide services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the Commission gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include grants, entitlements, and donations. On the full accrual basis, revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

BUDGETS

The Commission is not required by law to adopt a formal budget; however, the Commission does adopt and maintain a formal budget annually.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For purposes of reporting cash flows, the Commission considers cash on hand, demand deposits and all highly liquid non-equity investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

INVESTMENTS

The Commission's investment policy is designed to operate within existing State of South Carolina statutes that authorize the Commission to invest in the following:

- a. Obligations of the United States of America and agencies thereof;
- b. General obligations of the State of South Carolina or any of its political units;
- c. Financial institutions to the extent that the same are insured by an agency of the federal government;
- d. Certificates of deposit and funds in deposit accounts with banking institutions provided that such certificates and funds in deposit accounts are collaterally insured by securities of the type described in (a) and (b) above, held by a third party as escrow agent, or custodian of a market value, not less than the amount of the certificates or funds in deposit accounts so secured, including interest; provided, however, such collateral shall not be required to the extent the same are insured by an agency of the federal government;
- e. Collateralized repurchase agreements when collateralized by securities as set forth in (a) and (b) above and held by the Commission or a third party as escrow agent or custodian; and
- f. South Carolina Pooled Investment Fund established and maintained by the State Treasurer.

All investments are stated at their fair values.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Customer receivables represent fees for utility services earned but not yet collected. The Commission recognizes revenue as earned on a monthly basis, based on rates established by the Commission's Board of Commissioners. Due to the fact that the customer meters are read and billed at various times during each month, the Commission estimates unbilled revenues for each of its services delivered to customers between their last respective cycle billing date and December 31, and records that amount as unbilled revenues for the current year. Estimated unbilled revenues as of December 31, 2019 and 2018 were \$4,159,663 and \$4,393,360, respectively. Receivables are reported net of applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts. Management reviews account receivables on a regular basis to determine if any receivables will potentially be uncollectible. The allowance for uncollectible accounts includes amounts estimated through an evaluation of specific accounts, based on the best available facts and circumstances, of customers that may be unable to meet their financial obligations, and a reserve based on historical experience. Management believes that the allowance for uncollectible accounts as of year-end was adequate.

INVENTORIES AND PREPAID EXPENSES

Materials and supplies inventories are valued at average cost, and consists of materials, supplies, and fuel. Prepaid expenses consist of items such as general liability insurance premiums that have been paid during 2019 and 2018, but are recognized over the appropriate accounting periods.

RESTRICTED ASSETS

Restricted assets consist of cash that will be used for future additions to utility plant or to meet debt service obligations on debt issued to fund additions to utility plant, as prescribed by the underlying bond ordinance.

UTILITY PLANTS

Utility plant is stated at cost and contributed capital assets are recorded at their acquisition fair value at the date of contribution. Interest cost on debt issued to finance the construction of the utility plant is capitalized during the construction period. Interest capitalization during the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 was \$256,063 and \$202,705, respectively. Minimum capitalization costs are \$1,000.

Capital assets of the Commission are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>		<u>Years</u>
Electric distribution system	25	Finance building	50
Gas distribution system	33	Operations center	50
Water system	50	Vehicle maintenance facility	33
Compressed natural gas station	15	Buildings	10
Recreational facilities	25	Fiber optic	10
Disposal plants and sanitary sewer	50	Vehicles and other work equipment	6.8
Lift stations	20	Office equipment and furniture	6.8

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 was \$8,779,476 and \$8,887,018, respectively.

Costs of labor, materials, supervision, and other expenses incurred in making repairs and minor replacements and in maintaining the plant are charged to expense. Plant accounts are charged with the costs of permanent betterments and replacements of plant, including capitalized labor, as appropriate. Donated assets are valued at acquisition value at the date of donation.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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 South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS) and Police Officers Retirement System (PORS) and additions to/deductions from SCRS's/PORS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by SCRS and PORS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employer contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred outflow of resources and deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense) until then. Unamortized charge on refunding reported on the Statement of Net Position and employer pension and OPEB contributions subsequent to the measurement date of the net pension liability and total OPEB liability not included in pension/OPEB expenses are reported as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources. Additional pension and OPEB related deferred outflows/inflows of resources reported on the Statement of Net Positions include: (1) differences between expected and actual experience, (2) differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments, (3) changes in actuarial assumptions, and (4) changes in proportion and differences between Commission contributions and proportionate share of pension contributions.

COMPENSATED ABSENCES

In prior years it has been the Commission's policy to permit employees to accrue earned but unused paid vacation time and general leave. In 2019, the Commission implemented a policy combining paid vacation time and general leave into one category of paid leave that has been earned but unused referred to as personal time off (PTO). PTO vests when earned. Under the new policy, employees with existing leave balances are permitted to accumulate and carry over up to 80 hours of earned but unused PTO. Amounts in excess of 80 hours at year end will be paid out to employees in January of the following year. PTO within the annual carryover limit and the amount earned in excess of 80 hours to be paid to employees in January of the following year is reported a liability on the Statement of Net Position.

AMORTIZATION

Bond premiums and discounts are recorded and amortized over the life of the respective bonds using a method that approximates the effective interest method.

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The Commission receives contributions in aid of construction from customers in the form of capacity fees for water and sewer expansions, from developer contributions, as well as from federal, state, and local grants principally for utility plant.

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 reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain amounts in the prior year data have been reclassified in order to be consistent with the current year's presentation.

DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES

The Commission has developed a hedging policy, which provides guidelines for the use of natural gas and financial futures, options, and other contracts. The purpose of the hedging policy is to mitigate the risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates and/or natural gas prices.

By using derivative financial instruments to hedge exposures to changes in natural gas prices, the Commission exposes itself to credit risk and market risk. Credit risk is the failure of the counterparty to perform under the terms of the derivative contract.

When the fair value of a derivative contract is positive, the counterparty owes the Commission, which creates credit risk for the Commission. When the fair value of a derivative contract is negative, the Commission owes the counterparty and, therefore, it does not possess credit risk.

The Commission minimizes the credit risk in derivative instruments by entering into transactions with high-quality counterparties. Market risk is the adverse effect on the value of a financial instrument that results from a change in interest rates or commodity prices. The market risk associated with commodity-price contracts is managed by establishing and monitoring parameters that limit the types and degree of market risk that may be undertaken.

Cumulative changes in the fair value of hedge contracts are recorded at the time the contracts are closed. At December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission had a total of 11 contracts outstanding hedging the natural gas system supply and supply for other specific non-system customers, depending upon the expected month of future delivery. These contracts represent a total outstanding commitment of \$8,019,661 and \$8,176,075 at an average cost of \$2.45 and \$3.17 per dekatherm of natural gas at December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

NET POSITION

Net position is the difference between assets/deferred outflows of resources and liabilities/deferred inflows of resources. Net position comprises the various net earnings from operating and non-operating revenues, expenses and contributions of capital. Net position is classified in the following three components: net investment in capital assets, restricted for debt service and for capital projects, and unrestricted net position. Net investment in capital assets consists of all capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt and other liabilities that is attributable to the acquisition, construction and improvement of those assets; unspent debt proceeds or other restricted cash and investments is excluded from the determination. Net position restricted for debt service and capital projects consists of net position for which constraints are placed thereon by external parties, such as lenders, grantors, laws, regulations and enabling legislation. Unrestricted net position consists of all other net position not included in the above categories. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Commission's policy to use restricted resources first and use unrestricted resources as they are needed.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2. PROJECT POWER SALES AGREEMENT

The Commission, as a member of the Piedmont Municipal Power Agency (PMPA), is party to the Catawba Project Power Sales Agreements (the "Sales Agreements"). These Sales Agreements oblige PMPA to provide each member a share of the Catawba Nuclear Station (the "Project") power output and, in turn, each member must pay its share of Project costs.

Members make their payments on a "take-or-pay" basis whether or not the Project is operable or operating. Such payments are not subject to reduction or offset and are not conditioned upon performance by PMPA or any given member. The Sales Agreements are in effect until the earlier of August 1, 2025, or the completion of payments of PMPA's bonds and satisfaction of obligations under the Project agreements. The Commission's share of PMPA's total energy usage was approximately 9.34% and 15.90% in 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The Commission, as a member of PMPA, is also party to the Supplemental Power Sales Agreements (the "Supplemental Agreements") under which each member has agreed to pay, in exchange for supplemental bulk power supply costs, its share of supplemental bulk power supply costs. A member may terminate its Supplemental Agreement with ten years advance notice. Accordingly, the Commission provided PMPA advance written notice to terminate the Supplemental Power Sales Agreement on December 31, 2018. The termination will be effective on December 31, 2028. During 2019 and 2018, the Commission purchased \$29,470,938 and \$33,123,126, respectively, from PMPA under the two agreements discussed above. On December 31, 2019 and 2018, amounts due to PMPA of \$2,190,164 and \$2,640,738, respectively, were included in accounts payable.

NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At December 31, 2019, the carrying value of deposits included in cash and cash equivalents was \$41,620,547 and the bank balance was \$42,037,480. Additionally at December 31, 2019, the Commission's cash and cash equivalents include petty cash of \$11,082 and deposits with the South Carolina State Treasurer's Office Local Government Investment Pool of \$3,248,609. At December 31, 2018, the carrying value of deposits included in cash and cash equivalents was \$34,665,396 and the bank balance was \$34,926,506. Additionally at December 31, 2019, the Commission's cash and cash equivalents include petty cash of \$1,961 and deposits with the South Carolina State Treasurer's Office Local Government Investment Pool of \$3,173,392. The bank deposits were covered by federal depository insurance up to \$250,000 and/or fully collateralized with eligible securities held by an agent of the Commission in the Commission's name. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") covers \$250,000 for substantially all depository accounts.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that rising interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of the Commission's deposits. As outlined in the Commission's investment policy, investment maturities shall be less than two years and maturities shall be staggered in a way that avoids undue concentration in a specific maturity sector. A competitive bidding process is utilized, only allowing a select list of qualified commercial banks to participate.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

Credit Risk

The deposits of the Commission are invested pursuant to statutes established by the state of South Carolina. The statutes allow for the investment of money in the following investments:

- a) Obligations of the United States and its agencies.
- b) General obligations of the state of South Carolina or any of its political units. Savings and loan association deposits to the extent they are insured by the FDIC.
- c) Certificates of deposit which are collaterally secured by securities of the type described above, held by a third party as escrow agent or custodian, at a fair value not less than the amount of certificates of deposit so secured, including interest; provided, however, such collateral shall not be required to the extent the same are insured by an Agency of the Federal government.
- d) Collateralized repurchase agreements which are collateralized by securities as set forth in (a) and (b) above.

In addition, the South Carolina state statutes authorize the Commission to invest in the South Carolina Local Government Investment Pool ("SCLGIP"). The SCLGIP is an investment pool which does not meet the criteria of GASB Statement No. 79 and is thus valued at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31. As a result, the Department does not disclose investment in the SCLGIP within the fair value hierarchy. As of December 31, 2019 and 2018, the underlying security ratings of the Commission's investment in the SCLGIP may be obtained from the SCLGIP's complete financial statements. This investment pool does not have a credit quality rating assigned. These financial statements may be obtained by writing to the State Treasurer's Office, Local Government Investment Pool, Post Office Box 11778, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

Custodial Credit Risk

For a deposit, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Commission will not be able to recover the value of its deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Commission's deposits are subject to insurance provided by the FDIC and are fully collateralized with U.S. Treasury, "AAA" rated Federal Agency securities, or general obligations of the state of South Carolina or any of its political units.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The investment policy of the Commission places no limit on the amount that the Commission may invest in any one issuer. During 2019 and 2018, the Commission had no investments.

NOTE 4. INVENTORIES

Inventories at December 31, 2019 and 2018, consist of the following:

	2019	2018
Electric	\$ 1,911,284	\$ 1,806,714
Gas	1,364,739	1,139,037
Water and sewer	471,953	343,012
Other	9,774	11,430
Gasoline	34,114	29,241
Total Inventories	\$ 3,791,864	\$ 3,329,434

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5. UTILITY PLANT

The following is a summary of changes in utility plant as of December 31, 2019:

	December 31, 2018	Additions	Classification Transfers	Disposals	December 31, 2019
Utility plant not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 2,692,270	\$ 622,252	\$ 2,667,334	\$ -	\$ 5,981,856
Construction in progress	3,807,570	4,920,180	(1,575,105)	(8,164)	7,144,481
Total utility plant not being depreciated	6,499,840	5,542,432	1,092,229	(8,164)	13,126,337
Utility plant being depreciated:					
Electric distribution system	63,111,789	2,706,101	(48,211)	(445,503)	65,324,176
Gas distribution system	75,292,672	2,143,526	162,136	(899,209)	76,699,125
Water distribution system	80,691,782	2,551,216	171,939	(815,688)	82,599,249
Water reservoirs and dams	12,848,308	9,369	(1,220,275)	-	11,637,402
Recreational facilities	773,760	-	3,995	-	777,755
Disposal plants and sanitary sewer	104,195,666	2,535,319	(150,237)	-	106,580,748
Finance building	704,302	32,309	-	-	736,611
Operations center	5,764,390	95,721	-	-	5,860,111
Vehicle maintenance facility	384,680	-	-	-	384,680
Buildings	75,000	-	-	-	75,000
Vehicles and other work equipment	11,044,469	911,444	(9,609)	(1,268,131)	10,678,173
Office equipment and furniture	3,367,544	271,167	15,100	(369,333)	3,284,478
Fiber optic	550,200	-	-	-	550,200
Total utility plant being depreciated	358,804,562	11,256,172	(1,075,162)	(3,797,864)	365,187,708
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Electric distribution system	(31,231,187)	(1,926,852)	(376)	445,293	(32,713,122)
Gas distribution system	(33,453,401)	(2,001,661)	(27,581)	470,439	(35,012,204)
Water distribution system	(26,126,831)	(1,513,364)	(78,290)	290,221	(27,428,264)
Water reservoirs and dams	(5,718,701)	(177,058)	10	-	(5,895,749)
Recreational facilities	(345,755)	(20,506)	(9)	-	(366,270)
Disposal plants and sanitary sewer	(32,675,988)	(1,961,357)	44,970	-	(34,592,375)
Finance building	(160,797)	(18,122)	-	-	(178,919)
Operations center	(3,595,603)	(122,161)	1	-	(3,717,763)
Vehicle maintenance facility	(267,513)	(9,859)	-	-	(277,372)
Buildings	(75,000)	-	-	-	(75,000)
Vehicles and other work equipment	(7,986,939)	(754,930)	(24,491)	1,183,748	(7,582,612)
Office equipment and furniture	(2,455,432)	(251,736)	(6,292)	349,218	(2,364,242)
Fiber optic	(340,062)	(21,870)	(1)	-	(361,933)
Total accumulated depreciation	(144,433,209)	(8,779,476)	(92,059)	2,738,919	(150,565,825)
Utility plant, net	\$ 220,871,193				\$ 227,748,220

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 5. UTILITY PLANTS (CONTINUED)

The following is a summary of changes in utility plant as of December 31, 2018:

	December 31, 2017	Additions	Classification Transfers	Disposals	December 31, 2018
Utility plant not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 2,684,952	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ (182)	\$ 2,692,270
Construction in progress	4,128,573	2,890,120	(3,204,967)	(6,156)	3,807,570
Total utility plant not being depreciated	6,813,525	2,897,620	(3,204,967)	(6,338)	6,499,840
Utility plant being depreciated:					
Electric distribution system	57,996,292	3,000,591	2,332,581	(217,675)	63,111,789
Gas distribution system	71,533,509	2,937,319	821,844	-	75,292,672
Water distribution system	78,051,517	2,746,971	(7,662)	(99,044)	80,691,782
Water reservoirs and dams	12,835,008	20,669	(7,369)	-	12,848,308
Recreational facilities	773,734	14,772	-	(14,746)	773,760
Disposal plants and sanitary sewer	101,531,322	2,600,372	63,972	-	104,195,666
Finance building	704,302	-	-	-	704,302
Operations center	5,764,390	-	-	-	5,764,390
Vehicle maintenance facility	437,496	-	-	(52,816)	384,680
Buildings	75,000	-	-	-	75,000
Vehicles and other work equipment	11,149,286	624,062	4,958	(733,837)	11,044,469
Office equipment and furniture	4,186,350	229,201	892	(1,048,899)	3,367,544
Fiber optic	550,200	-	-	-	550,200
Total utility plant being depreciated	345,588,406	12,173,957	3,209,216	(2,167,017)	358,804,562
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Electric distribution system	(29,483,387)	(1,863,346)	(8,850)	124,396	(31,231,187)
Gas distribution system	(31,448,549)	(2,004,852)	-	-	(33,453,401)
Water distribution system	(24,626,891)	(1,521,472)	(1,982)	23,514	(26,126,831)
Water reservoirs and dams	(5,541,784)	(176,926)	9	-	(5,718,701)
Recreational facilities	(326,713)	(20,409)	(383)	1,750	(345,755)
Disposal plants and sanitary sewer	(30,710,122)	(1,965,867)	1	-	(32,675,988)
Finance building	(142,677)	(18,122)	2	-	(160,797)
Operations center	(3,473,001)	(122,602)	-	-	(3,595,603)
Vehicle maintenance facility	(257,706)	(9,859)	(62)	114	(267,513)
Buildings	(75,000)	-	-	-	(75,000)
Vehicles and other work equipment	(7,818,076)	(881,261)	(11,292)	723,690	(7,986,939)
Office equipment and furniture	(3,096,106)	(280,386)	(63,624)	984,684	(2,455,432)
Fiber optic	(318,146)	(21,916)	-	-	(340,062)
Total accumulated depreciation	(137,318,158)	(8,887,018)	(86,181)	1,858,148	(144,433,209)
Utility plant, net	\$ 215,083,773				\$ 220,871,193

Transfers of construction in progress are shown as additions to utility plant being depreciated.

At December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission had outstanding contractual commitments of \$37,050 and \$0, respectively, related to additions to the utility plant. Such construction will be financed from cash flows from operations, and available cash and investments. The Commission is reevaluating the useful life of building assets and anticipates the effect to be immaterial to 2019 and 2018, respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, is as follows:

Description	Rate	December 31, 2017	New Issuance	Payments	December 31, 2018	New Issuance	Payments	December 31, 2019	Current
Revenue Bonds:									
Series 2002	3.00% to 5.50%	\$ 22,865,000	\$ -	\$ (225,000)	\$ 22,640,000	\$ -	\$ (235,000)	\$ 22,405,000	\$ 250,000
Series 2007	4.02%	3,404,476	-	(283,299)	3,121,177	-	(294,688)	2,826,489	306,534
Series 2015	2.10%	3,745,000	-	(435,000)	3,310,000	-	(445,000)	2,865,000	455,000
Series 2017	1.99%	14,555,000	-	(1,695,000)	12,860,000	-	(1,730,000)	11,130,000	1,765,000
		\$ 44,569,476	\$ -	\$ (2,638,299)	\$ 41,931,177	\$ -	\$ (2,704,688)	\$ 39,226,489	\$ 2,776,534
Add: Bond Premiums		413,985	-	(36,560)	377,425	-	(36,564)	340,861	-
Total Revenue Bonds		\$ 44,983,461	\$ -	\$ (2,674,859)	\$ 42,308,602	\$ -	\$ (2,741,252)	\$ 39,567,350	\$ 2,776,534
State Revolving Fund Loans:									
Series 2004	2.25%	\$ 6,108,242	\$ -	\$ (303,824)	\$ 5,804,418	\$ -	\$ (310,718)	\$ 5,493,700	\$ 317,768
Series 2005	2.25%	5,087,851	-	(262,414)	4,825,437	-	(268,368)	4,557,069	274,458
Series 2007	2.25%	8,426,455	-	(665,901)	7,760,554	-	(681,010)	7,079,544	696,463
Series 2009	2.25%	4,194,982	-	(143,475)	4,051,507	-	(146,198)	3,905,309	149,019
Total State Revolving Fund Loans		\$ 23,817,530	\$ -	\$ (1,375,614)	\$ 22,441,916	\$ -	\$ (1,406,294)	\$ 21,035,622	\$ 1,437,708
Other Long-term Liabilities									
Santee Cooper Loan	0.00%	\$ 3,500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000	\$ -	\$ (3,500,000)	\$ -	\$ -
Landfill post-closure costs	n/a	245,300	-	(11,500)	233,800	-	(16,700)	217,100	16,700
Compensated absences	n/a	385,359	228,959	(29,890)	584,428	862,644	(733,571)	713,501	713,501
Net pension liabilities	n/a	17,490,425	1,748,679	(2,441,248)	16,797,856	1,705,429	(2,559,293)	15,943,992	-
Total other postemployment benefits liability	n/a	2,802,000	380,000	(141,000)	3,041,000	178,878	(2,278,045)	941,833	-
Total Other Long-term Liabilities		\$ 24,423,084	\$ 2,357,638	\$ (2,623,638)	\$ 24,157,084	\$ 2,746,951	\$ (9,087,609)	\$ 17,816,426	\$ 730,201
Total Long-term Liabilities		\$ 93,224,075	\$ 2,357,638	\$ (6,674,111)	\$ 88,907,602	\$ 2,746,951	\$ (13,235,155)	\$ 78,419,398	\$ 4,944,443
Less current portion		(4,031,434)			(4,827,684)			(4,944,443)	
Total Long-term Liabilities		\$ 89,192,641			\$ 84,079,918			\$ 73,474,955	

Revenue Bonds and State Revolving Fund Loans Payable

Revenues bonds payable consist of bonded indebtedness secured by statutory liens on the pledged revenues. The revenue bonds, together with the interest thereon, are payable from revenues derived by the Commission from the operation of its systems and monies on deposit in any fund or account established pursuant to the bond ordinance. The Commission is required to comply with various limitations, restrictions and covenants contained in the various bond indentures and ordinances. In the event of default by the Commission, the lender may declare the outstanding principal and all unpaid interest accrued to be due and payable immediately.

State Revolving Fund loans payable were entered into by the Commission and the South Carolina State Revolving Fund Program to finance the acquisition and construction water and waste water facilities and infrastructure. The loans, together with the interest thereon, are payable from revenues derived by the Commission from the operation of its systems and monies on deposit in any fund or account established pursuant to the loan agreements. The Commission is required to comply with various limitations, restrictions and covenants contained in the various loan agreements and ordinances. In the event of default by the Commission, the lender may declare the outstanding principal and all unpaid interest accrued to be due and payable immediately.

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NOTE 6. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

Long-term debt payable as of December 31, 2019 and 2018 are as follows:

	2019	2018
Revenue Bonds:		
\$25,060,000 Series 2002 Combined Utility System Revenue Bond used to fund construction and acquisition of certain improvements of utility plants; interest at 3.00% to 5.50%; principal payable annually starting September 1, 2005 and interest payable semi-annually through September 1, 2032.	\$ 22,405,000	\$ 22,640,000
\$5,700,000 Series 2007 Combined Utility System Revenue Bond used to fund construction and acquisition of certain improvements of utility plants; interest at 4.02%; principal payable annually starting September 1, 2008 and interest payable annually through September 2027.	2,826,489	3,121,177
\$4,590,000 Series 2015 Combined Utility System Refunding Bond used to refund Series 2010 Combined Utility System Revenue Bonds; interest at 2.10%; principal payable annually starting September 1, 2016 and interest payable annually through September 1, 2025.	2,865,000	3,310,000
\$14,740,000 Series 2017 Combined Utility System Refunding Bond used to refund Series 2009 Combined Utility System Revenue Bonds; interest at 1.99%; principal payable annually starting September 1, 2017 and interest payable annually through September 1, 2025.	11,130,000	12,860,000
State Revolving Fund Loans:		
South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund loan to finance the Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project; interest at 2.25%; quarterly installments through August 1, 2034.	5,493,700	5,804,418
South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund loan to finance the Water Transmission and Distribution System Improvements Project, interest at 2.25%; quarterly installments through February 1, 2034.	4,557,069	4,825,437
South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund loan to finance the upgrading and expanding of the Maple Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant Project; interest at 2.25%; quarterly installments through March 1, 2029.	7,079,544	7,760,554
South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund loan to finance the construction of a 1.5 million gallon Elevated Water Tank and Transmission Main, interest at 2.25%; quarterly installments through January 1, 2041; partially funded by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act ("ARRA") in the amount of \$2,000,000, interest at 0.0%.	3,905,309	4,051,507

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

(Continued)

	2019	2018
Other Loans:		
South Carolina Public Service Authority junior lien loan to finance the acquisition and installation of an electrical substation; interest at 0.00% in years 1 through 5, and interest reset each year to the current rate of interest on 10-year U.S. Treasury Notes in years 6 through 10; principal and interest payable annually starting September 1, 2018 through September 1, 2022. Loan was paid in full prior to maturity in 2019.	-	3,500,000
Total Long-term debt	\$ 60,262,111	\$ 67,873,093
Current portion of long-term debt	(4,214,242)	(4,810,984)
Bond premium, net of accumulated amortization of \$670,549 in 2019 and \$633,988 in 2018.	340,861	377,425
Long-term debt, net of unamortized premium, and current portion of long-term debt	\$ 56,388,730	\$ 63,439,534

As of December 31, 2019, future maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

	Revenue Bonds		State Revolving Fund Loans		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2020	\$ 2,776,534	\$ 1,624,162	\$ 1,437,708	\$ 461,222	\$ 4,214,242	\$ 2,085,384
2021	2,848,857	1,554,661	1,469,870	429,061	4,318,727	1,983,722
2022	2,916,675	1,482,742	1,463,768	376,255	4,380,443	1,858,997
2023	2,990,008	1,409,048	1,575,543	382,296	4,565,551	1,791,344
2024	3,063,878	1,331,836	1,571,032	327,899	4,634,910	1,659,735
2025-2029	14,805,537	4,996,246	7,761,509	1,095,716	22,567,046	6,091,962
2030-2034	9,825,000	1,100,000	4,445,350	409,089	14,270,350	1,509,089
2035-2039	-	-	1,078,842	99,315	1,078,842	99,315
2040	-	-	232,000	3,632	232,000	3,632
	\$ 39,226,489	\$ 13,498,695	\$ 21,035,622	\$ 3,584,485	\$ 60,262,111	\$ 17,083,180

Defeased Bonds

In prior years, the Commission defeased outstanding debt issues by issuing new debt and depositing the proceeds in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments of the old debt. Thus, the defeased debt and the irrevocable trust are not a part of the financial statements. The advance refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt which is included in the accompanying financial statements as bond defeasance loss and is being amortized as interest expense over the term of the new debt.

In June 2017, the Commission issued \$14,740,000 of refunding bonds at an interest rate of 1.99% to defease the remaining outstanding bonds, net of all cost of debt, of the Series 2009 Combined Utility System Revenue bonds in the amount of \$14,535,000. The Commission completed the refunding to reduce its total debt service payments over a period of 9 years by \$1,433,773 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present values of the old and new debt service payments) of \$1,033,197.

At December 31, 2019 and 2018, the amount of defeased bonds principal outstanding and unpaid by the Trustee was \$25,125,000 and \$26,390,000, respectively.

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NOTE 6. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

Post-Closure Care Costs - Solid Waste Landfills

On October 9, 1991, Federal regulations issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) placed specific requirements pertaining to the closing of municipal solid waste landfills as well as post-closure maintenance for a period of 30 years after closure. During 2003, the Commission recorded a \$435,000 landfill post-closure liability for its South Tyger Monofill landfill. Under the EPA rulings, this amount is to be amortized over the remaining life of the post-closure period, which is 15 years. During a review by independent engineers in September 2017, the landfill post-closure liability was reduced to \$245,300, a decrease of \$42,700, and will be amortized over the remaining post-closure period. For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, amortization in the amount of \$16,700 was recorded against related expenses. Actual cost for post-closure care may vary due to inflation, developments in technology, or changes in laws and regulations.

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS

Pension Plans

The South Carolina Public Employee Benefit Authority (PEBA), created July 1, 2012, is the state agency responsible for the administration and management of the various Retirement Systems and retirement programs of the state of South Carolina, including the State Optional Retirement Program and the S.C. Deferred Compensation Program, as well as the state’s employee insurance programs. As such, PEBA is responsible for administering the South Carolina Retirement Systems’ five defined benefit pension plans. PEBA has an 11-member Board of Directors, appointed by the Governor and General Assembly leadership, which serves as custodian, co-trustee and co-fiduciary of the Systems and the assets of the retirement trust funds. The Retirement System Investment Commission (Commission as the governing body, RSIC as the agency), created by the General Assembly in 2005, has exclusive authority to invest and manage the retirement trust funds’ assets. The Commission, an eight-member board, serves as co-trustee and co-fiduciary for the assets of the retirement trust funds. By law, the State Fiscal Accountability Authority (SFAA), which consists of five elected officials, also reviews certain PEBA Board decisions regarding the actuary of the Systems.

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Systems and additions to/deductions from the Systems fiduciary net position have been determined on the accrual basis of accounting as they are reported by the Systems in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). For this purpose, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred. Benefit and refund expenses are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Investments are reported at fair value.

PEBA issues a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) containing financial statements and required supplementary information for the South Carolina Retirement Systems’ Pension Trust Funds. The CAFR is publicly available on the Retirement Benefits’ link on PEBA’s website at www.peba.sc.gov, or a copy may be obtained by submitting a request to PEBA, PO Box 11960, Columbia, SC 29211-1960. PEBA is considered a division of the primary government of the state of South Carolina and therefore, retirement trust fund financial information is also included in the comprehensive annual financial report of the state.

Plan Description

The South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established July 1, 1945, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-1-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits for teachers and employees of the state and its political subdivisions. SCRS covers employees of state agencies, public school districts, higher education institutions, other participating local subdivisions of government and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly at or after the 2012 general election.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

The South Carolina Police Officers Retirement System (PORS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, was established July 1, 1962, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-11-20 of the South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement and other benefits to police officers and firefighters. PORS also covers peace officers, coroners, probate judges and magistrates.

Membership

Membership requirements are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A brief summary of the requirements is presented below.

SCRS - Generally, all employees of covered employers are required to participate in and contribute to the system as a condition of employment. This plan covers general employees and teachers and individuals newly elected to the South Carolina General Assembly beginning with the November 2012 general election. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.

PORS - To be eligible for PORS membership, an employee must be required by the terms of his employment, by election or appointment, to preserve public order, protect life and property, and detect crimes in the state; to prevent and control property destruction by fire; be a coroner in a full-time permanent position; or be a peace officer employed by the Department of Corrections, the Department of Juvenile Justice or the Department of Mental Health. Probate judges and coroners may elect membership in PORS. Magistrates are required to participate in PORS for service as a magistrate. PORS members, other than magistrates and probate judges, must also earn at least \$2,000 per year and devote at least 1,600 hours per year to this work, unless exempted by statute. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership prior to July 1, 2012, is a Class Two member. An employee member of the system with an effective date of membership on or after July 1, 2012, is a Class Three member.

Benefits

Benefit terms are prescribed in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. PEBA does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms without a legislative change in the code of laws. Key elements of the benefit calculation include the benefit multiplier, years of service, and average final compensation. A brief summary of benefit terms for the system is presented below.

SCRS - A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 65 or with 28 years credited service regardless of age. A member may elect early retirement with reduced pension benefits payable at age 55 with 25 years of service credit. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension upon satisfying the Rule of 90 requirement that the total of the member's age and the member's creditable service equals at least 90 years. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a reduced deferred annuity at age 60 if they satisfy the five or eight years earned service requirement, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members who participate in the death benefit program.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

The annual retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or \$500 every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase. Members who retire under the early retirement provisions at age 55 with 25 years of service are not eligible for the benefit adjustment until the second July 1 after reaching age 60 or the second July 1 after the date they would have had 28 years of service credit had they not retired.

PORS - A Class Two member who has separated from service with at least five or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 25 years of service regardless of age. A Class Three member who has separated from service with at least eight or more years of earned service is eligible for a monthly pension at age 55 or with 27 years of service regardless of age. Both Class Two and Class Three members are eligible to receive a deferred annuity at age 55 with five or eight years of earned service, respectively. An incidental death benefit is also available to beneficiaries of active and retired members of employers who participate in the death benefit program. Accidental death benefits are also provided upon the death of an active member working for a covered employer whose death was a natural and proximate result of an injury incurred while in the performance of duty.

The retirement allowance of eligible retirees or their surviving annuitants is increased by the lesser of one percent or \$500 every July 1. Only those annuitants in receipt of a benefit on July 1 of the preceding year are eligible to receive the increase.

Contributions

Actuarial valuations are performed annually by an external consulting actuary to ensure applicable contribution rates satisfy the funding parameters specified in Title 9 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. Under these provisions, SCRS and PORS contribution requirements must be sufficient to maintain an amortization period for the financing of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) over a period that does not exceed the number of years scheduled in state statute.

Legislation in 2017 increased, but also established a ceiling for SCRS and PORS employee contribution rates. Effective July 1, 2017, employee rates were increased to a capped rate of 9.00 percent for SCRS and 9.75 percent for PORS. The legislation also increased employer contribution rates beginning July 1, 2017 for both SCRS and PORS by two percentage points and further scheduled employer contribution rates to increase by a minimum of one percentage point each year through July 1, 2022. If the scheduled contributions are not sufficient to meet the funding periods set in state statute, the board shall increase the employer contribution rates as necessary to meet the funding periods set for the applicable year. The maximum funding period of SCRS and PORS is scheduled to be reduced over a ten-year schedule from 30 years beginning fiscal year 2018 to 20 years by fiscal year 2028.

Additionally, the Board is prohibited from decreasing the SCRS and PORS contribution rates until the funded ratio is at least 85 percent. If the most recent annual actuarial valuation of the Systems for funding purposes shows a ratio of the actuarial value of system assets to the actuarial accrued liability of the system (the funded ratio) that is equal to or greater than 85 percent, then the board, effective on the following July first, may decrease the then current contribution rates upon making a finding that the decrease will not result in a funded ratio of less than 85 percent. If contribution rates are decreased pursuant to this provision, and the most recent annual actuarial valuation of the system shows a funded ratio of less than 85 percent, then effective on the following July first, and annually thereafter as necessary, the board shall increase the then current contribution rates until a subsequent annual actuarial valuation of the system shows a funded ratio that is equal to or greater than 85 percent. The Commission contributed \$1,112,726 to the SCRS Plan and \$21,292 to the PORS Plan for the year ended December 31, 2019 and contributed \$1,027,657 to the SCRS Plan and \$19,232 to the PORS Plan for the year ended December 31, 2018.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

Required employee contribution rates during the year ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, are as follows:

- SCRS - 9.00% of earnable compensation from January 1st through December 31st
- PORS - 9.75% of earnable compensation from January 1st through December 31st

Required employer contribution rates during the year ended December 31, 2019, are as follows:

SCRS

- 14.41% of earnable compensation from January 1st through June 30th
- 15.41% of earnable compensation from July 1st through December 31st
- Employer incidental death benefit: 0.15% of earnable compensation.

PORS

- 16.84% of earnable compensation from January 1st through June 30th
- 17.84% of earnable compensation from July 1st through December 31st
- Employer incidental death benefit: 0.20% of earnable compensation.
- Employer accidental death benefit: 0.20% of earnable compensation.

Required employer contribution rates during the year ended December 31, 2018, are as follows:

SCRS

- 13.41% of earnable compensation from January 1st through June 30th
- 14.41% of earnable compensation from July 1st through December 31st
- Employer incidental death benefit: 0.15% of earnable compensation

PORS

- 15.84% of earnable compensation from January 1st through June 30th
- 16.84% of earnable compensation from July 1st through December 31st
- Employer incidental death benefit: 0.20% of earnable compensation.
- Employer accidental death benefit: 0.20% of earnable compensation.

Net pension liability

At December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission reported liabilities of \$15,708,423 and \$16,553,103, respectively, for its proportionate share of the SCRS net pension liability and \$235,569 and \$244,753, respectively, for its proportionate share of the PORS net pension liability. The net pension liabilities as of December 31, 2019 and 2018 were measured as of June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2018, respectively, and the total pension liabilities used to calculate the net pension liabilities were determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018, and July 1, 2017, respectively, rolled-forward to the respective measurement dates using generally accepted actuarial principles.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

The Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Commission's long-term share of contributions to the pension plans relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2019 (measurement date for reporting at December 31, 2019), the Commission's proportionate shares of the SCRS plan was 0.068794%, which was 0.005081% lower than its proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2018 (measurement date for reporting at December 31, 2018). At June 30, 2019 (measurement date for reporting at December 31, 2019), the Commission's proportionate shares of the PORS plan was 0.008220%, which was 0.000438% lower than its proportionate share of the net pension liability measured as of June 30, 2018 (measurement date for reporting at December 31, 2018).

Pension expense

For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission recognized pension expense for the SCRS plan of \$1,634,674 and \$1,626,203, respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission recognized pension expense for the PORS plan of \$70,753 and \$72,356, respectively.

Deferred inflows of resources and deferred outflows of resources

At December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources for the SCRS and PORS plans:

	2019		2018	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
SCRS				
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 10,798	\$ 112,847	\$ 29,880	\$ 97,410
Changes of assumption	316,547	-	656,735	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	139,072	-	262,946	-
Changes in proportionate share differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of total plan employer contributions	49,049	1,145,642	338,485	512,003
Commission contributions subsequent to the measurement date to the measurement date	587,022	-	520,861	-
Total SCRS	\$ 1,102,488	\$ 1,258,489	\$ 1,808,907	\$ 609,413
PORS				
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 4,844	\$ 1,741	\$ 7,541	\$ -
Changes of assumption	9,341	-	16,138	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	2,987	-	4,895	-
Changes in proportionate share differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of total plan employer contributions	54,882	7,997	93,126	-
Commission contributions subsequent to the measurement date to the measurement date	11,192	-	10,214	-
Total PORS	\$ 83,246	\$ 9,738	\$ 131,914	\$ -
Total SCRS and PORS	\$ 1,185,734	\$ 1,268,227	\$ 1,940,821	\$ 609,413

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

The \$587,022 and \$11,192 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Commission contributions subsequent to the measurement date for the SCRS and PORS plans, respectively during the year ended December 31, 2019, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liabilities in the year ending December 31, 2020. The \$520,861 and \$10,214 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Commission contributions subsequent to the measurement date for the SCRS and PORS plans, respectively during the year ended December 31, 2018, was recognized as a reduction of the net pension liabilities in the year ending December 31, 2019.

As of December 31, 2019, other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Measurement Year Ending June 30:	SCRS	PORS	Total
2020	\$ 43,820	\$ 35,840	\$ 79,660
2021	(562,883)	21,152	(541,731)
2022	(270,354)	4,890	(265,464)
2023	46,394	434	46,828
Total	\$ (743,023)	\$ 62,316	\$ (680,707)

Actuarial Assumptions and Methods

Actuarial valuations of the plan involve estimates of the reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and future salary increases. Amounts determined regarding the net pension liability are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. South Carolina state statute requires that an actuarial experience study be completed at least once in each five-year period. An experience report on the Systems was most recently issued for the period ending June 30, 2015.

The following table provides a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods used in the July 1, 2018 valuation to calculate the Total Pension Liability as of the June 30, 2019 measurement date.

	SCRS	PORS
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Entry age normal
Actuarial assumptions:		
Investment rate of return	7.25%	7.25%
Inflation	2.25%	2.25%
Projected salary increases	3.0% to 12.5% (varies by service)	3.5% to 9.5% (varies by service)
(Includes inflation at)	2.25%	2.25%
Benefits adjustments	Lessor of 1% or \$500 annually	Lessor of 1% or \$500 annually

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

The post-retiree mortality assumption is dependent upon the member's job category and gender. The base mortality assumption, the 2016 Public Retirees of South Carolina Mortality table (2016 PRSC), was developed using the System's mortality experience. These base rates are adjusted for future improvement in mortality using published Scale AA projected from the year 2016.

Former Job Class	Males	Females
Educators and Judges	2016 PRSC Males multiplied by 92%	2016 PRSC Females multiplied by 98%
General Employees and Members of the General Assembly	2016 PRSC Males multiplied by 100%	2016 PRSC Females multiplied by 111%
Public Safety, Firefighters and members of the South Carolina National Guard	2016 PRSC Males multiplied by 125%	2016 PRSC Females multiplied by 111%

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is based upon 20 year capital market assumptions. The long-term expected rate of returns represent assumptions developed using an arithmetic building block approach primarily based on consensus expectations and market based inputs. Expected returns are net of investment fees. The expected returns, along with the expected inflation rate, form the basis for the target asset allocation adopted at the beginning of the 2019 fiscal year. The long-term expected rate of return is produced by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target allocation percentage and adding expected inflation and is summarized in the table below. For actuarial purposes, the 7.25% assumed annual investment rate of return used in the calculation of the total pension liability includes a 5.00% real rate of return and a 2.25% inflation component.

Asset Class	Target Asset Allocation	Expected Arithmetic Real Rate of Return	Long-Term Expected Portfolio Real Rate of Return
Global Equity	51.0%		
Global Public Equity	35.0%	7.29%	2.55%
Private Equity	9.0%	7.67%	0.69%
Equity Options Strategies	7.0%	5.23%	0.37%
Real Assets	12.0%		
Real Estate (Private)	8.0%	5.59%	0.45%
Real Estate (REITs)	1.0%	8.16%	0.08%
Infrastructure (Private)	2.0%	5.03%	0.10%
Infrastructure (Public)	1.0%	6.12%	0.06%
Opportunistic	8.0%		
Global Tactical Asset Allocation	7.0%	3.09%	0.22%
Other Opportunistic Strategies	1.0%	3.82%	0.04%
Credit	15.0%		
High Yield Bonds/Bank Loans	4.0%	3.14%	0.13%
Emerging Markets Debt	4.0%	3.31%	0.13%
Private Debt	7.0%	5.49%	0.38%
Rate Sensitive	14.0%		
Core Fixed Income	13.0%	1.62%	0.21%
Cash and Short Duration (Net)	1.0%	0.31%	0.00%
Total Expected Real Return	100.0%		5.41%
Inflation for Actuarial Purposes			2.25%
Total Expected Nominal Return			7.66%

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from participating employers in SCRS and PORS will be made based on the actuarially determined rates based on provisions in the South Carolina Code of Laws. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all the projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity analysis

The following table presents the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liabilities as of December 31, 2019 (June 30, 2019 measurement date) of the respective plans calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.00% lower (6.25%) or 1.00% higher (8.25%) than the current rate.

Commission's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
SCRS	\$ 19,789,326	\$ 15,708,423	\$ 12,302,673
PORS	319,252	235,569	167,011
	\$ 20,108,578	\$ 15,943,992	\$ 12,469,684

The following table presents the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liabilities as of December 31, 2018 (June 30, 2018 measurement date) of the respective plans calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the Commission's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.00% lower (6.25%) or 1.00% higher (8.25%) than the current rate.

Commission's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
SCRS	\$ 21,151,792	\$ 16,553,103	\$ 13,265,481
PORS	329,958	244,753	174,963
	\$ 21,481,750	\$ 16,797,856	\$ 13,440,444

Pension plan fiduciary net position

The net pension liability is calculated separately for each system and represents that particular system's total pension liability determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67 less that System's fiduciary net position. As of June 30, 2019 (measurement date for the Commission's year ended December 31, 2019), net pension liability amounts for SCRS and PORS are as follows:

System	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Employers' Net Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
SCRS	\$ 34,447,261	\$ 18,738,838	\$ 15,708,423	54.4%
PORS	631,440	395,871	235,569	62.7%

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 7. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension Plans (Continued)

As of June 30, 2018 (measurement date for the Commission's year ended December 31, 2018), net pension liability amounts for SCRS and PORS are as follows:

System	Total Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position	Employers' Net Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
SCRS	\$ 36,067,052	\$ 19,513,949	\$ 16,553,103	54.1%
PORS	639,555	394,802	244,753	61.7%

The total pension liability is calculated by the System's actuary, and each plan's fiduciary net position is reported in the System's financial statements. The net pension liability is disclosed in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 67 in the System's notes to the financial statements and required supplementary information.

Detailed information regarding the fiduciary net position of the plans administered by PEBA is available in the separately issued CAFR containing financial statements and required supplementary information for SCRS which can be accessed via the contact information provided above.

Employees of the Commission are eligible to participate into two additional programs that allow for income tax deferral through the South Carolina Deferred Compensation Program, specifically in either a 401(k) or 457 plan. Participation in these programs allows an employee to defer up to the maximum amount permissible by the Internal Revenue Service for the respective deferral period. These programs are fully funded by the employee only, thus no matching funds are provided by the Commission.

NOTE 8. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description

Other postemployment benefits (OPEB) are part of the total compensation offered to attract and retain the services of qualified employees. The Commission provides other postemployment benefits under a single-employer benefit plan that provides medical and dental insurance for retired employees and their spouses based on the years of service at the time of retirements. There are no plan assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75. A retiring employee from the Commission who has served at least 30 years in a full time, regular position, is eligible to elect post-retirement insurance coverage, for a maximum of 3 years, or Medicare eligibility, whichever comes first.

In addition to the requirements shown on the following page, retirees must also meet the class rules. Class One employees are those that qualified for retirement with the Commission prior to July 1, 2010. Class Two employees are those employees that qualify for retirement with the Commission on or after July 1, 2010. Spouses of eligible participants are eligible for a maximum of three (3) years of post-retirement insurance coverage.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Employees qualifying for retirement prior to July 1, 2010 (Class 2):

- At age 60 and with 10 years of earned service and 15 years of service qualification with the South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS) or Police Officer's Retirement System (PORS). The participant will pay 100% of the funded premium rates for participant and qualifying spouse.
- At age 60 and with 20 years of earned service and 25 years of service qualification with the SCRS, or PORS. The Commission will pay 100% of the funded premium rate for the participant and qualifying spouse.
- At any age and with 15 years of earned service and 30 years of service qualification with the SCRS or PORS. The Commission will pay 100% of the funded premium rate for the participant and qualifying spouse.
- At any age and with 15 years of earned service and 28 years of service qualification with the SCRS or PORS.

Employees qualifying for retirement on or after July 1, 2010 (Class 3):

- At age 62 and with 30 years of earned service and 30 years of service qualification with the South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS) or Police Officer's Retirement System (PORS). The Commission will pay 100% of the funded premium rate for the participant and qualifying spouse for a maximum of 3 years, or Medicare eligibility, whichever comes first.

The following table provides a summary of the number of participants in the plan as of December 31:

	2019	2018
Inactive plan members or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	8	12
Active plan members	110	104
Total plan members	118	116

The health plan is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. As of December 31, 2019, and 2018, retirees in postemployment status that were eligible for benefits under the Plan included eight and twelve members, respectively.

Total OPEB Liability

The Commission's total OPEB liability as of December 31, 2019 and 2018 was measured as of December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. As of December 31, 2019 (December 31, 2018 measurement date) the Commission's total OPEB liability amounted to \$941,833. As of December 31, 2018 (December 31, 2017 measurement date) the Commission's total OPEB liability was \$3,041,000.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial Assumptions and Other Inputs

The total OPEB liability in the actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Valuation Date	December 31, 2018
Methods and assumptions	
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Discount rate	3.31% as of the December 31, 2017 measurement date 4.10% as of the December 31, 2018 measurement date
Salary increases	3.00% to 9.50%
Mortality	Based on the RP-2014 Mortality Table, fully generational with base year 2006, projected using two-dimensional mortality scale MP-2018
Health care trend rates	7.25% for 2019, declining to an ultimate rate of 4.75% by 2029
Participation rates	100% of active participants are assumed to elect coverage into retirement; 50% of active participants are assumed to cover a spouse into retirement
Other information	
Notes	There were no benefit changes during the year

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revisions as results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. Calculations are based on the substantive plan in effect as of December 31, 2018 (measurement date) and the current sharing pattern of costs between employer and inactive employees.

Discount Rate

For plans that do not have formal assets, the discount rate should equal the tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date. For the purpose of the Commission's valuation for the December 31, 2018 measurement date, the municipal bond index rate is 4.10% (based on the daily rate equal to the Fidelity Index's "20-year Municipal GO AA Index") which was an increase from the December 31, 2017 measurement date rate of 3.31%.

Changes in Total OPEB Liability

The below schedule shows the changes in the total OPEB liability for the years ending December 31, 2019 and 2018:

	2019	2018
Beginning balance at January 1,	\$ 3,041,000	\$ 2,802,000
Changes for the year:		
Service cost	83,297	79,000
Interest	95,581	100,000
Changes in benefit terms	-	-
Differences between expected and actual experience	(616,164)	(85,000)
Changes in assumptions	(1,352,678)	201,000
Benefit payments	(309,203)	(56,000)
Net changes	\$ (2,099,167)	\$ 239,000
Ending balance at December 31,	\$ 941,833	\$ 3,041,000

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in Discount Rate

The following table presents the plan's total OPEB liability at December 31, 2019 (December 31, 2018 measurement date); calculated using a discount rate of 4.10%, as well as what the plan's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher:

	1% Decrease (3.10%)	Discount Rate (4.10%)	1% Increase (5.10%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$1,002,677	\$941,833	\$886,833

The following table presents the plan's total OPEB liability at December 31, 2018 (December 31, 2017 measurement date); calculated using a discount rate of 3.31%, as well as what the plan's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher:

	1% Decrease (2.31%)	Discount Rate (3.31%)	1% Increase (4.31%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$3,519,000	\$3,041,000	\$2,651,000

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in Healthcare Cost Trend Rates

The following table presents the plan's total OPEB liability as of December 31, 2019 (December 31, 2018 measurement date); calculated using the assumed healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the plan's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher:

	1% Decrease (6.25% - 3.75%)	Current Trend Rate (7.25% - 4.75%)	1% Increase (8.25% - 5.75%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$877,032	\$941,833	\$1,019,099

The following table presents the plan's total OPEB liability as of December 31, 2018 (December 31, 2017 measurement date); calculated using the assumed healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the plan's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a healthcare cost trend rate that is one percent lower or one percent higher:

	1% Decrease (7.00% - 4.00%)	Current Trend Rate (8.00% - 5.00%)	1% Increase (9.00% - 6.00%)
Total OPEB Liability	\$2,593,000	\$3,041,000	\$3,624,000

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

Differences between expected and actual experience and changes in assumptions are recognized in OPEB expense using a systematic and rational method over a closed period of equal to the average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with OPEB through the OPEB plan (active and inactive employees) determined as of the beginning of the measurement period.

At the beginning of the current measurement period, the average of the expected remaining service lives of all active employees for the purposes of recognizing the applicable deferred outflows and inflows of resources established in the current measurement period was approximately 10.77 years.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 8. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB at December 31, 2019 and 2018 were as follows:

	December 31, 2019		December 31, 2018	
	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ (704,953)	\$ -	\$ (78,000)
Change in assumptions	169,000	(1,227,081)	185,000	-
Employer contributions after measurement date but prior to fiscal year end	221,000	-	102,000	-
Total	\$ 390,000	\$ (1,932,034)	\$ 287,000	\$ (78,000)

As of December 31, 2019, deferred outflows of resources of \$221,000 related to OPEB resulting from the Commission's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the OPEB liability in the year ended December 31, 2020. As of December 31, 2018, deferred outflows of resources of \$102,000 related to OPEB resulting from the Commission's contributions subsequent to the measurement date were recognized as a reduction of the OPEB liability in the year ended December 31, 2019. As of December 31, 2019, other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:

2020	\$ (181,808)
2021	(181,808)
2022	(181,808)
2023	(181,808)
2024	(181,808)
Thereafter	(853,994)

For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission recognized OPEB expense of (\$2,930) and \$180,000, respectively, as follows:

OPEB Expense	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Service Cost	\$ 83,297	\$ 79,000
Interest on the total OPEB liability	95,581	100,000
Expensed portion of current-period differences between expected and actual experience	(57,211)	-
Expensed portion of current-period changes in assumptions	(125,597)	-
Amortization of Deferred Outflow and Inflow of Resources:		
Differences between expected and actual experience	(15,000)	(15,000)
Changes in assumptions	16,000	16,000
Total OPEB Expense	\$ (2,930)	\$ 180,000

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Commission 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 Commission is insured under policies through the South Carolina Budget and Control Board, Office of the Insurance Reserve Fund (the "Fund") that is a public entity risk pool. The Commission pays premiums to the Fund for its general liability, property, and accidental insurance. The agreement for formation of the Fund provides that the Fund will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will reinsure through commercial companies for each insured event. The Commission carries general liability insurance with coverage of up to \$1,000,000 per occurrence; automobile insurance with coverage of up to \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury; and a public official's and employee liability with coverage of up to \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

The Commission participates in a self-funded insurance plan (the "Plan") whereby the Commission is responsible for the payment of health care claims, administrative costs, and other liabilities incurred by covered active and post-retirement employees. The Plan administrator provides the Commission with an expected claims liability for each fiscal year. These estimates are based upon the Commission's claims history, claims processed following the close of the Plan's year end, and other industry factors. The Commission subsequently purchased a stop-loss insurance plan to ensure the Commission does not pay in excess of 125% of expected claims. Changes in reported liabilities are as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	Beginning Balance	Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claims/ Payments	Ending Balance
2019	\$ 628,991	\$ 2,266,008	\$ 1,747,371	\$ 1,147,628
2018	273,847	2,895,122	2,539,978	628,991

It is the policy of the Commission to provide group health insurance for all its full-time employees and Commissioners. These health insurance policies are administered by a third party.

The Commission also participates in the South Carolina Municipal Insurance Trust ("SCMIT") for workers' compensation insurance coverage up to the statutory limits. This is a public entity risk pool operating as a common risk management and insurance program. The Commission pays premiums to SCMIT for this coverage. The Trust uses reinsurance agreements to reduce its exposure to large workers' compensation losses. There were no significant reductions in coverage in the past fiscal year and there were no settlements exceeding insurance coverage in the past fiscal years.

NOTE 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In 2019 and 2018, the Commission and the City of Greer verbally agreed to addendums to the existing 10-year agreement whereby the Commission makes a fixed payment to the City each year. The Commission recognized expenses of \$1,000,000 in each of 2019 and 2018, respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 11. CONTRIBUTIONS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

The Commission receives capital improvement grants from federal, state, and local government agencies to finance the planning and construction of various water projects. Upon completion of the projects, the Commission is required to have independent audits of grant funds. Such audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to the grantor agencies for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the agreement.

The Commission receives developer contributed assets from various developers during the year of which become property of the Commission for future maintenance. The Commission's policy has been to require residential and commercial developers in need of sewer and water services to develop the needed infrastructure at their costs and then to donate the assets to the Commission at the donated assets acquisition value.

Beginning in September 2000, the Commission initiated a policy of charging developers and consumers capacity fees related to the direct capitalization cost of installing new services in previously undeveloped parts of its service area, with respect to the waterworks and sanitary sewer systems. These fees serve to recover a portion of the economic impact to the Commission directly relating to these system expansions and may be used to pay a portion of the debt service on debt issued to fund such improvements. Capacity fees are recorded as contributions by the Commission.

Contributions for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 are reported in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position as revenues, rather than as directed additions to contributed capital. Developer and consumer capacity fees of \$1,630,000 and \$1,153,000 and capital contributions of \$3,720,398 and \$5,758,660, respectively, are included in contributions.

NOTE 12. PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT

The Commission has a purchased gas adjustment ("PGA") mechanism in place to absorb fluctuations in the cost of natural gas. The Commission amended the PGA to provide the ability to spread the collection of accumulated price spikes over longer periods of time to minimize the impacts on its customers.

The PGA calculation records the actual value paid for the commodity during any month and provides the ability to charge the customer with a price per therm of consumption that would cover a portion of accumulated unbilled amounts, while remaining competitive with other providers in the existing market environment. This future recovery of the cost of natural gas not yet billed is expected to be completed over the course of future billing periods. As of December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission had no accumulated unbilled PGA costs.

NOTE 13. PURCHASED POWER ADJUSTMENT

The Commission has a purchased power adjustment ("PPA") mechanism in place to absorb fluctuations in the cost of electricity. The Commission approved in 2015 the PPA to provide the ability to spread the collection of accumulated price spikes in the second succeeding billing month to minimize the impacts on its customers.

Annually, estimates of the power sales and costs are developed for budgetary purposes and rate setting. The PPA calculation is designed to recover the difference between the Commission's actual cost of purchased power and the estimated purchased power costs, and provides the ability to charge the customer with a price per kilowatt hour. As of December 31, 2019 and 2018, the Commission had no accumulated unbilled PPA costs.

NOTE 14. CONTINGENCIES

The Commission is occasionally involved in claims arising out of its operations in the normal course of business, none of which are expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on the Commission.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

SCHEDULE OF THE COMMISSION'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY DECEMBER 31, 2019

As of June 30,	Commission's Proportion of Net Pension Liability	Commission's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	Commission's Total Payroll	Commission's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Total Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of Total Pension Liability
South Carolina Retirement System					
2019	0.068794%	\$ 15,708,423	\$ 7,264,413	216.2%	54.4%
2018	0.073875%	16,553,103	7,666,617	215.9%	54.1%
2017	0.077065%	17,348,571	7,775,554	223.1%	53.3%
2016	0.076715%	16,386,211	7,428,797	220.6%	52.9%
2015	0.070640%	13,397,217	6,795,936	197.1%	57.0%
2014	0.073261%	12,613,115	6,655,473	189.5%	59.9%
2013	0.073261%	13,140,410	6,564,177	200.2%	56.4%
Police Officers Retirement System					
2019	0.008220%	\$ 235,569	\$ 119,222	197.6%	62.7%
2018	0.008658%	244,753	119,559	204.7%	61.7%
2017	0.005180%	141,854	69,727	203.4%	60.9%
2016	0.004380%	111,123	55,850	199.0%	60.4%
2015	0.002770%	60,481	34,372	176.0%	64.6%
2014	0.000360%	6,930	-	0.0%	67.5%
2013	0.000360%	7,504	-	0.0%	63.0%

The above schedule will present ten years of information once it is accumulated.

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

SCHEDULE OF COMMISSION PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,

As of December 31,	Actuarial Required Contribution	Actual Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Commission's Total Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Total Payroll
South Carolina Retirement System					
2019	\$ 1,112,726	\$ 1,112,726	\$ -	\$ 7,460,067	14.9%
2018	1,027,657	1,027,657	-	7,331,749	14.02%
2017	986,834	986,834	-	7,859,783	12.6%
2016	852,012	852,012	-	7,530,495	11.3%
2015	780,337	780,337	-	7,104,370	11.0%
2014	701,210	701,210	-	6,666,273	10.5%
2013	678,056	678,056	-	6,587,631	10.3%
Police Officers Retirement System					
2019	\$ 21,292	\$ 21,292	\$ -	\$ 122,714	17.4%
2018	19,232	19,232	-	115,144	16.7%
2017	15,230	15,230	-	99,914	15.2%
2016	8,580	8,580	-	62,141	13.8%
2015	6,383	6,383	-	47,648	13.4%
2014	1,837	1,837	-	13,905	13.2%
2013	-	-	-	-	0.0%

NOTES TO SCHEDULE:

(1) Actuarial assumptions used to determine the contractually required contribution are as follows:

	South Carolina Retirement System	Police Officers Retirement System
System	South Carolina Retirement System	Police Officers Retirement System
Calculation date	July 1, 2017	July 1, 2017
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal	Entry Age Normal
Asset valuation method	5-year Smoothed	5-year Smoothed
Amortization method	Level % of pay	Level % of pay
Amortization period	30 years maximum, closed period	30 years maximum, closed period
Investment return	7.25%	7.25%
Inflation	2.25%	2.25%
Salary increases	3.00% plus step-rate increases for members with less than 21 years of service.	3.50% plus step-rate increases for members with less than 15 years of service.
Mortality	2016 Public Retirees of South Carolina Mortality Tables for Males and Females, both projected at Scale AA from the year 2016. Male rates are multiplied by 100% for non-educators and 92% for educators. Female rates multiplied by 111% for non-educators and 98% for educators.	2016 Public Retirees of South Carolina Mortality Tables for Males and Females, both projected at Scale AA from the year 2016. Male rates are multiplied by 125% and female rates are multiplied by 111%.

(2) The above schedule will present ten years of information once it is accumulated.

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE COMMISSION'S TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

	2019	2018	2017
Total OPEB Liability			
Service Cost	\$ 83,297	\$ 79,000	\$ 66,000
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	95,581	100,000	105,000
Changes on Assumptions and Other Inputs	(1,352,678)	201,000	-
Difference between Expected and Actual Experience	(616,164)	(85,000)	(99,000)
Benefit payments	(309,203)	(56,000)	(36,000)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	(2,099,167)	239,000	36,000
Total OPEB Liability-Beginning	3,041,000	2,802,000	2,766,000
Total OPEB Liability-Ending	\$ 941,833	\$ 3,041,000	\$ 2,802,000
Covered-employee Payroll	\$ 6,878,621	\$ 6,531,000	\$ 7,787,224
Discount Rate	4.10%	3.31%	3.81%
Total OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	13.69%	46.56%	35.98%

NOTES TO SCHEDULE:

- (1) This schedule will present 10 years of information once it is accumulated.
- (2) The assumptions used in the preparation of the above schedule are disclosed in Note 8 to the Financial Statements.
- (3) The Commission is not accumulating assets in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75 for payment of future OPEB benefits.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

GREER COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS

**SCHEDULE OF ACTUAL AND BUDGETED REVENUES AND EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019**

	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Operating revenues:			
Electric revenues	\$ 45,950,480	\$ 46,669,567	\$ 719,087
Gas revenues	25,382,486	26,981,127	1,598,641
Water and sewer service	15,108,390	15,695,438	587,048
Other operating revenues	2,523,405	3,385,778	862,373
Total operating revenues	88,964,761	92,731,910	3,767,149
Operating expenses:			
Purchased power	37,473,224	37,327,972	145,252
Purchased gas	12,311,983	12,366,038	(54,055)
Depreciation	8,906,772	8,779,476	127,296
Other operating expenses	29,348,060	22,095,485	7,252,575
Total operating expenses	88,040,039	80,568,971	7,471,068
Net operating revenue	924,722	12,162,939	11,238,217
Non-operating revenues (expenses):			
Interest expense	(2,244,165)	(1,978,928)	265,237
Investment income	90,000	164,512	74,512
Transfers to the City of Greer	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	-
Revenues from electric demand credits	-	7,019,551	7,019,551
Loss on disposal of utility plant	-	(741,833)	(741,833)
Total other expenses, net	(3,154,165)	3,463,302	6,617,467
Change in net position before contributions	(2,229,443)	15,626,241	17,855,684
Contributions			
Contributions	-	5,350,398	5,350,398
Change in net position	\$ (2,229,443)	\$ 20,976,639	\$ 23,206,082

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**SCHEDULE OF DIVISIONAL OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019**

	Electric	Gas	Water	Sewer	Total
Operating revenues:					
Electric and gas sales:					
Residential	\$ 25,752,686	\$ 12,329,513	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,082,199
Commercial	6,376,158	6,717,541	-	-	13,093,699
Industrial and power	14,540,723	7,934,073	-	-	22,474,796
Water and sewer service	-	-	8,799,822	6,895,616	15,695,438
Collection penalties	112,534	172,307	143,297	143,297	571,435
Other operating revenues	579,554	466,936	732,418	1,035,435	2,814,343
Total operating revenues	47,361,655	27,620,370	9,675,537	8,074,348	92,731,910
Operating expenses:					
Purchased power	37,327,972	-	-	-	37,327,972
Purchased gas	-	12,366,038	-	-	12,366,038
Depreciation	2,221,521	2,296,331	2,005,597	2,256,027	8,779,476
Other operating expenses	5,662,201	6,055,437	6,089,875	4,287,972	22,095,485
Total operating expenses	45,211,694	20,717,806	8,095,472	6,543,999	80,568,971
Net operating divisional revenue	\$ 2,149,961	\$ 6,902,564	\$ 1,580,065	\$ 1,530,349	\$ 12,162,939

**STATISTICAL SECTION
(UNAUDITED)**

STATISTICAL SECTION (Unaudited)

This part of the Commission's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the Commission's overall financial health.

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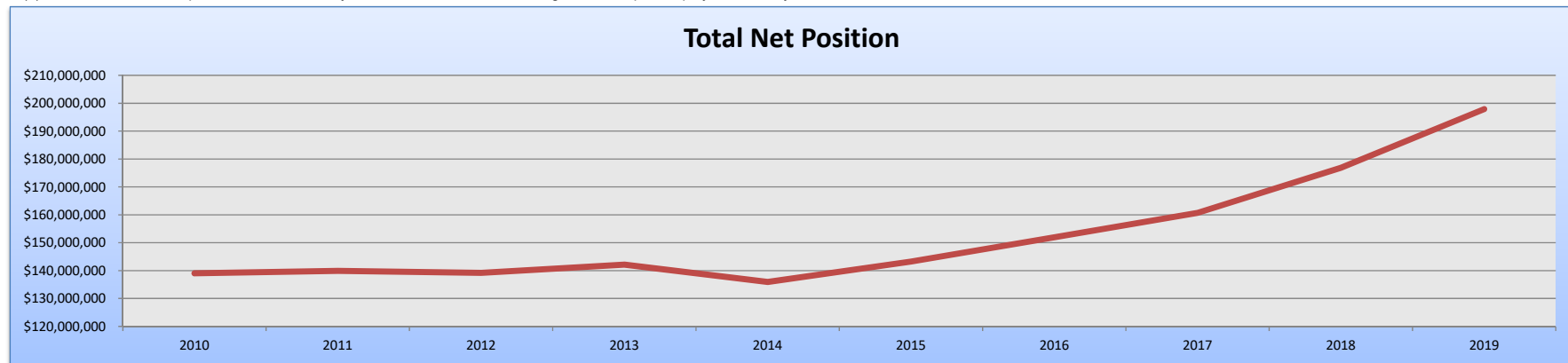
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Combined System
Schedule of Net Position By Component For The Last 10 Years

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 (Restated)	2015	2016	2017 (Restated)	2018	2019
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 111,941,096	\$ 108,561,274	\$ 108,761,825	\$ 108,778,273	\$ 114,376,942	\$ 125,357,319	\$ 131,737,021	\$ 143,103,152	\$ 153,598,034	\$ 167,379,594
Restricted for:										
Debt service	4,952,826	4,467,936	3,565,121	2,505,422	2,871,675	2,390,345	2,194,446	429,032	435,807	472,525
Capital projects	4,874,744	5,169,075	5,606,320	5,944,339	7,408,021	8,025,105	9,176,820	6,744,278	7,842,003	9,412,603
Total restricted	9,827,570	9,637,011	9,171,441	8,449,761	10,279,696	10,415,450	11,371,266	7,173,310	8,277,810	9,885,128
Unrestricted	17,244,248	23,374,253	21,233,711	24,904,878	24,217,176	7,456,275	8,853,337	12,119,357	15,025,227	20,612,988
Change in accounting principles ^{(1) (2) (3)}	-	(1,668,067)	-	-	(12,957,409)	-	-	(1,696,000)	-	-
Unrestricted, restated	17,244,248	21,706,186	21,233,711	24,904,878	11,259,767	7,456,275	8,853,337	10,423,357	15,025,227	20,612,988
Total net position	\$ 139,012,914	\$ 139,904,471	\$ 139,166,977	\$ 142,132,912	\$ 135,916,405	\$ 143,229,044	\$ 151,961,624	\$ 160,699,819	\$ 176,901,071	\$ 197,877,710

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(2) The Commission adopted GASB 68 in fiscal year 2014, which recorded net pension liability

(3) The Commission adopted GASB 75 in fiscal year 2017, which recorded changes to other postemployment liability



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Combined System Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position - Last Ten Fiscal Years ⁽¹⁾

<i>(in thousands)</i>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 (Restated)	2015	2016	2017 (Restated)	2018	2019
OPERATING REVENUES:										
Electric revenues	\$ 32,136	\$ 31,562	\$ 32,224	\$ 34,812	\$ 38,539	\$ 40,756	\$ 42,731	\$ 41,945	\$ 45,295	\$ 46,670
Gas revenues	31,247	26,888	21,932	26,536	30,594	26,201	24,346	26,147	33,642	26,981
Water revenues	5,679	5,634	6,113	5,795	6,862	7,495	8,455	8,401	8,497	8,800
Sewer revenues	4,481	4,526	4,569	4,824	5,061	5,246	5,844	6,269	6,572	6,895
Other operating revenues	1,807	2,022	2,661	2,683	2,729	2,738	3,021	2,911	2,944	3,386
Total operating revenues	75,350	70,632	67,499	74,650	83,785	82,436	84,397	85,673	96,950	92,732
OPERATING EXPENSES:										
Purchased power	25,054	26,509	28,426	30,329	32,895	34,595	36,000	35,502	36,822	37,328
Purchased gas	20,381	16,784	12,988	15,140	18,743	15,856	12,686	13,986	20,498	12,366
Depreciation	7,375	7,121	7,720	7,804	8,026	8,280	8,454	8,735	8,887	8,779
Depreciation - change in accounting estimate	-	-	817	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other operating expenses	14,598	13,987	15,099	15,451	16,673	16,884	18,448	18,897	21,177	22,096
Total operating expenses	67,408	64,401	65,050	68,724	76,337	75,615	75,588	77,120	87,384	80,569
Net operating revenue	\$ 7,942	\$ 6,231	\$ 2,449	\$ 5,926	\$ 7,448	\$ 6,821	\$ 8,809	\$ 8,553	\$ 9,566	\$ 12,163
OTHER REVENUES (EXPENSES)										
Interest expense	\$ (3,372)	\$ (3,501)	\$ (3,193)	\$ (2,910)	\$ (2,848)	\$ (2,583)	\$ (2,541)	\$ (2,324)	\$ (2,060)	\$ (1,979)
Interest revenue	48	80	64	51	30	29	46	66	93	164
Transfers to the City of Greer	(1,262)	(1,088)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Revenues from electric demand credits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,020
Gain/(loss) on disposal of utility plant	(599)	(178)	(93)	(140)	(34)	(26)	44	88	(283)	(742)
Total other expenses, net	(5,185)	(4,687)	(4,222)	(3,999)	(3,852)	(3,580)	(3,451)	(3,170)	(3,250)	3,463
Change in net position before contributions and extraordinary items	2,757	1,544	(1,773)	1,927	3,596	3,241	5,358	5,383	6,316	15,626
Capital contributions	726	1,112	1,035	1,039	2,629	4,072	3,375	5,051	6,911	5,351
Extraordinary revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,974	-
	726	1,112	1,035	1,039	2,629	4,072	3,375	5,051	9,885	5,351
Change in net position after contributions and extraordinary items	3,483	2,656	(738)	2,966	6,225	7,313	8,733	10,434	16,201	20,977
Beginning net position ^{(2) (3) (4)}	135,530	139,013	139,905	139,167	142,133	135,916	143,229	151,962	160,700	176,901
Change in accounting principle	-	(1,764)	-	-	(12,442)	-	-	(1,696)	-	-
Beginning net position, restated	135,530	137,249	139,905	139,167	129,691	135,916	143,229	150,266	160,700	176,901
Ending net position	\$ 139,013	\$ 139,905	\$ 139,167	\$ 142,133	\$ 135,916	\$ 143,229	\$ 151,962	\$ 160,700	\$ 176,901	\$ 197,878

(1) Information is summarized from the audited financial statements for the years indicated

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Electric System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Years ⁽¹⁾

<i>(in thousands)</i>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
OPERATING REVENUES:										
Residential	\$ 17,162	\$ 17,141	\$ 17,067	\$ 18,657	\$ 20,681	\$ 21,679	\$ 23,192	\$ 22,524	\$ 25,209	\$ 25,688
Small commercial	3,492	3,341	4,338	4,079	4,322	4,455	4,242	4,425	4,621	4,911
Time of use	210	297	208	217	234	623	368	236	218	96
Large commercial	10,211	9,625	10,022	10,696	12,005	12,624	13,501	13,454	13,802	14,444
Rental and street lighting	1,061	1,158	589	1,163	1,298	1,375	1,429	1,306	1,445	1,752
Collection penalties	95	91	94	96	99	105	94	91	121	113
Other	294	473	513	501	495	488	622	534	535	358
Total operating revenues	32,525	32,126	32,831	35,409	39,134	41,349	43,448	42,570	45,951	47,362
OPERATING EXPENSES:										
Purchased power	25,054	26,509	28,426	30,329	32,895	34,595	36,000	35,502	36,822	37,328
Depreciation	1,854	1,713	1,836	1,865	1,902	1,982	2,043	2,133	2,197	2,222
Other operating expenses	3,244	2,979	2,938	3,051	3,072	3,160	3,544	3,951	5,017	5,662
Total operating expenses	30,152	31,201	33,200	35,245	37,869	39,737	41,587	41,586	44,036	45,212
Net operating departmental revenue	\$ 2,373	\$ 925	\$ (369)	\$ 164	\$ 1,265	\$ 1,612	\$ 1,861	\$ 984	\$ 1,915	\$ 2,150
PURCHASED POWER - (Megawatt Hours)										
Purchased from PMPA ⁽²⁾	363,458	352,790	345,028	342,297	357,985	361,126	378,360	368,656	394,346	392,886
Purchased from SEPA ⁽³⁾	11,272	13,584	12,796	18,769	15,267	15,606	16,254	13,072	16,917	22,341
Total purchased	374,730	366,374	357,824	361,066	373,252	376,732	394,614	381,728	411,263	415,227
CONSUMPTION - (Megawatt Hours)										
Residential	183,153	177,315	167,257	168,471	176,752	180,179	187,783	178,757	200,421	202,236
Small commercial	14,418	13,689	12,917	13,171	13,612	13,502	13,566	13,091	13,815	21,465
Time of use	2,746	3,998	2,778	2,678	2,793	6,295	2,876	2,571	2,395	1,130
Large commercial	141,101	147,363	147,079	147,618	152,595	152,925	157,777	152,547	161,881	157,070
Rental and street lighting	5,678	5,791	6,082	6,088	6,112	6,327	6,360	5,405	5,370	6,623
Other	12,029	11,740	11,555	11,513	11,987	12,225	12,672	12,150	12,304	12,925
Total consumption	359,125	359,896	347,668	349,539	363,851	371,453	381,034	364,521	396,186	401,449
Line losses and megawatt hours unaccounted for	15,605	6,478	10,156	11,527	9,401	5,279	13,580	17,207	15,077	13,271
Percentage of line losses and megawatt hours unaccounted for to purchased power	4.2%	1.8%	2.8%	3.2%	2.5%	1.4%	3.4%	4.5%	3.7%	3.2%
ACTIVE SERVICES (Number of Meters)										
Residential	13,588	13,764	14,003	14,226	14,526	14,819	15,338	15,797	16,693	17,534
Small commercial	1,195	1,211	1,215	1,235	1,229	1,244	1,263	1,313	1,196	2,006
Time of use	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Large commercial	704	744	757	759	782	773	829	906	971	325
Rental and street lighting	6,630	6,655	6,817	6,920	6,952	6,963	6,934	7,005	7,112	8,107
Other	46	47	46	49	49	49	48	48	50	236
Total active services	22,166	22,424	22,841	23,192	23,541	23,852	24,416	25,073	26,026	28,212

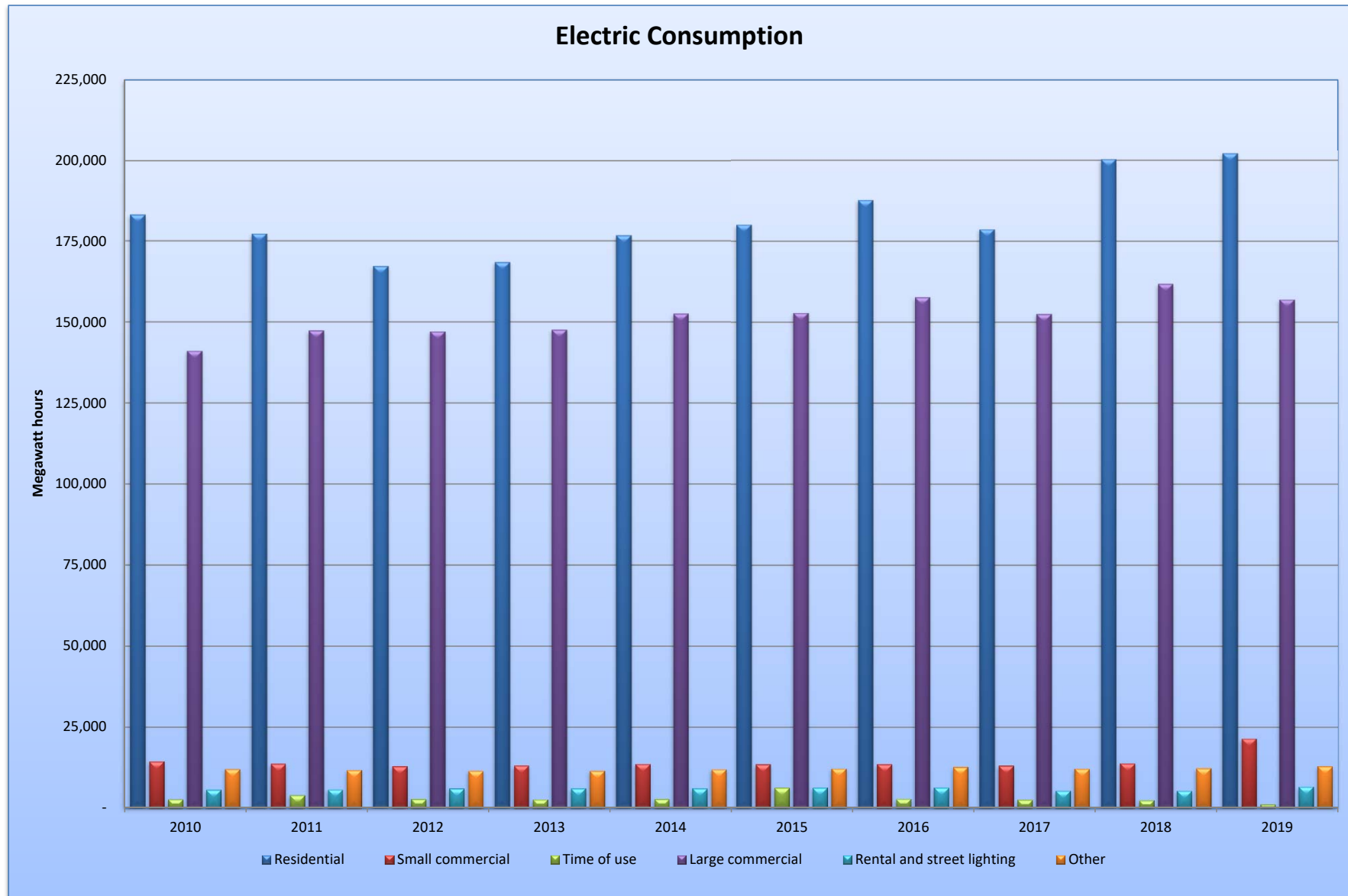
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(2) Piedmont Municipal Power Association

(3) United States Department of Energy, Southeastern Power Association

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Electric System
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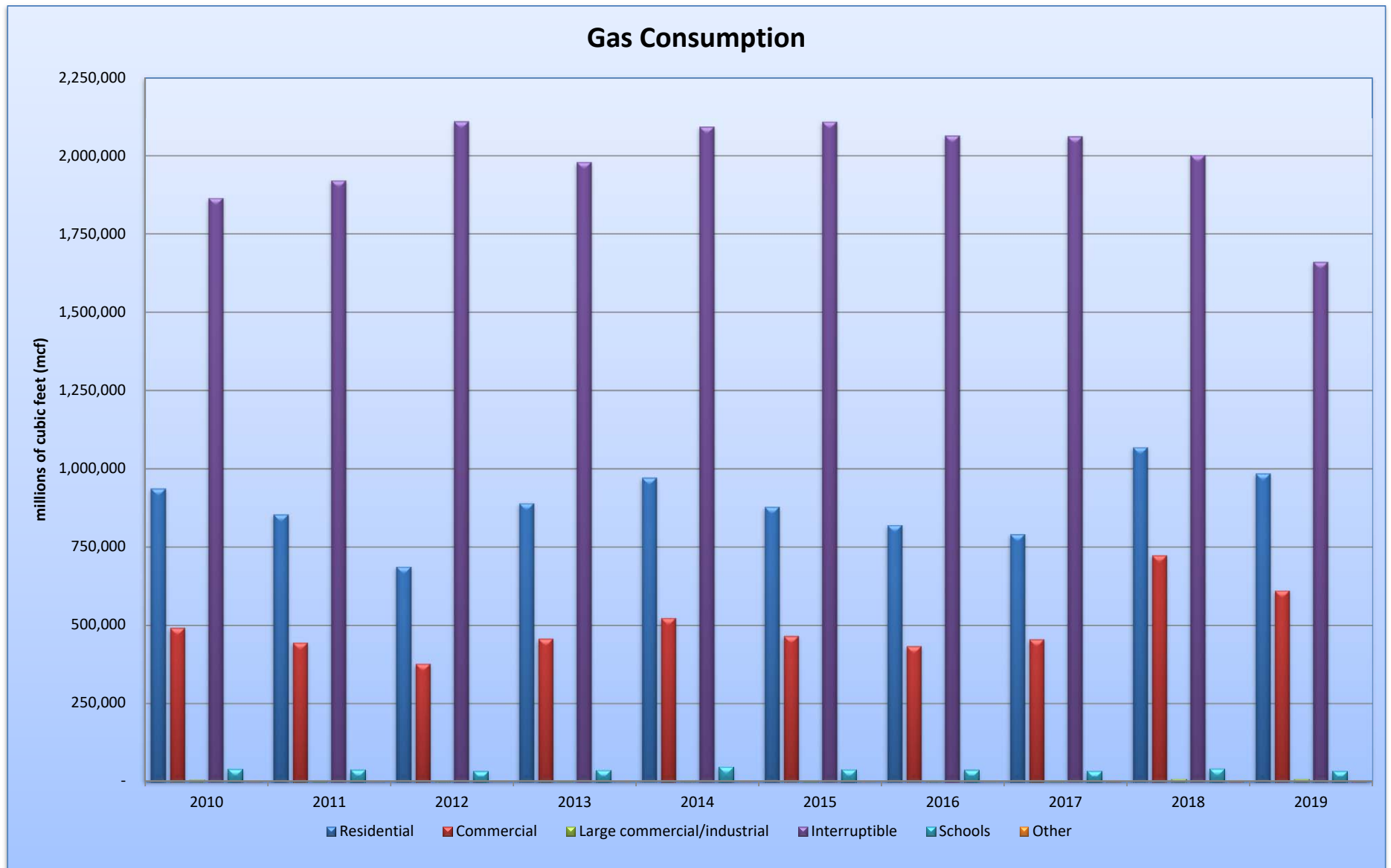
Gas System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Years ⁽¹⁾

<i>(in thousands)</i>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
OPERATING REVENUES:										
Residential	\$ 12,946	\$ 10,364	\$ 8,670	\$ 10,808	\$ 11,593	\$ 10,716	\$ 10,341	\$ 10,290	\$ 14,644	\$ 12,330
Commercial	6,429	4,952	4,317	4,803	5,488	4,863	4,621	4,785	8,093	6,507
Large commercial/industrial	118	50	43	41	41	61	38	35	113	85
Interruptible	11,228	11,087	8,529	10,517	13,026	10,167	8,962	10,557	10,305	7,241
Schools	526	435	374	367	446	393	384	480	487	360
Collection penalties	149	141	146	148	153	161	144	139	185	172
Other	229	253	301	333	345	398	411	377	401	925
Total operating revenues	31,625	27,282	22,380	27,017	31,092	26,759	24,901	26,663	34,228	27,620
OPERATING EXPENSES:										
Purchased gas	20,381	16,784	12,988	15,140	18,743	15,856	12,686	13,986	20,498	12,366
Depreciation	2,003	1,864	2,760	2,010	2,066	2,137	2,189	2,276	2,338	2,296
Other operating expenses	4,516	4,377	4,500	4,424	4,886	4,934	5,675	5,653	6,467	6,055
Total operating expenses	26,900	23,025	20,248	21,574	25,695	22,927	20,550	21,915	29,303	20,717
Net operating departmental revenue	\$ 4,725	\$ 4,257	\$ 2,132	\$ 5,443	\$ 5,397	\$ 3,832	\$ 4,351	\$ 4,748	\$ 4,925	\$ 6,903
PURCHASED GAS (MCF)	3,533,902	3,382,199	3,340,740	3,639,638	3,873,682	3,629,763	3,724,402	3,644,014	3,973,806	3,410,054
CONSUMPTION - (MCF)										
Residential	936,733	853,869	686,981	889,965	971,507	878,428	820,245	790,957	1,068,994	985,167
Commercial	491,385	444,267	377,058	456,793	523,005	465,234	432,763	455,132	723,160	610,568
Large commercial/industrial	5,981	4,393	3,899	4,003	4,022	3,967	3,786	3,856	9,493	8,616
Interruptible	1,865,158	1,921,301	2,110,089	1,980,468	2,093,179	2,109,492	2,064,880	2,062,071	2,002,507	1,661,069
Schools	41,362	39,074	34,303	37,424	48,706	39,630	38,402	34,884	42,370	35,026
Other	2,738	2,950	1,725	2,078	2,372	2,531	2,242	4,384	4,494	4,551
Total consumption	3,343,357	3,265,854	3,214,055	3,370,731	3,642,791	3,499,282	3,362,318	3,351,284	3,851,018	3,304,997
Line-loss and unaccounted for gas	190,545	116,345	126,685	268,907	230,891	130,481	362,084	292,730	122,788	105,057
Percentage of line losses and MCF unaccounted for to purchased gas.	5.4%	3.4%	3.8%	7.4%	6.0%	3.6%	9.7%	8.0%	3.1%	3.1%
ACTIVE SERVICES (Number of Meters)										
Residential	17,141	17,358	17,649	18,004	18,575	18,947	19,671	20,529	21,395	22,300
Commercial	1,433	1,448	1,472	1,489	1,509	1,526	1,546	1,600	1,622	1,603
Large commercial/industrial	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	6	4
Interruptible	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	8	5	8
Schools	24	24	24	24	24	24	27	27	27	27
Other	14	15	16	19	20	21	21	22	23	137
Total active services	18,629	18,861	19,177	19,551	20,143	20,533	21,278	22,191	23,078	24,079

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Gas System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Years (Continued)



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Water System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Years ⁽¹⁾

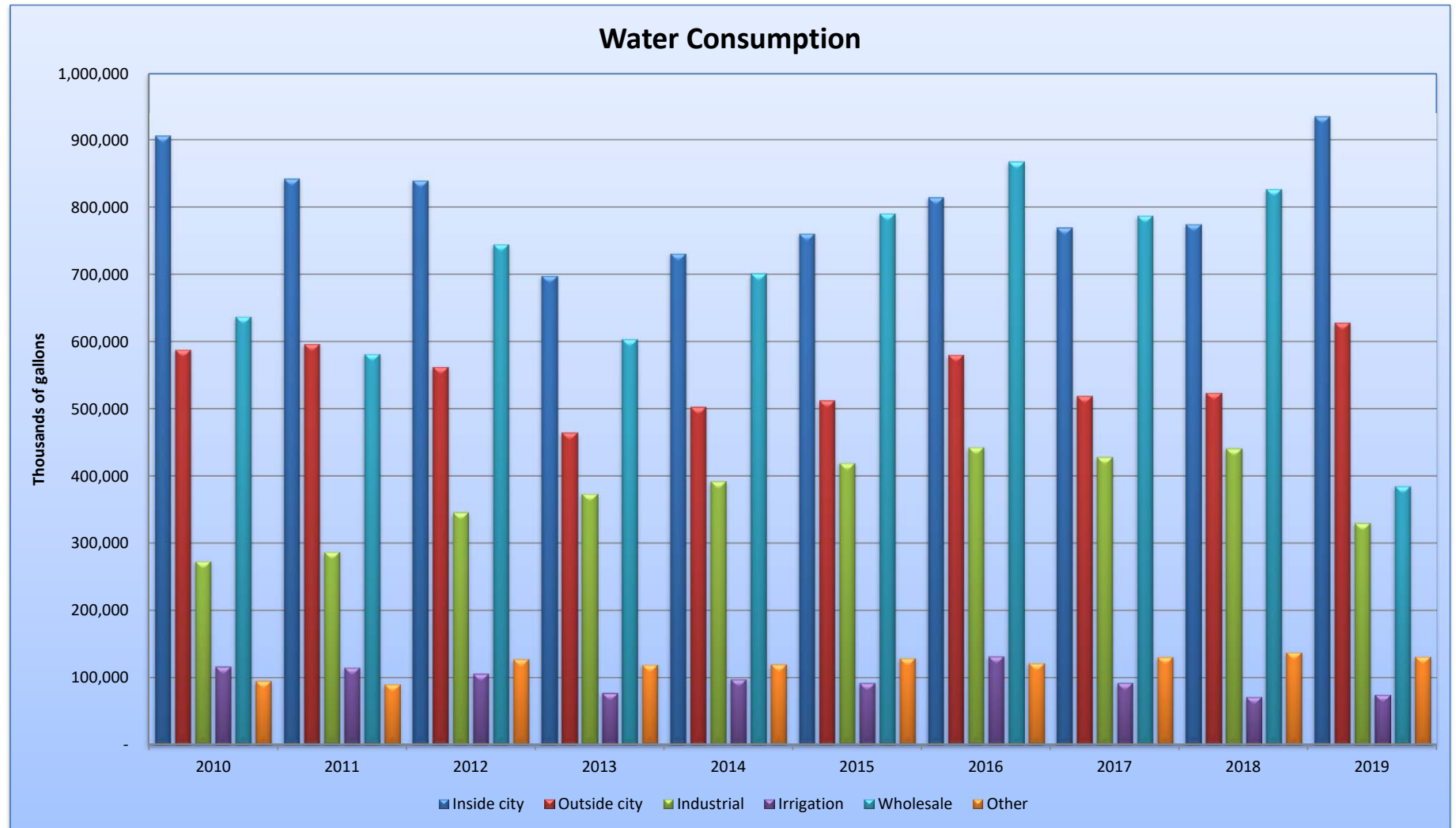
<i>(in thousands)</i>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
OPERATING REVENUES:										
Inside city	\$ 2,005	\$ 1,924	\$ 2,284	\$ 1,921	\$ 2,269	\$ 2,414	\$ 2,706	\$ 2,775	\$ 2,785	\$ 3,187
Outside city	2,018	2,070	2,100	1,915	2,244	2,404	2,689	2,651	2,672	3,006
Industrial	448	472	306	796	908	967	1,042	1,069	1,131	581
Fire protection ⁽²⁾	13	13	14	14	15	15	15	16	16	16
Irrigation	222	222	220	182	219	259	357	308	270	380
Wholesale	973	933	1,189	967	1,207	1,436	1,646	1,582	1,622	772
Collection penalties	124	117	121	123	127	133	120	116	154	143
Other	430	402	454	479	439	488	561	541	504	1,591
Total operating revenues	6,233	6,153	6,688	6,397	7,428	8,116	9,136	9,058	9,154	9,676
OPERATING EXPENSES:										
Depreciation	1,691	1,692	1,872	1,866	1,879	1,920	1,952	2,024	2,052	2,006
Other operating expenses	4,189	4,001	4,105	4,280	4,319	4,802	5,212	5,480	5,715	6,090
Total operating expenses	5,880	5,693	5,977	6,146	6,198	6,722	7,164	7,504	7,767	8,096
Net operating departmental revenue	\$ 353	\$ 460	\$ 711	\$ 251	\$ 1,230	\$ 1,394	\$ 1,972	\$ 1,554	\$ 1,387	\$ 1,580
WATER USAGE (thousands of gallons)										
Total water pumped	3,078,170	2,960,810	2,853,470	2,579,333	2,724,470	2,888,633	3,177,011	2,986,255	3,122,728	3,646,000
Consumption										
Inside city	906,564	842,495	839,571	697,776	731,028	760,646	814,636	769,526	774,757	935,219
Outside city	587,988	596,328	562,175	464,470	502,717	512,389	580,358	519,096	523,816	628,187
Industrial	272,781	286,841	345,685	373,152	391,915	418,976	442,654	427,889	440,721	329,680
Irrigation	116,025	114,757	105,455	77,170	97,219	91,731	131,294	91,895	71,355	74,531
Wholesale	636,947	581,474	744,748	603,358	701,249	790,598	867,833	787,335	827,023	384,645
Other	94,666	89,749	127,180	118,784	119,519	128,461	121,177	130,459	137,369	130,989
Total consumption	2,614,971	2,511,644	2,724,814	2,334,710	2,543,647	2,702,801	2,957,952	2,726,200	2,775,041	2,483,251
Non-account water	463,199	449,166	128,656	244,623	180,823	185,832	219,059	260,055	347,687	1,162,749
Non-account water as a percentage of total water	15.05%	15.17%	4.51%	9.48%	6.64%	6.43%	6.90%	8.71%	11.13%	31.89%
ACTIVE SERVICES (Number of Meters)										
Inside city	9,941	10,118	10,328	10,534	10,706	10,775	11,143	11,438	11,802	12,576
Outside city	6,479	6,536	6,612	6,668	6,717	6,932	7,026	7,131	7,215	7,056
Industrial	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	2
Fire protection	45	42	40	41	40	41	40	42	40	41
Irrigation	422	437	445	454	464	468	490	518	537	575
Wholesale	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other	14	13	13	15	15	17	17	17	17	18
Total active services	16,906	17,151	17,443	17,717	17,947	18,238	18,721	19,151	19,615	20,269

(1) Information is compiled from internally generated statistical reports

(2) Fire protection customers are charged based on the physical number of sprinkler heads, and consumption is metered

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Water System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Years (Continued)



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Sewer System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Years ⁽¹⁾

<i>(in thousands)</i>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
OPERATING REVENUES:										
Inside city	\$ 2,740	\$ 2,803	\$ 2,898	\$ 3,150	\$ 3,274	\$ 3,375	\$ 3,690	\$ 4,096	\$ 4,387	\$ 4,122
Outside city	1,210	1,186	1,117	1,138	1,217	1,298	1,423	1,438	1,410	1,394
Sewer services, no water	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
Enoree Basin, inside city	334	397	411	407	427	402	553	570	579	404
Enoree Basin industrial	196	139	142	128	142	170	176	162	194	186
Collection penalties	124	117	121	123	127	134	120	116	154	143
Other	362	427	909	879	943	831	947	997	890	1,824
Total operating revenues	4,967	5,070	5,599	5,826	6,131	6,211	6,911	7,381	7,616	8,074
OPERATING EXPENSES:										
Depreciation	1,827	1,852	1,252	2,063	2,179	2,241	2,271	2,301	2,299	2,256
Depreciation - change in accounting estimate	-	-	817	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other operating expenses	2,649	2,629	3,555	3,695	3,878	3,987	4,017	3,847	3,978	4,287
Total operating expenses	4,476	4,481	5,624	5,758	6,057	6,228	6,288	6,148	6,277	6,543
Net operating departmental revenue	\$ 491	\$ 589	\$ (25)	\$ 68	\$ 74	\$ (17)	\$ 623	\$ 1,233	\$ 1,339	\$ 1,531
WASTEWATER TREATMENT										
Wastewater plant flows (thousands of gallons)										
Maple Creek wastewater treatment facility	698,577	704,461	691,079	844,324	735,856	782,402	748,339	764,596	935,800	998,400
Wastewater treated - (Thousands of Gallons)										
Inside city customers	495,291	489,914	481,235	439,950	457,026	460,042	481,285	475,059	489,230	565,979
Outside city customers	187,202	198,549	198,105	193,121	202,524	186,511	207,800	201,340	211,038	201,619
Customers with sewer services, no water	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3
Other	291	286	290	290	272	291	280	259	221	209
Retail	682,785	688,750	679,631	633,362	659,823	646,845	689,367	676,660	700,491	767,810
Unaccounted for wastewater	15,792	15,711	11,448	210,962	76,033	135,557	58,972	87,936	235,309	230,590
Percentage of unaccounted for wastewater to total wastewater treated	2.3%	2.2%	1.7%	25.0%	10.3%	17.3%	7.9%	11.5%	25.1%	23.1%
ANNUAL RAINFALL (inches) ⁽²⁾	42.09	45.96	38.86	69.56	50.20	59.75	34.43	53.11	80.60	52.09
ACTIVE SERVICES (Number of Meters)										
Inside city	6,206	6,287	6,358	6,441	6,497	6,555	6,718	6,963	7,289	7,684
Outside city	1,119	1,119	1,140	1,138	1,141	1,143	1,144	1,160	1,172	1,178
Sewer services, no water	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	3	3
Enoree Basin, inside city	3,452	3,541	3,684	3,813	4,003	4,157	4,397	4,558	4,721	4,988
Enoree Basin industrial	161	162	162	162	162	162	163	163	163	175
Other ⁽³⁾	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total active services	10,943	11,114	11,348	11,559	11,808	12,022	12,427	12,849	13,349	14,029

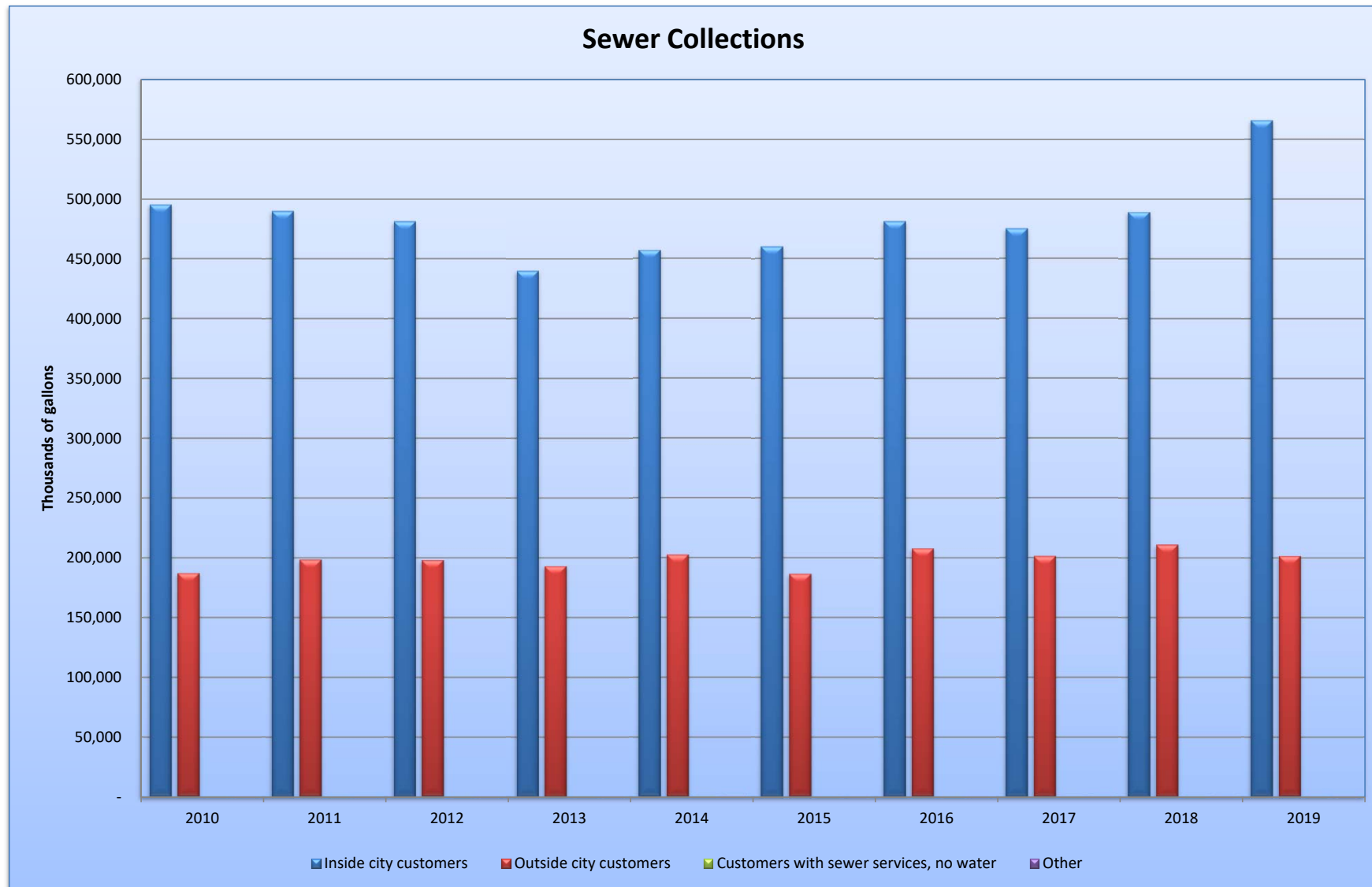
(1) Information is compiled from internally generated statistical reports

(2) Source: National Weather Service Forecast Office in Greenville for rainfall recorded in inches at Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport

(3) Other customers count does not include ReWa, Metro or surcharges

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Sewer System
Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Operating Indicators - Last Ten Fiscal Year s (Continued)



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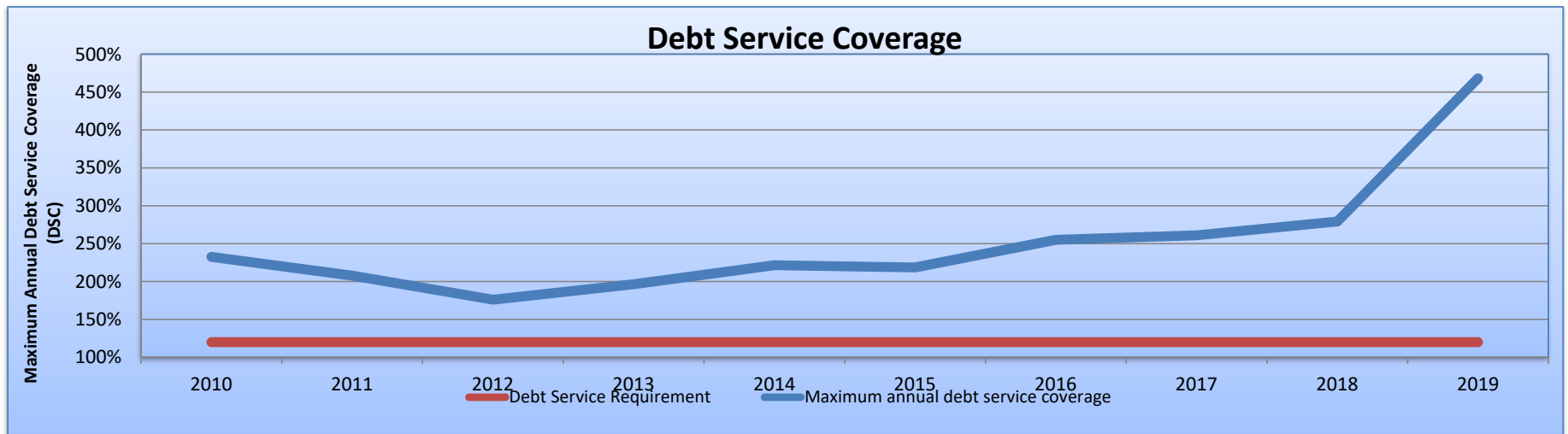
Debt Service Coverage Last Ten Fiscal Years

<i>(in thousands)</i>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 (Restated)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Revenues										
Revenues from operations	\$ 75,350	\$ 70,632	\$ 67,499	\$ 74,650	\$ 83,785	\$ 82,436	\$ 84,397	\$ 85,673	\$ 96,950	\$ 92,732
Non-operating revenues	48	80	64	51	30	29	46	66	93	7,184
Capacity fees ⁽¹⁾	228	287	371	332	527	675	1,133	1,066	1,153	1,630
Total revenues	75,626	70,999	67,934	75,033	84,342	83,140	85,576	86,805	98,196	101,546
Expenses										
Total expenses	71,379	68,080	68,336	71,774	79,219	78,224	78,085	79,356	89,727	83,290
Depreciation and amortization expense	(7,375)	(7,121)	(7,720)	(7,804)	(8,026)	(8,280)	(8,454)	(8,735)	(8,887)	(8,779)
Depreciation - change in accounting estimate	-	-	(817)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bond interest expense	(3,372)	(3,501)	(3,193)	(2,910)	(2,848)	(2,583)	(2,541)	(2,324)	(2,060)	(1,979)
Gain/loss on sale of assets	(599)	(178)	(93)	(140)	(34)	(26)	44	88	(283)	(742)
Total expenses	60,033	57,280	56,513	60,920	68,311	67,335	67,134	68,385	78,497	71,790
Net revenues available for debt service	\$ 15,593	\$ 13,719	\$ 11,421	\$ 14,113	\$ 16,031	\$ 15,805	\$ 18,442	\$ 18,420	\$ 19,699	\$ 29,756
Maximum annual debt service ⁽²⁾	\$ 6,708	\$ 6,600	\$ 6,486	\$ 7,186	\$ 7,239	\$ 7,229	\$ 7,229	\$ 7,057	\$ 7,057	\$ 6,357
Maximum annual debt service coverage	232%	208%	176%	196%	221%	219%	255%	261%	279%	468%

(1) During 2000, the Commission initiated a policy of charging developers and consumers capacity fees to recover a portion of the economic impact directly related to these system expansions.

These fees may be used to pay a portion of the debt service on debt issued to fund such improvements, and therefore are considered available for debt service under the Bond Ordinance

(2) Maximum principal and interest requirements on outstanding debt for such fiscal year



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**Ratios of Outstanding Long-Term Debt
*Last Ten Fiscal Years***

Fiscal Year	Revenue Bonds	Per Capita	As Share of Personal Income
2010	\$ 91,184,805	\$ 3,502	0.77%
2011	89,935,693	3,525	0.63%
2012	85,882,182	3,291	0.47%
2013	86,059,528	3,230	0.45%
2014	82,657,693	3,053	0.42%
2015	79,303,204	2,729	0.34%
2016	75,645,005	3,140	0.45%
2017	71,887,006	2,861	0.39%
2018	67,873,093	2,490	0.31%
2019	60,262,111	2,073	0.23%

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Customer Statistics
Largest System Customers - Current Year and Nine Years Ago (Continued)

Name	2019					2010				
	Rank	Consumption	Percentage Volume	Revenues	Percentage Revenues	Rank	Consumption	Percentage Volume	Revenues	Percentage Revenues
<i>Water System (thousands of gallons)</i>										
Blue Ridge Water Company (Wholesale)	1	745,308	26.86%	\$ 1,499,422	17.65%	1	636,946	25.28%	\$ 961,911	17.24%
BMW of North America, LLC	2	314,735	11.34%	659,922	7.77%	2	195,886	7.78%	320,243	5.74%
Greer Commission of Public Works	3	130,979	4.72%	238,633	2.81%	5	94,689	3.76%	129,219	2.32%
Mitsubishi Polyester Film, LLC	4	88,167	3.18%	178,808	2.10%	3	109,010	4.33%	193,689	3.47%
Greenville - Spartanburg International Airport	5	55,013	1.98%	213,497	2.51%	6	32,526	1.29%	72,503	1.30%
Cliffstar Corporation	6	32,778	1.18%	62,536	0.74%	4	97,528	3.87%	121,403	2.18%
Greenville County School District	7	19,346	0.70%	50,187	0.59%	9	16,718	0.66%	23,732	0.43%
Upstate Affiliate Organization	8	18,671	0.67%	38,900	0.46%	7	24,830	0.99%	34,214	0.61%
Plastic Omnium Auto Exteriors	9	10,805	0.39%	20,674	0.24%	-	-	-	-	-
Greer Housing Authority	10	9,528	0.34%	42,833	0.50%	-	-	-	-	-
Honeywell International Inc	-	-	-	-	-	8	21,070	0.84%	47,004	0.84%
Preserve at West View	-	-	-	-	-	10	9,537	0.38%	30,824	0.55%
<i>Sewer System (thousands of gallons)</i>										
BMW of North America, LLC	1	128,304	18.32%	\$ 638,937	9.72%	2	113,491	17.15%	\$ 434,785	10.33%
Mitsubishi Polyester Film, LLC	2	116,445	16.62%	278,991	4.25%	1	113,491	17.15%	223,838	5.32%
Greenville - Spartanburg International Airport	3	75,325	10.75%	262,382	3.99%	6	33,508	5.06%	91,645	2.18%
Upstate Affiliate Organization	4	40,059	5.72%	98,454	1.50%	3	45,879	6.93%	88,125	2.09%
Greenville County School District	5	38,066	5.43%	102,184	1.55%	4	37,147	5.61%	72,362	1.72%
Village Hospital	6	24,384	3.48%	61,940	0.94%	8	16,552	2.50%	32,156	0.76%
Textron Inc	7	23,730	3.39%	80,763	1.23%	-	-	-	-	-
Legacy Crescent Park	8	21,999	3.14%	90,229	1.37%	-	-	-	-	-
Greer Housing Authority	9	19,056	2.72%	84,852	1.29%	9	16,136	2.44%	57,100	1.36%
Plastic Omnium	10	18,618	2.66%	62,870	0.96%	-	-	-	-	-
Cliffstar Corporation	-	-	-	-	-	5	34,546	5.22%	33,855	0.80%
Exide Battery Corp	-	-	-	-	-	7	21,193	3.20%	56,106	1.33%
Honeywell International Inc	-	-	-	-	-	10	15,946	2.41%	42,383	1.01%

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Customer Statistics
Largest System Customers - Current Year and Nine Years Ago (Continued)

Name	2019					2010				
	Rank	Consumption	Percentage Volume	Revenues	Percentage Revenues	Rank	Consumption	Percentage Volume	Revenues	Percentage Revenues
<i>Electric System (megawatt hours)</i>										
Greer Commission of Public Works	1	14,263	3.60%	1,222,951	2.70%	1	16,360	4.94%	908,624	2.98%
Village Hospital	2	11,954	3.02%	1,165,803	2.57%	4	12,296	3.71%	538,776	1.77%
Upstate Affiliate Organization	3	11,345	2.86%	1,057,087	2.33%	3	12,296	3.71%	879,389	2.88%
Greenville County School District	4	10,771	2.72%	1,254,277	2.77%	2	12,950	3.91%	1,164,720	3.82%
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	5	5,716	1.44%	523,667	1.16%	6	4,598	1.39%	326,329	1.07%
Syncreon America Inc	6	5,510	1.39%	535,623	1.18%	-	-	-	-	-
Huntingdon Foam LLC	7	4,372	1.10%	404,308	0.89%	-	-	-	-	-
Haydale Technologies Inc	8	4,136	1.04%	317,599	0.70%	-	-	-	-	-
Ingles	9	3,454	0.87%	308,283	0.68%	10	2,888	0.87%	204,902	0.67%
Cliffstar Corporation	10	3,452	0.87%	322,446	0.71%	7	3,483	1.05%	237,033	0.78%
City of Greer	-	-	-	-	-	5	5,730	1.73%	485,124	1.59%
Greer Memorial	-	-	-	-	-	8	3,094	0.93%	236,992	0.78%
Lowes	-	-	-	-	-	9	2,963	0.89%	212,731	0.70%
<i>Natural Gas System (mcf)</i>										
BMW of North America, LLC	1	169,045	4.39%	3,818,572	11.35%	1	123,108	4.16%	2,864,049	9.81%
Mitsubishi Polyester Film, LLC	2	64,360	1.67%	2,555,114	7.60%	2	69,062	2.33%	3,902,048	13.37%
Rogers Group Inc	3	8,376	0.22%	316,575	0.94%	6	40,064	1.35%	222,909	0.76%
Minghua USA Inc	4	4,363	0.11%	422,477	1.26%	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Sloan Construction	5	4,278	0.11%	165,809	0.49%	-	-	-	-	-
Cliffstar Corporation	6	3,718	0.10%	328,622	0.98%	5	5,779	0.20%	591,576	2.03%
Village Hospital	7	3,012	0.08%	292,829	0.87%	-	-	-	-	-
Greenville County School District	8	2,787	0.07%	275,880	0.82%	8	3,299	0.11%	415,607	1.42%
Sew Eurodrive Inc	9	2,736	0.07%	268,312	0.80%	9	2,561	0.09%	316,777	1.09%
Greenville Spartanburg Airport	10	2,687	0.07%	267,840	0.80%	-	-	-	-	-
Carrotell Paper Board Corp	-	-	-	-	-	3	37,715	1.27%	724,629	2.48%
Springfield LLC	-	-	-	-	-	4	10,654	0.36%	432,150	1.48%
Greer Memorial	-	-	-	-	-	7	3,861	0.13%	474,459	1.63%
Blackledge Emulsions Inc	-	-	-	-	-	10	2,472	0.08%	253,245	0.87%

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**Capital Assets Statistics by Utility
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Electric										
Substations	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	6	6
Winter peak (megawatts)	67	67	61	64	77	76	70	65	76	71
Summer peak (megawatts)	83	85	84	81	84	88	91	92	92	98
Overhead distribution (miles)	193	195	196	199	200	204	206	212	212	216
Underground distribution (miles)	184	184	184	188	200	204	216	227	241	251
Poles	11,793	11,938	12,045	12,152	12,302	12,443	12,557	13,012	13,266	15,733
Transformers	4,587	4,612	4,653	4,714	4,819	4,867	4,983	5,121	5,290	5,501
Meters	16,143	16,310	16,510	16,683	16,962	17,318	17,864	18,464	19,326	20,089
Vehicles	17	17	17	18	17	18	16	16	16	17
Natural Gas										
Transco pipeline connections	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
High-pressure transmission lines (miles)	42	42	42	42	42	43	43	43	47	43
Intermediate and distribution lines (miles)	712	714	717	721	729	739	749	764	776	789
Pressure reducing regulator stations	139	131	131	131	131	131	131	110	106	115
Meters	20,078	20,275	20,569	20,891	21,255	21,883	22,615	23,361	24,228	25,151
Vehicles	21	21	20	21	20	20	21	18	16	16
Water										
Water treatment plants	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Water treatment plant capacity (million gallons per day)	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Average daily flow (million gallons per day)	9	8	10	9	8	9	8	8	9	10
Peak flow (million gallons per day)	14	13	19	13	12	15	13	13	13	18
Ground storage capacity (million gallons)	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Elevated tank storage capacity (million gallons)	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	8	6
Transmission lines (miles)	32	31	32	32	33	32	32	32	31	31
Distribution lines (miles)	379	379	368	371	370	368	382	404	385	385
Fire hydrants	1,476	1,423	1,438	1,455	1,484	1,506	1,539	1,622	1,654	1,654
Meters	17,717	17,899	18,126	18,302	18,522	18,816	19,267	19,643	20,017	20,668
Vehicles	10	10	9	12	12	13	13	12	10	13
Sewer										
Treatment plants	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Treatment plant capacity (million gallons per day)	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Average daily flow (million gallons per day)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
Maximum daily flow	5	4	4	7	6	7	4	4	7	7
Gravity collection lines (miles)	216	214	216	216	222	223	232	236	243	248
Force main collection lines (miles)	22	28	20	20	22	21	23	24	23	25
Lift stations	17	17	17	17	19	17	21	21	21	22
Sewer valves	52	52	52	52	58	65	75	78	83	89
Manholes	5,582	5,606	5,615	5,590	5,798	5,891	6,089	6,283	6,402	6,591
Vehicles	13	13	14	15	15	11	16	16	16	14

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**Number of Employees by Identifiable Activity
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Water system										
Water production	9	9	9	8	7	8	9	8	8	8
Water distribution	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	7
Lake wardens	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
Total water system	19	19	19	18	18	19	19	19	19	18
Electric distribution system	19	18	18	18	18	16	18	17	14	14
Natural gas distribution system	23	23	22	22	22	23	23	21	14	14
Sewer system										
Collection	9	7	6	5	6	7	7	8	5	5
Treatment	7	6	9	9	9	8	8	9	9	9
Total sewer system	16	13	15	14	15	15	15	17	14	14
Shared support										
General administration	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	5	7
Customer service	12	12	12	11	10	11	12	11	8	10
Billing	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	3
Finance and accounting	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	3
Meter Technicians	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	2	2
Engineering	4	4	4	4	5	7	7	7	8	8
Warehouse and facilities maintenance	4	4	4	5	4	5	4	5	6	6
Human resources	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3
Operations	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	2	-	-
Information systems	8	8	7	4	6	5	4	3	2	3
Locators	2	3	2	3	3	4	5	5	5	5
Measurement	-	-	-	2	2	2	2	-	-	-
Communications	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1
Vehicle maintenance	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	-	-
Total shared support	53	53	51	50	52	57	57	55	47	51
Total employees	130	126	125	122	125	130	132	129	108	111

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Demographics and Economic Statistics

Last 10 Fiscal Years

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Population ^{1, 2}	26,040	25,515	26,098	26,645	27,169	27,697	28,905	29,145	29,307	31,154
Mean household income ¹	\$ 41,864	\$ 52,660	\$ 66,940	\$ 68,687	\$ 68,518	\$ 53,692	\$ 62,300	\$ 69,017	\$ 70,296	\$ 71,251
Personal income (000's) ¹	\$ 456,898	\$ 563,703	\$ 706,917	\$ 723,518	\$ 735,519	\$ 804,958	\$ 696,293	\$ 732,326	\$ 798,762	\$ 905,647
Per capita personal income ¹	\$ 17,546	\$ 22,093	\$ 27,087	\$ 27,154	\$ 27,072	\$ 29,063	\$ 24,089	\$ 25,127	\$ 27,255	\$ 29,070
Median age ¹	34.5	33.9	34.1	35.3	37.2	35.9	36.3	36.5	36.7	37.1
*Unemployment rates ³	9.3%	9.5%	7.0%	7.0%	5.8%	5.1%	4.4%	3.4%	3.4%	1.8%

Source:

(1) ESRI Business Analyst Online

(2) US Census Bureau

(3) South Carolina Department Employment and Workforce

* Unemployment rate data was not available specifically for the City of Greer. This number represents a weighted average of unemployment rates in Greenville and Spartanburg Counties.

COMPLIANCE SECTION

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

**To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Commission
Greer Commission of Public Works
Greer, South Carolina**

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the **Greer Commission of Public Works** (the "Commission"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 1, 2020.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC". The script is cursive and fluid, with the ampersand being particularly stylized.

Columbia, South Carolina
June 1, 2020

**COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS
OF THE CITY OF GREENWOOD, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019**

**SECTION I
SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS**

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued

Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weaknesses identified?

____ Yes X No

Significant deficiencies identified not considered
to be material weaknesses?

____ Yes X No

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?

____ Yes X No

Federal Awards

There was not an audit of major federal award programs as of December 31, 2019 due to the total amount expended being less than \$750,000.

**SECTION II
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND RESPONSES**

None.

**SECTION III
FEDERAL AWARDS FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

Not applicable.