

***LAKENGREN WATER AUTHORITY***

**PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO**

**AUDIT REPORT**

**For the Year Ended December 31, 2014**







# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

Board of Trustees  
Lakengren Water Authority  
24 Lakengren Drive  
Eaton, Ohio 45320

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Lakengren Water Authority, Preble County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Lakengren Water Authority is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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Dave Yost  
Auditor of State

September 9, 2015

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Lakengren Water Authority  
Preble County, Ohio  
24 Lakengren Drive  
Eaton, Ohio 45320

To the Board of Trustees:

***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and each major enterprise fund of the Lakengren Water Authority, Preble County, Ohio (the Water Authority), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Water Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the Water Authority's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the Water Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Lakengren Water Authority, Preble County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2014, and the respective changes in net position and its cash flows, thereof for the years then ended in accordance with the 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 this presentation to include management's discussion and analysis and schedules for infrastructure assets using the modified approach, as listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 5, 2015 on our consideration of the Water Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on 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 Water Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



***Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc.***  
June 5, 2015

**Lakengren Water Authority  
Preble County, Ohio**

Management's Discussion and Analysis  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014  
(Unaudited)

The management's discussion and analysis of the Lakengren Water Authority's (the "Water Authority") financial performance provides an overall review of the Water Authority's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2014. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Water Authority's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Water Authority's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2014 are as follows:

- In total, net position was \$7,677,886 at December 31, 2014 which represents a 2.09% increase from December 31, 2013. Water fund net position was \$3,166,986 and sewer fund net position was \$4,510,900 at December 31, 2014.
- The Water Authority had operating revenues of \$1,228,717, operating expenses of \$1,027,487 nonoperating revenues of \$608 and nonoperating expenses of \$44,885 for 2014. Total change in net position for the year was an increase of \$156,953.

**Using this Financial Report**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Water Authority's financial activities. The statement of net position and statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position provide information about the activities of the Water Authority, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations.

**Reporting the Water Authority's Financial Activities**

Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows.

These documents look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did we do financially during 2014?" The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position answer this question. These statements include all assets, liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources, revenues and expenses using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Water Authority's net position and changes in those positions. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Water Authority as a whole, the financial position of the Water Authority has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. These statements can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this report.



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The Statement of Cash Flows provides information about how the Water Authority finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations. The statement of cash flows can be found on page 10 of this report.

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 12-24 of this report.

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain supplementary information concerning the Water Authority's condition assessment of the infrastructure reported under the modified approach. Supplementary information can be found on pages 25-37 of this report.

The table below provides a summary of the Water Authority's net position at December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b><u>Assets:</u></b>		
Current and other assets	\$ 1,657,079	\$ 1,528,526
Noncurrent assets	8,360	8,618
Nondepreciable capital assets	5,025,621	5,025,621
Capital assets, net of depreciation	<u>2,420,743</u>	<u>2,541,558</u>
Total assets	<u>9,111,803</u>	<u>9,104,323</u>
<b><u>Liabilities:</u></b>		
Current and other liabilities	64,026	62,370
Long-term liabilities:		
Due within one year	171,638	169,092
Due in more than one year	<u>1,198,253</u>	<u>1,351,928</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,433,917</u>	<u>1,583,390</u>
<b><u>Net Position:</u></b>		
Net investment in capital assets	6,114,413	6,083,329
Restricted	8,360	8,618
Unrestricted	<u>1,555,113</u>	<u>1,428,986</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 7,677,886</u>	<u>\$ 7,520,933</u>

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At December 31, 2014, the Water Authority's net position totaled \$7,677,886. Total net position increased 2.09% from December 31, 2013.

At year-end, capital assets represented 81.72% of total assets. Capital assets consist of land, nondepreciable infrastructure, buildings, vehicles, equipment and depreciable infrastructure. Capital assets, net of related debt to acquire the assets at December 31, 2014 were \$6,114,413.

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The table below shows the changes in net position for 2014 and 2013.

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<u>Operating revenues:</u>		
Charges for services	\$ 1,211,709	\$ 1,179,525
Other revenues	17,008	22,856
Total operating revenues	<u>1,228,717</u>	<u>1,202,381</u>
<u>Operating expenses:</u>		
Personal services	523,639	513,955
Operations and maintenance	111,608	112,495
Contractual services	88,178	82,359
Supplies and materials	28,605	31,701
Utilities	89,660	90,119
Depreciation	166,441	165,083
Other	19,356	12,464
Total operating expenses	<u>1,027,487</u>	<u>1,008,176</u>
Operating income	<u>201,230</u>	<u>194,205</u>
<u>Nonoperating revenues (expenses):</u>		
Interest income	608	920
Loss on sale of capital assets	(1,064)	-
Interest and fiscal charges	(43,821)	(49,202)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>(44,277)</u>	<u>(48,282)</u>
Increase in net position	156,953	145,923
Net position at beginning of year	<u>7,520,933</u>	<u>7,375,010</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 7,677,886</u>	<u>\$ 7,520,933</u>

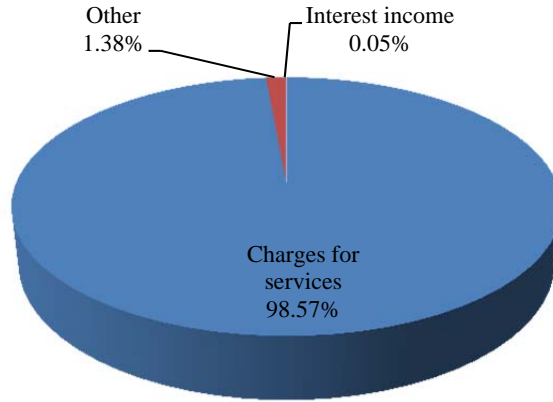
Operating revenues of the Water Authority increased \$26,336 or 2.19% due mainly to an increase in charges for services. Operating expenses of the Water Authority increased \$19,311 or 1.92% not related to any one item.

The charts below illustrate the revenues and expenses for the Water Authority during 2014 and 2013.

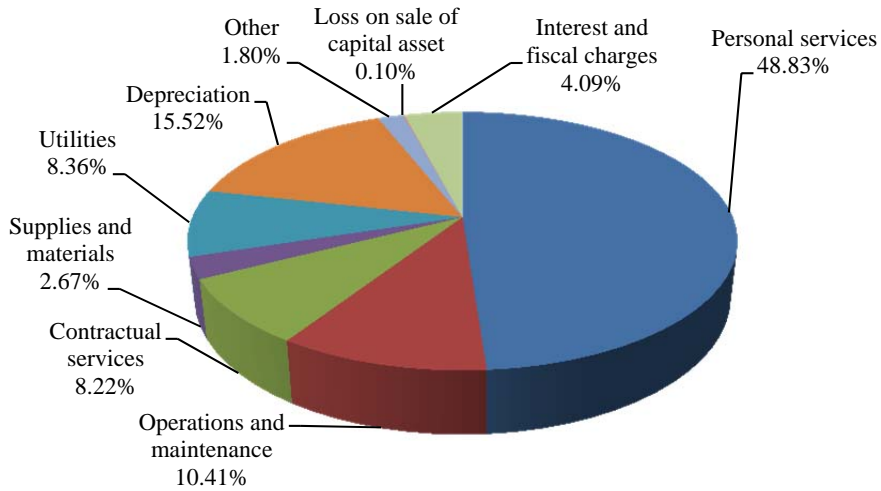
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**2014 Revenues**



**2014 Expenses**



**Capital Assets**

At December 31, 2014, the Water Authority had \$7,446,364 invested in capital assets consisting of land, nondepreciable infrastructure, buildings, vehicles, equipment and depreciable infrastructure. The following table shows December 31, 2014's balances compared to December 31, 2013 (see note 6 to the basic financial statements):

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Capital Assets, at Year End  
(Net of Depreciation)

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Land	\$ 102,842	\$ 102,842
Nondepreciable infrastructure	4,922,779	4,922,779
Buildings	716,951	737,732
Vehicles	21,008	26,067
Equipment	49,623	12,970
Depreciable infrastructure	<u>1,633,161</u>	<u>1,764,789</u>
Total capital assets	<u>\$ 7,446,364</u>	<u>\$ 7,567,179</u>

**Debt**

At December 31, 2014, the Water Authority had water revenue bonds outstanding in the amount of \$225,000, \$75,000 of which is due in one year. The water revenue bonds were issued in 2008 to fund the construction of a new administration building. Principal payments will be made from the water fund.

The Water Authority has an OWDA loan outstanding at December 31, 2014. The total amount of the outstanding loan is \$1,106,951 and bears an interest rate of 2.75% with a final maturity of July 1, 2026, \$79,028 of this loan is due in one year. The loan was issued for the construction of a new water treatment plant. The debt payments will be paid from the water fund.

See Note 5 of the notes to the basic financial statements for more information.

**Current Financial Related Activities**

The Water Authority's net position increased \$156,953 from 2013 to 2014. Sound financial management from the board of trustees and fiscal officer has provided stability during 2014.

**Contacting the Water Authority's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide the citizens of the Lakengren community and the Water Authority's creditors with a general overview of the Water Authority's finances and to show accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Kellie Rickard, Fiscal Officer, 24 Lakengren Drive West, Eaton, Ohio 45320-2858, 937-456-4455 or email to [krickard@lakengrenh2o.org](mailto:krickard@lakengrenh2o.org).

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Statement of Net Position  
December 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Water	Sewer	Total
<u>Assets:</u>			
Current assets:			
Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 334,908	\$ 37,629	\$ 372,537
Cash and cash equivalents:			
In segregated accounts	478,590	425,454	904,044
Receivables:			
Accounts	83,334	54,402	137,736
Special assessments	33,556	134,516	168,072
Materials and supplies inventory	21,681	44,366	66,047
Prepaid items	4,383	4,260	8,643
Total current assets	956,452	700,627	1,657,079
Non-current assets:			
Restricted assets:			
Cash with fiscal agent	8,360	-	8,360
Nondepreciable capital assets	2,789,595	2,236,026	5,025,621
Depreciable capital assets, net	794,988	1,625,755	2,420,743
Total non-current assets	3,592,943	3,861,781	7,454,724
Total assets	\$ 4,549,395	\$ 4,562,408	\$ 9,111,803
<u>Liabilities:</u>			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 7,918	\$ 9,571	\$ 17,489
Accrued wages and benefits	7,901	9,585	17,486
Compensated absences payable	6,310	11,300	17,610
Intergovernmental payable	5,710	6,582	12,292
Accrued interest payable	16,759	-	16,759
OWDA loans payable	79,028	-	79,028
Water revenue bonds payable	75,000	-	75,000
Total current liabilities	198,626	37,038	235,664
Long-term liabilities:			
Compensated absences payable	5,860	14,470	20,330
OWDA loans payable, net of current portion	1,027,923	-	1,027,923
Water revenue bonds payable, net of current portion	150,000	-	150,000
Total long-term liabilities	1,183,783	14,470	1,198,253
Total liabilities	1,382,409	51,508	1,433,917
<u>Net position:</u>			
Net investment in capital assets	2,252,632	3,861,781	6,114,413
Restricted for:			
Revenue bonds future debt service	8,360	-	8,360
Unrestricted	905,994	649,119	1,555,113
Total net position	\$ 3,166,986	\$ 4,510,900	\$ 7,677,886

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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**Preble County, Ohio**

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Water	Sewer	Total
<u>Operating revenues:</u>			
Charges for services	\$ 650,642	\$ 561,067	\$ 1,211,709
Other	8,504	8,504	17,008
Total operating revenue	659,146	569,571	1,228,717
<u>Operating expenses:</u>			
Personal services	258,270	265,369	523,639
Operations and maintenance	23,989	87,619	111,608
Contractual services	40,423	47,755	88,178
Supplies and materials	15,995	12,610	28,605
Utilities	34,967	54,693	89,660
Depreciation	37,620	128,821	166,441
Other	9,899	9,457	19,356
Total operating expenses	421,163	606,324	1,027,487
Operating income (loss)	237,983	(36,753)	201,230
<u>Nonoperating revenues (expenses):</u>			
Interest	416	192	608
Loss on sale of capital assets	-	(1,064)	(1,064)
Interest and fiscal charges	(43,821)	-	(43,821)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(43,405)	(872)	(44,277)
Change in net position	194,578	(37,625)	156,953
Net position at beginning of year	2,972,408	4,548,525	7,520,933
Net position at end of year	\$ 3,166,986	\$ 4,510,900	\$ 7,677,886

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**Lakengren Water Authority**  
**Preble County, Ohio**  
Statement of Cash Flows  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Water	Sewer	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received from customers	\$ 625,435	\$ 560,281	\$ 1,185,716
Cash payments for employee services and benefits	(260,032)	(262,821)	(522,853)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(137,511)	(217,994)	(355,505)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>227,892</u>	<u>79,466</u>	<u>307,358</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Interest paid on debt	(45,133)	-	(45,133)
Principal payment on bonds and loans	(151,899)	-	(151,899)
Acquisition of capital assets	-	(46,690)	(46,690)
Net cash used for capital and related financing activities	<u>(197,032)</u>	<u>(46,690)</u>	<u>(243,722)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Investment income	416	192	608
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>416</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>608</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	31,276	32,968	64,244
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	790,582	430,115	1,220,697
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 821,858</u>	<u>\$ 463,083</u>	<u>\$ 1,284,941</u>
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Operating income (loss)	\$ 237,983	\$ (36,753)	\$ 201,230
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	37,620	128,821	166,441
Change in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) decrease in assets:			
Accounts receivable	(33,711)	(9,290)	(43,001)
Materials and supplies inventory	(13,951)	(7,754)	(21,705)
Prepaid items	421	234	655
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:			
Accounts payable	1,046	1,062	2,108
Accrued wages and benefits	175	1,642	1,817
Compensated absences	(634)	1,404	770
Due to other governments	(1,057)	100	(957)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 227,892</u>	<u>\$ 79,466</u>	<u>\$ 307,358</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements  
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**NOTE 1 - REPORTING ENTITY**

The Lakengren Water Authority (the “Water Authority”) was organized in 1989 under the provisions of Chapter 6119 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) by the Common Pleas Court of Preble County, Ohio, for the purpose of operating a potable water production and distribution system for the Lakengren community. In 1998, the Water Authority assumed operation of a wastewater collection and treatment system, previously operated by Preble County. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the fiscal control of the assets and the operating funds of the Water Authority.

The Water Authority operates under a three member Board of Trustees who are appointed by the Lakengren Property Owners Association for three year terms. All members are full-time resident property owners in the Lakengren community. The Water Authority is a body politic and corporate established with the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio.

The reporting entity is comprised of the stand-alone government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the financial statements of the Water Authority are not misleading. The stand-alone government consists of all departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the Water Authority.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Water Authority is financially accountable. The Water Authority is financially accountable for an organization if the Water Authority appoints a voting majority of the organization's Governing Board and (1) the Water Authority is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Water Authority is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the Water Authority is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance deficits of or provide financial support to the organization; or (4) the Water Authority is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Water Authority in that the Water Authority approves their budget, the issuance of their debt or the levying of their taxes. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary governments financial statements incomplete or misleading. Based upon the application of these criteria, the Water Authority has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the Water Authority (the primary government).

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**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the Water Authority have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted (GAAP) in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Water Authority's accounting policies are described below.

**A. Basis of Presentation**

The Water Authority's basic financial statements consist of a statement of net position, a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and a statement of cash flows.

A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Enterprise fund reporting focuses on the determination of the change in net position, financial position and cash flows. An enterprise fund may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services.

The following are the major enterprise funds of the Water Authority:

Water fund - This fund is used to account for the provision of water treatment and distribution to residential users in the community.

Sewer fund - This fund is used to account for the provision of sanitary sewer service to residential users in the community.

**B. Measurement Focus**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment of an entity's financial transactions is determined by the entity's measurement focus. The enterprise activities are accounted for using a flow of economic resources measurement focus. All assets, all liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of the Water Authority are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Water Authority finances and meets the cash flow needs of its enterprise activities.

**C. Basis of Accounting**

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. The Water Authority's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenue is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

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**D. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

To improve cash management, cash received by the Water Authority is pooled. Monies for both funds are maintained in this pool. Interest in the pool is presented as “equity in pooled cash and investments” on the financial statements. The Water Authority uses a financial institution to service bonded debt as principal and interest payments come due. The balances in the accounts held by these financial institutions are presented on the statement of net position as “restricted assets: cash with fiscal agent”.

The Water Authority has segregated bank accounts for monies held separate from the Water Authority’s central bank account. These interest-bearing deposit accounts are presented on the statement of net position as “cash and cash equivalents in segregated accounts”.

Investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Water Authority are presented on the financial statements as equity and pooled cash and cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are presented as investments.

**E. Budgetary Process**

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Water Authority to budget annually. The Water Authority budgets on a cash basis for revenues and expenses.

Appropriations

Budgetary expenses may not exceed appropriations at the legal level of control, which has been established by the Board at the object level within each fund and department and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission is not required to approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of revenue to be earned and restricted and unrestricted net position as of January 1. The County Budget Commission is not required to approve estimated resources.

Encumbrances

As part of formal budgetary control, purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation. At the close of each year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding year and need not be reappropriated.

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**F. Inventory**

Inventories, which consist primarily of chemicals for treatment and repair parts, are presented at lower of cost or market, on a first-in, first-out basis and are expensed when used.

**G. Prepaid Items**

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2014 are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method by recording a current asset for the prepaid amount and reflecting the expense in the year in which services are consumed.

**H. Restricted Assets**

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either externally imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restricted assets of the Water Authority represent cash with fiscal agent for repayment of debt service on revenue bonds that are required by the bond indenture to be held by a financial services corporation.

**I. Capital Assets**

Capital assets utilized by the Water Authority are reported on the statement of net position. All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost which is determined by indexing the current replacement cost back to the year of acquisition) and are updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The Water Authority maintains a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets are depreciated except for land, construction in progress and certain infrastructure reported on the modified approach. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Buildings	5-50 years
Vehicles	5 years
Equipment	7 years
Infrastructure	10-30 years

The Water Authority applies the modified approach for reporting to certain infrastructure assets. Under the modified approach the Water Authority has developed an asset management system that:

1. Keeps an up-to-date inventory of eligible infrastructure assets;

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2. Performs a conditional assessment of those eligible infrastructure assets at least every three years using a consistent measurement scale; and,
3. Estimates each year the annual amount to maintain and preserve those assets at the condition level established and disclosed by the government.

The Water Authority documents that the eligible infrastructure assets are being maintained at a level equal to or above the condition level established by the Water Authority. Conditional assessments are performed on an annual basis for infrastructure assets in accordance with the Water Authority capital asset policy. When using the modified approach, expenses to extend the life of infrastructure assets are charged to expense, while expenses that add to or improve infrastructure assets are capitalized.

**J. Compensated Absences**

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the Water Authority will compensate the employee for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The Water Authority records a liability for all accumulated unused vacation leave when earned for all employees.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method, and all employees are considered vested, as all employees are compensated for sick leave upon termination. Payment for sick leave at termination is limited to one fourth of the employee's accrued sick leave up to a maximum of thirty days. These amounts are recorded as "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid.

**K. Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Water Authority or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

The Water Authority applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available. The water fund had restricted net position relative to those resources necessary to comply with covenants of bond financing agreements.

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**L. Operating and Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses**

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from primary activities. For the Water Authority, these revenues are charges for services and miscellaneous reimbursements. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activity of the Water Authority. Nonoperating revenues are those revenues that are not generated directly from primary activities. For the Water Authority, this revenue is interest income and gain of sale of capital assets. Nonoperating expenses are costs other than those necessary costs incurred to provide the goods or services that are the primary activity of the Water Authority. For the Water Authority, these expenses are interest and fiscal charges expense and loss on sale of capital assets.

**M. Contributions of Capital**

Contributions of capital arise from outside contributions of capital assets or outside contributions of resources restricted to capital acquisition and construction. During 2014, there were no capital contributions.

**N. Estimates**

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

**O. Extraordinary and Special Items**

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Water Authority Administration and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during 2014.

**NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

The investments and deposits of the Water Authority's monies are governed by the Water Authority's investment policy. In accordance with these provisions, the Water Authority investments will conform to all applicable laws and regulations governing the investment of public monies, including Chapter 135 of the Ohio Revised Code. These State statutes classify monies held by the Water Authority into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Water Authority Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

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Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Board of Trustees has identified as not required for use within the current five-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit, maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit, or by savings or deposit accounts, including passbook accounts. Interim monies may be deposited or invested in notes, bonds or other obligations of the United State or any agency or instrumentality thereof, or in obligations of the State or any political subdivision thereof.

Deposits

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Water Authority will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year-end, the carrying value of the Water Authority deposits was \$1,284,941. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of December 31, 2014, none of the Water Authority's bank balance of \$1,285,964 was exposed to custodial credit risk as described below.

The Water Authority has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited either with the Water Authority or a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least one-hundred-five percent of the deposits being secured.

**NOTE 4 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Accounts receivable represent monies due from residents for water usage and sewage treatment. No allowance for doubtful accounts has been recorded as all amounts are considered collectible. All receivables are expected to be collected within one year.

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**NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

Changes in long-term obligations during the year ended December 31, 2014 were as follows:

	Balance <u>12/31/13</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Balance <u>12/31/14</u>	Amount Due in <u>One Year</u>
<u>Bonds and loans</u>					
Series 2008 A untaxed revenue bonds, 4.02%	\$ 248,000	\$ -	\$ (62,000)	\$ 186,000	\$ 62,000
Series 2008 B taxed revenue bonds, 6.03%	52,000	-	(13,000)	39,000	13,000
OWDA loan, 2.75%	<u>1,183,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(76,899)</u>	<u>1,106,951</u>	<u>79,028</u>
Total bonds and loans	<u>1,483,850</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(151,899)</u>	<u>1,331,951</u>	<u>154,028</u>
<u>Other obligations</u>					
Compensated absences	<u>37,170</u>	<u>18,277</u>	<u>(17,507)</u>	<u>37,940</u>	<u>17,610</u>
Total long-term obligations	<u>\$ 1,521,020</u>	<u>\$ 18,277</u>	<u>\$ (169,406)</u>	<u>\$ 1,369,891</u>	<u>\$ 171,638</u>

On March 21, 2008, the Water Authority issued \$620,000 and \$130,000 in series 2008A untaxed revenue bonds and series 2008B taxed revenue bonds, respectively, for the construction of a new administration building. The bonds bear interest rates of 4.02% and 6.03%, respectively and mature on December 1, 2017. Interest payments on the bonds are due on June 1 and December 1 of each year.

The series 2008A untaxed revenue bonds and series 2008B taxed revenue bonds are general obligations of the Water Authority for which the full faith and credit of the Water Authority has pledged future water customers revenues, net of specific operating expenses, to repay the bonds that were used to construct a new administration building. The bonds are payable solely from water customer net revenues and are payable through 2017. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require approximately 40.38% of net revenues. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total water customer net revenues were \$75,000 and \$13,105, respectively.

The Water Authority has an Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) Loan outstanding at December 31, 2014. The total amount of the loan issued was \$1,667,151 and bears an interest rate of 2.75% with final maturity on July 1, 2026. The loan was issued for the construction of a new water treatment plant. The debt payments will be paid from the water fund.



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Principal and interest requirements to retire the bonds and loan outstanding at December 31, 2014 are:

Year	Revenue Bonds			OWDA loan		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 75,000	\$ 9,829	\$ 84,829	\$ 79,028	\$ 29,902	\$ 108,930
2016	75,000	6,553	81,553	81,216	27,713	108,929
2017	75,000	3,276	78,276	83,465	25,465	108,930
2018	-	-	-	85,776	23,154	108,930
2019	-	-	-	88,151	20,778	108,929
2020-2024	-	-	-	478,747	65,900	544,647
2025-2026	-	-	-	210,568	7,288	217,856
Total	<u>\$ 225,000</u>	<u>\$ 19,658</u>	<u>\$ 244,658</u>	<u>\$ 1,106,951</u>	<u>\$ 200,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,307,151</u>

**NOTE 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity during 2014 was as follows:

	Balance 12/31/2013	Increases	Decreases	Balance 12/31/2014
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 102,842	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 102,842
Infrastructure	4,922,779	-	-	4,922,779
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>5,025,621</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,025,621</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings	887,182	-	-	887,182
Vehicles	100,871	-	(10,640)	90,231
Equipment	105,325	46,690	-	152,015
Infrastructure	4,068,446	-	-	4,068,446
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>5,161,824</u>	<u>46,690</u>	<u>(10,640)</u>	<u>5,197,874</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings	(149,450)	(20,781)	-	(170,231)
Vehicles	(74,804)	(3,995)	9,576	(69,223)
Equipment	(92,355)	(10,037)	-	(102,392)
Infrastructure	(2,303,657)	(131,628)	-	(2,435,285)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,620,266)</u>	<u>(166,441)</u>	<u>9,576</u>	<u>(2,777,131)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>2,541,558</u>	<u>(119,751)</u>	<u>(1,064)</u>	<u>2,420,743</u>
Business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 7,567,179</u>	<u>\$ (119,751)</u>	<u>\$ (1,064)</u>	<u>\$ 7,446,364</u>

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**NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Water Authority 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. During 2014, the Water Authority contracted with independent third parties for various types of insurance as follows:

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Limit</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
Property	\$ 6,860,585	\$ 1,000
General liability:		
Per occasion	1,000,000	none
Aggregate	3,000,000	none
Public officials	1,000,000	1,000
Crime:		
Employee dishonesty	250,000	500
Employee theft	25,000	500
Automobile:		
Liability	1,000,000	none
Comprehensive	50,000	250
Collision	50,000	500

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in the past three years and there has been no significant reduction in coverages from last year.

The Water Authority pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs.

**NOTE 8 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

**A. Insurance Benefits**

The Water Authority employees have health insurance, dental and vision insurance, short term disability, and life insurance through independent third parties.

**B. Compensated Absences**

Accumulated Unpaid Vacation Leave

The Water Authority's employees earn vacation leave based on length of service. Vacation leave must be used within 12 months of being earned. Water Authority employees are paid for earned, unused vacation leave at the time of termination.

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Accumulated Unpaid Sick Leave

The Water Authority's employees earn .0575 hours of sick leave for each hour in active pay status. Employees may accrue and carry over all sick leave earned with no limits. Upon separation or retirement from the Water Authority, employees are paid for one-fourth of their accrued sick leave, up to a maximum payment of 30 days.

Vacation and sick leave are paid from the water and sewer funds.

**NOTE 9 - PENSION PLAN**

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - The Water Authority participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The Traditional Pension Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The Member-Directed Plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20% per year). Under the Member-Directed Plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings. The Combined Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the Combined Plan, employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar to the Traditional Pension Plan benefit. Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the Member-Directed Plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the Traditional Pension and the Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to OPERS, Attention: Finance Director, 277 E. Town St., Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-5601 or (800) 222-7377.

Funding Policy - The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. For 2014, member and contribution rates were consistent across all three plans. The 2014 member contribution rates were 10.00%. The Water Authority's contribution rate for 2014 was 14.00%.

The Water Authority's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2014 was 12%. The Water Authority's required contributions for pension obligations to the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$43,965, \$40,820, and \$26,967, respectively; 83.8% has been contributed for 2014 and 100% has been contributed for 2013 and 2012.

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**NOTE 10 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN**

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description - OPERS maintains a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan, which includes a medical plan, prescription drug program and Medicare Part B premium reimbursement, to qualifying members of both the Traditional Pension and the Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits, including post-employment health care coverage.

To qualify for post-employment health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans must have ten years or more of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by OPERS meets the definition of an Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB State 45. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but not does mandate, OPERS to provide OPEB benefits to its eligible members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided in Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Disclosures for the healthcare plan are presented separately in the OPERS financial report which may be obtained by writing to OPERS, Attention: Finance Director, 277 E. Town St., Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-5601 or (800) 222-7377.

Funding Policy - OPERS' Post Employment Health Care plan was established under, and is administrated in accordance with, Internal Revenue Code 401(h). Each year, the OPERS Board of Trustees determines the portion of the employer contribution rate that will be set aside for funding of post employment health care benefits. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Plan was 2.0% during calendar year 2014. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Combined Plan was 1% during calendar year 2013. Effective January 1, 2015, the portion of employer contributions allocated to healthcare remains at 2% for both plans, as recommended by the OPERS Actuary. The OPERS Board of Trustees is also authorized to establish rules for the retiree, or their surviving beneficiaries, to pay a portion of the health care benefits provided. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected.

The Water Authority's contributions allocated to fund post-employment health care benefits for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$7,328, \$3,140 and \$20,522, respectively; 83.8% has been contributed for 2014 and 100% has been contributed for 2013 and 2012.

Changes to the health care plan were adopted by the OPERS Board of Trustees on September 19, 2012, with a transition plan commencing January 1, 2014. With the recent passage of pension legislation and approved health care changes, OPERS expects to be able to consistently allocate 4% of the employers contributions toward the health care fund after the end of the transition period.

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**NOTE 11 - LEASES**

The Water Authority entered into an operating lease with a property owner outside the Lakengren Subdivision for real property. The lease of the property allows for extracting water found in or under the leased property. The term of this lease commenced April 1, 2004 and remains in force for a primary term of 99 years, provided the Ohio EPA approves the leased premises as a well site and the well continues to produce clean, useable water in acceptable quantities. The lease payments for the year ended December 31, 2014 were \$709.71 per month. The monthly lease payments shall be adjusted annually to the government's published rate of inflation.

The estimated future minimum lease payments, at the current rate, as of December 31, 2014 are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015	\$ 8,520	2050-2054	\$ 42,600
2016	8,520	2055-2059	42,600
2017	8,520	2060-2064	42,600
2018	8,520	2065-2069	42,600
2019	8,520	2070-2074	42,600
2020-2024	42,600	2075-2079	42,600
2025-2029	42,600	2080-2084	42,600
2030-2034	42,600	2085-2089	42,600
2035-2039	42,600	2090-2094	42,600
2040-2044	42,600	2095-2099	42,600
2045-2049	42,600	2100-2103	34,080
		Total	<u>\$ 758,280</u>

## **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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Lakengren Water Authority (the “Water Authority”) reports certain infrastructure assets using the modified approach as outlined in Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 34. The following disclosures pertain to the conditional assessment and budgeted versus actual expenses for the preservation of these assets. The conditional assessment is presented in each of the following sections for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007 and the nine months ended December 31, 2006 which is also the year in which the Water Authority implemented the modified approach.

All infrastructure asset conditions are evaluated and rated based on the following criteria:

Rating of Asset	Condition	Description
1	Excellent	Basically sound, new equipment requiring no work
2	Good	Acceptable; minor wear; requires little work
3	Fair	Showing wear but functionally sound. Rehab needed soon to avoid progression to rating 4.
4	Poor	Function, but with a high degree of maintenance. Major work required.
5	Critical	Asset has failed or will fail imminently

**A. Water Fund**

*Garage/Office*

The garage and office space located is located between the water plant and the workshop. The Water Authority’s policy states that all buildings shall be maintained at level 2 or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the garage/office.

Garage/office condition Level 2 - Good

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority’s budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the garage/office:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2012	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
12/31/2013	-	-	-
12/31/2014	-	-	-

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*Workshop*

The workshop is located in front of the water plant and garage. The Water Authority's policy states that all buildings shall be maintained at level 2 or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the workshop:

Workshop condition Level 2 - Good

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the workshop:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2012	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500
12/31/2013	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2014	1,500	-	1,500

*Main Office*

The Water Authority's main office is located at 24 Lakengren Drive. The Water Authority's policy states that all buildings shall be maintained at level 2 or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the main office:

Main Office condition Level 2 - Good

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the main office:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2012	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
12/31/2013	8,000	7,155	845
12/31/2014	-	-	-

*Wells*

Wells include production and monitoring wells. The Water Authority's policy states that all wells will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the wells:

Well Condition	Number of Wells	Percent of Total
2 - Good	6	85.71%
4 - Poor	1	14.29%
Total	<u>7</u>	<u>100.00%</u>



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The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the wells:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 2,300	\$ 1,990	\$ 310
12/31/2007	7,900	7,277	623
12/31/2008	10,500	8,019	2,481
12/31/2009	10,500	10,307	193
12/31/2010	5,000	-	5,000
12/31/2011	22,000	21,685	315
12/31/2012	13,500	-	13,500
12/31/2013	9,300	-	9,300
12/31/2014	23,000	-	23,000

*Treatment Plant*

The Water Authority has one water treatment plant that is rated at a level 1. The Water Authority's policy is to maintain the water treatment plant at a level 2 or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the water treatment plant:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 4,581	\$ 2,330	\$ 2,251
12/31/2007	1,000	1,482	(482)
12/31/2008	500	-	500
12/31/2009	1,000	403	597
12/31/2010	1,000	82	918
12/31/2011	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2012	8,000	-	8,000
12/31/2013	8,000	-	8,000
12/31/2014	1,500	-	1,500

*Generator*

The Water Authority has one stand-by generator that is rated at a level 1. The Water Authority's policy is to maintain the generator at a level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the generator:

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Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 600	\$ 648	\$ (48)
12/31/2007	700	-	700
12/31/2008	700	26	674
12/31/2009	700	-	700
12/31/2010	500	-	500
12/31/2011	500	-	500
12/31/2012	6,500	-	6,500
12/31/2013	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2014	1,500	-	1,500

*Control Panel*

The Water Authority has one control panel that is rated at a level 1. The Water Authority's policy is to maintain the control panel at a level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the control panel:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 150	\$ 164	\$ (14)
12/31/2007	500	-	500
12/31/2008	500	-	500
12/31/2009	500	-	500
12/31/2010	500	-	500
12/31/2011	500	-	500
12/31/2012	500	-	500
12/31/2013	500	-	500
12/31/2014	1,000	823	177

*Meters*

The Water Authority has 1,384 water meters. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all water meters will be maintained at level two or higher.

The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the meters:

Meter Condition	Number of Water Meters	Percent of Total
1 - Excellent	1,384	100.00%

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the water meters:

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Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,845	\$ 655
12/31/2007	3,000	1,184	1,816
12/31/2008	50,000	31,720	18,280
12/31/2009	27,000	23,413	3,587
12/31/2010	93,000	92,119	881
12/31/2011	500	-	500
12/31/2012	500	-	500
12/31/2013	500	-	500
12/31/2014	500	-	500

*Water Towers*

The Water Authority has two water towers and both are rated at level 2. The Water Authority's policy is to maintain the water towers at a level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the water towers:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 7,151	\$ 7,132	\$ 19
12/31/2007	10,000	9,470	530
12/31/2008	10,000	9,470	530
12/31/2009	10,000	10,303	(303)
12/31/2010	10,000	9,470	530
12/31/2011	10,000	9,578	422
12/31/2012	10,000	9,470	530
12/31/2013	10,000	9,470	530
12/31/2014	10,000	9,470	530

*Shutoff Valves*

The Water Authority has 179 water shutoff valves. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all shutoff valves will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the shutoff valves:

Shutoff Valves Condition	Number of Shutoff Valves	Percent of Total
1 - Excellent	5	2.79%
2 - Good	170	94.96%
3 - Fair	4	2.23%
Total	<u>179</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

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The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the shutoff valves:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 3,100	\$ 5,986	\$ (2,886)
12/31/2007	6,000	-	6,000
12/31/2008	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2009	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2010	500	-	500
12/31/2011	500	-	500
12/31/2012	500	-	500
12/31/2013	500	-	500
12/31/2014	500	-	500

*Hydrants*

The Water Authority has 121 hydrants consisting of fire and flushing hydrants, and all are rated at a level two. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all hydrants will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the hydrants:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 600	\$ 549	\$ 51
12/31/2007	600	565	35
12/31/2008	600	100	500
12/31/2009	1,000	505	495
12/31/2010	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2011	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2012	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2013	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2014	4,000	3,604	396

**B. Sewer Fund**

*Manholes*

The Water Authority has 444 manholes. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all manholes will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the manholes:

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Manholes Condition	Number of Manholes	Percent of Total
1 - Excellent	1	0.23%
2 - Good	426	95.95%
3 - Fair	17	3.83%
Total	444	100.00%

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the manholes:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,170	\$ (170)
12/31/2007	1,000	1,249	(249)
12/31/2008	1,300	762	538
12/31/2009	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2010	2,000	-	2,000
12/31/2011	22,500	-	22,500
12/31/2012	22,000	21,677	323
12/31/2013	14,200	3,729	10,471
12/31/2014	1,000	-	1,000

*Lift Stations*

The Water Authority has 4 lift stations and all are rated at a level two. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all lift stations will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the lift stations:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 16,000	\$ 1,669	\$ 14,331
12/31/2007	16,000	7,816	8,184
12/31/2008	13,000	13,982	(982)
12/31/2009	5,000	6,312	(1,312)
12/31/2010	5,000	6,982	(1,982)
12/31/2011	10,000	2,638	7,362
12/31/2012	10,000	9,373	627
12/31/2013	10,000	1,530	8,470
12/31/2014	9,000	1,448	7,552

*Generators*

The Water Authority operates 6 back up generators. One is located at each lift station and one at the wastewater plant. The Water Authority's policy is to maintain the generators at a level two or higher.

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Generator Condition	Number of Generators	Percent of Total
1 - Excellent	6	100.00%

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the generators:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2012	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500
12/31/2013	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2014	1,000	600	400

*Grinder Pumps*

The Water Authority has 136 grinder pumps. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all grinder pumps will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a summary of the conditional assessment for the grinder pumps:

Grinder Pump Condition	Number of Grinder Pumps	Percent of Total
2 - Good	115	84.56%
3 - Fair	21	15.44%
Total	136	100.00%

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the grinder pumps:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 34,100	\$ 23,052	\$ 11,048
12/31/2007	14,000	13,618	382
12/31/2008	31,500	35,846	(4,346)
12/31/2009	37,000	18,975	18,025
12/31/2010	25,000	27,454	(2,454)
12/31/2011	25,000	19,014	5,987
12/31/2012	26,000	-	26,000
12/31/2013	20,000	14,906	5,094
12/31/2014	25,000	17,345	7,655

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*Basins*

The Water Authority has two basins and both are rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the two basins will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the basins:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 800	\$ -	\$ 800
12/31/2007	6,000	3,508	2,492
12/31/2008	1,000	1,972	(972)
12/31/2009	1,500	5,857	(4,357)
12/31/2010	8,500	51	8,449
12/31/2011	8,500	28	8,472
12/31/2012	-	-	-
12/31/2013	10,000	766	9,234
12/31/2014	10,000	1,692	8,308

*Aerators*

The Water Authority has four aerators, consisting of 3 tornado and 1 overhead aerators and all are rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that 80 percent of all aerators will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the aerators:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 4,500	\$ 3,792	\$ 708
12/31/2007	4,700	3,917	783
12/31/2008	4,700	1,830	2,870
12/31/2009	4,700	-	4,700
12/31/2010	5,000	1,343	3,657
12/31/2011	5,000	-	5,000
12/31/2012	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2013	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2014	4,500	4,286	214

*Downdraft Mixer*

The Water Authority has a downdraft mixer that is rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the downdraft mixer will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the downdraft mixer:

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Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 400	\$ 311	\$ 89
12/31/2007	500	-	500
12/31/2008	500	-	500
12/31/2009	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2010	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2011	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2012	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2013	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2014	1,000	-	1,000

*Clarifiers*

The Water Authority has four clarifiers that are rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the clarifiers will be maintained at level two or higher.

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the clarifiers:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 1,000	-	\$ 1,000
12/31/2007	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2008	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2009	500	80	420
12/31/2010	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2011	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2012	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2013	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2014	49,500	48,324	1,176

*RBC Units*

The Water Authority has two RBC units that are rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the RBC Units will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the RBC Units:



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Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 800	\$ -	\$ 800
12/31/2007	1,000	1,539	(539)
12/31/2008	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2009	500	9,052	(8,552)
12/31/2010	1,000	3,501	(2,501)
12/31/2011	2,000	-	2,000
12/31/2012	2,000	-	2,000
12/31/2013	2,000	-	2,000
12/31/2014	500	-	500

*UV Lights*

The Water Authority has a set of UV lights that is rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the UV lights will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the UV lights:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 800	\$ -	\$ 800
12/31/2007	800	558	242
12/31/2008	1,000	596	404
12/31/2009	1,000	-	1,000
12/31/2010	1,000	849	151
12/31/2011	500	-	500
12/31/2012	500	-	500
12/31/2013	500	-	500
12/31/2014	500	-	500

*Drying Beds*

The Water Authority has four drying beds that are rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the drying beds will be maintained at level two or higher.

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the drying beds:

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Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 800	\$ -	\$ 800
12/31/2007	800	313	487
12/31/2008	1,000	1,404	(404)
12/31/2009	-	-	-
12/31/2010	-	173	(173)
12/31/2011	-	-	-
12/31/2012	500	385	115
12/31/2013	-	-	-
12/31/2014	1,500	-	1,500

*Return Pumps*

The Water Authority has two return pumps that are rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the return pumps will be maintained at level two or higher.

The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the return pumps:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2014	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,254	\$ 246

*Wastewater Treatment Plant*

The Water Authority has a wastewater treatment plant that is rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the wastewater treatment plant will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the wastewater treatment plant:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 7,250	\$ 6,179	\$ 1,071
12/31/2007	400	867	(467)
12/31/2008	1,400	1,799	(399)
12/31/2009	1,400	8,473	(7,073)
12/31/2010	14,000	9,038	4,962
12/31/2011	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2012	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2013	7,800	7,797	3
12/31/2014	-	-	-

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*Blower and Polymer Building*

The Water Authority has a blower and polymer building that is rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the blower and polymer building will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the blower and polymer building:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2006	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,311	\$ (311)
12/31/2007	1,400	700	700
12/31/2008	1,400	-	1,400
12/31/2009	1,400	-	1,400
12/31/2010	4,500	765	3,735
12/31/2011	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2012	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2013	1,500	-	1,500
12/31/2014	-	-	-

*Pole Barn*

The Water Authority has a pole barn that is rated at a level 2. The Water Authority's policy states that the pole barn will be maintained at level two or higher. The following is a comparison of the Water Authority's budgeted and actual expenses for maintaining the pole barn:

Year Ended	Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Difference
12/31/2012	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
12/31/2013	-	-	-
12/31/2014	-	-	-

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL  
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY  
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Lakengren Water Authority  
Preble County, Ohio  
24 Lakengren Drive  
Eaton, Ohio 45320

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Lakengren Water Authority, Preble County (the Water Authority), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Water Authority's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 5, 2015.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Water Authority's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Water Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the Water Authority's financial statements. 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.

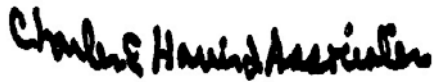
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all internal control deficiencies that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, we did not identify any deficiencies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

***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Water Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

***Purpose of this Report***

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the Water Authority's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Water Authority's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles E. Harris". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

***Charles E. Harris and Associates, Inc.***  
June 5, 2015

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The prior report, for the year ending December 31, 2013, reported no material citations or recommendations.



# Dave Yost • Auditor of State

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**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

**This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2015**