# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL

# LIABILITY, FLEET & PROPERTY PROGRAM

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

**JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007** 



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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of the Metropolitan Educational Council Liability Fleet & Property Program, Franklin County, prepared by Gilmore, Jasion & Mahler, LTD, for the audit period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. 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 Metropolitan Educational Council Liability Fleet & Property Program is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

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December 12, 2008



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Committee Members
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We have audited the balance sheet of the Metropolitan Educational Council Liability, Fleet and Property Program (the Program) of the Metropolitan Educational Council, as of June 30, 2007, the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended. In addition, we have audited the balance sheet in liquidation as of June 30, 2008, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets in liquidation and cash flow for the period from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Program's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements of the Program are intended to present the financial position, and the changes in financial position and cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities of the Metropolitan Educational Council that is attributable to the transactions of the Program. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Metropolitan Educational Council as of June 30, 2008 and 2007, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, where applicable, for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Notes 2 and 7 to the financial statements, the Governing Board of the Metropolitan Educational Council voted to terminate the Program effective June 30, 2007 due to insufficient participation. The Governing Board of the Metropolitan Educational Council approved a plan of liquidation June 30, 2007, and the Program commenced liquidation July 1, 2007. As a result, the Program has changed its basis of accounting for periods subsequent to June 30, 2007, from the going-concern basis to a liquidation basis

Andrew L. Mahler, Retired CPA, CVA, CFFA In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above fairly present, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the Metropolitan Educational Council Liability, Fleet and Property Program as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the year then ended and for the period from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, its balance sheet in liquidation as of June 30, 2008, and the changes in its revenues, expenses and net assets in liquidation and cash flows for the period from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applied on the bases described in the preceding paragraph.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 21, 2008 on our consideration of the Program'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. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audits.

The management's discussion and analysis and required supplementary information on pages 5 through 7 and on page 17, respectively, are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consist principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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November 21, 2008

### METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (UNAUDITED)

The discussion and analysis of the Metropolitan Educational Council Liability, Fleet and Property Program's (MEC LFP Program) performance provides an overview of MEC LFP Program's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2008. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at MEC LFP Program's financial performance as a whole.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

At June 30, 2008 MEC LFP Program's net assets increased \$161,963, total assets decreased by \$162,205 while total liabilities decreased by \$324,168.

#### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. The statements are organized so the reader can understand MEC LFP Program's financial position.

The Balance Sheet and Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets for the year ended June 30, 2007, and the Balance Sheet and Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets (Liquidation Basis) for the period from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, provide information about the activity of MEC LFP Program as a whole. All MEC LFP Program transactions are accounted for in a single enterprise fund

#### **DESCRIPTION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Balance Sheet and Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets (Liquidation Basis) for the period from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, reflect how the MEC LFP Program did financially during fiscal year 2008. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the liquidation basis of accounting which is used by entities for which liquidation is imminent. This basis of accounting involves reporting all assets at net realizable values. These statements report MEC LFP Program's net assets in liquidation and changes in net assets in liquidation. This change in net assets in liquidation is important because it tells the reader whether the financial position of MEC LFP Program has increased or decreased from the prior year. Over time, these increases and/or decreases are one indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating. Causes for these changes may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not.

### METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (UNAUDITED)

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As previously noted, total assets decreased by \$162,205 or 27.6% at June 30, 2008. Cash and cash equivalents decreased \$43,147, while advances to the third party administrator decreased by \$12,380. Reimbursement claims receivable decreased \$106,678 due to a significant stop loss coverage receivable in the prior year. On the liability side, total liabilities decreased by \$302,168 or 61.7% in fiscal year 2008. Loss reserves decreased by \$316,349 and accrued professional fees increased by \$12,380 in fiscal year 2008 due to the accrual of costs associated with the liquidation of the Program. Total revenues were down \$1,596,228 while total expenses were down \$1,716,340. Ending net assets were \$237,780 at June 30, 2008 compared to \$97,817 at June 30, 2007. The termination of the MEC LFP Program resulted in the significant reduction in both revenue and expenses as the loss reserve accrual was adjusted to reflect the remaining claims payable creating a \$84,569 loss and loss adjustment expense for insured events of prior years. The claims reimbursement revenue earned as a result of stop loss coverage being met combined with the decrease in claims payments led to operating income of \$127,638 in fiscal year 2008.

As shown in the accompanying financial statements, the Program experienced a decrease in member contributions of \$1,279,525 during the year ended June 30, 2008. The Metropolitan Educational Society Program Committee determined under Section 10.3 of the Agreement for the Metropolitan Educational Council Liability Fleet and Property Program that there was insufficient participation for fiscal year 2008 to adequately fund the Loss Reserves and pay other program expenses. The Metropolitan Educational Council's Governing Board terminated the Program effective June 30, 2007 resulting in the decline in membership contributions in fiscal year 2008. See Note 7 to the financial statements for additional information.

Table 1 provides a summary of MEC LFP Program's Balance Sheets and Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets as of June 30, 2008 and 2007:

	2008	2007
Total assets	\$ 425,444	\$ 587,649
Total liabilities	 187,664	 489,832
Total net assets (unrestricted)	\$ 237,780	\$ 97,817
Total revenues	\$ 93,854	\$ 1,690,082
Total expenses	 (46,109)	 1,670,231
Net change in net assets	139,963	19,851
Net assets at beginning of year	 97,817	 77,966
Net assets at end of year	\$ 237,780	\$ 97,817

### METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (UNAUDITED)

#### **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

MEC LFP Program does not draft or approve a budget in the tradition of most government agencies. The insurance adjuster and actuary review MEC LFP Program's prior claims history and help MEC LFP Program properly estimate the loss and loss adjustment expense. If the claims are overestimated, MEC LFP Program will have an increase in net assets. If the claims are underestimated, MEC LFP Program will have a decrease in net assets.

#### REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of MEC LFP Program's finances for all those interested in MEC LFP Program's well being. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to Ronald Miller, Metropolitan Educational Council, 2100 Citygate Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43219.

# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM BALANCE SHEETS

June 30, 2008 (Liquidation Basis) and June 30, 2007

		2008	2007	
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	395,513	\$ 438,660	
Reimbursement claims receivable		10,376	117,054	
Advances to third party administrator		19,555	 31,935	
Total assets	\$	425,444	\$ 587,649	
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Liabilities				
Loss reserves (Note 4)	\$	151,346	\$ 467,695	
Accrued professional fees		36,318	 22,137	
Total liabilities		187,664	489,832	
Net assets in liquidation		237,780	 97,817	
Total liabilities and net assets in liquidation	\$	425,444	\$ 587,649	

# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

# For the Years Ended June 30, 2008 (Liquidation Basis) and June 30, 2007

	2008	2007
Operating revenues		
Member contributions	\$ 0	\$ 1,279,525
Claims reimbursement revenue	81,529	379,937
Total operating revenues	81,529	1,659,462
Operating expenses		
Excess insurance premiums	0	779,017
Loss and loss adjustment expense (credit)	(84,569)	829,340
Program administrator fees	10,000	11,036
Claim processing fees and expenses	11,300	27,500
Professional fees	17,160	14,011
Management fees to Metropolitan Educational Council	0	9,327
Total operating expenses	(46,109)	1,670,231
Operating income (loss)	127,638	(10,769)
Non-operating revenue		
Interest income	12,325	30,620
Change in net assets in liquidation	139,963	19,851
Net assets in liquidation		
Beginning of year	97,817	77,966
End of year	\$ 237,780	\$ 97,817

# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# For the Years Ended June 30, 2008 (Liquidation Basis) and June 30, 2007

		2008		2007
Cash flows from operating activities				
Cash received from member contributions	\$	0	\$	1,279,525
Cash received from insurance reimbursements		188,206		262,883
Cash paid for claims and insurance premiums		(219,400)		(1,634,794)
Cash paid for vendors and others		(24,278)		(60,737)
Net cash used in operating activities		(55,472)		(153,123)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Interest received on cash and cash equivalents		12,325		30,620
Net cash provided by investing activities		12,325		30,620
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(43,147)		(122,503)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		438,660		561,163
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	395,513	\$	438,660
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities				
Operating income (loss)	\$	127,638	\$	(10,769)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	Φ	127,036	Φ	(10,709)
Advances to third party administrator		12,380		(14,226)
Reimbursement claims receivable		106,678		(117,054)
Loss reserves		(316,349)		(117,034) $(12,211)$
Accrued professional fees		14,181		1,137
Net cash used in operating activities	\$	(55,472)	-\$	(153,123)
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#### Note 1-Description of the organization

The Metropolitan Educational Council, Franklin County, Ohio, (MEC) is a not-for-profit regional council of governments established under Chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code. The regional council of governments is directed by a twenty-nine member Governing Board. The regional council of governments provides educational services to the youth and adults in Franklin County and surrounding areas by the cooperative action of the membership.

The Metropolitan Educational Council Liability, Fleet and Property Program (MEC LFP Program) was organized in 2004 as authorized by Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code. Pursuant to Section 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code, the MEC LFP Program is a Committee of the MEC, a consortium of school districts and related agencies formed for the public purpose of enabling its members to obtain self-insurance through a jointly administered self-insurance fund. Members of the MEC LFP Program are school districts located in the State of Ohio which are eligible to participate under applicable statute, ruling or law subject to certain underwriting standards as deemed appropriate by the MEC LFP Program and its administrator.

The MEC LFP Program was established to provide property, general liability, school leader's errors and omissions, automobile, excess liability, crime, surety and bond, inland marine and other coverage to its members. Coverage programs are developed specific to each member's risk management needs and the related premiums for coverage and administrative costs are determined through the application of uniform underwriting criteria addressing the member's exposure to loss. The MEC LFP Program has agreed to pay judgments, settlements and other expenses resulting from claims arising related to the coverage provided in excess of the member's deductible.

The MEC LFP Program has chosen to adopt the forms and endorsements of conventional insurance coverage and to purchase specific and aggregate stop loss insurance in excess of a given retention to pay individual and collective losses. Therefore, the individual members are only responsible for their self-insured retention (deductible) amounts that may vary from member to member. See Note 6 for further explanation.

The MEC LFP Program retains the first \$100,000 of each loss for general liability, automobile, crime and surety and property claims. Each Member has a maintenance deductible of \$1,000 for property, automobile physical damage and crime claims. Stop loss insurance is purchased for the MEC LFP Program and is fully funded by Member contributions. The Stop loss coverage for the year ended June 30, 2007 was for claims in excess of \$444,401. Coverage for boiler & machinery and school leaders' errors & omissions are purchased outside of the MEC LFP Program's retention program.

#### Note 1-Description of the organization-continued

The MEC LFP Program has an agreement with Marsh USA to provide risk management advisee and consulting services to the client. Specialty Claims Services, Inc. provides claims adjusting and administrative services to the MEC LFP Program. In accordance with the agreement, Specialty Claims performs all policy management, billing, claims management and payment functions for the MEC LFP Program, and is paid a fee based on the number of claims processed. Specialty Claims does not have a service auditor's report for controls placed in operations or a service auditors' report on controls placed in operation and their operating effectiveness (SAS 70 Type I or Type II), however, management believes that Specialty Claims Services, Inc. outside processing function is operating effectively.

The MEC LFP Program served the insurance purchasing needs of 20 public school districts during the year ended June 30, 2007. Due to the continued decline in participants, the Program was terminated by the Governing Council effective June 30, 2007.

The MEC LFP Program is comprised exclusively of Ohio educational subdivisions. Although its exposure is concentrated to a single geographical area, such exposure is reduced by the practice of purchasing excess and stop-loss insurance coverage. See Note 6 for further discussion.

#### Note 2-Summary of significant accounting policies

#### **Basis of accounting**

Prior to July 1, 2007, the financial statements were prepared on the accrual basis of accounting whereby revenues are accounted for as earned and expenses as incurred. As discussed in Notes 1 and 7 to the accompanying financial statements, the MEC Governing Council elected on June 30, 2007 to terminate the plan. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Program changed its basis of accounting effective July 1, 2007 from the ongoing concern basis used in presenting the 2007 financial statements to the liquidation basis used in presenting the 2008 financial statements. All transactions are accounted for in a single enterprise fund.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the Council follows GASB guidance as applicable to proprietary funds and FASB Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles, Board Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins issued on or before November 30, 1989 that do not conflict or contradict GASB pronouncements. The Program also has the option to apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, subject to this same limitation. The Program has elected to apply these FASB Statements and Interpretations.

The Program follows the provisions of Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 10, "Accounting and Reporting for Risk Financing and Related Insurance Issues" and GASB Statement No. 30, "Risk Financing Omnibus, An Amendment of GASB 10," as applicable.

#### Note 2-Summary of significant accounting policies-continued

#### 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 periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

For cash flow purposes, the MEC LFP Program considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

#### Loss reserves

The MEC LFP Program has not established claims liabilities on reinsured risks except for those that it determined are liabilities which are not covered by excess insurers as further discussed in Note 6. For those risks, the MEC LFP Program has established claims liabilities that are based on estimates of the ultimate cost of claims (including future claim adjustment expenses) that have been reported but not settled ("case" reserves) and of claims that have been incurred but not reported ("IBNR" reserves), net of estimated salvage and subrogation. The length of time for which such costs must be estimated varies depending on the coverage involved. Because actual claim costs depend on such complex factors as inflation, changes in doctrines of legal liability and damage awards, the process used in computing claims liabilities does not necessarily result in exact amounts, particularly for coverages such as general liability. Claims liabilities are recomputed periodically using a variety of actuarial and statistical techniques to produce current estimates that reflect recent settlements, claim frequency, and other economic and social factors. A provision for inflation in the calculation of estimated future claims costs is implicit in the calculation because reliance is placed both on actual and industry data that reflects past inflation and on other factors and are considered to be appropriate modifiers of past experience. See Notes 3 and 4 for further discussion.

The methods of making such estimates and establishing the ultimate liability for losses and loss adjustment expenses are reviewed regularly. Management believes that the estimates of the ultimate liability for losses and loss adjustment expenses as of June 30, 2008 and 2007 are reasonable and reflective of anticipated ultimate experience. However, it is possible that the MEC LFP Program's actual incurred losses and loss adjustment expenses will not conform to the assumptions inherent in the determination of the liability. Accordingly, it is reasonably possible that the ultimate settlement of losses and the related loss adjustment expenses may vary significantly from the estimated amounts included in the accompanying financial statements.

#### Note 2-Summary of significant accounting policies-continued

#### Operating revenues and expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the MEC LFP Program. Operating revenues are composed of member contributions charged for insurance coverage premiums, claims reimbursement revenue for deductible and stop loss payments, and insurance loss recovered which relates to revenue recognized based on the calculation of the stop loss reserve. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the goods and service that is the primary activity of the MEC LFP Program. All revenues and expenditures not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

#### Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the prior years financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2008 presentation.

#### Note 3-Deposits

The Program has designated Fifth Third Bank for the deposit of funds. The MEC LFP Program's cash and cash equivalents are primarily subject to custodial credit risk, as further explained below.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, MEC LFP Program's deposits may not be returned to it. Protection of MEC LFP Program's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution, by surety company bonds or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution. In accordance with Chapter 135 of the Ohio Revised Code, any public depository receiving deposits pursuant to an award of MEC LFP funds shall be required to pledge as security for repayment of all public moneys.

At June 30, 2008, the carrying value of the MEC LFP Program's deposits was \$395,513 and the bank balance was \$395,513. Of the bank balance, \$100,000 was covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and \$295,513 was uninsured and collateralized by securities held by the pledging institution's trust department, not in the MEC LFP Program's name. Subsequent to June 30, 2008 Congress approved increasing the FDIC limit temporarily to \$250,000 (from \$100,000) until December 31, 2009.

#### Note 4-Loss reserves

The net balance of unpaid losses and loss adjustment expense reserves at June 30, 2008 and 2007 represent the MEC LFP Program's estimate of the ultimate cost of loss and loss adjustment expenses that have been reported but not settled and that have been incurred but not reported, net of estimated salvage and subrogation. The activity in the losses and loss adjustment expense reserves is summarized as follows:

	 2008	2007	
Unpaid claims and claim adjustment expense at beginning of			
year	\$ 467,695	\$	479,906
Incurred claims and claim adjustment expenses:			
Provision for insured events of current year	0		334,683
Increase (decrease) in provision for insured events of prior			
years	(84,569)		432,618
Total incurred claims and claim adjustment expenses	 (84,569)		767,301
Payments:			
Claims and claim adjustment expenses attributable to insured	0		(417,474)
events of current year	(221 790)		(262.029)
Claims and claim adjustment expenses attributable to insured events of prior years	(231,780)		(362,038)
Total payments	(231,780)	-	(779,512)
Total unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses at end of	<del>-</del>		
year	\$ 151,346	\$	467,695

The actuarial determination of the unpaid losses and loss adjustment expense reserves was prepared by Mercer Oliver Wyman Actuarial Consulting, Inc. (Mercer). Mercer is owned by the same holding company that owns Marsh USA, the consultant. See Note 1 for further discussion.

#### Note 5-Member Withdrawal

Five member school districts withdrew from the Program prior to the beginning of fiscal year 2007; therefore they did not incur any penalties. Upon withdrawal, the member becomes responsible for claims which occur on or after the withdrawal date.

#### Note 6-Excess Insurance

Excess insurance coverages provided by the MEC LFP Program above the \$100,000 retention per loss are \$250,000,000 for any one property loss, \$4,000,000 in the aggregate for flood and earthquake losses and \$5,000,000 in 2008 and 2007 for any one occurrence and policy aggregate per member for liability losses. In the event the aggregate of all losses exceeds the Stop Loss calculation for the fiscal year, excess insurance is purchased to cover the first \$100,000 of any additional covered loss.

In the event that any of the excess insurance companies are unable to meet their obligations under the existing excess insurance agreements, the MEC LFP Program would be liable for such defaulted amounts. The MEC LFP Program evaluates the financial condition of its excess insurers and monitors the concentrations of credit risk to minimize its exposure to significant losses from insurer insolvencies.

Premiums of \$0 and \$779,017 were paid to excess insurers for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

### Note 7-Program Curtailment

The Metropolitan Educational Society Program Committee determined under Section 10.3 of the Agreement for the Metropolitan Educational Council Liability Fleet and Property Program (Agreement) that there was insufficient participation for fiscal year 2008 and accordingly, terminated the Program effective June 30, 2007. The Program will remain in operations until all remaining claims are run out. Per section 10.4 of the Agreement the Program shall not be liable in excess of any Loss Fund reserves. In addition, per section 10.5 of the agreement any funds remaining shall be paid to the Council.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM CLAIMS DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

For the Years Ended June 30, 2008, 2007, 2006, and 2005

	Fiscal Year and Policy Years Ended							
_	2008		2007		2006		2005	
Required contribution and								
investment revenue:								
Earned	\$	12,325	\$	1,310,145	\$	1,626,817	\$	1,641,165
Ceded		0		779,017		891,694		1,039,843
Net earned		12,325		531,128		735,123		601,322
Unallocated expenses		38,460		61,874		176,859		168,988
Estimated claims and expenses,								
end of policy year:								
Incurred		0		829,340		428,202		378,928
Ceded		0		379,937		0		0
Net incurred		0		449,403		428,202		378,928
Net paid (cumulative) as of:								
End of policy year		-		332,618		124,489		182,444
One year later		-		214,088		366,618		298,986
Two years later		-		-		445,117		390,917
Three years later		-		~		-		388,595
Re-estimated ceded claims								
and expenses		-		298,994		175,197		25,960
Re-estimated net incurred claims								
and expenses:								
End of policy year		-		449,403		428,202		378,928
One year later		-		324,349		529,545		392,619
Two years later		-		-		472,138		417,039
Three years later		-		-		-		402,659
Increase (decrease) in estimated								
net incurred claims and expenses								
from end of policy year		-		(125,054)		43,936		23,731

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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

Committee Members

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Liability, Fleet and Property Program
Columbus, Ohio

We have audited the financial statements of Metropolitan Educational Council Liability, Fleet and Property Program (the Program) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, and have issued our report thereon, dated November 21, 2008. 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.

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#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Program's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures 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 Program's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Program's internal control over financial reporting.

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A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

Andrew L. Mahler, Retired CPA, CVA, CFFA

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the Program in a separate report letter dated November 21, 2008.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Committee Members and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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November 21, 2008

# METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL LIABILITY, FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR (2007) FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

#### Finding 07-1

#### **Condition**

At June 30, 2007 an audit adjustment was made to accurately state the Loss reserves and the Reimbursement claims receivable. This situation was caused by the Program not having the in-house expertise to accurately account for the reinsurance and stop loss transactions. This lack of in-house expertise resulted in the inability of the Program to identify material transactions that should have been reported in the Program's financial statements.

#### Status

During fiscal year 2008 management utilized the expertise of their risk management and consulting service to ensure that the information provided for the actuarial analysis was accurate and complete.



# Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

#### MEC LIABILITY FLEET AND PROPERTY PROGRAM

#### **FRANKLIN COUNTY**

#### **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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED DECEMBER 24, 2008