

# COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2012



Board of Trustees Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio 4239 London Groveport Road Grove City, Ohio 43123-9518

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio, Franklin County, prepared by Schneider Downs & Co., Inc., for the audit period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. 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 Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

June 10, 2013



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## **Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio**

#### for the

Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2012

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# Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

## For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012

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# INTRODUCTORY SECTION



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#### Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio

May 24, 2013

To the Board of Trustees, residents and businesses of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio ("SWACO"):

We are pleased to present SWACO's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR") for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 to the SWACO Board of Trustees and those living and doing business within the jurisdiction of SWACO.

The management of SWACO assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of the information contained in this report, based upon a comprehensive framework of internal controls it has established for this purpose. Because the cost of internal controls should not exceed the anticipated benefits, the objective is to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatements.

Schneider Downs & Co., Inc., Certified Public Accountants, have issued an unqualified opinion on SWACO's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012. The independent auditors' report is located at the beginning of the Financial Section of the report, Section 2.

The Management Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") immediately follows the independent auditors' report and provides a narrative introduction, overview and analysis of the basic financial statements. The MD&A complements this letter of transmittal and should be read in conjunction with it.

#### **Profile of SWACO**

A political subdivision of the State of Ohio, SWACO is one of 52 single and multi-county solid waste management districts established under Ohio's solid waste management program. The primary goal of the State's solid waste management program is reducing reliance on landfills for solid waste disposal in Ohio. As a solid waste district, SWACO is responsible for preparing, updating and implementing a comprehensive solid waste management plan for the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District (the "District").

In addition to providing solid waste planning for the District, SWACO operates a sanitary landfill with a maximum daily capacity of 8,000 tons, three waste transfer stations with a combined capacity of approximately 3,000 tons per day, and various recycling and waste reduction programs.

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SWACO's mission is to manage the District municipal solid waste stream to achieve environmentally responsible and cost-effective disposal, treat solid waste as a resource capable of yielding recovered materials and energy, reduce reliance on landfilling, and plan future disposal capacity for the District.

#### **History of SWACO**

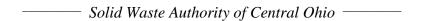
SWACO was established in 1989 and its first two years were devoted to developing the initial solid waste management plan for the District. In 1991, SWACO purchased the 3,333 ton-perday Franklin County Sanitary Landfill (the "Landfill") from the Franklin County Commissioners and, in 1993, added a 90-megawatt, 2,000-ton per day resource recovery facility (the "Waste-To-Energy Facility" or "WTEF") and two solid waste transfer facilities through a long-term lease with the City of Columbus (the "City"). SWACO also acquired the Franklin County (the "County") closed landfill (the "Model Landfill") as part of the acquisition of the operating Landfill.

SWACO closed all but the waste receiving portion of the WTEF at the end of 1994 because of its inability to generate revenues sufficient to operate the facility and pay the lease obligation to the City. SWACO converted the waste receiving portion of the facility to a solid waste transfer station and negotiated revised lease terms with the City. Pursuant to the modified lease, SWACO implemented new fees in 1999 applied to all solid waste generated within SWACO's jurisdiction and dedicated to the payment of the lease (see Note 11). In 2005, SWACO demolished the waste incineration portions of the facility, retaining the transfer station and certain buildings and structures that SWACO used for recycling activities. The remaining buildings and structures were destroyed by fire in 2008, leaving only the transfer station.

With closure of the WTEF in 1994 and the resulting loss of disposal capacity, SWACO began the process of obtaining a permit from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (the "OEPA") to expand the Landfill to meet the additional disposal requirements of the District. In 1997, the permit was approved adding 49 million cubic yards of capacity to the Landfill, sufficient to meet SWACO's disposal requirements for at least 25 years and increasing the daily capacity to 6,000 tons. A further modification to the permit, approved in 2009, added 3.5 million cubic yards to the Landfill's capacity. In 2011, The Ohio EPA granted SWACO's request to increase its daily capacity from 6,000 to 8,000 tons.

#### The Solid Waste Plan

SWACO's Solid Waste Plan was originally adopted in 1993. The plan is subject to periodic updates and the last update approved by the OEPA was in November 2011.



#### **Budgetary Control**

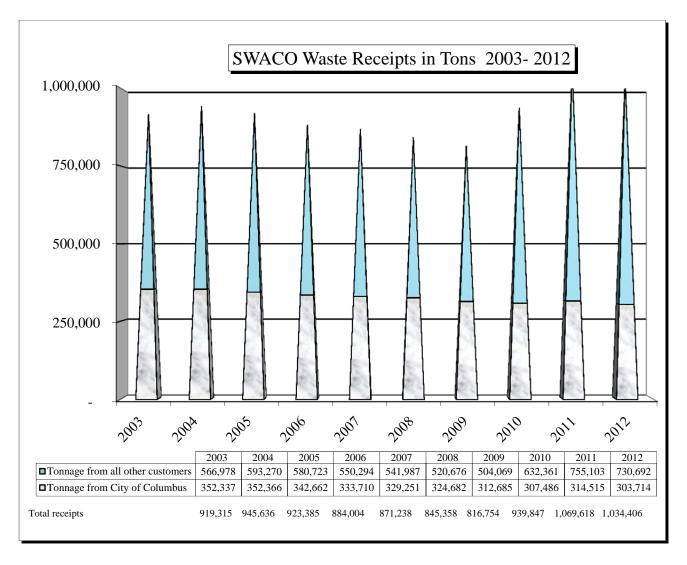
The Board of Trustees adopts an annual non-appropriated operating and capital improvements budget resolution. Budgetary control is maintained by the Board at the major account level (salaries, wages and benefits; contracts, services and supplies; capital outlays; etc.). The Statistical Section provides a budget to actual comparison for the year ending December 31, 2012.

#### **Local Economy and Economic Outlook**

SWACO is located principally within Franklin County, with the City of Columbus as the largest city within the District. Prior to 2001, both the County and the City enjoyed healthy economies characterized by low unemployment, an increasing tax base, and strong economic development. In recent years, the state and local economies have shown slower growth including higher unemployment and lower income and sales tax collections. Nonetheless, both the City and the County maintain triple A ratings on their long-term debt from the major rating agencies.

Since solid waste disposal is a lagging economic indicator, growth in land-filled solid waste tonnage is expected to be modest for the next several years. In 2009, SWACO renegotiated new one-year waiver agreements with key customers requiring them to deliver a minimum of 75.0% of their total waste stream generated in Franklin County to SWACO's Franklin County Sanitary Landfill. In 2010, the waiver agreements expired and SWACO enacted its full authority pursuant to flow control regulations, requiring haulers to bring 100% of solid wastes collected to a SWACO designated facility for disposal. These measures helped SWACO to exceed 900,000 tons of land-filled waste during 2010 and 2011. In 2010, SWACO approved a rate increase of \$3.00 per ton effective January 1, 2012.

Please see chart on next page illustrating SWACO's waste receipts (in tons) from 2003 to 2012.



The introduction in 1999 of fees assessed on all solid waste generated from within the District and dedicated to the payment of the WTEF lease (the Waiver Fee and Retired Facility Fee, Note 11) has contributed greatly to a more stable outlook for the future of SWACO. As a result of a modification to the lease and implementation of the new fees, the City reduced the lease obligation by 35 percent. This, combined with the payments made by SWACO from the revenues generated from the new fees, has allowed SWACO to pay off the lease obligation in the current year and make significant reductions in the related debt. This is discussed in more detail in the MD&A beginning on page 2-7 (Financial Position of SWACO).

#### **Long-Term Financial Planning and Major Initiatives**

SWACO adopts annual operating and capital budgets with additional pro forma projections to extend the planning horizon to five years. Over the next twenty years, extensive capital improvements will be on-going as SWACO completes construction of the remaining four phases of the Landfill and plans for its eventual closure and replacement.

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SWACO currently has triple A ratings from both Standard and Poor's and Moody's Investors Service.

#### Awards and Acknowledgements

#### Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to SWACO for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011. This was the fourteenth consecutive year SWACO has received this award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR that satisfies both accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current CAFR continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

#### Acknowledgements

The Assistant Executive Director wishes to thank the employees of SWACO for their dedication and hard work. On behalf of the citizens and staff of SWACO, the Assistant Executive Director also acknowledges the support and efforts of the Board of Trustees. These Board members, who serve without compensation, have provided valuable expertise and guidance to SWACO and staff, as well as a significant time commitment, helping SWACO to achieve its goals.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey M. Cahill

Assistant Executive Director

#### **Principal Officials**

#### **Board of Trustees**

(Appointed by or Representing)

#### David J. Bush, Chairman

Appointed by the Mayor of the City of Columbus

#### Aparna Dial

Appointed by the Board of Trustees representing the general public

#### Mark Kelsey

Designee of the Mayor of the City of Columbus

#### John O'Grady

President of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners

#### Susan A. Tilgner

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#### Robert J. Clemons, Interim Vice Chair

Appointed by the Board of Trustees representing industrial, commercial or institutional waste generators

#### **Timothy Guyton**

Appointed by a majority of the Boards of Township Trustees in Franklin County

#### William Lotz, Sr.

Appointed by the Board of Trustees representing the general interest of citizens

#### Steven P. Shepard

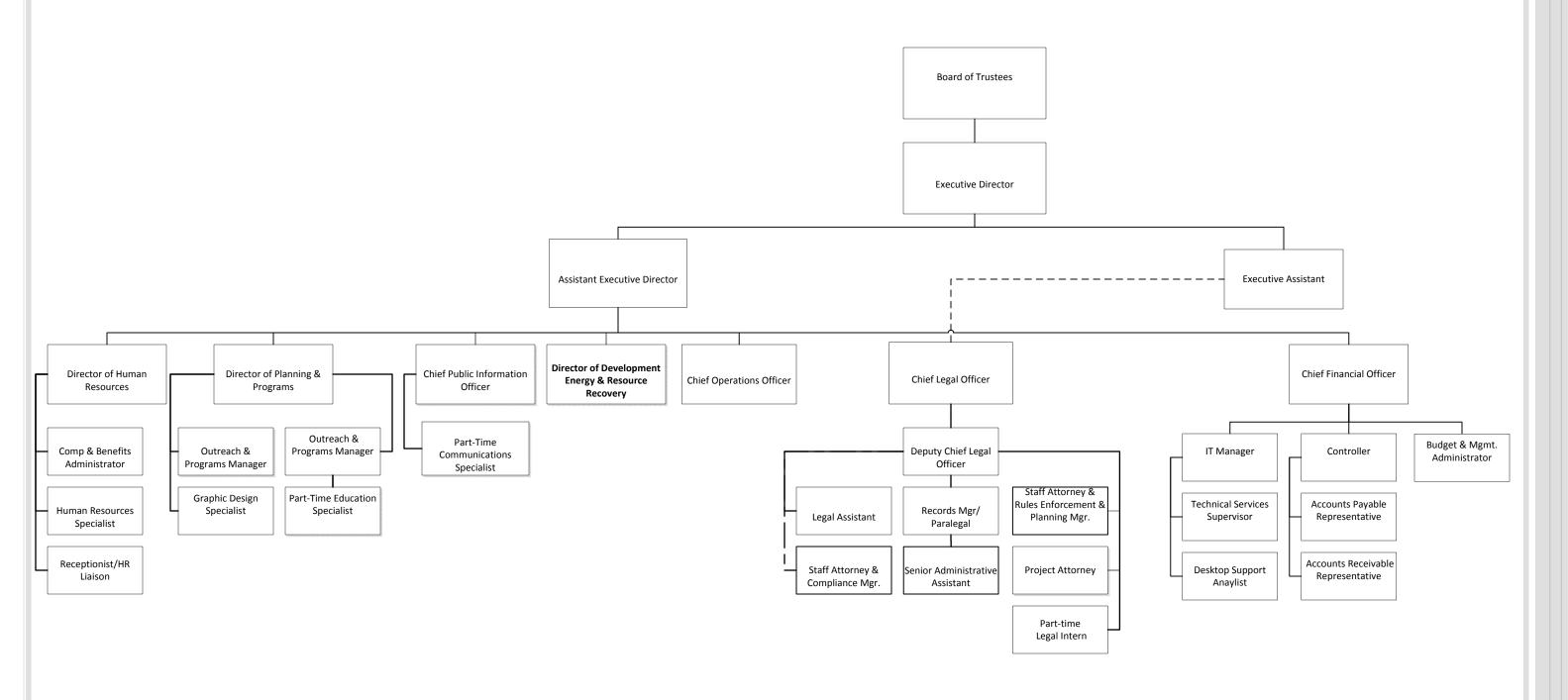
Appointed by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners

#### Staff

Ronald J. Mills, Executive Director
Jeffrey M. Cahill, Assistant Executive Director
Carol Ann Phillips, Chief Financial Officer
Michael C. Mentel, Chief Legal Officer
Rick A. Dodge, Chief Operating Officer
Tamara D. Foster, Controller
Patrick W. O'Block, Budget and Management Administrator

# Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Table of Organization

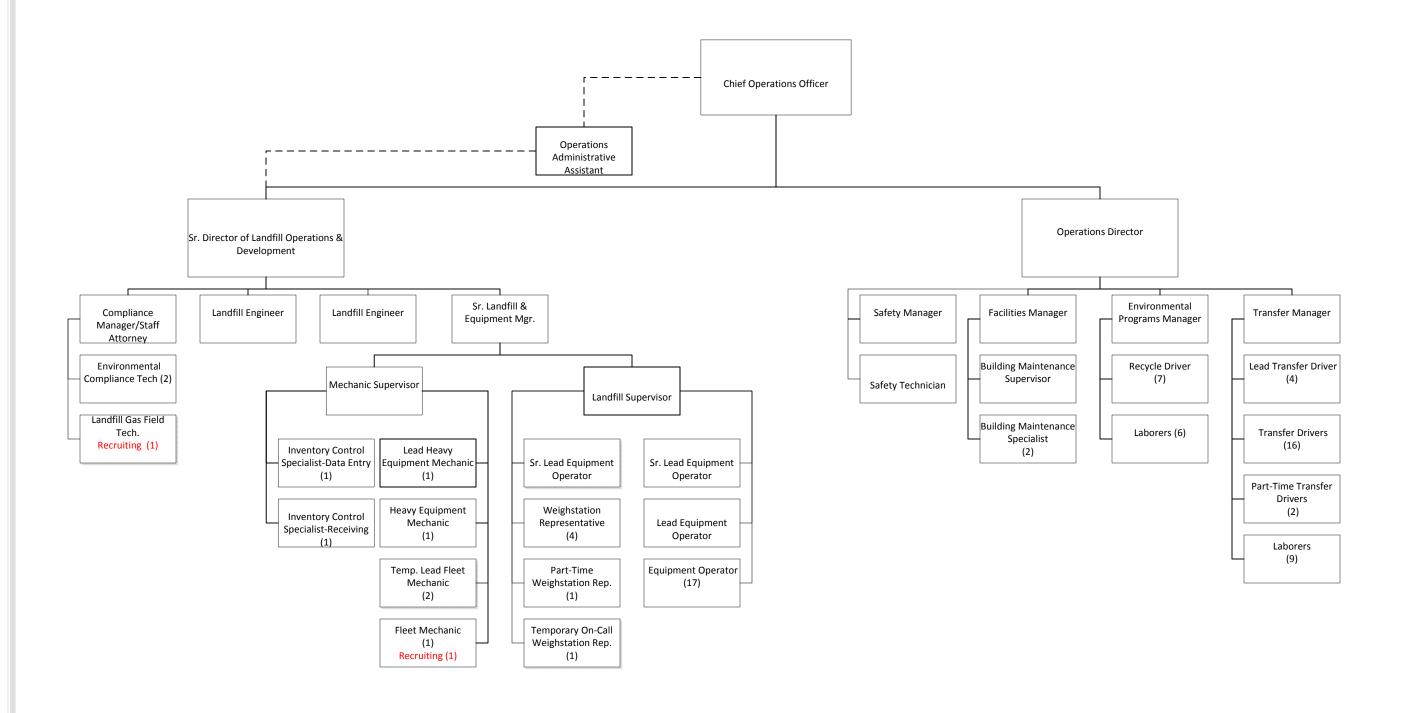
Administration



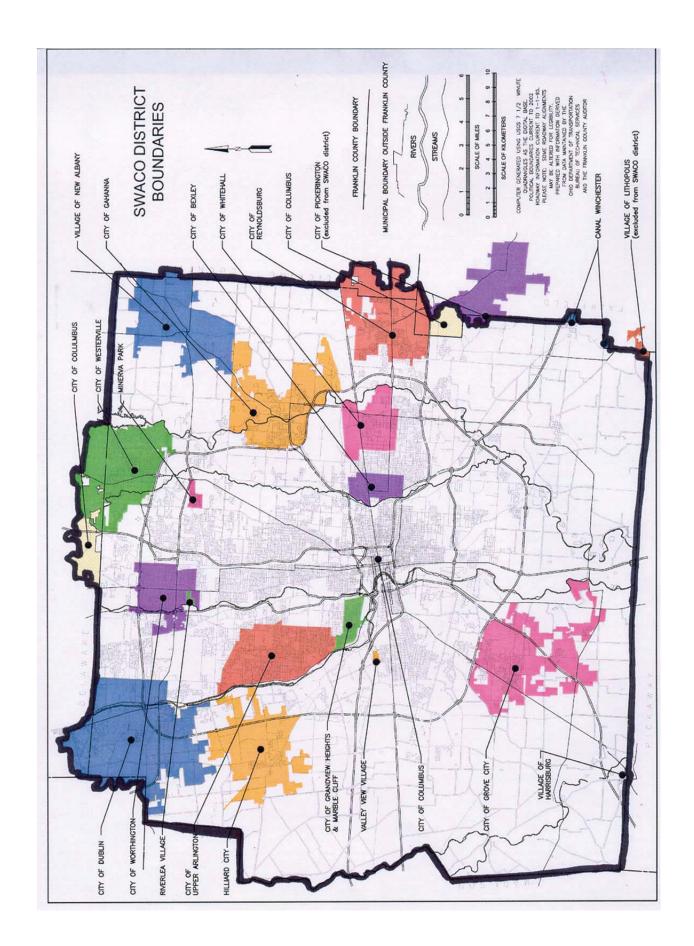


# Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Table of Organization

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# Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio

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December 31, 2011

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# FINANCIAL SECTION





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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Franklin County 4239 London-Groveport Rd. Grove City, OH 43123

To the Audit and Finance Committee and the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and each major fund of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise SWACO'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.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

We believe 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 respective financial position of the business-type activities and each major fund of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio, as of December 31, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, 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 express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any other assurance.

#### Supplementary and Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise SWACO's basic financial statements as a whole. The introductory section, supplemental schedules, and the statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The introductory section, supplemental schedules, and the statistical section are the responsibility of management, and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures we applied to the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling this information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplemental schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

We did not subject the introductory section and statistical section information to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion or any other assurance on them.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 24, 2013, on our consideration of SWACO'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 internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion 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 SWACO's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Schneider Downs & Co., Unc.

Columbus, Ohio May 24, 2013

# Management's Discussion & Analysis for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (unaudited)

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") provides an overview of the financial performance of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) and provides an introduction to SWACO's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012. The information contained in this MD&A should be considered in conjunction with information presented in the letter of transmittal, beginning on page 1-1, and SWACO's financial statements and corresponding notes to the financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Overview Of The Financial Statements**

SWACO's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB). The financial information of SWACO is accounted for in two enterprise funds in order to reflect limitations and restrictions placed on the use of available resources. The *Operating Fund* is used primarily to account for revenues and expenses related to the operation of SWACO's Sanitary Landfill and solid waste transfer facilities. Except for certain fees restricted to the payment of a capital lease obligation and related bonds, the fund may be used for any other lawful solid waste management purpose deemed appropriate by the Board of Trustees. Generation Fees in the *Program Fund* are restricted by state statute to certain solid waste reduction, recycling and reuse purposes. Generation fee funds are derived from a \$5.00 fee on tipping and any grant income received.

Following this MD&A are the basic financial statements of SWACO together with notes, which are essential to a full understanding of the data contained in the financial statements. Included in the financial statements for SWACO are the following:

- Statement of Net Position This statement presents information on all of SWACO's assets, liabilities, and deferred outflows and inflows with the difference between them reported as net position.
- Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position This statement includes all operating and non-operating revenues and expenses for SWACO and shows the change in SWACO's net position during the most recent year.
- Statement of Cash Flows This statement reports cash and cash equivalent activities for the year resulting from operating, capital and related financial activities. A reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities is provided.

Certain amounts in the December 31, 2011 MD&A financial information have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

#### **Financial Highlights of 2012**

- SWACO's net position increased by \$7.9 million, 30.4%, in 2012.
- Operating Fund operating income decreased \$45,000, 0.3%, in 2012. Increases in revenue and decreases in contracts, services and supplies offset an increase in landfill liabilities.

# Management's Discussion & Analysis for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (unaudited)

- Operating Fund operating revenues tipping and disposal fees increased by \$2.4 million. SWACO implemented an additional \$3.00 per ton rate increase beginning January 1, 2012. The increase is to be used to fund the Morse Road Eco-Station and the new landfill entrance.
- Operating Fund and Program Fund operating expenses Salaries, wages and benefits overall expense increased approximately \$851,000 from the prior year. Salaries increased due to positions vacant in 2011 being filled in 2012 as well as new positions created. In the Operating Fund operating expenses for salaries, wages and benefits increased, in SWACO administration, \$138,000, and in landfill operations increased \$291,000. The Program Fund operating expenses in these accounts also increased, which makes up the approximately \$851,000 overall increase from prior year.
- Decreases in solid waste fees of approximately \$166,000 were the result of decreased total tons landfilled.
- Contracts, services, and supplies decreased by \$1.5 million. 2011 included a one-time expenditure for improvements made to Haughn Road for \$1.3 million. SWACO's Operating Fund operating revenue increased due to a settlement payment of approximately \$730,000 for the Haughn Road improvements.
- Depletion and closure increased \$3.5 million year over year. The change in the build-out model is the largest contributing factor for this increase. Landfill depletion specifically is down \$7.7 million from prior year while closure is up \$11.2 million from prior year due to a change in the landfill build-out model that changes the timing of expenses incurred.
- The \$2.6 million increase in non-operating expense was primarily due to an increase in interest expense and the impairment of \$800,000 pertaining to the Green Energy Center.

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# Management's Discussion & Analysis for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (unaudited)

#### **Combined Net Position**

The 2011 and 2012 combined net position of both the Operating and Program Funds is presented on the following page. SWACO's net position increased from the prior year by approximately \$7.9 million, 30.4%, (all funds combined). This is due to the increase in operating revenue resulting from the fee increase and an increase in the long term lease receivable of \$5.6 million comprised of a lease to Kurtz Bros. at 2512 Jackson Pike and Clean Water.

The lease liability for the Waste-To-Energy (the "WTEF") facility to the City of Columbus was fully paid at the end of 2011. For additional discussion on the WTEF, see *Financial Position of SWACO* on page 2-7 of the MD&A and Note 11 of the financial statements (Capital Lease Obligation).

Significant net position changes from 2011 to 2012 are discussed in further detail, by fund, later in this MD&A.

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# **SWACO**Management's Discussion & Analysis for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (unaudited)

#### Net Position Operating and Program Funds Combined

Operating	2011	Increase	
Assets	2011	2012	(Decrease)
Current and other assets	\$ 22,139,305	\$ 19,733,895	\$ (2,405,410)
Restricted cash and investments	25,505,141	35,741,267	10,236,126
Closure/post-closure funds held by			
trustee	21,198,867	21,340,640	141,773
Capital assets	48,373,548	68,192,600	19,819,052
Capital lease receivable (less current			
portion)	<del>-</del> -	5,443,783	5,443,783
Total assets	117,216,861	150,452,185	33,235,324
Total deferred outflows of			
resources	187,056	2,533,744	2,346,688
resources	107,030	2,333,144	2,540,000
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	47,983,053	19,335,648	(28,647,405)
Bonds payable, less current portion, net	83,451,756	129,706,062	46,254,306
Landfill closure/post-closure liability,	35, 151,753	122,7.00,002	.0,20 .,000
non current	11,508,609	22,062,950	10,554,341
ERIP interest payable	617,362	99,607	(517,755)
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Total liabilities	143,560,780	171,204,267	27,643,487
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related			
debt:			
Lease obligation and bonds payable			
related to closed waste-to-energy	(22 550 000)	(29.706.221)	2 050 567
facility Other capital assets, net	(32,558,888)	(28,706,321)	3,852,567
Restricted:	(16,480,239)	(5,286,497)	11,193,742
Landfill closure/post closure trust			
fund, net of accrued liability	10.512.220	(127 174)	(10.640.412)
Other restricted, net	10,512,239 1,614,094	(137,174) 2,700,587	(10,649,413) 1,086,493
Unrestricted	10,755,931	13,211,067	2,455,136
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<b>Total net position</b>	\$ (26,156,863)	\$ (18,218,338)	\$ 7,938,525

# Management's Discussion & Analysis for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (unaudited)

#### **Combined Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position**

The 2011 and 2012 combined revenue, expenses, and changes in fund net position of both the Operating and Program Funds are presented and compared below.

#### Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position Operating and Program Funds Combined

Revenues	2011	2012	Increase (Decrease)
Operating revenues	\$ 45,941,477	\$ 48,534,947	\$ 2,593,470
Non-operating revenues	923,995	518,596	(405,399)
Total revenues	46,865,472	49,053,543	2,188,071
Expenses			
Operating expenses	31,162,999	34,060,124	2,897,125
Non-operating expenses	4,824,611	7,054,894	2,230,283
Total expenses	35,987,610	41,115,018	5,127,408
Change in net position	10,877,862	7,938,525	(2,939,337)
Total net position – beginning	(37,034,725)	(26,156,863)	10,877,862
Total net position – ending	\$ (26,156,863)	\$ (18,218,338)	\$ 7,938,525

#### **Financial Position of SWACO**

As shown in the table above, SWACO ended 2012 with a combined net deficit of \$18.2 million, an improvement of \$7.9 million or 30.4% from 2011. The deficit is attributed to the WTEF facility. The facility was acquired in 1993, closed in 1994, and subsequently impaired and demolished. Since 1998, when the deficit on the facility reached a peak of \$167.8 million, the assessment of a retired facility fee has enabled SWACO to reduce the cumulative net operating deficit on the facility. This obligation is scheduled to be fully retired no later than 2019.

2012 operating revenues reflect a rate increase of \$3.00 per ton effective January 1, 2012.

# SWACO Management's Discussion & Analysis for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (unaudited)

The following table shows the continued reduction of the WTEF lease obligation.

#### **Discontinued Operations Total Net Position (in thousands)**

	Carrying Value			Other	
	of Waste-to-	WTEF Lease	Bonds	Assets and	Total Net
	<b>Energy Facility</b>	Obligation	Payable	(Liabilities)	Position
1993	\$162,105	\$173,253	_	_	\$(11,148)
1994	36,594	165,372	_	\$(2,565)	(131,343)
1995	36,594	165,372	_	(3,565)	(132,343)
1996	36,594	165,372	_	(4,097)	(132,875)
1997	6,500	165,372	-	(8,361)	(167,233)
1998	6,433	158,135	-	(16,068)	(167,770)
1999	6,381	140,275	-	(4,150)	(138,044)
2000	6,338	136,553	-	(113)	(130,328)
2001	4,605	126,879	-	(1,734)	(124,008)
2002	1,976	119,480	-	(981)	(118,485)
2003	1,976	108,711	-	(964)	(107,699)
2004	1,121	28,751	\$56,379	4,837	(79,172)
2005	-	27,356	53,230	15,405	(65,181)
2006	-	15,817	50,029	5,986	(59,860)
2007	-	14,269	46,745	6,520	(54,494)
2008	-	6,225	43,370	556	(49,039)
2009	-	4,099	39,888	313	(43,674)
2010	-	1,889	36,287	280	(37,896)
2011	-	-	32,559	294	(32,265)
2012	-	-	28,706	1,934	(26,772)

#### **Operating Fund Net Position**

A comparison of Operating Fund net position as of the end of 2011 and 2012 is shown in the table on page 2-9.

Collectively, <u>total assets</u> increased by \$33.1 million (28.6%). Increases in this category are primarily due to the proceeds received from the issuance of the General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series *2012*.

<u>Deferred outflows</u> increased by \$2.3 million due to the refunding costs of \$24.4 million of the Series 2004A Bonds and refunding \$11.1 million of the 2004B Bonds.

Collectively, <u>total liabilities</u> increased by \$27.5 million. Major components for this increase include approximately \$24 million for the issuance of the General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series *2012*.

Total net position increased by \$8.0 million (28.9%) from 2011 to 2012.

<u>Restricted net position</u> includes funds held by a trustee (EPA Trust Fund) for closure of the Franklin County Sanitary Landfill net of the accrued liability for closure and post-closure care of the landfill. As

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of December 31, 2012, the EPA Trust Fund value was \$21.3 million and the recorded closure liability was \$21.5 million, which nets to a deficit of \$137,000.

The increase in <u>unrestricted net position</u> of approximately \$2.5 million (22.8 %) was primarily due to an increase from accounts receivable and cash. Other accounts that contributed to this change include the ERIP payable decreasing due to the program ending in 2014.

#### **Operating Fund Net Position**

	2011	2012	Increase (Decrease)
Assets			
Current and other assets	\$ 21,725,87	19,356,894	\$ (2,368,977)
Restricted cash and investments	24,801,9	08 34,810,405	10,008,497
Closure/postclosure funds held by trustee	21,198,8	67 21,340,640	141,773
Capital assets, net	47,776,5	06 67,620,768	19,844,262
Capital lease receivable	-	5,443,783	5,443,783
Total assets	115,503,1	52 148,572,490	33,069,338
Total deferred outflows of			
resources	187,0	56 2,533,744	2,346,688
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	47,590,5	22 18,764,382	(28,826,140)
Bonds payable, less current portion, net	83,451,7		46,254,306
Landfill closure/postclosure liability, less current portion	11,508,6		10,554,341
ERIP payable, less current portion	617,3	62 99,607	(517,755)
Total liabilities	143,168,2	49 170,633,001	27,464,752
Net position	143,100,2	170,033,001	27,404,732
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:			
Lease obligation and bonds payable related to closed waste-to-energy facility	(32,558,88	(28,706,321)	3,852,567
Other capital assets, net	(17,077,28	(5,858,329)	11,218,952
Restricted:	, , ,		
Landfill closure/postclosure trust fund,			
net of accrued liability	10,512,2	39 (137,174)	(10,649,413)
Other restricted, net	889,9		1,074,032
Unrestricted	10,755,9	31 13,211,067	2,455,136
Total net position	\$ (27,478,04	\$ (19,526,767)	\$ 7,951,274

#### **Operating Fund Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position**

The following table compares 2011 and 2012 revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position in the Operating Fund.

#### Operating Fund Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position

	2011	2012	Increase (Decrease)
Operating revenues:			
Tipping and disposal fees	\$ 26,869,744	\$ 29,251,191	\$ 2,381,447
Waste transfer fees	4,486,938	4,426,914	(60,024)
Retired facility and waiver fees	9,095,015	8,842,132	(252,883)
Other	216,056	886,330	670,274
Operating revenues	40,667,753	43,406,567	2,738,814
Operating expenses:			
Salaries, wages and benefits	8,009,857	8,739,214	729,357
Contract, services and supplies	9,303,442	7,378,331	(1,925,111)
Solid waste fees	4,929,093	4,763,445	(165,648)
Depreciation	3,525,693	3,695,137	169,444
Landfill depletion	1,693,120	(5,976,432)	(7,669,552)
Landfill closing costs	(439,941)	10,791,186	11,231,127
Interfund transfers	(654,283)	(239,749)	414,534
Operating expenses	26,366,981	29,151,132	2,784,151
Operating income	14,300,772	14,255,435	(45,337)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)			
Interest expense	(4,347,163)	(5,700,007)	(1,352,844)
ERIP interest expense	(108,441)	(71,745)	36,696
Interest earnings	417,325	386,029	(31,296)
Grant revenues	495,000	132,567	(362,433)
Grants awarded	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	15	(236,005)	(236,020)
Impairment of long-lived assets		(800,000)	(800,000)
Total nonoperating expenses, net	(3,543,264)	(6,304,161)	(2,760,897)
Change in net position	10,757,508	7,951,274	(2,806,234)
Total net position – beginning	(38,235,549)	(27,478,041)	10,757,508
Total net position – ending	\$ (27,478,041)	\$ (19,526,767)	\$ 7,951,274

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Solid waste receipts to SWACO's facilities during 2012 were 1,033,000 tons, 3.46% under 2011 receipts of 1,070,000 tons. The modest decrease was primarily due to light volumes related to a drier weather pattern that did not generate increased water weight tonnages. Despite decreased volume, tipping and disposal fees increased \$2.4 million due to a \$3.00 per ton rate increase effective January 1, 2012.

Retired facility and waiver fees decreased modestly as a result of the decrease in volume, \$253,000 (2.8%).

Collectively, operating revenues realized a growth of 6.7%, or \$2.7 million.

Expenses for salaries, wages and benefits were \$729,000 (9.1%) more in 2012 compared to 2011. This increase is primarily due to administrative positions that remained vacant during 2011 being filled in 2012, as well as new positions created. In the Operating Fund operating expenses increased in salaries, wages, and benefits in SWACO administration \$138,000 and in landfill operations increased \$291,000. The Program Fund operating expenses in these accounts also increased, which makes up the increase of approximately \$851,000 from prior year.

Contracts, services and supplies expenses decreased by \$1.9 million (20.7%) in 2012 due to the one-time charge of the Haughn Road assessment in 2011. SWACO's Operating Fund operating revenue increased due to a settlement payment of approximately \$730,000 for the Haughn Road improvements.

Depletion expense decreased approximately \$7.7 million in 2012 from the prior year. The decrease is primarily due to a change in the build-out model which reduces depletion expense, but increases closure expense by the same amount.

Interfund transfers decreased by \$415,000, 63.4% more than 2011. Interfund transfers net to zero between the Operating Fund and the Program Fund.

Collectively, operating expenses increased by \$2.8 million (10.6%). This outcome was primarily related to an increase in the net of depletion/closing costs of approximately \$3.5 million.

The net effect of these changes resulted in a modest decrease in operating income of approximately \$45,000.

Non-operating revenues and expenses net to an expense in 2012 of \$6.3 million. This represents a net increase of \$2.8 million (77.9%) over prior year. The combination of the impairment of long-lived assets recognized in 2012, increased interest expense due to new bonds, a reduction in grant revenue, and the retirement of Morse Road assets due to renovations resulted in the overall net expense increase.

SWACO's financial position in the Operating Fund increased by \$8.0 million in 2012, decreasing SWACO's net deficit from \$27.5 million to \$19.5 million at the end of 2012.

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## **Program Fund Net Position**

Total net position at the end of 2012 was \$1.3 million, a small change from the prior year. Restricted net position (cash and receivables less payables) was \$737,000, an increase of \$12,500 (1.7%). Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, were \$572,000, a decrease of \$25,000 (4.2%).

#### **Program Fund Net Position**

	2011	2012	Increase
Assets		2012	(Decrease)
Current assets	\$ 1,116,667	\$ 1,307,863	\$ 191,196
Capital assets	597,042	571,832	(25,210)
Total assets	1,713,709	1,879,695	165,986
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	392,531	571,266	178,735
Total liabilities	392,531	571,266	178,735
Net position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	597,042	571,832	(25,210)
Restricted	724,136	736,597	12,461
<b>Total net position</b>	\$ 1,321,178	\$ 1,308,429	\$ (12,749)

#### Program Fund Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position

A comparison of 2011 and 2012 revenues and expenses in the Program Fund is shown on page 2-13.

### **Program Fund Operating Revenues**

Generation fees decreased modestly, \$135,000 (2.7%) in 2012 compared to 2011 due to the decrease in tonnage.

#### **Program Fund Operating Expenses**

Program Fund operating expenses collectively increased by a modest \$114,000 (2.4%) in 2012. Salaries, wages, and benefits increased approximately \$122,000 primarily due to increases in the drop-box program and district operations. Contracts, services, and supplies increased by approximately \$407,000. This increase consisted of approximately \$176,000 for drop-box program fuel and vehicle maintenance, \$145,000 for public information professional services and media advertising. These increases were offset by a reduction in the interfund transfer consisting of fleet maintenance expenses of approximately \$310,000 and a reduction in the amount allocated for the Environmental Steward's office of approximately \$100,000.

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## **Non-Operating Income & Expenses**

Non-operating transactions primarily consisted of grant activities. Grants awarded, representing both pass-through and SWACO grants, decreased by \$137,000 (37.1%). Timing of grants in the year they are awarded contributed to this decrease.

Ending net position in the Program Fund decreased by \$13,000 (1.0%) from 2011 to 2012.

## **Program Fund Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position**

	2011	2012	Increase (Decrease)
Operating revenues:	2011	2012	(Decrease)
Generation fees	\$ 5,053,809	\$ 4,918,851	\$ (134,958)
Other	218,966	209,529	(9,437)
Operating revenues	5,272,775	5,128,380	(144,395)
Operating expenses:			
Salaries, wages and benefits	1,270,897	1,392,818	121,921
Contracts, services and supplies	2,798,674	3,206,080	407,406
Depreciation and depletion	71,215	70,345	(870)
Interfund transfers	654,283	239,749	(414,534)
Operating expenses	4,795,069	4,908,992	113,923
Operating income (loss)	477,706	219,388	(258,318)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):			
Grants awarded	(369,007)	(232,137)	136,870
Gain on sale of assets	11,655		(11,655)
Total nonoperating expenses, net	(357,352)	(232,137)	125,215
Change in net position	120,354	(12,749)	(133,103)
Total net position– beginning	1,200,824	1,321,178	120,354
Total net position – ending	\$ 1,321,178	\$ 1,308,429	\$ (12,749)

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## **Capital Assets**

SWACO's investments in depreciable capital assets include the Sanitary Landfill and related facilities and equipment, three transfer stations, a fleet maintenance facility, a landfill operations facility, the administrative office building and furnishings, and solid waste transfer vehicles and related equipment. Additionally, SWACO owns a 28,000 square foot light manufacturing building which is located at 2512 Jackson Pike which SWACO leases from the City of Columbus. SWACO entered into a capital lease with a recycling company who currently occupies this facility. SWACO also owns land for facilities and buffer area in the vicinity of the landfill.

The increase in net assets being depreciated or depleted was \$7.5 million in the Operating Fund due primarily to assets put in service attributable to the sanitary landfill. These improvements consisted of a dewatering system, gas system improvements, and the forcemain. Construction in progress increased due to the Morse Road Eco-Station reaching actual construction phase. SWACO also purchased more property in 2012 along its boundaries of the landfill. The following table compares SWACO's investments in capital assets as of the end of 2011 and 2012.

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Operating Fund	2011	2012	Increase (Decrease)
Capital assets, not being depreciated:			
Land and land improvements	\$ 13,035,710	\$ 18,064,028	\$ 5,028,318
Construction in progress	2,606,182	9,885,584	7,279,402
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	15,641,892	27,949,612	12,307,720
Depreciable capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and depletion:			
Equipment and furnishings	8,254,372	7,508,732	(745,640)
Building and improvements	6,860,162	7,495,505	635,343
Transfer stations	1,010,366	742,419	(267,947)
Sanitary landfill	16,009,714	23,924,500	7,914,786
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	32,134,614	39,671,156	7,536,542
Total capital assets, net	\$ 47,776,506	\$ 67,620,768	\$ 19,844,262
Program Fund			
Depreciable capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:			
Equipment and furnishings	\$ 8,543	\$ 41,374	\$ 32,831
Building and improvements	588,499	530,458	(58,041)
Total capital assets, net	\$ 597,042	\$ 571,832	\$ (25,210)

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SWACO's capital asset activity is discussed in more detail in Note 6 of the financial statements (Capital Assets).

#### **Debt Administration**

SWACO's outstanding debt as of December 31, 2011 and 2012 is shown in the following table:

	Outstanding 1		
	2011	2012	Increase (Decrease)
General obligation bonds, net Taxable notes	\$ 91,301,458 34,082,236	\$ 137,413,941 4,700,905	\$ 46,112,483 (29,381,331)
Total	\$ 125,383,694	\$ 142,114,846	\$ 16,731,152

SWACO's ability to issue un-voted general obligation debt is subject to overlapping debt restrictions with other political subdivisions, but there is not a statutory direct debt limit on SWACO's ability to issue general obligation or revenue bonds. SWACO's debt capacity is more limited by market forces and its ability to raise tipping fees to levels required to pay debt service.

SWACO's general obligation bonds carry an AAA rating by Standard and Poor's and an Aaa rating by Moody's Investors Service. SWACO's debt management program is discussed in more detail in Note 10 of the financial statements (Debt Management).

On June 1, 2012, SWACO issued General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, in the amount of \$79,015,000. The proceeds of the bonds were used to: retire the Series 2011 Bond Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$24,295,000; retire the Series 2011 Taxable Bond Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$3,520,000; refund \$24,365,000 of the outstanding \$31,970,000 Series 2004A bonds; refund \$11,110,000 of the outstanding \$13,315,000 Series 2004B bonds; and finance costs of additional solid waste facilities comprised of cell construction, land acquisition, landfill gas improvements, landfill improvements, model landfill improvements and scale transfer station/receiving improvements. The Series 2012 Bonds bear interest ranging from 1.5% to 5.0% with maturities of 20 years. The bonds are unvoted general obligations of SWACO and contain a pledge of the full faith and credit of SWACO for the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds when due.

#### **Economic Factors**

Similar to other local governments in Ohio, SWACO continues to face economic pressures. Waste receipts at the Franklin County Sanitary Landfill in 2012 were down slightly from the previous year.

In 2010, SWACO approved a rate increase of \$3.00 per ton effective January 1, 2011, and an additional increase of \$3.00 per ton effective January 1, 2012. Solid waste receipts to SWACO's facilities during 2012 were approximately 1,033,000 tons, 3.46% under 2011 receipts of 1,070,000 tons. Decreased volumes were due to a drier weather pattern that did not generate increased water weight tonnages.

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Since solid waste disposal is a lagging economic indicator, growth in land-filled solid waste tonnage is expected to be modest for the next several years.

### **Request For Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of SWACO's finances and to show accountability for money received by SWACO. For questions or for additional information regarding this report, write to SWACO, 4239 London-Groveport Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123 or contact Carol Ann Phillips at 614.801.6418, or by e-mail at carolann.phillips@swaco.org.

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**SWACO**Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Funds
As of December 31, 2012

	Business-type Activities – Enterprise Funds		
Assets	Operating Fund	Program Fund	Total
Current assets:	_		_
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,151,519	-	\$ 7,151,519
Restricted cash	34,810,405	\$ 930,862	35,741,267
Investments	6,885,977	-	6,885,977
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for			
bad debts	4,343,750	377,001	4,720,751
Lease receivable, current portion	407,111	-	407,111
Other assets	568,537		568,537
Total current assets	54,167,299	1,307,863	55,475,162
Noncurrent assets:			
Investments held by trustee for landfill			
closure/post closure care	21,340,640	-	21,340,640
Capital assets:	, ,		, ,
Sanitary landfill, net of accumulated			
depletion	23,924,500	-	23,924,500
Buildings and equipment and	, ,		, ,
furnishings, net of accumulated			
depreciation	15,746,656	571,832	16,318,488
Construction in progress	9,885,584	-	9,885,584
Land and land improvements	18,064,028	-	18,064,028
Lease receivable, less current portion	5,443,783		5,443,783
Total noncurrent assets	94,405,191	571,832	94,977,023
Total assets	\$ 148,572,490	\$ 1,879,695	\$150,452,185

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Deferred outflows of resources

	Business-type Activities – Enterprise Funds		
Liabilities	Operating Fund	Program Fund	Total
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 3,804,543	\$315,630	\$ 4,120,173
SWACO grants payable	-	70,915	70,915
Accrued wages and benefits Accrued interest Current maturities of bonds and notes	1,392,992 890,784	131,922	1,524,914 890,784
payable Unearned lease revenue	12,408,784 43,745	-	12,408,784 43,745
Landfill postclosure liability-current portion Other payables	165,250 58,284	52,799	165,250 111,083
Total current liabilities	18,764,382	571,266	19,335,648
Noncurrent liabilities: Bonds and notes payable, less current portion, net Landfill closure/postclosure liability ERIP payable	129,706,062 22,062,950 99,607	- - -	129,706,062 22,062,950 99,607
Total noncurrent liabilities	151,868,619	-	151,868,619
Total liabilities	170,633,001	571,266	171,204,267
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:  Lease obligation and bonds payable related to closed waste-to-energy facility Other capital assets, net Restricted:	(28,706,321) (5,858,329)	- 571,832	(28,706,321) (5,286,497)
Closure/postclosure trust fund net of accrued liability – Sanitary Landfill Other restricted, net Unrestricted	(137,174) 1,963,990 13,211,067	- 736,597 -	(137,174) 2,700,587 13,211,067
Total net position	\$ (19,526,767)	\$ 1,308,429	\$ (18,218,338)

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Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position –
Proprietary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	Business-type Activities – Enterprise Funds		
	Operating	Program	
	Fund	Fund	Total
Operating revenues:			
Tipping and disposal fees	\$ 29,251,191	-	\$ 29,251,191
Waste transfer fees	4,426,914	-	4,426,914
Retired facility and waiver fees	8,842,132	-	8,842,132
Generation fees	-	\$ 4,918,851	4,918,851
Other	886,330	209,529	1,095,859
Operating revenues	43,406,567	5,128,380	48,534,947
Operating expenses:			
Salaries, wages and benefits	8,739,214	1,392,818	10,132,032
Contract, services and supplies	7,378,331	3,206,080	10,584,411
Solid waste fees	4,763,445	-	4,763,445
Depreciation	3,695,137	70,345	3,765,482
Landfill depletion	(5,976,432)	-	(5,976,432)
Landfill closing costs	10,791,186	-	10,791,186
Interfund charges	(239,749)	239,749	
Operating expenses	29,151,132	4,908,992	34,060,124
Operating income	14,255,435	219,388	14,474,823
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):			
Interest expense	(5,700,007)	-	(5,700,007)
ERIP interest expense	(71,745)	_	(71,745)
Interest earnings	386,029	-	386,029
Grant revenues	132,567	-	132,567
Grants awarded	(15,000)	(232,137)	(247,137)
Impairment of long-lived assets	(800,000)	-	(800,000)
Loss on disposal of assets	(236,005)		(236,005)
Total nonoperating expenses, net	(6,304,161)	(232,137)	(6,536,298)
Change in net position	7,951,274	(12,749)	7,938,525
Total net position – beginning	(27,478,041)	1,321,178	(26,156,863)
Total net position – ending	\$ (19,526,767)	\$ 1,308,429	\$ (18,218,338)

SWACO Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	Business-type Activities – Enterprise Funds		orise Funds
	Operating	Program	
	Fund	Fund	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Receipts from customers	\$ 32,520,966	-	\$ 32,520,966
Retired facility fee and waiver fees collected	8,881,723	-	8,881,723
Generation fees collected	-	\$ 4,955,285	4,955,285
Other receipts	886,330	209,531	1,095,861
Payments to or on behalf of employees for			
salaries, wages and benefits	(9,154,705)	(1,388,076)	(10,542,781)
Payments to vendors	(11,835,533)	(3,116,566)	(14,952,099)
Model Landfill postclosure costs paid	(146,595)	-	(146,595)
Interfund charges	239,749	(239,749)	-
Other payments	(69,795)		(69,795)
Net cash provided by operating activities:	21,322,140	420,425	21,742,565
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Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Grants received	627,567	84,477	712,044
Grants awarded	(15,000)	(232,137)	(247,137)
Net cash provided by (used in) noncapital	( - , )		
financing activities	612,567	(147,660)	464,907
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	21,953,769	-	21,953,769
Purchase of investments	(21,667,947)	-	(21,667,947)
Interest received	268,187	-	268,187
Net cash provided by investing activities	\$ 554,009		\$ 554,009

**SWACO**Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

	Operating Fund	Program Fund	Total
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Proceeds from capital debt	\$ 59,853,182	-	\$ 59,853,182
Proceeds from sale of assets	6,041	-	6,041
Proceeds from capital lease	382,515	-	382,515
Landfill, facilities and equipment additions and			
disposals	(19,575,116)	\$ (45,136)	(19,620,252)
Principal paid on bonds and notes payable	(41,931,938)	-	(41,931,938)
Interest paid	(8,740,431)	-	(8,740,431)
Debt issuance costs paid	(561,945)		(561,945)
Net cash used in capital and related			
financing activities	(10,567,692)	(45,136)	(10,612,828)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	11,921,024	\$ 227,629	12,148,653
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	30,040,900	703,233	30,744,133
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 41,961,924	\$ 930,862	\$ 42,892,786
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash			
provided by operating activities:			
Operating income	\$ 14,255,435	\$ 219,388	\$ 14,474,823
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and depletion	(2,281,295)	70,345	(2,210,950)
Landfill closing costs	10,791,186	-	10,791,186
Increase (decrease) in cash resulting from changes in:	, ,		, ,
Accounts receivable (net)	(1,117,547)	36,434	(1,081,113)
Accounts payable	676,547	89,515	766,062
Accrued wages and benefits	102,264	4,743	107,007
ERIP payable	(517,756)	-	(517,756)
Landfill postclosure liability	(146,595)	-	(146,595)
Other assets and liabilities	(440,099)		(440,099)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 21,322,140	\$ 420,425	\$ 21,742,565

# Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

## Noncash capital and related financing activities (Operating Fund):

Amortization of premiums on bonds payable of \$1,794,513.

Amortization of debt issuance cost \$1,162,845.

Bond defeasements net of amortization \$2,346,688.

Change in carrying value of investments resulting in a gain of \$3,947.

Impairment of long-lived assets resulting in a loss of \$800,000.

Renegotiation of lease receivable resulting in an increase of \$77,858.

Fixed asset transferred to a lease receivable in the amount of \$937,451.

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## 1. Organization

SWACO (the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio) is a political subdivision of the State of Ohio established in 1989 to develop and implement a comprehensive solid waste management plan for the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District (the "District," principally Franklin County, but also including parts of five adjacent counties). SWACO is governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees appointed pursuant to statute. The Board consists of two members appointed by the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners (the "County"), two members appointed by the City of Columbus (the "City"), and additional members representing the County Board of Health, townships within SWACO, waste generators and the general public. As a governmental authority, SWACO is exempt from federal, state and local taxes. SWACO operates autonomously from the County and City, and the County and City have no financial responsibility for the operations of SWACO.

SWACO operates a sanitary landfill (the "Sanitary Landfill") and three solid waste transfer facilities supported by tipping fees charged for solid waste disposal and transfer services at these facilities. SWACO also provides recycling programs, yard waste composting services, public education programs, and other activities designed to reduce the generation and disposal of solid waste within SWACO's jurisdiction. SWACO's waste-reduction activities are supported by a \$5.00 per-ton waste Generation Fee levied on a majority of solid waste generated within the District.

The Sanitary Landfill was purchased from Franklin County in 1991. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency ("OEPA") approved a modification to the original County permit in 1997 increasing disposal capacity by approximately 49 million cubic yards (from 10.7 million cubic yards) and increasing the landfill acreage to 363 acres from approximately 116 acres. The modified permit allowed both vertical and horizontal expansion of the landfill. In 2008, SWACO submitted an application to the OEPA to further modify the permit to change the configuration of the landfill and further increase capacity. The modification was approved by the OEPA in 2009 and added approximately 3.5 million cubic yards of disposal capacity (see Note 5 – Closure/Postclosure Funds Held by Trustee). SWACO estimates that it has sufficient landfill capacity to service the needs of the District for at least 25 years.

In 1993, SWACO leased a 90-megawatt solid waste resource recovery facility (the Waste-to-Energy Facility or "WTEF") and three related waste transfer facilities from the City (see Note 11 – Capital Lease Obligation). The WTEF was closed in November 1994 due to SWACO's inability to generate revenues sufficient to operate the facility. SWACO continues to operate two of the three waste transfer facilities and has converted a portion of the closed WTEF into an additional transfer facility.

As part of the purchase of the currently operating landfill, SWACO also acquired the Model Landfill, the County's closed former landfill. The Model Landfill has been closed since 1985, and SWACO assumed ongoing monitoring and closure requirements for the landfill when it was transferred from the County. In 1999, SWACO leased the landfill to a private entity to develop a public golf course on the site in conjunction with a project to remediate the landfill cap.

SWACO derives its revenue principally from fees levied on the disposal of solid waste. SWACO collects these fees in two ways: 1) tipping fees charged for solid waste disposal and waste transfer services provided at SWACO facilities; and 2) fees assessed on all solid waste generated within the District. These fees are established pursuant to authorization within the Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") and agreements established with private landfill owners. SWACO had one customer which accounted for approximately 33% of SWACO's total operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2012. The customer accounted for approximately 47% of accounts receivable at December 31, 2012.

The accompanying financial statements comply with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, and Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*, in that the statements include all organizations, activities, and functions for which SWACO (the reporting entity) is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as the appointment of a voting majority of a legally separate organization and either SWACO's ability to impose its will over the organization's governing body or the possibility that the organization will provide a financial benefit to, or impose a financial burden on, SWACO. There are no potential component units that meet the criteria imposed by GASB Statement No. 14 or GASB Statement No. 39 included in SWACO's reporting entity.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies followed in preparation of these financial statements are summarized below. The accounting policies and financial reporting practices of SWACO conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for governmental units as prescribed in the statements issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and other recognized authoritative sources.

Measurement focus and basis of accounting: SWACO's funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus, and the financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, revenue is recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when incurred.

*Proprietary Fund:* SWACO operates as an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis which are financed or recovered primarily through user charges or to report any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services, regardless of whether the government intends to fully recover the cost of the goods or services provided.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of SWACO are charges to customers for disposal fees.

Basis of presentation: SWACO reports the following major proprietary funds:

The *Operating Fund* receives all income derived from the operations of SWACO's landfill and waste transfer facilities including tipping fees, waste transfer fees, investment income, and certain other revenues. Revenues are used to support the operations of SWACO's solid waste facilities and to pay certain costs of discontinued operations of SWACO. Operating Fund revenues are derived primarily from rates and charges established pursuant to ORC Section 343.08.

Within the Operating Fund, SWACO segregates revenues and expenses for Continuing Operations (primarily the Sanitary Landfill and transfer stations) from Discontinued Operations (the WTEF) to allow management to more easily focus on operating results from ongoing operations. Additionally, certain revenues within the Operating Fund are dedicated to the payment of the WTEF lease obligation and related bonds (Note 11 – Capital Lease Obligation) and may not be used for other purposes. The separation of the Operating Fund into Continuing and Discontinued Operations is shown in the supplemental schedules beginning on page 2-52.

The *Program Fund* receives Generation Fees authorized by ORC Section 3734.57 paid on waste generated in the Solid Waste District and disposed of at SWACO's landfill or out-of-district landfills. Revenues are used only to support solid waste recycling, reuse, and reduction programs operated by SWACO in support of SWACO's solid waste plan. Interfund charges shown in the Program Fund under operating expenses are comprised of charges to the Program Fund for administrative and operational support.

Cash and cash equivalents: SWACO considers all highly liquid debt instruments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. SWACO follows GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures*, and discloses custodial, credit, and interest rate risks associated with cash and investments.

Investments: In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools, investments are carried at fair value, including accrued interest receivable. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from changes in fair value are reported as adjustments to investment income. SWACO does not invest in any form of derivatives or reverse repurchase agreements. SWACO's cash and investments are discussed in more detail in Note 3 (Cash and Investments).

Accounts receivable: SWACO extends credit to public and private customers of the landfill, transfer stations, and other SWACO facilities and reports amounts owed to SWACO net of any allowance for bad debts. The allowance for bad debts is calculated by identifying specific accounts that are more than 90 days past due with no payment activity. As of December 31, 2012, the allowance for bad debt was approximately \$7,800. Accounts receivable also includes amounts owed by private transfer stations and landfills for solid waste received at the facilities, generated within the boundaries of SWACO and subject to the Generation Fee and Waiver Fee.

Restricted Assets: As discussed further in Note 4 (Restricted Assets), certain SWACO assets are restricted for debt service, capital projects, by State law, or for other purposes. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for a particular purpose, it is SWACO's policy to use restricted resources first.

Landfill and Property, Plant, and Equipment: SWACO records asset acquisitions at cost and provides for depreciation in amounts adequate to amortize cost over the estimated useful lives of the assets using a straight-line method for financial reporting purposes, except for its landfill, which is depleted using a units-of-production method.

Maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are charged to expense as incurred, while major renewals and betterments are capitalized. The cost and related accumulated depreciation of assets sold or otherwise disposed of are removed from the related accounts, and resulting gains or losses are reflected in income.

Impairment of capital assets: SWACO will review a capital asset for possible impairment when events or changes in circumstances suggest that the service utility of the capital asset may have significantly and unexpectedly declined. If it is determined that the service utility has significantly declined and that decline is unexpected, then SWACO will declare the asset impaired. The amount of impairment is determined by management based on a variety of factors including the asset's carrying value and the potential cash flows expected to be generated from that asset. During 2012, SWACO recognized an impairment charge of \$800,000.

Vacation and sick leave: A liability for vacation and sick leave is included in accrued wages and benefits. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 16, Accounting for Compensated Absences, this liability includes accumulated vacation time and vested sick leave computed using employee wage rates in effect at December 31.

*Bond premiums*: Bond premiums are included in bonds payable and are amortized over the term of the bonds using the effective interest rate method.

Bond issuance cost and deferred amounts on refundings: Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred. Deferred amounts on refundings are recorded as a deferred outflow, and are amortized over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter.

Net Position: Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets. Any unspent capital related to debt proceeds do not reduce Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are external restrictions imposed on their use, either contractually, by debt covenant, or by statute.

Application of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Statements and Interpretations: In accordance with GASB Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, SWACO is required to apply FASB statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, and has elected not to apply those issued after that date.

New accounting pronouncements: For the year ended December 31, 2012, SWACO implemented GASB Statements No. 63 – "Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position" and Statement No. 65 – "Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities." Statement No. 63 amends the net asset reporting requirements in Statement No. 34 – "Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments" and other pronouncements by incorporating deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources into the definitions of the required components of the residual measure and by renaming that measure as net position, rather than net assets. Statement No. 65 established accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities.

In March 2012, the GASB issued Statement No. 66, *Technical Corrections -2012*. This statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting for a governmental financial reporting entity by resolving conflicting guidance that resulted from the issuance of two pronouncements, Statements No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, and No. 62, *Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance Contained in Pre-November 30, 1989 FASB and AICPA Pronouncements*. The provisions of this statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after December 15, 2012. The adoption of this statement is not expected to have an impact on SWACO's financial statements.

In June 2012, the GASB issued Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans. This statement is to improve financial reporting by state and local governmental pension plans. This statement results from a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of existing standards of accounting and financial reporting for pensions with regard to providing decision-useful information, supporting assessments of accountability and interperiod equity, and creating additional transparency. This statement is effective for financial statements for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2013. The adoption of this statement is not expected to have an impact on SWACO's financial statements.

In June 2012, the GASB issued Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*. This statement is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. This statement results from a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of existing standards of accounting and financial reporting for pensions with regard to providing decision-useful information, supporting assessments of accountability and interperiod equity, and creating additional transparency. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014. We are currently assessing the potential impact of the adoption of this statement on SWACO's financial statements.

In January 2013, the GASB issued Statement No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*. This statement established accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations. As used in this statement, the term *government combinations* includes a variety of transactions referred to as mergers, acquisitions, and transfers of operations. The requirements of this statement are effective for government combinations and disposals of government operations occurring in financial reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2013, and be applied on a prospective

basis. We are currently assessing the potential impact of the adoption of this statement on SWACO's financial statements.

*Use of estimates:* The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) 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. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events: Subsequent events are defined as events or transactions that occur after the statement of financial position date, but before the financial statements are issued or available to be issued. Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 24, 2013, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

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#### 3. Cash and Investments

SWACO pools its cash and investments except for funds held by a trustee for landfill closure/postclosure care and funds held in escrow.

Deposits: Ohio Law requires that deposits be placed in eligible banks or savings and loan associations located in Ohio. Any public depository in which SWACO places deposits must pledge as collateral eligible securities of aggregate market value equal to the excess of deposits not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The securities pledged as collateral are pledged to a pool for each individual financial institution in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of all public deposits held by each institution. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are limited to obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of any state, county, municipal corporation, or other legally constituted authority of any other state or any instrumentality of such county, municipal corporation or other authority.

At December 31, 2012, the carrying amounts of SWACO's deposits were \$42,381,595, while the bank balances were \$42,357,475. Of the bank deposits, \$250,000 was insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and \$42,107,475 was uninsured and collateralized by collateral pools held by the financial institutions and not in the name of SWACO.

*Investments:* SWACO has adopted a formal investment policy in accordance with Section 135 of the ORC, the "Uniform Depository Act." Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment policy. Maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet SWACO's cash flow needs and return on investment are secondary goals of the policy. SWACO does not purchase any form of derivative.

In accordance with the ORC and SWACO's investment policy, SWACO is authorized to invest in: 1) bonds, notes, or other obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States, or those for which the faith of the United States is pledged for the payment of principal and interest; 2) bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality; 3) certificates of deposit purchased from qualified banks and savings and loans; 4) bond and other obligations of the State of Ohio; 5) no-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions; 6) the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio managed by the Treasurer of the State of Ohio (STAR Ohio); and 7) subject to certain restrictions and limitations, short-term commercial paper and bankers acceptances.

STAR Ohio: SWACO invests in STAR Ohio, a highly liquid investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office with participation restricted to subdivisions of the State of Ohio. STAR Ohio is restricted to investing in securities authorized under ORC Section 135.143. STAR Ohio is not registered with the Securities Exchange Commission as an investment company, but does operate in a manner generally consistent with Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is equal to SWACO's pro rata share of the fair value per share.

Money Market Mutual Funds: The Money Market Mutual Funds consist of overnight investments with a financial institution in an open-end, institutional money market fund complying with SEC Rule 2a-7 and investing only in U.S. government or agency securities pursuant to SWACO's investment policy. In accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 31 these amounts are classified as investments but are not categorized.

*Interest Rate Risk*: It is SWACO's policy to manage interest rate risk by targeting the duration of the portfolio. Management of interest rate risk is an integral part of an overall process that addresses total return, reinvestment risk, interest rate risk and credit risk.

Credit Risk: It is SWACO's policy to invest only in securities rated in the highest rating category (AAA/Aaa or A-1+/P-1/F1+) by at least one of the nationally recognized rating agencies (Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service, and Fitch). SWACO's investment in federal agency coupon or discount securities meet this criteria. STAR Ohio's investments in U.S. Agencies and the money market funds were rated AAA and AAAm, respectively, by Standard & Poor's and Aaa by Moody's Investor Services. Investments in U.S. government treasury securities are not considered to have credit risk.

SWACO reports its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31. SWACO recorded an unrealized gain of \$23,000 as of December 31, 2012, which represents the difference between fair value and the cost as of that date. Fair value was determined using quoted market prices. The chart on the next page summarizes SWACO's cash and investments at fair market value as of December 31, 2012:

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#### Cash and Investments at December 31, 2012

		Maturity	in Years
Operating and Program Funds	Fair Value	Less than 1	1 to 3
Carrying amount of deposits	\$ 42,381,596	\$ 42,381,596	-
Federal agency securities	5,859,949	1,531,747	\$ 4,328,202
U.S. Treasury notes	1,026,028	1,026,028	-
Money market mutual funds/sweep acct.	508,785	508,785	-
Cash on hand	2,400	2,400	-
STAR Ohio	5	5	-
	49,778,763	45,450,561	4,328,202
Closure/Postclosure Trust Fund			
Money market mutual funds	100,442	100,442	-
U.S. Treasury notes	3,019,502	3,019,502	-
Federal agency securities	18,220,696	5,281,856	12,938,840
	21,340,640	8,401,800	12,938,840
Totals	\$ 71,119,403	\$ 53,852,361	\$ 17,267,042

#### Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to Statement of Net Position

Per Statement of Net Position	Operating Fund	Program Fund	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,151,519	-	\$ 7,151,519
Restricted cash	34,810,405	\$ 930,862	35,741,267
Investments	6,885,977	-	6,885,977
Closure/postclosure funds held by trustee:			
Investments	21,340,640		21,340,640
Totals	\$ 70,188,541	\$ 930,862	\$ 71,119,403

Concentration of Credit Risk: SWACO's investment policy limits the amount that may be invested with any one issuer to fifty percent of the total portfolio. As of December 31, 2012, investments in the following issuers exceeded five percent of the portfolio: FNMA Notes (30%), FHLMC Notes (27%), FHLB Notes (24%), and U.S. Treasury Notes (14%).

As further discussed in Note 4 (Restricted Assets), cash in the amount of \$34,810,405 in the Operating Fund and \$930,862 in the Program Fund were restricted at December 31, 2012 for debt service, capital projects, by State law, or for other purposes.

#### 4. Restricted Assets

Restricted Cash: In the Operating Fund these funds include debt service accounts, the capital improvements account (bond proceeds), and funds dedicated to the payment of the WTEF lease and associated bonds (see Note 11 – Capital Lease Obligation). In the Program Fund restricted cash is unexpended Generation Fees collected by SWACO that are restricted by State statute for the purpose of solid waste recycling, reuse, and reduction programs and implementation of SWACO's solid waste plan.

Other restricted assets include generation and waiver fees receivable. Other restricted net position is reduced by bonds payable related to the capital improvements account.

#### **Restricted Net Position**

	Operating	Program	
	Fund	Fund	Total
Cash			
Capital projects account	\$ 33,254,523	-	\$ 33,254,523
Unexpended grant proceeds		\$ 52,799	52,799
Bond retirement account	1,123,529	-	1,123,529
Unexpended generation fees	364,854	878,063	1,242,917
Interest earned	67,499		67,499
Total restricted cash	34,810,405	930,862	35,741,267
Waiver and generation fees receivable	527,831	377,001	904,832
Less bonds payable related to capital projects			
Account	(33,254,523)	-	(33,254,523)
Less amounts payable from restricted assets	(119,723)	(571,266)	(690,989)
Other restricted net position	\$ 1,963,990	\$ 736,597	\$ 2,700,587

## 5. Closure/Postclosure Funds Held by Trustee

In 1995, SWACO established a trust fund (the "Fund") with U.S. Bank for the benefit of the OEPA under OEPA rules applicable to SWACO requiring the owner or operator of a solid waste facility to provide financial assurance that funds will be available when needed for final closure, postclosure care, and/or corrective measures of the facility when the landfill stops accepting waste (either when at maximum capacity or if closed for other reasons). The amount to be funded for the financial assurance instrument, which is established in the landfill permit, and is subject to change due to inflation or other factors, is based on the maximum exposure of unclosed landfill area allowed in the permit and is calculated differently than SWACO's Landfill Closure Cost estimate for purposes of GASB Statement No. 18 (see Note 12 – Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs). The amount to be funded for the financial assurance estimate is paid in annual installments over a maximum twenty-year pay-in period. Annual payments have been made by SWACO in recent years and are calculated by dividing the financial assurance requirement less cash and investments in the Fund as of the calculation date by the number of years remaining in the pay-in period (four years as of December 31, 2012).

The required Fund payment due and paid in April 2013 was \$142,236.

The Fund is restricted by the Director of the OEPA, and SWACO invests in those securities authorized by the ORC and SWACO's investment policy (see Note 3 – Cash and Investments).

All amounts earned by the investments are reinvested in the Fund.

### 6. Capital Assets

The Sanitary Landfill, buildings and equipment are stated at cost and updated for the cost of additions and retirements during the year. It is SWACO's policy to capitalize items costing in excess of \$10,000 with a useful life greater than one year.

The cost of buildings and equipment is depreciated using a straight-line method over their estimated useful lives of 10 to 20 years for buildings and 5 to 10 years for equipment.

Landfill development costs (land acquisition, engineering, construction and other direct costs associated with the permitting, development, and construction of landfill capacity) are capitalized and depleted based on the percentage of permitted capacity used during the year. Depletion is calculated based on cubic yards of solid waste disposed and placed in the landfill as measured through an annual aerial survey. Costs associated with development of the entire landfill site are depleted based on the percentage of total permitted capacity used (approximately 42.6% as of December 31, 2012). Costs associated with the development and construction of individual expansion cells are depleted based on the percentage of horizontal capacity used (14.0% as of December 31, 2012).

Depletion and closure increased \$3.5 million year over year. The change in the build-out model is the largest contributing factor for this increase. Landfill depletion specifically is down \$7.7 million from prior year while closure is up \$11.2 million from prior year due to a change in the landfill build-out model that changes the timing of expenses incurred.

Construction in progress primarily consisted of the new Morse Road Eco-Station which went into service in early 2013.

SWACO recognized an impairment to its Green Energy Center in 2012 in the amount of \$800,000.

As of the end of 2012 SWACO estimates total landfill development costs at approximately \$160.8 million, including approximately \$64.1 million expended through 2012 (including construction in progress) and approximately \$96.7 million estimated future costs to be expended over the remaining life of the landfill. SWACO recognized total accumulated depletion of \$38.5 million as of December 31, 2012, leaving an estimate of \$122.3 million in depletion expense over the remaining life of the landfill.

A summary of capital assets at December 31, 2012 is shown on the following page.

# Summary of property, plant and equipment at December 31, 2012

Operating Fund	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land and land improvements	\$ 13,035,710	\$ 5,028,318	-	\$ 18,064,028
Construction in progress	2,606,182	10,942,464	\$ (3,663,062)	9,885,584
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	15,641,892	15,970,782	(3,663,062)	27,949,612
Capital assets, being depreciated/depleted:				
Equipment and furnishings	24,178,097	3,343,601	(2,199,363)	25,322,335
Building and improvements	8,946,376	2,859,452	(1,736,442)	10,069,386
Transfer stations	8,175,849	93,338	(415,336)	7,853,851
Sanitary landfill	60,540,611	1,938,354	-	62,478,965
Total capital assets, being				
depreciated/depleted	101,840,933	8,234,745	(4,351,141)	105,724,537
Less accumulated depreciation/depletion for:				
Equipment and furnishing	(15,923,723)	(3,025,118)	1,135,238	(17,813,603)
Building and improvements	(2,086,215)	(487,666)	1,155,250	(2,573,881)
Transfer stations	(7,165,484)	(182,353)	236,405	(7,111,432)
Sanitary landfill	(44,530,897)	(102,333)	5,976,432	(38,554,465)
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Total accumulated depreciation/depletion	(69,706,319)	(3,695,137)	7,348,075	(66,053,381)
Total capital assets, being deprec./depl., net	32,134,614	4,539,608	2,996,934	39,671,156
Total capital assets, net	\$ 47,776,506	\$ 20,510,390	\$ (666,128)	\$ 67,620,768
Program Fund	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Equipment and furnishings	\$ 602,803	\$ 45,135	\$ -	\$ 647,938
Building and improvements	1,210,214	-	· _	1,210,214
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Total capital assets, being depreciated	1,813,017	45,135		1,858,152
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Equipment and furnishing	(594,261)	(12,305)	-	(606,566)
Building and improvements	(621,714)	(58,040)		(679,754)
Total accumulated depreciation	(1,215,975)	(70,345)		(1,286,320)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	\$ 597,042	\$ (25,210)	\$ -	\$ 571,832
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#### 7. Capital Leases Receivable

In 2005, SWACO purchased a building housing a non-hazardous oily waste water processing facility (the "Facility") located on land leased to the owner of the facility by SWACO for approximately \$1.6 million. SWACO then entered into an agreement with the former owner to lease the building from SWACO. In 2007, SWACO purchased for approximately \$3.3 million the oily waste water processing equipment located in the building and amended the lease to include the equipment. Lease payments under the amended lease were equal to SWACO's debt service requirements on the building and equipment plus 1/2 of one percent (the base rent). In addition, the lessee was required to provide certain waste processing services to SWACO at no additional cost to SWACO (the supplemental rent). The lease was for a term of ten years, subject to earlier termination if the lessee prepays the lease. At the end of the lease, title to the building and equipment would have passed to the lessee.

Beginning in January 2010, the lessee of the Facility defaulted, and was unable to pay the monthly rent due under the lease agreement. On June 15, 2010, the lease agreement was amended to provide the lessee with a reduced monthly rental obligation. Under the 2010 amendment, payments were \$25,000 per month (\$300,000 per year), with a balloon payment due on June 15, 2012 of approximately \$5,100,000. In June 2012, the Board authorized an amendment extending the due date of the balloon payment to June 15, 2013. In addition, the monthly payments increased to \$30,000 per month (\$360,000 per year) and the lessee agreed to pay a non-removal fee in the amount of \$300,000 if the principal payment is not made on or before June 15, 2013. Management is in negotiations to extend the terms of this agreement beyond December 31, 2013. The current portion represents the payments expected to be received on or before December 31, 2013.

Upon execution of the lease amendment, the lease receivable was adjusted to reflect the balance of the amended minimum lease payments receivable with the adjustment recorded to unearned lease revenue. Interest income under the lease for the year ended December 31, 2012 approximated \$134,000.

Upon payment of the Principal Payment Due as defined in the Payment Schedule, the lessee shall have the option to purchase the Facility from SWACO for \$1. So long as the lessee is in all respects compliant with the terms and conditions of the modified lease agreement, it may, at any time prior to June 15, 2013, pay to SWACO an amount equal to the Principal Payment due without incurring any penalty for the early payment, and shall have the option to purchase the Facility from SWACO for \$1.

On January 1, 2012 SWACO leased a building it owns on property owned by the City of Columbus to a company for its recycling operations. The term of the lease is eighteen years and the total lease payments due to SWACO over the term of the agreement will be \$1,050,192 remitted in monthly payments of \$4,862. The lessor is engaged in organic recycling operations and related activities, which is an extension and expansion of the company's existing operation on SWACO land. Interest income under the lease for the year ended December 31, 2012 approximated \$11,000.

Estimated future minimum lease payments receivable, together with the present value of the net minimum lease payments receivable as of December 31, 2012 are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	<b>Amount</b>	
2013	\$	418,344
2014		418,344
2015		418,344
2016		3,939,302
2017		58,344
2018-2022		291,720
2023-2027		291,720
2028-2029		116,688
Total minimum lease payments receivable		5,952,806
Less amount representing interest		145,657
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$	5,807,149

#### 8. Retirement Commitments

*Plan description.* SWACO contributes to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System ("OPERS"). Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by state statute (Chapter 145 of the ORC). The OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. Interested parties may obtain a copy by making written requests to OPERS at 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-5601 or (800) 222-7377.

OPERS administers three separate pension plans:

- 1. The Traditional Pension Plan a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan.
- 2. The Member-Directed Plan 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 member and (vested) employer contributions plus any investment earnings.
- 3. The Combined Plan a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Under the Combined Plan, OPERS invests employer contributions to provide a formula retirement benefit similar in nature to, but less than, the Traditional Pension Plan benefit. Member contributions, the investment of which is self-directed by the members, 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 Combined Plans. In addition, OPERS provides 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 the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans. Members of the Member-Directed Plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits.

In order to qualify for post-employment health care coverage, age-and-service retirees under the Traditional Pension and Combined Plans must have 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability benefit recipients and qualified survivor benefit recipients is also available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Post-employment Benefit ("OPEB") as described in GASB Statement No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-employment Benefits other than Pensions.

The ORC permits, but does not 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 ORC.

Funding policy. The ORC provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. For 2012, member contribution rates were consistent across all three plans. The 2012 employee contribution rate for members in local government was 10.0%. It is SWACO's policy to pay 6.0% of the employee contribution for full time employees hired prior to January 1, 2009.

Employees hired after January 1, 2009 contribute the entire 10.0% employee share. The 2012 employer contribution rate for local government employer units was 14.0% of covered payroll. The ORC currently limits the employer contribution to a rate not to exceed 14.0% of covered payroll for local government employer units. Active members do not make contributions to the OPEB Plan.

SWACO's contribution to OPERS, representing 100 % of employer contributions, and amounts paid by employees or by SWACO on behalf of employees have been as follows for the past four years:

	Employ	ee share	Employee share		Employer share		Total paid by	
	paid by e	mployees	paid by SWACO		paid by SWACO		SWACO	
2012	\$	444,425	\$	240,044	\$	965,648	\$	1,205,692
2011		309,168		293,744		865,216		1,158,960
2010		184,127		393,287		815,084		1,208,371
2009		109,937		471,831		811,121		1,282,952

The ORC provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund post retirement health care through their contributions to OPERS. A portion of each employer's contribution to OPERS is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care benefits.

OPERS' Post-Employment Health Care Plan was established under, and is administered 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 employer contribution allocated to health care for members in the Traditional Plan was 4.0% during calendar year 2012. The portion of employer contributions allocated to health care for members in the Combined Plan was 6.05% during calendar year 2012. Effective January 1, 2013, the portion of employer contributions allocated to healthcare was lowered to 1% for both plans, as recommended by the OPERS Actuary. The OPERS Board of Trustees is also authorized to establish rules for the payment of a portion of the health care benefits provided by the retiree or their surviving beneficiaries. Payment amounts vary depending on the number of covered dependents and the coverage selected. The rates stated

above are the actuarially determined contribution requirements to OPERS. SWACO's contributions to OPERS to fund post-employment health care benefits were approximately \$276,000 for 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 under SB 343 and the approved health care changes, OPERS expects to be able to consistently allocate 4% of the employer contributions toward the health care fund after the end of the transition period.

#### 9. Employee Retirement Incentive Plan

In March 2009, the Board of Trustees authorized SWACO to offer an Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Early Retirement Incentive Plan (the "Plan") to eligible employees. The commencement date of the plan was May 5, 2009, and the ending date was May 5, 2010. Eligibility was defined by age and service requirements, with a maximum 5-year service credit to be purchased by SWACO.

A total of 18 employees elected to retire utilizing the Plan benefit. The total cost of the Plan was approximately \$2,500,000, and will be paid in five annual installments of approximately \$568,000, for total cost with interest of approximately \$2,880,000. Interest expense related to the ERIP in 2012 was \$71,745. In 2013, SWACO will pay approximately \$568,000 principal and interest, and in the last year of the annual installments SWACO will pay approximately \$108,000 principal and interest.

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## 10. Debt Management

SWACO's outstanding long-term debt is summarized in the following table (excludes related premiums and costs of issuance):

#### Outstanding Notes and Bonds as of December 31, 2012

				Principal
				Balance as of
				December 31,
Issue	Amount Issued	Maturities	Interest Rates	2012
Series 2004A	\$ 57,205,000	2004-2013	3.00%-5.00%	\$ 3,895,000
Series 2004B	29,670,000	2006-2014	3.50%-5.00%	1,495,000
Series 2005 refunding	12,320,000	2008-2017	5.00%	7,000,000
Series 2008	19,975,000	2010-2028	4.00%-5.20%	19,165,000
Series 2010	15,590,000	2012-2029	2.00%-5.70%	14,965,000
Series 2012	79,015,000	2013-2032	1.50%-5.00%	79,015,000
Subtotal, General Obligation	Bonds			\$ <u>125,535,000</u>
Taxable Revenue Notes,				
Series 2012	4,470,000	2013	1.30%	4,470,000
Promissory note	261,250	2011-2016	5.00%	224,313
-				
Subtotal, notes payable				\$ 4,694,313

Series 2004A Bonds. SWACO issued \$57.2 million general obligation bonds in 2004 to refinance a portion of the WTEF lease as discussed in Note 11. Although the bonds are general obligations of SWACO secured by a pledge to levy ad valorem property taxes, SWACO expects to pay debt service on the bonds from Retired Facility Fees and Waiver Fees collected by SWACO (see Note 11).

*Series 2004B Bonds.* In 2004, SWACO also issued \$29.7 million fixed-rate general obligation bonds to finance SWACO's 2004-2005 capital improvements plan, including landfill construction, property acquisition, and certain other solid waste facility improvements.

*Series 2005 Bonds*. In 2005, SWACO issued \$6,750,000 fixed-rate general obligation bonds to fund the purchase of the heavy equipment required to operate the landfill. Prior to this purchase, contractors responsible for the daily operation of the landfill provided the necessary equipment.

Series 2005 Refunding Bonds. In March 1997, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners issued \$20 million in general obligation bonds on behalf of SWACO (the Series 1997 Bonds). The proceeds of the bonds were used to fund SWACO's capital improvements program, including land acquisition and engineering for development of the expanded landfill, and other improvements to the landfill and transfer stations. SWACO entered into a repayment agreement with the County and collateralized the repayment by granting to the County a mortgage in the landfill real property, a security interest in the personal property associated with the landfill, and an assignment of rents, permits and licenses.

On October 26, 2005, the County issued \$12.3 million in general obligation bonds (the Series 2005 Refunding Bonds) as part of a \$41.0 million various purpose issue to advance refund \$12.6 million of the outstanding Series 1997 Bonds (the 2008-2017 callable maturities; the 2006 and 2007 maturities were not callable). The Series 2005 Refunding Bonds are secured in the same manner as the Series 1997 Bonds.

The net proceeds of the Series 2005 Refunding Bonds were used to fund an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the callable portion of the Series 1997 Bonds. In 2007, the Series 1997 Bonds maturing in 2008 through 2017 were called and retired using the funds on deposit with the escrow agent.

*Series 2008 Bonds*. In December 2008, SWACO issued \$20.0 million fixed-rate general obligation bonds to refund the Series 2008 Bond Anticipation Notes and to provide additional funds for SWACO's 2006-2009 capital improvements plan, including landfill construction, property acquisition, and certain other solid waste facility improvements.

Series 2010 Bonds. In July 2010, SWACO issued \$15,590,000 in general obligation bonds to fund capital projects and acquisitions related to the ongoing operation and maintenance of the landfill and transfer stations per the 2010 capital improvements plan.

Series 2012 Bonds. On June 1, 2012, SWACO issued General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, in the amount of \$79,015,000. The proceeds of the bonds were used to: retire the Series 2011 Bond Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$24,295,000; retire the Series 2011 Taxable Bond Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$3,520,000; refund \$24,365,000 of the outstanding \$31,970,000 Series 2004A bonds; refund \$11,110,000 of the outstanding \$13,315,000 Series 2004B bonds; and finance costs of additional solid waste facilities comprised of cell construction, land acquisition, landfill gas improvements, landfill improvements, model landfill improvements and scale transfer station/receiving improvements. The Series 2012 Bonds bear interest ranging from 1.5% to 5.0% with maturities of 20 years. The bonds are unvoted general obligations of SWACO and contain a pledge of the full faith and credit of SWACO for the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds when due.

The issuance of these bonds resulted in a difference between the acquisition price and the net carrying amount of the Series 2004A and Series 2004B bonds of \$2,593,370. This difference, reported in the financial statements as a deferred outflow of resources, is being amortized over the life of the bonds. The refunding reduced the debt service payments over the next 13 years by approximately \$3,273,000 and obtained an economic gain (difference between the present values of the old and new debt service payments) of \$2,827,000.

It is anticipated that that debt service on the Series 2004B, Series 2005 refunding, Series 2008, and Series 2012 (except for debt service on the \$24,365,000 portion of the issue which refunded 2004A) bonds will be paid from SWACO's tipping fees or other sources of revenues. However, as is the case with the series 2004A bonds, the Series 2004B, Series 2005, Series 2008, Series 2010 and Series 2012 bonds are general obligation bonds secured by a pledge to levy ad valorem property taxes.

The following table summarizes SWACO's annual debt service requirements to maturity for its general obligation bonds (including general obligation bonds issued by Franklin County on behalf of SWACO) and outstanding as of December 31, 2012 categorized by source of debt service payment.

	Paid from Retired Paid from Tipping Fees Facility/Waiver Fees					
		04B, 2005			-	
	Refunding, 20	,	Series 2004A	and Series		
	•	12	2012		Total	
Year ended						
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
						_
2013	\$3,585,000	\$4,580,149	\$4,315,000	\$979,575	\$7,900,000	\$5,559,724
2014	3,740,000	4,438,999	4,525,000	772,225	8,265,000	5,211,224
2015	3,560,000	4,286,849	4,615,000	681,725	8,175,000	4,968,574
2016	3,695,000	4,139,474	4,740,000	550,000	8,435,000	4,689,474
2017	3,860,000	3,980,674	4,935,000	360,400	8,795,000	4,341,074
2018-2022	23,070,000	17,094,815	4,735,000	236,750	27,805,000	17,331,565
2023-2027	28,220,000	10,482,810	-	-	28,220,000	10,482,810
2028-2032	27,940,000	3,577,950	-	-	27,940,000	3,577,950
Total	\$97,670,000	\$52,581,720	\$27,865,000	\$3,580,675	\$125,535,000	\$56,162,395

Series 2012 Solid Waste Facilities Taxable Revenue Notes. In 2005, SWACO issued \$1,559,250 Variable Rate Taxable Notes to acquire a building used as an oily waste-water processing facility. In 2007, SWACO purchased additional assets at the facility at a cost of approximately \$3.3 million and issued \$4,900,000 in Variable Rate Taxable Notes to fund the acquisition and refund of the Series 2005 taxable notes (see Note 7 – Capital Lease Receivable). The Series 2007 Notes mature in 2017 with principal payments beginning in 2008. Interest on the notes was set at the one month LIBOR rate (London Interbank Offered Rate) plus 100 basis points (1.0%). The notes, which were not general obligations of SWACO, were secured by a pledge of lease payments from the operator of the facility and SWACO's Generation Fees. Although Generation Fees were not used to pay the debt service on the taxable notes, if necessary up to 5.0% of Generation Fee income would be required for this purpose through 2017.

At the same time the Series 2007 Variable Rate Taxable Notes were issued, SWACO entered into a five-year interest rate swap in connection with the notes. The purpose of the swap was to mitigate against the risk of rising interest rates by effectively changing SWACO's variable interest rate on the notes to a synthetic fixed rate of 5.71% for a period of five years.

On March 26, 2010, The Huntington National Bank ("HNB") notified SWACO, pursuant to the "Put Notice" in the \$4,900,000 *Series 2007 Variable Rate Taxable Notes* that HNB would require SWACO to purchase the Notes on October 1, 2010 for an amount equal to the principal amount outstanding plus accrued interest, \$4,316,629. On August 18, 2010, SWACO issued \$4,670,000 Taxable Revenue Notes to purchase the 2007 notes and terminate the swap agreement. The maturity date of the notes was August 25, 2011 and the interest rate was 1.875% per annum. The note proceeds were used to retire the outstanding principal and interest on the \$4,900,000 note and terminate the swap agreement. On August 23, 2011, SWACO issued \$4,670,000 Taxable Revenue notes to retire the 2010 note. The maturity date of the notes was July 2, 2012 and the interest rate was 1.625% per annum. On June 29, 2012, SWACO issued \$4,470,000 Taxable Revenue notes to retire the 2011 note. The maturity date of the notes is June 27, 2013 and the interest rate is 1.3% per annum.

Series 2011 Taxable Bond Anticipation Notes. In January 2008, The Huntington National Bank ("HNB") and RASTRA Ohio, Inc. ("RASTRA") entered into an agreement under which HNB issued an irrevocable letter of credit in connection with the issuance by Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority (CFCFA) of \$4.0 million of revenue bonds. The bonds were issued for the purpose of financing the construction of a building to be used for the manufacturing of building panels from recycled polystyrene (the Project); the building was sited on property SWACO leases from the City of Columbus. As an inducement to HNB's issuance of the letter of credit, SWACO executed a Purchase Obligation, Pledge and Security Agreement (the Agreement) dated January 1, 2008 between the SWACO, RASTRA and HNB wherein SWACO agreed, upon the event of a default by RASTRA and a subsequent draw on the HNB letter of credit, to reimburse HNB through the issuance of SWACO notes or bonds. In return, SWACO would take ownership of the Project building.

In November 2009, RASTRA defaulted on the Project and HNB provided SWACO with notice to perform under the Purchase Obligation, Pledge and Security Agreement. On December 14, 2009, SWACO issued a \$3,500,000 *Solid Waste Facilities Revenue Bond Anticipation Note, Series 2009* in favor of HNB. The maturity date of the Note was June 14, 2010. On June 2, 2010, SWACO issued \$3,520,000 *Series 2010 Taxable Bond Anticipation Notes* to retire the 2009 note. The maturity date of the notes was June 9, 2011 and the interest rate was 1.875% per annum. The note proceeds were used to retire the \$3,500,000 note and pay accrued interest and issuance costs.

On June 8, 2011, SWACO issued \$3,520,000 *Series 2011 Taxable Bond Anticipation Notes* to retire the 2010 note. The maturity date of the notes was June 8, 2012 and the interest rate was 1.75% per annum.

On June 1, 2012, SWACO issued *General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2012.* A portion of the proceeds were used to retire the \$3,520,000 note.

Effective January 1, 2012, the building is being leased to a private entity (see Note 7 – Capital Lease Receivable).

Series 2011 Bond Anticipation Notes. As part of the 71/665 interchange construction project, improvements were required to be made to Haughn Road. A portion of the improvements were to property owned by SWACO. Grove City approved a Special Assessment in the amount of \$1,313,927 for SWACO's share of the project. On August 23, 2011, SWACO issued \$1,320,000 Series 2011Bond Anticipation Notes to finance the costs of the project. The maturity date of the notes was April 13, 2012 and the interest rate is 1% per annum. SWACO retired the 2011 note on April 10, 2012.

Series 2011 Bond Anticipation Notes. On November 22, 2011, SWACO issued \$24,295,000 Series 2011 Bond Anticipation Notes to fund capital projects and acquisitions through the first quarter of 2012. The maturity date of the notes was June 13, 2012 and the interest rate was 1% per annum. On June 1, 2012, SWACO issued General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2012. A portion of the proceeds were used to retire the \$24,295,000 note.

Seller-financed property acquisition. In January 2011, SWACO purchased approximately 25 acres of real property adjacent to the Franklin County Sanitary Landfill. The purchase price was \$311,250; SWACO paid \$50,000 at closing and issued a promissory note to the seller to finance the \$261,250 balance. The note is amortized over five years with equal annual principal payments of \$50,000, carries an interest rate of 5% per annum on the outstanding principal, and is secured by a first mortgage on the property.

Legal Debt Margins. SWACO's debt is not subject to direct debt limitations, but its unvoted general obligation debt (debt authorized by SWACO's Board of Trustees but not by a vote of the electors) is subject to overlapping debt restrictions with other political subdivisions. These limitations apply to each overlapping county, municipal corporation, school district or other issuing authority. Limitations apply to each county total and are not considered cumulatively. Total debt service charges for any one year of all overlapping debt may not exceed ten mills (1%) of the assessed property value within the overlapping jurisdictions. This determination is made by the respective county auditors each time a subdivision proposes to issue unvoted debt. At the time of SWACO's most recent unvoted debt issue in 2012, the maximum millage required in any overlapping jurisdictions was 8.2526 mills, leaving a margin of 1.7474 mills.

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Summary of Debt and Long-Term Liabilities

Including the bonds and notes payable, long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2012 was as follow:

Operating and Program Funds	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year			
General obligation notes and bonds payable								
Series 2004A	\$ 31,970,000	\$ -	\$ (28,075,000)	\$ 3,895,000	\$ 3,895,000			
Series 2004B	13,315,000	_	(11,820,000)	1,495,000	735,000			
Series 2005	1,055,000	-	(1,055,000)	-	_			
Series 2005 Refunding	8,190,000	-	(1,190,000)	7,000,000	1,250,000			
Series 2008 Bonds	19,965,000	-	(800,000)	19,165,000	830,000			
Series 2010 Bonds	15,590,000	-	(625,000)	14,965,000	705,000			
Series 2012 Bonds	-	79,015,000	-	79,015,000	485,000			
Unamortized bond premiums	1,773,075	11,833,785	(1,727,919)	11,878,941	-			
Unamortized cost of issuance	(556,617)	(549,879)	1,106,496	-	-			
Total general obligation notes and								
bonds payable, net	91,301,458	90,298,906	(44,186,423)	137,413,941	7,900,000			
Notes payable Taxable Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2011	3,520,000		(3,520,000)					
Taxable Revenue Notes,	3,320,000	-	(3,320,000)	-	-			
Series 2011	4,670,000	_	(4,670,000)	_	_			
Bond Anticipation Notes,	4,070,000		(4,070,000)					
Series 2011	1,320,000	_	(1,320,000)	_	_			
Bond Anticipation Notes,	1,520,000		(1,320,000)					
Series 2011	24,295,000	_	(24,295,000)	_	_			
Taxable Revenue Notes,	21,275,000		(21,250,000)					
Series 2012	-	4,470,000	_	4,470,000	4,470,000			
Promissory note	261,250	-	(36,938)	224,312	38,784			
Unamortized note premiums	60,269	13,187	(66,863)	6,593	-			
Unamortized cost of issuance	(44,283)	(12,066)	56,349	-	-			
Total notes payable	34,082,236	4,471,121	(33,852,452)	4,700,905	4,508,784			
Landfill closure & postclosure								
liability	11,583,609	10,644,591	-	22,228,200	165,250			
ERIP payable	1,096,766		(479,404)	617,362	517,756			
Total debt and long term liabilities	\$ 138,064,069	\$105,414,618	\$ (78,518,279)	\$ 164,960,408	\$ 13,091,790			

## 11. Capital Lease Obligation

On April 1, 1993, the City of Columbus leased its solid waste resource recovery plant, the Waste-to-Energy Facility ("WTEF"), and related waste transfer stations to SWACO. Under the initial terms of the lease, SWACO agreed to make lease payments to the City in amounts equal to the debt service requirements on bonds the City issued to construct the facility and the City agreed to deliver all waste collected by the City to facilities operated or designated by SWACO. SWACO recorded an asset and capital lease obligation liability for the WTEF. The assets acquired were recorded at an estimated market value equal to the liabilities assumed.

SWACO operated the landfill and WTEF as an integrated system for approximately 18 months and attempted to implement a fee structure that would have resulted in all District waste being delivered to SWACO's facilities. This was challenged in Federal District Court and SWACO's fee structure was repealed effective September 1, 1994. The repeal of its fees resulted in the closing of the WTEF at the end of 1994 because of SWACO's inability to generate revenues sufficient to operate the facility and pay the lease obligation to the City.

Management determined that SWACO would be unable to recover the carrying value of the WTEF at the date of closure and the WTEF was written down to \$36,594,000, and a loss of \$126,248,000 was recognized. Subsequent write downs of \$30,034,000 in 1997 and \$2,627,000 in 2001, plus sale of the turbine-generator sets and other equipment located in the facility reduced the carrying value of the WTEF to \$1,121,000 as of December 31, 2005, reflecting the appraised value of usable space at the facility as of that date. In 2005, SWACO completed demolition of all but the usable portion of the facility and entered into a sublease of the remaining portion (excluding the transfer station) to a recycling business. The building used for the recycling operation was destroyed in a fire in 2008, and SWACO has since terminated the sublease.

With the repeal of its fees in 1994, SWACO was not able to meet its lease obligation to the City. In 1998, SWACO and the City reached agreement on new lease terms that included: 1) a 4.5% reduction in the lease payment obligations for the years 1995-2010; 2) deferral, with interest, of any amounts due but not paid by SWACO; 3) payment to the City of any income received by SWACO from the sublease of the facility, the sale of plant assets, pollution allowances, or other income; 4) the implementation of new fees dedicated to the payment of the lease and applied to all solid waste generated within SWACO's jurisdiction; and 5) a further 30.5% reduction in the lease obligation for each year the dedicated fee is levied and collected.

To implement the new fees, the SWACO Board adopted in 1998 a rule effective April 1, 1999, requiring that all waste generated within SWACO's jurisdiction be delivered only to a SWACO facility, unless a waiver has been granted to another facility or the waste is disposed at a facility outside the State of Ohio. The Board of Trustees authorized waivers for any landfill in Ohio provided the landfill executed a waiver agreement with SWACO and agreed to pay a Waiver Fee as prescribed in the agreement (the "Waiver Fee"). Also in 1998, the Board of Trustees established a new fee (the "Retired Facility Fee"), to be assessed at SWACO facilities effective April 1, 1999. Under the waiver agreements, the Waiver Fee was set equal to the Retired Facility Fee, (initially and through the end of 2008, \$7.00 per ton).

In 1999, SWACO paid 100% of the income derived from the Waiver Fee and Retired Facility Fees to the City. In lieu of cash payments to SWACO, Retired Facility Fees owed by the City for use of SWACO's facilities were applied directly to the lease obligation as a credit. The Waiver Fee and Retired Facility Fee revenues were not sufficient to satisfy all of the modified lease obligation and SWACO accumulated a deferred lease obligation of \$46.3 million by the end of 2003.

As provided by a 2004 modification to the lease, SWACO issued \$57,205,000 in bonds in 2004 (the "Series 2004A Bonds") and paid the net proceeds, \$55.1 million, to the City as a payment on the lease. Debt service on the bonds will be paid from the Retired Facility and Waiver Fees collected by SWACO, excluding amounts owed by the City. The final payment of the lease obligation was made in November 2011. The City is now remitting the Retired Facility Fee to SWACO, as the lease credit has been exhausted. Additional cash payments to the City will be made only to the extent collections from the Retired Facility Fee and Waiver Fee exceed debt service requirements on the bonds.

As the result of the 1998 modification to the lease, SWACO recognized gains of \$50,203,271 for the years 1995-2003 representing 4.5% of the lease for the years 1995-2010 and 30.5% for the years 1995-2003. In 2004, SWACO recognized a gain of \$19,652,043 representing the remaining 30.5% reduction in the lease obligation for the years 2004-2010. The 2004 modification removed the provision of the 1998 modification which make the additional 30.5% lease reduction contingent on the continued collection of the Waiver Fee and Retired Facility Fee and accelerated the recognition of the gain into 2004. No future gains will be recognized by SWACO under the terms of the modified lease.

SWACO and the City of Columbus entered into a Ninth modification to the WTEF lease in 2008 that resulted in the replacement of the \$5.3 million debt service reserve account related to the Series 2004A bonds with a surety bond. The release of the reserve fund allowed SWACO to make supplemental lease payments to the City totaling \$5.3 million in 2008. In addition, SWACO made a supplemental lease payment to the City of \$771,000 in December 2008 from Retired Facility and Waiver Fees collected since 2004 and not needed for debt service on the Series 2004A Bonds.

In 2008, SWACO and the City further modified the lease (the Tenth Modification) to allow SWACO to increase the Retired Facility and Waiver Fee above \$7.00 per ton, and to allow SWACO to use the revenues generated by any fee increase for purposes other than paying the WTEF lease or debt service on the Series 2004A Bonds. During 2008, the SWACO Board of Trustees adopted a \$2 per ton increase in the Retired Facility and Waiver Fee effective January 1, 2009.

On June 1, 2012, SWACO issued General Obligation (Limited Tax) Solid Waste Facilities Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, in the amount of \$79,015,000. A portion of the proceeds were used to refund \$24,365,000 of the outstanding \$31,970,000 Series 2004A bonds. The \$7.00 Retired Facility Fee and Waiver Fee will fund the debt service on the 2012 issue attributable to the 2004A refunding.

### 12. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

State and federal laws and regulations require SWACO to place a final cover on its Sanitary Landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for 30 years after closure. Although final closure and postclosure care costs will be paid only when the last phases of the landfill reach final waste elevation, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 18, Accounting for Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs, SWACO reports a portion of these closure and postclosure care costs as an operating expense in each period based on landfill capacity used as of each Statement of Net Position date.

SWACO's estimate of total current cost of closure and postclosure care is \$50.4 million. This estimate includes final cover and gas collection system costs for the last two phases of the landfill construction of \$42.9 million and postclosure maintenance and monitoring costs of \$7.6 million. These amounts are estimated based on the 2012 cost to perform all closure and postclosure care. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations. The amount reported as Landfill Closure/Postclosure liability as of December 31, 2012 includes \$21.5 million representing the cumulative amount reported based on the use of 42.6% of the estimated capacity of the landfill, including the original permit and 1997 and 2009 modifications. SWACO will recognize the remaining estimated cost of closure and postclosure care costs of approximately \$21.4 million as the remaining estimated capacity is filled.

SWACO also maintains and monitors the Model Landfill, which has been closed since 1985. The Model Landfill is not subject to the same state and federal laws and regulations as the current operating landfill. In an effort to manage postclosure costs, SWACO leased the closed landfill to a private entity in 1999 to develop a public golf course on the site, and leased the landfill gas collection system and sold the gas rights for the purpose of generating electricity. The amounts reported as Landfill Closure/Postclosure care liability as of December 31, 2012 includes \$165,250 as a current liability related to monitoring, leachate treatment and gas collection costs and \$585,136 as a noncurrent liability representing the estimated cost of the future maintenance and monitoring costs at the site. SWACO incurred approximately \$1.7 million in remediation costs to the model landfill for its gas system in 2012.

## 13. Service Agreements

SWACO entered into a modification of a yard waste composting service agreement in November 2009. The agreement was extended through December 31, 2022. Under the modified terms of the agreement, SWACO pays a quarterly service fee (beginning January 1, 2010) of \$71,250 to the service provider to accept and process yard waste delivered by SWACO District constituents. Operating expenses under the service agreement were \$285,000 in 2012. The future maximum service payments are \$285,000 annually from 2013 through 2022.

SWACO also entered into a modification of another yard waste composting service agreement in November 2009. The agreement was extended through December 31, 2022. Under the modified terms of the agreement, beginning January 1, 2010, SWACO pays the service provider a per-ton fee for yard waste composting services up to a maximum annual payment of \$1,200,000, to accept and process yard waste delivered by SWACO District constituents. Operating expenses under the service agreement were \$1,200,000 in 2012. The future maximum service payments are \$1,200,000 annually from 2013 through 2022.

## 14. Commitments and Contingencies

As the operator of solid waste disposal and transfer facilities, SWACO is subject to environmental regulation by federal, state and local governmental authorities. These authorities have the power to enforce compliance with environmental laws and regulations and to obtain injunctions or impose fines in the case of violations. In addition, SWACO's operation of landfills subjects it to certain operational, monitoring, site maintenance, closure and postclosure obligations. As the result of this extensive regulation, SWACO may become subject to various judicial and administrative proceedings involving federal, state or local regulatory agencies. If these agencies find that SWACO's operations or facilities are not in compliance with applicable environmental regulations or operating permits, they could seek to impose fines on SWACO or to revoke or deny renewal of an operating permit held by SWACO. Failure to correct the problems to the satisfaction of the authorities could lead to curtailed operations or closure of the landfill or transfer stations.

Certain federal and state environmental laws impose strict liability on SWACO for such matters as contamination of water supplies or other environmental damage associated with its operation of solid waste facilities. If such contamination or environmental damage were to occur, the resulting cost to SWACO of corrective measures and cleanup could adversely affect SWACO's financial condition.

<sup>\*</sup> This space intentionally left blank. \*

#### 15. Risks and Uncertainties

SWACO is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts and general liability; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; natural disasters; errors and omissions; employee health care claims, settlement claims, and injuries to employees. Insurance policies are procured for buildings and contents and certain equipment. In addition, a crime policy is in effect which covers SWACO for employee theft and dishonesty. Settled claims have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past three years. SWACO purchases workers' compensation insurance through the State of Ohio to cover all employees. SWACO also provides life insurance to its employees equal to each employees' base annual salary and a short-term disability benefit. These benefits are fully insured by SWACO through third parties. The county offers \$50,000 of life insurance that is included in the overall benefits.

SWACO purchases property insurances for all buildings and equipment, excluding over-the-road motor vehicles. SWACO maintains \$5.0 million in general liability, public officials liability, and motor vehicle liability insurance for claims in excess of \$1.0 million. SWACO retains the risk for claims less than \$1.0 million.

SWACO provides health care benefits to its employees under agreement with Franklin County. The County provides multiple health care benefit plans that cover approximately 5,932 employees of Franklin, Pickaway and Fairfield Counties, SWACO and other Central Ohio political subdivisions. There are approximately 15,183 plan subscribers when spouses and dependents and domestic partners are counted. During 2012 these benefits included a self-insured participating provider organization medical plan, a prescription drug program, a mental health and chemical dependency program, employee assistant program (EAP) and dental and vision benefits. The program is administered by third parties which provide claims review and processing. Participating County agencies and other political subdivisions pay their proportionate shares of the premiums and may be charged for their pro-rata share of any reserve deficiency as determined by the plan's independent actuary. SWACO has not been assessed any charges other than its premiums for the years ended December 31, 2012 or 2011.

The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1986 requires SWACO to offer terminated or retired employees continued participation in SWACO's employee health care benefits program, provided that the employees pay the rate established by the plan administrator.

SWACO analyzes all outstanding and potential claims that have arisen or could arise due to the occurrence of a loss contingency on or before December 31, 2012. Those claims that are judged to have a high probability of requiring a settlement and for which the amount required to settle the claim is reasonably estimable are included. SWACO has a potential claim at the end of 2012 for injury, but is unable to quantify the monetary value.

		2011	l	201	12
Unpaid claims at January 1	\$	14	1,500	\$	571
Incurred claims			571	9	,769
Paid claims		(14,	,500)	 (10,	,340)
Unpaid claims at December 31	3	\$	571	 \$	-

SWACO
Supplemental Schedule – Operating Fund Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Fund
As of December 31, 2012

		Operating Fund	
	Continuing	Discontinued	
	Operations	Operations	Total
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,151,519	-	\$ 7,151,519
Restricted cash	32,755,896	\$ 2,054,509	34,810,405
Investments	6,885,977	-	6,885,977
Accounts receivable, net	3,815,919	527,831	4,343,750
Lease receivable, current portion	197,111	-	197,111
Other assets	568,537		568,537
Total current assets	51,374,959	2,582,340	53,957,299
Noncurrent assets:			
Investments held by trustee for landfill			
closure/post closure care	21,340,640	-	21,340,640
Capital assets			
Sanitary landfill, net of accumulated			
depletion	23,924,500	-	23,924,500
Buildings and equipment, net of			
accumulated depreciation	15,746,656	-	15,746,656
Construction in progress	9,885,584	-	9,885,584
Land and land improvements	18,064,028	-	18,064,028
Lease receivable, less current portion	5,653,783		5,653,783
Total noncurrent assets	94,615,191		94,615,191
Total assets	146,990,150	2,582,340	148,572,490
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 901,039	\$ 1,632,705	\$ 2,533,744

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Supplemental Schedule – Operating Fund Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Fund
As of December 31, 2012

		Operating Fund	
	Continuing	Discontinued	
<del>-</del>	Operations	Operations	Total
T + 1 994			
<b>Liabilities</b> Current liabilities:			
	\$ 3,804,543		\$ 3,804,543
Accounts payable Accrued wages and benefits	1,392,992	-	1,392,992
Accrued wages and benefits  Accrued interest		- 0 01 621	
	809,153	\$ 81,631	890,784
Current maturities of bonds and notes	9 002 794	4 215 000	12 400 704
payable	8,093,784	4,315,000	12,408,784
Unearned lease revenue	43,745	-	43,745
Landfill postclosure liability-current	165 250		165 250
portion	165,250	-	165,250
Other payables	58,284		58,284
Total current liabilities	14,367,751	4,396,631	18,764,382
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Noncurrent liabilities			
Bonds and notes payable, less current	102 (02 02 6	26.024.026	100 50 6 0 60
portion, net	103,682,036	26,024,026	129,706,062
Landfill closure/postclosure liability	22,062,950	-	22,062,950
ERIP payable	99,607		99,607
Total noncurrent liabilities	125,844,593	26,024,026	151,868,619
Total liabilities	140,212,344	30,420,657	170,633,001
Net position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:			
Lease obligation and bonds payable			
related to closed waste-to-energy			
facility	-	(28,706,321)	(28,706,321)
Other capital assets, net	(5,858,329)	-	(5,858,329)
Restricted:	, , , , ,		, , , ,
Closure/postclosure trust fund net of			
accrued liability – Sanitary			
Landfill	(137,174)	_	(137,174)
Other restricted, net	(536,719)	2,500,709	1,963,990
Unrestricted	13,211,067		13,211,067
Total mat maxidiam	¢ 6679.945	\$ (26.205.612)	\$ (10.526.767)
Total net position	\$ 6,678,845	\$ (26,205,612)	\$ (19,526,767)

SWACO
Supplemental Schedule – Operating Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position – Proprietary Fund As of December 31, 2012

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		Operating Fund	
	Continuing	Discontinued	
	Operations	Operations	Total
Operating revenues:			
Tipping and disposal fees	\$ 29,251,191	_	\$ 29,251,191
Waste transfer fees	4,426,914	_	4,426,914
Retired facility and waiver fees	1,964,918	\$ 6,877,214	8,842,132
Other	870,130	16,200	886,330
Operating revenues	36,513,153	6,893,414	43,406,567
Operating expenses:			
Salaries, wages and benefits	8,739,214	_	8,739,214
Contract, services and supplies	7,373,886	4,445	7,378,331
Solid waste fees	4,763,445	-	4,763,445
Depreciation	3,695,137	-	3,695,137
Landfill depletion	(5,976,432)	_	(5,976,432)
Landfill closing cost	10,791,186	-	10,791,186
Interfund transfers	(239,749)		(239,749)
Operating expenses	29,146,687	4,445	29,151,132
Operating income (loss)	7,366,466	6,888,969	14,255,435
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):			
Interest expense	(4,303,764)	(1,396,243)	(5,700,007)
ERIP interest expense	(71,745)	-	(71,745)
Interest earnings	386,029	-	386,029
Grant revenues	132,567	-	132,567
Grants awarded	(15,000)	-	(15,000)
Impairment of long-lived assets	(800,000)	-	(800,000)
Loss on disposal of assets	(236,005)		(236,005)
Total nonoperating expenses, net:	(4,907,918)	(1,396,243)	(6,304,161)
Change in net position	2,458,548	5,492,726	7,951,274
Total net position – beginning	4,220,297	(31,698,338)	(27,478,041)
Total net position – ending	\$ 6,678,845	\$ (26,205,612)	\$ (19,526,767)

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Supplemental Schedule – Operating Fund Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Fund
As of December 31, 2012

		Operating Fund	
	Continuing	Discontinued	
	Operations	Operations	Total
Cash flows from operating activities:	<b></b>		h 22 720 0 5 5
Receipts from customers	\$ 32,520,966	-	\$ 32,520,966
Retired facility fees and waiver fees collected	1,964,918	\$ 6,916,805	8,881,723
Other receipts	870,130	16,200	886,330
Payments to or on behalf of employees for			
salaries, wages and benefits	(9,154,705)	-	(9,154,705)
Payment to vendors	(11,831,088)	(4,445)	(11,835,533)
Landfill post closure cost paid	(146,595)	-	(146,595)
Interfund charges	239,749	-	239,749
Other receipts	(69,795)		(69,795)
Net cash provided by operating activities	14,393,580	6,928,560	21,322,140
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:			
Grants received	627,567	_	627,567
Grants awarded	(15,000)	_	(15,000)
Net cash provided by noncapital financing	(13,000)		(13,000)
activities	612,567		612,567
activities	012,307	<u> </u>	012,307
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	21,953,769	_	21,953,769
Purchase of investments	(21,667,947)	_	(21,667,947)
Interest received	268,187	_	268,187
Net cash (used in) provided by	200,107		200,107
investing activities	554,009	_	554,009
myesting detivities	334,007		334,007
Cash flows from capital and related financing			
activities:			
Proceeds from capital debt	57,631,559	2,221,623	59,853,182
Proceeds from the sale of assets	6,041	-	6,041
Proceeds from capital lease	382,515	-	382,515
Landfill, plant improvements and equipment			
additions	(19,575,116)	-	(19,575,116)
Principal paid on bonds and notes payable	(38,221,938)	(3,710,000)	(41,931,938)
Interest paid	(5,091,781)	(3,648,650)	(8,740,431)
Debt issuance cost paid	(398,760)	(163,185)	(561,945)
Net cash used in capital and related		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
financing activities	(5,267,480)	(5,300,212)	(10,567,692)
Not increase (decrease) in cosh	10,292,676	1 620 240	11 021 024
Net increase (decrease) in cash		1,628,348	11,921,024
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	29,614,739	426,161	30,040,900
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 39,907,415	\$ 2,054,509	\$ 41,961,924
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# Supplemental Schedule – Operating Fund Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Fund

**As of December 31, 2012** 

		Operating Fund	
	Continuing	Discontinued	
	Operations	Operations	Total
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Operating (loss) income	\$ 7,366,466	\$ 6,888,969	\$ 14,255,435
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and depletion	(2,281,295)	-	(2,281,295)
Landfill closing cost	10,791,186	-	10,791,186
(Decrease) increase in cash resulting from changes in:			
Accounts receivable (net)	(1,157,139)	39,591	(1,117,548)
Accounts payable	676,547	-	676,547
Accrued wages and benefits	102,264	-	102,264
ERIP payable	(517,756)	-	(517,756)
Landfill postclosure liability	(146,595)	-	(146,595)
Other assets and liabilities	(440,098)		(440,098)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 14,393,580	\$ 6,928,560	\$ 21,322,140

### Noncash capital and related financing activities:

Amortization of premiums on lease obligation and bonds payable of \$941,864 for Continuing Operations and \$852,649 for Discontinued Operations.

Amortization of debt issuance costs of \$878,496 for Continuing Operations and \$284,349 for Discontinued Operations.

Bond defeasements net of amortization of \$713,983 for Continuing Operations and \$1,632,705 for Discontinued Operations.

Change in carrying value of investments resulting in a loss of \$3,947 (Continuing Operations). Impairment of long-lived assets resulting in a loss of \$800,000 (Continuing Operations).

Renegotiation of lease receivable resulting in an increase of \$77,858 (Continuing Operations).

Fixed asset transferred to a lease receivable in the amount of \$937,451 (Continuing Operations).

# STATISTICAL SECTION

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### STATISTICAL SECTION

The following statistical tables provide selected information on SWACO's financial trends, revenue capacity, operating information, debt capacity, and economic and demographic information.

Tables 1 and 2 provide ten years of financial information for SWACO. Table 3 is a budget to actual comparison for year 2012.

Revenue capacity information on solid waste deliveries and tipping fees at SWACO facilities is presented in Tables 4 through 8. Table 8 provides generation fees reported by solid waste facilities receiving waste generated from within the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District (the "District") and disposed in an Ohio landfill.

Indicators of the level of demand for service are included in tables throughout the statistical section and include tons received (Tables 4 and 5), Top Ten customer data (Table 5), tons generated (Table 8), and tons recycled (Tables 9 and 10). Table 11 shows current and historical SWACO employees by function.

Tables 12 through 19 provide debt service schedules for SWACO's outstanding notes and bonds. Table 20 provides detail on the WTEF lease. Table 21 shows various debt ratios for SWACO. It includes total debt (notes, bonds and WTEF lease) per capita, total general obligation debt as a percent of SWACO assessed property valuation (although backed by a pledge to levy ad valorem property taxes, SWACO's general obligation bonds are paid from other sources, see Note 10 to the financial statements), and annual debt service per ton for bonds paid from the landfill tipping fee. Table 22 shows the statutory debt limit on SWACO's ability to issue debt supported by property taxes. SWACO is not subject to direct debt limits.

Demographic information is presented for SWACO's solid waste district and Franklin County in Tables 23 through 25. Table 26 provides information on capital assets.

SWACO
Schedules of Net Position - All Funds
For Years Ended December 31, 2003 through 2012
(in thousands)<sup>1</sup>

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
ASSETS										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,772	\$ 7,210	\$ 3,128	\$ 3,558	\$ 4,524	\$ 2,461	\$ 7,349	\$ 5,599	\$ 5,238	\$ 7,152
Restricted cash	3,554	20,277	5,286	4,668	9,877	2,443	1,817	6,582	25,506	35,741
Unrestricted and restricted investments	2,496	2,001	14,757	9,909	7,917	6,857	3,008	5,055	7,337	6,886
Accounts receivable, net	2,562	3,976	3,010	3,360	3,113	3,329	3,036	3,794	3,640	4,721
Pollution allowances sales receivable	-	-	10,015	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grant receivable	-	-	-	-	1,980	1,500	-	26	495	357
Closure/postclosure funds held by trustee	16,142	16,873	17,799	19,218	21,104	23,035	20,648	21,027	21,199	21,341
Sanitary Landfill, net of accum. deprec./depletion	11,801	10,262	20,448	23,441	22,586	13,850	18,600	12,767	16,010	23,925
Buildings & equipment, net of accum. depreciation	9,349	9,905	17,045	15,054	14,133	18,394	17,662	14,679	16,722	16,318
Construction in progress	-	9,093	6,577	4,401	10,279	9,107	4,341	3,558	2,606	9,886
Land and land improvements	1,724	9,931	9,931	9,931	11,721	11,721	12,711	12,711	13,036	18,064
Lease receivable	-	-	1,559	1,559	4,900	4,878	4,708	5,518	5,218	5,851
Idle plant facilities - WTEF (Note 11)	1,976	1,121	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets	170	357	447	169	349	130	53	23	210	212
Total assets	\$ 55,546	91,006	110,002	95,269	112,484	97,706	93,934	91,339	117,217	150,454
Total deferred outflows of resouces										\$ 2,533

Certain items for the years prior to 2005 have been reclassified for presentation purposes. Totals may not add due to rounding.

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	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
LIABILITIES										
Accounts payable, deferred revenue, and unearned income	\$ 2,584	\$ 4,491	\$ 7,298	\$ 2,312 \$	\$ 4,278	\$ 2,113 \$	2,050 \$	2,593 \$	3,506 \$	4,164
Accrued wages and benefits	1,005	856	762	814	750	896	1,380	1,408	1,418	1,525
SWACO grants payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	34	41	39	71
ERIP payable	-	_	-	-	-	-	1,139	1,097	617	100
Accrued interest	788	1,140	980	850	706	520	743	903	885	891
Bonds and notes payable (Note 10)	16,045	102,274	106,498	103,407	110,564	106,491	102,263	108,320	125,197	142,115
Capital lease obligation (Note 11)	108,052	28,751	27,356	15,817	14,269	6,225	4,099	1,889	_	_
Landfill closure/postclosure care liability (Note 12)	16,113	16,927	18,124	18,711	19,828	10,150	11,237	12,086	11,584	22,228
Other	665	7	232	130	283	413	177	37	128	111
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Total liabilities	145,252	154,445	161,250	142,041	150,680	126,810	123,122	128,374	143,374	171,205
NET DOCUTION										
NET POSITION										
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:										
WTEF, net of lease obligation & bonds payable	(106,076)	(84,010)	(80,586)	(65,846)	(61,014)	(49,595)	(43,987)	(38,176)	(32,559)	(28,706)
Other capital assets, net	6,829	5,195	4,433	2,517	6,680	(1,054)	(3,609)	(17,925)	(16,480)	(5,286)
Restricted:										
Closure/postclosure trust fund, net of										
accrued liability - Sanitary Landfill	2,087	1,974	1,661	1,715	2,325	13,887	10,399	9,901	10,512	(137)
Other restricted, net	3,658	8,621	18,491	7,961	8,252	1,184	514	777	1,614	2,701
Unrestricted	3,795	4,780	4,753	6,881	5,562	6,474	7,496	8,388	10,756	13,210
Total net position	\$ (89,706)	\$ (63,439)	\$ (51,248)	\$ (46,772) \$	(38,196)	\$ (29,104) \$	(29,187) \$	(37,035) \$	(26,157) \$	(18,218)

Source: SWACO. All references to notes are to the Notes to Financial Statements beginning on page 2-24.

SWACO
Schedules of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position - All Funds
For Years Ended December 31, 2003 through 2012

(in thousands)<sup>1</sup>

	 2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009			2010		2011		2012	
Revenues:															
Tipping and disposal fees	\$ 14,079	\$ 14,423	\$ 16,754	\$ 18,376	\$ 18,958	\$ 18,650	\$	18,101	\$	21,141	\$	26,870	\$	29,251	
Waste transfer fees	4,132	4,010	4,448	4,377	4,336	4,537		4,403		4,441		4,487		4,427	
Retired facility and waiver fees	7,916	8,113	8,016	7,949	7,892	7,614		9,162		9,473		9,095		8,842	
Generation fees	5,655	5,801	5,720	5,716	5,663	5,438		5,090		5,265		5,054		4,919	
Other	 755	128	574	319	617	582		563		846		435		1,096	
Operating revenues	32,536	32,475	35,512	36,737	37,467	36,822		37,319		41,166		45,941		48,535	
Expenses:															
Salaries, wages and benefits	5,582	6,127	6,790	7,104	7,351	9,692		11,226		9,457		9,281		10,132	
Contracts, services and supplies	12,860	14,406	14,918	10,248	10,566	10,800		9,491		10,172		12,102		10,584	
Solid waste fees	1,955	2,192	2,686	3,276	3,236	3,122		3,250		4,342		4,929		4,764	
Depreciation and depletion	2,151	2,141	3,612	6,874	5,672	10,334		7,428		13,960		5,290		(2,211)	
Landfill closing expenses	999	844	1,239	1,365	1,276	(9,630)		1,100		877		(440)		10,791	
Other	 113	20	2	-	-	-		-		10		1			
Operating expenses	 23,660	25,730	29,247	28,867	28,101	24,318		32,495		38,818		31,163		34,060	
Operating income	8,876	6,745	6,265	7,870	9,366	12,504		4,824		2,348		14,778		14,475	

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Table 2 (continued)

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):										<u> </u>
Interest expense	(4,773)	(4,246)	(5,232)	(5,040)	(5,116)	(4,858)	(4,729)	(4,498)	(4,347)	(5,700)
ERIP interest expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	(42)	(128)	(108)	386
Interest earnings	466	617	1,344	1,962	2,680	2,471	762	567	417	(72)
Grant revenues	138	145	404	240	2,192	379	307	621	495	133
Grants awarded	(542)	(462)	(636)	(574)	(593)	(498)	(712)	(587)	(369)	(247)
Loss on federal grant	-	-	-	-	-	(480)	(512)	-	-	-
Bad debt expense								(127)	-	-
Impairment of long-lived assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6,100)	-	(800)
Fire loss net of insurance proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	(382)	-	-	-	-
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	(125)	(19)	(4)	19	47	(44)	19	57	12	(236)
Total nonoperating expenses	(4,835)	(3,965)	(4,124)	(3,393)	(790)	(3,412)	(4,908)	(10,195)	(3,900)	(6,536)
Special and extraordinary items										
Gain on forgiveness of debt	3,927	19,652								
Sale of pollution allowances	3,921	3,835	10,051	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reduction of LF closure liability	-	3,633	10,031	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment loss-WTEF	-	_	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-
Impairment loss-w TEI				-			-		-	
Change in net position	7,968	26,267	12,192	4,477	8,576	9,092	(84)	(7,847)	10,878	7,939
Total net position - beginning	(97,674)	(89,706)	(63,439)	(51,248)	(46,772)	(38,196)	(29,104)	(29,188)	(37,035)	(26,157)
Total net position - ending	\$ (89,706)	\$ (63,439)	\$ (51,248) \$	6 (46,772) 5	\$ (38,196) \$	\$ (29,104) \$	(29,188)	\$ (37,035) \$	(26,157) \$	(18,218)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Certain items for the years prior to 2005 have been reclassified for presentation purposes. Totals may not add due to rounding.

SWACO
Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position
2012 Budget to Actual (in thousands)

		Oŗ	perating Fund	<u> </u>	I	Progr	ram Func	1	All Funds Total						
	Origir Budg		Amended Budget	Actual	Original Budget		mended Budget	Actual		riginal udget	Amended Budget	Actual	V P	Budget ariance ositive egative)	
Operating revenues:															
Tipping and disposal fees		,511	\$ 28,511	\$ 29,251	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	28,511	\$ 28,511	\$ 29,251	\$	740	
Waste transfer fees	4	,400	4,400	4,427	-		-	-		4,400	4,400	4,427		27	
Retired facility and waiver fees	8	,865	8,865	8,842	-		-	-		8,865	8,865	8,842		(23)	
Generation fees		-	-	-	4,925		4,925	4,919		4,925	4,925	4,919		(6)	
Other		350	350	886	200		200	210		550	550	1,096		546	
Total operating revenues	42	,126	42,126	43,406	5,125		5,125	5,129		47,251	47,251	48,535		1,284	
Operating expenses:															
Salaries, wages and benefits	8	,894	8,894	8,739	1,471		1,471	1,393		10,365	10,365	10,132		233	
Contracts, services and supplies	7	,527	7,527	7,378	3,444		3,444	3,206		10,971	10,971	10,584		387	
Solid waste fees	5	,207	5,207	4,764	-		-	-		5,207	5,207	4,764		443	
Depreciation and depletion	9	,596	9,596	(2,281)	70		70	70		9,666	9,666	(2,211)		11,877	
Landfill closing costs		916	916	10,791	-		-	-		916	916	10,791		(9,875)	
Bad debt expense		-	-	-	-		-	-		-	-	-		-	
Other		-	-	-	-		-	-		-	-	-		-	
Interfund transfers		(200)	(200)	(240)	200		200	240		-	-	-			
Total operating expenses	31	,940	31,940	29,151	5,185		5,185	4,909		37,125	37,125	34,060		3,065	
Operating income (loss)	10	,186	10,186	14,255	(60)		(60)	220		10,126	10,126	14,475		4,349	

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	Operating Fund					Program Fund					All Funds Total							
	Origii	Original Amended			Original Amended		Original Amended		nended			Budget <u>Variance</u> Positive						
	Budg		Budget	Actual		udget	Ві	udget	Α	ctual		udget	Budget		A	Actual	(Negative)	
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)																		
Interest expense	\$ (4	,073)	\$ (4,073)	\$ (5,700)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(4,073)	\$	(4,073)	\$	(5,700)	\$	(1,627)
Interest earnings		100	100	386		-		-		-		100		100		386		286
Grant revenues		-	-	133		-		-		-		-		-		133		133
Grants awarded		-	-	(15)		(225)		(225)		(232)		(225)		(225)		(247)		(22)
Bad debt expense		-	-	-		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Impairment of long-lived assets		-	-	(800)		-		-		-		-		-		(800)		(800)
ERIP interest expense		-	-	(72)		-		-		-		-		-		(72)		(72)
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets		-	-	(236)		-		-				-		-		(236)		(236)
Total nonoperating																		
expenses	(3	,973)	(3,973)	(6,304)		(225)		(225)		(232)		(4,198)		(4,198)		(6,536)		(2,338)
Change in net position	6	5,213	6,213	7,951		(285)		(285)		(12)		5,928		5,928		7,939	\$	2,011
Total net position - beginning	(16	5,940)	(18,940)	(27,479)		2,209		2,209		1,322		(14,731)	(	(16,731)	(	(26,157)		
Total net position - ending	\$ (10	),727)	\$ (12,727)	\$ (19,528)	\$	1,924	\$	1,924	\$	1,310	\$	(8,803)	\$ (	(10,803)	\$	(18,218)		

Totals may not add due to rounding.

SWACO
Solid Waste Received and Landfilled 2003 - 2012 (in tons)

-	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Solid waste received by SWACO										
Jackson Pike Transfer Station	173,213	197,862	179,016	166,372	170,425	164,326	152,829	153,564	152,681	149,410
Morse Road Transfer Station	149,120	122,836	123,684	121,774	119,305	133,156	123,988	132,727	127,957	126,081
Georgesville Rd Transfer Station	63,860	55,643	69,026	63,611	56,927	64,201	73,606	67,133	76,256	76,534
Subtotal Transfer Stations	386,193	376,341	371,727	351,757	346,657	361,683	350,422	353,424	356,894	352,025
Sanitary Landfill	533,122	569,295	551,659	532,247	524,581	483,675	465,206	586,422	721,290 4	682,381
Total solid waste received by SWACO	919,315	945,636	923,386	884,004	871,238	845,358	816,754	939,847	1,078,184	1,034,406
Removed from waste stream <sup>1</sup>	(245)	(234)	(121)	(140)	(280)	(457)	(478)	(195)	(257)	(215)
Carryover/(shrinkage) <sup>2</sup>	(698)	921	(4,046)	(3,986)	(2,245)	(6,163)	385	(4,853)	(4,202)	(2,697)
Total adjustments	(943)	687	(4,167)	(4,126)	(2,525)	(6,620)	(93)	(5,048)	(4,459)	(2,912)
Transferred out-of-district <sup>3</sup>	-	-	(14,057)	-	-	-	-	-		
Solid waste landfilled - Franklin County Sanitary Landfill	918,372	946,323	905,161	879,878	868,713	838,738	816,661	934,798	1,073,725	1,031,494

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Scrap metal, tires, white goods & other.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Carryover related to end of year inventory at transfer stations and shrinkage due to loss of water.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Waste disposed at an out-of-district landfill pursuant to a contract with the landfill owner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Includes 8,565.93 tons which are non-billable.

SWACO Top Ten Customers 2003 - 2012 (tons received)

Customer	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
City of Columbus Division of Sanitation	352,337	352,366	342,662	333,710	329,251	324,682	312,685	307,486	314,515	303,714
Rumpke Waste/Rumpke Container/Rumpke Trf.	158,657	145,675	155,802	145,153	157,696	159,279	155,848	154,524	198,488	198,115
Republic Waste Systems	195,283	204,763	205,368	185,991	176,025	162,598	156,566	154,372	177,749	176,082
Waste Management of Ohio	81,201	91,002	74,931	58,652	59,574	43,927	36,032	162,860	143,063	128,850
Local Waste Services LLC	56,959	69,810	78,862	89,854	88,236	85,130	78,410	78,539	91,895	100,280
Columbus Auto Shredding Inc.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	28,127	25,048
PSC Metals Inc.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	26,331	24,479
City of Columbus Street Engineer	6,177	5,839	5,621	7,497	6,671	5,926	6,152	5,547	#	8,584
Capitol Waste & Recycling	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	11,673	8,342
Mars Petcare U.S.	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	9,325	8,666	6,961
City of Upper Arlington	7,814	7,741	7,386	7,207	6,886	7,175	6,665	6,539	6,719	#
Anheuser-Busch Inc.	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	7,117	#	#
Adept, Inc.	#	#	2,654	2,415	3,855	3,806	2,581	#	#	#
City/Southerly Waste Water Plant	#	#	#	#	2,843	3,289	3,501	#	#	#
City of Grandview Heights	3,591	3,585	3,149	3,025	#	#	#	#	#	#
Flower Garbage	6,211	5,590	#	#	8,861	9,133	7,783	4,351	*	*
BFI of Ohio, Inc.	6,737	17,656	12,354	8,706	#	*	*	*	*	*
Container Services	#	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Total Top Ten Customers	874,967	904,026	888,789	842,210	839,898	804,945	766,223	890,660	1,007,226	980,454
Total tons received by SWACO <sup>1</sup>	919,315	945,636	923,386	884,004	871,238	845,358	816,754	939,847	1,069,618	1,034,406
Top Ten customer % of total received	97%	97%	97%	97%	96%	95%	94%	95%	94%	95%
Total tons generated within District <sup>2</sup>	1,130,721	1,160,226	1,144,048	1,148,471	1,132,663	1,087,688	1,018,049	1,052,999	1,079,501	1,044,176
Top Ten customer % of total waste disposal	76%	79%	78%	73%	74%	74%	75%	85%	93%	94%

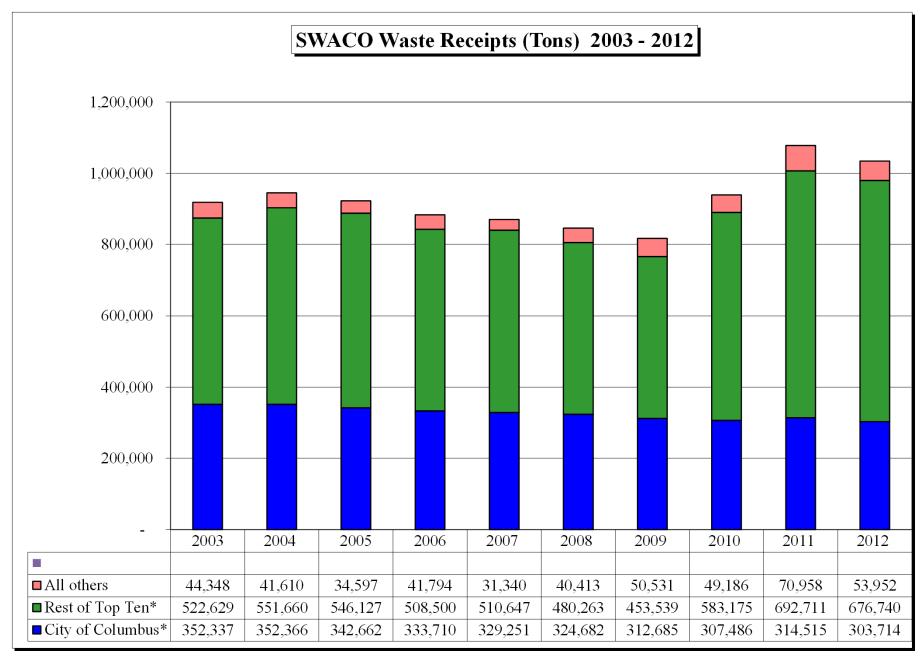
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes both in-district and out-of-district waste.

Source: SWACO 3-9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Total solid waste generated within the District and disposed of at SWACO and out-of-district facilities.

<sup>#</sup> Waste received from these customers is not reported when they are not ranked in the top ten.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates the waste hauler was not a SWACO customer in the year indicated.



Source: SWACO \*See notes to Table 5.

SWACO Disposal Rates 1991-2012

Effective	Franklin County		Morse Road	C		Compost	Charge
Date	Landfill	Transfer <sup>2</sup>	Transfer	Transfer	Transfer	Facilities	Unit
$2/1/1991^{-1}$	\$ 4.90	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Cu. Yard
4/1/1991	7.50	-	-	-	-	-	Cu. Yard
4/1/1993	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	-	Cu. Yard
7/1/1993	13.25	13.00	13.50	13.00	13.00	-	Cu. Yard
6/1/1994 <sup>3</sup>	49.00	49.00	49.00	49.00	49.00	-	Ton
9/1/1994	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	-	Ton
11/1/1994 4	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	Closed	-	Ton
2/7/1996	33.00	37.00	44.00	40.00	-	-	Ton
3/11/1996	30.00	34.00	41.00	37.00	-	-	Ton
5/8/1996	27.00	31.00	38.00	34.00	-	-	Ton
4/8/1998 <sup>5</sup>	20.00	30.00	31.00	31.00	-	-	Ton
$4/1/1999$ $^{6}$	27.00	37.00	38.00	38.00	-	-	Ton
10/4/1999	27.00	37.00	38.00	38.00	-	$6.00^{-7}$	Ton
1/1/2005	29.25	40.25	41.25	41.25	-	6.00	Ton
7/1/2005 8	30.75	41.75	42.75	42.75	-	6.00	Ton
1/1/2006	32.25	44.25	45.25	45.25	-	6.00	Ton
1/1/2007	33.50	45.50	46.50	46.50	-	6.00	Ton
1/1/2008	33.50	45.50	46.50	46.50	-	6.00	Ton
1/1/2009	35.50	47.50	48.50	48.50	-	6.00	Ton
8/1/2009 9	36.75	48.75	49.75	49.75	-	$6.00^{10}$	Ton
$1/1/2011^{-11}$	39.75	51.75	52.75	52.75	-	-	Ton
1/1/2012	42.75	54.75	55.75	55.75	-	-	Ton

Prior to 2/1/91 SWACO operated no facilities and was funded by a \$.40/cubic yard district fee levied at all landfills located in the district (the County landfill and one private landfill).

Source: SWACO 3-11

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Prior to November 1, 1994, this was the Waste-to-Energy Facility.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  This fee was repealed effective September 1, 1994 and replaced with a fee of \$32 per ton.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Beginning August 2, 1994, all rates include a \$5.00/ton generation fee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> This rate is the rate for customers under contract with SWACO. Beginning 4/8/1998 and ending 12/31/2004 there was a non-contract rate of \$2.25 per ton more than the rate shown.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Rates include Retired Facility fee of \$7 per ton.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Transfer fee for commercial loads delivered to Bill R. Holbrook Compost Facility beginning 10/4/1999. Effective March 1, 2005, a fee of \$6.00 was implemented for commercial loads at all compost facilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Rate reflects \$1.50 per ton EPA rate increase.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Rate reflects \$1.25 per ton EPA rate increase.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Compost facility was closed December 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> In September 2010, the SWACO Board of Trustees approved a rate increase of \$3.00 per ton effective January 1, 2011, and an additional increase of \$3.00 per ton effective January 1, 2012.

SWACO
Franklin County Sanitary Landfill Airspace Capacity
Total Permitted, Annual Used, and Permitted Remaining 2003-2012
(cubic yards)

	Year	Total Permitted Airspace	Annual Airspace Used	Permitted Airspace Remaining
	2003	48,400,000	1,319,700	42,952,200
	2004	48,400,000	956,200	41,996,000
	2005	48,400,000	1,439,200	40,556,800
	2006	48,400,000	1,435,700	39,121,100
	2007	48,400,000	1,196,500	37,924,600
	2008	48,400,000	1,192,300	36,732,300
	2009	$51,900,000^{1}$	1,053,000	39,179,300
	2010	$51,900,000^{1}$	1,163,000	38,670,000
	2011	$51,900,000^{1}$	1,263,060	36,961,530
	2012	$51,900,000^1$	1,010,563	35,958,706
		At Maximum		
		Permitted Receipts <sup>2</sup>		At 2012 Receipts <sup>3</sup>
Remaining landfill life		11.4		25.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total permitted airspace includes 3.5 million additional cubic yards for the OEPA 2009 permit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Maximum 8,000 tons per day or 2,288,000 annual tons per OEPA permit. Assumes a compaction rate of 1,300 pounds per cubic yard.

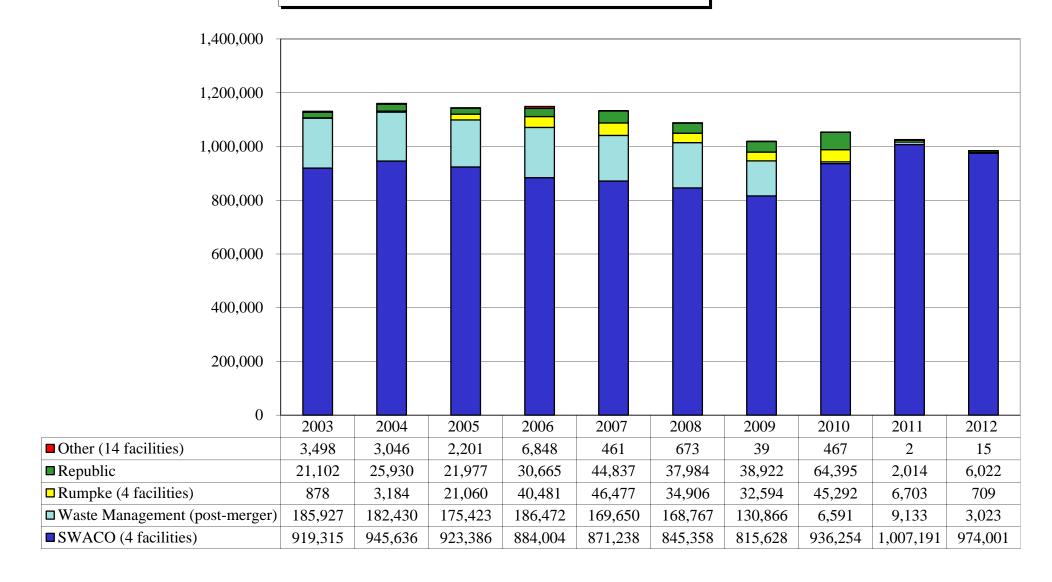
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Approximately 1,028,000 tons received. Assumes a compaction rate of 1,300 pounds per cubic yard.

 ${\bf SWACO}$  Generation Fee Tonnage Reported 2003 - 2012  $^1$ 

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Solid Waste Authority (4 facilities)	919,315	945,636	923,386	884,004	871,238	845,358	815,628	936,254	1,007,191	974,001
Republic Waste Services	21,102	25,930	21,977	30,665	44,837	37,984	38,922	64,395	2,014	6,022
Rumpke Waste (4 facilities)	878	3,184	21,060	40,481	46,477	34,906	32,594	45,292	6,703	709
Waste Management (2 facilities)	185,927	182,430	175,423	186,472	169,650	168,767	130,866	6,591	9,133	3,023
Other (14 facilities)	3,498	3,046	2,201	6,848	461	673	39	467	2	15
Total	1,130,721	1,160,226	1,144,048	1,148,471	1,132,663	1,087,688	1,018,049	1,052,999	1,025,043	983,770

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Generation Fee is charged on all solid waste generated within SWACO's jurisdiction and disposed in a sanitary landfill located in Ohio. Certain solid waste is exempt from the fee. The current \$5 per ton Generation Fee was enacted effective November 1, 1994.

# **Generation Fee Tonnage Reported 2003 - 2012**



Source: SWACO \*See notes to Table 8.

SWACO
SWACO Program Activity - Tons Collected 2003-2012

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total tons of waste recycled										
Yard waste composting	142,860	150,949	145,540	136,768	121,775	148,823	78,764	n/a	n/a	n/a
Drop-off recycling	8,449	7,947	8,700	9,593	10,755	12,999	15,126	15,924	16,444	14,843
Just-in-Time Recycling	429	602	626	742	815	774	636	37	n/a	n/a
Household hazardous waste	344	424	443	419	626	641	550	231	122	162
E-waste collection	70	196	155	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Tire collection	176	115	132	89	168	187	153	139	220	168
Scrap metal recycling	245	119	71	32	104	246	19	40	23	41
Other recycling	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	152,573	160,352	155,724	147,643	134,243	163,670	95,248	16,371	16,809	15,213

# Tires and White Goods Received $2003 - 2012^1$

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Tires (each) White goods (each)	17,608	11,497	12,478	13,043	19,726	28,926	17,625	16,422	22,219	18,723
	5,404	4,527	3,622	2,181	2,292	301	290	143	169	157

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Tires and white goods received by SWACO are removed from the waste stream and recycled. White goods are large appliances such as refrigerators, washing machines and clothes dryers.

SWACO Household Hazardous Waste Collection 2003 - 2012 (in pounds)

Material Classification	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Bulked flammables	41,848	31,184	30,504	14,998	22,070	51,488	69,494	72,096	69,461	94,587
Paint	334,673	476,154	528,064	580,111	898,600	901,135	750,018	219,187	42,007	40,963
Aerosol-pesticides	40,727	47,542	45,332	38,815	56,093	63,491	61,798	32,149	37,625	41,422
Putty & adhesives	-	-	-	31,135	48,854	35,486	37,351	34,807	23,167	30,051
Used oil /antifreeze	38,596	35,346	33,285	36,994	48,925	65,667	57,633	35,361	16,896	32,137
Household cleaners	-	-	-	9,632	20,991	23,879	18,348	12,320	10,904	13,519
Aerosol-flammable	23,714	27,202	27,684	17,615	32,716	34,914	19,731	14,790	10,676	18,418
Lead/acid batteries	24,272	29,389	20,414	14,197	8,074	33,526	28,194	16,067	9,131	17,122
Dry cell batteries	-	-	-	5,209	-	12,246	3,990	5,189	6,832	8,399
Acids/bases	-	18,394	18,975	9,821	14,548	12,734	13,977	7,536	6,614	6,965
Flourescent light bulbs	460	489	664	1,057	3,373	6,875	6,700	6,101	5,130	9,978
Oxidizers	-	-	-	2,328	3,466	4,516	2,476	1,689	1,869	2,968
Propane cylinders	35,051	35,070	25,015	14,577	20,004	8,028	2,857	2,065	1,471	2,328
NiCad batteries	543	1,074	866	144	46	18	3,649	334	1,012	1,033
Poisons	-	-	-	534	981	208	235	322	476	414
Elemental mercury	244	380	273	220	474	938	230	1,138	327	656
Reactive lab pack/alum pain	607	-	-	816	1,599	1,222	7,213	142	205	342
Lithium batteries	171	248	179	106	19,365	13	475	102	136	674
Fire extinguishers	1,349	1,872	876	1,039	2,086	794	537	211	112	355
Freon	446	638	608	53	433	-	6	-	37	17
Cylinders	605	1,114	1,324	764	1,926	756	163	41	28	85
Misc. waste	38	-	421	2,940	207	-	6,291	15,056	28	660
Asbestos	-	-	-	45	1,352	90	8	1	3	3
Lab pack A	15,211	5,369	5,569	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lab pack B	5,454	328	903	1,105	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alkaline batteries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loosepack fuels	124,657	137,042	145,733	53,611	44,951	24,174	8,968	-	-	_
Total:	688,666	848,835	886,689	837,866	1,251,134	1,282,198	1,100,342	476,704	244,147	323,096

Source: SWACO and EEI 3-16

SWACO Number of Employees by Function

Function	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Administration	20	21	20	19	22	21	19	20	24	24
Operations	58	69	79	77	77	88	89	90	89	95
Programs	7	6	6	6	11	11	6	6	6	5
Total	85	96	105	102	110	120	114	116	119	124

SWACO Series 2004A Facility Acquisition Bonds

Year	Principal Coupon Interest				Total Debt Service			
						_		
2004	\$ 3,730,000	3.000%	\$	2,723,100	\$	6,453,100		
2005	2,685,000	3.000%		2,611,200		5,296,200		
2006	2,765,000	5.000%		2,530,650		5,295,650		
2007	2,905,000	5.000%		2,392,400		5,297,400		
2008	3,050,000	5.000%		2,247,150		5,297,150		
2009	3,205,000	5.000%		2,094,650		5,299,650		
2010	3,365,000	5.000%		1,934,400		5,299,400		
2011	3,530,000	5.000%		1,766,150		5,296,150		
2012	3,710,000	5.000%		984,950		4,694,950		
2013	 3,895,000	<u>5.000</u> %		194,750		4,089,750		
Total	\$ 32,840,000		\$	19,479,400	\$	52,319,400		

Net interest cost (%) 5.000%

Table 13

# SWACO Series 2004B Solid Waste Facility Improvements Bonds

				Principal						
	S	W Facility	La	andfill Phase		_			,	Total Debt
Year	Im	provements		H1		Total	Coupon	Interest		Service
2004	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	-	\$ 149,786	\$	149,786
2005		-		-		-	-	1,348,075		1,348,075
2006		75,000		2,355,000		2,430,000	4.000%	1,348,075		3,778,075
2007		80,000		2,445,000		2,525,000	5.000%	1,250,875		3,775,875
2008		85,000		2,570,000		2,655,000	5.000%	1,126,425		3,781,425
2009		95,000		2,695,000		2,790,000	3.500%	991,875		3,781,875
2010		110,000		2,790,000		2,900,000	5.000%	894,225		3,794,225
2011		125,000		2,930,000		3,055,000	4.250%	749,225		3,804,225
2012		710,000		-		710,000	4.000%	353,794		1,063,794
2013		735,000		-		735,000	4.000%	59,800		794,800
2014		760,000		-		760,000	4.000%	30,400		790,400
Total	\$	2,775,000	\$	15,785,000	\$	18,560,000		\$ 8,302,555	\$	26,862,555

Net interest cost (%) 4.188%

SWACO Series 2005 Refunding Bonds

Refunded Debt Service

	Orig	Original Debt Service (Series 1997)					Series 200	05 Refunding Bo			
Year	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total Debt Service	Principal	Interest	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total Debt Service	Savings
2005	\$ 835,000	5.500% \$	753,665 \$	1,588,665	\$ 835,000	\$ 449,570	\$ -	- \$	59,889	\$ 1,344,459	\$ 244,206
2006	880,000	5.500%	707,740	1,587,740	880,000	99,550	-	-	616,000	1,595,550	(7,810)
2007	930,000	5.500%	659,340	1,589,340	930,000	51,150	-	-	616,000	1,597,150	(7,810)
2008	980,000	4.500%	608,190	1,588,190	-	-	945,000	5.000%	616,000	1,561,000	27,190
2009	1,035,000	4.600%	564,090	1,599,090	-	-	1,000,000	5.000%	568,750	1,568,750	30,340
2010	1,090,000	4.700%	516,480	1,606,480	-	-	1,060,000	5.000%	518,750	1,578,750	27,730
2011	1,150,000	4.750%	465,250	1,615,250	-	-	1,125,000	5.000%	465,750	1,590,750	24,500
2012	1,215,000	4.800%	410,625	1,625,625	-	-	1,190,000	5.000%	409,500	1,599,500	26,125
2013	1,280,000	4.850%	352,305	1,632,305	-	-	1,250,000	5.000%	350,000	1,600,000	32,305
2014	1,350,000	4.900%	290,225	1,640,225	-	-	1,325,000	5.000%	287,500	1,612,500	27,725
2015	1,425,000	4.900%	224,075	1,649,075	-	-	1,395,000	5.000%	221,250	1,616,250	32,825
2016	1,500,000	5.000%	154,250	1,654,250	-	-	1,475,000	5.000%	151,500	1,626,500	27,750
2017	1,585,000	5.000%	79,250	1,664,250			1,555,000	5.000%	77,750	1,632,750	31,500
Total	\$ 15,255,000	\$	5,785,485 \$	21,040,485	\$ 2,645,000	\$ 600,270	\$ 12,320,000	\$	4,958,639	\$ 20,523,909	\$ 516,576

Table 15
SWACO
Series 2005 Landfill Equipment Bonds

Year	Principal	]	Interest	Total Debt Service			
	1	1					
2005	\$ -	-	\$	93,987	\$	93,987	
2006	890,000	3.000%		199,450		1,089,450	
2007	905,000	3.000% 172,525		172,525		1,077,525	
2008	930,000	3.000% 145,000		145,000		1,075,000	
2009	960,000	3.000%		116,650		1,076,650	
2010	990,000	3.250%		86,163		1,076,163	
2011	1,020,000	3.250%		53,500		1,073,500	
2012	1,055,000	3.500%		18,463		1,073,463	
Total	\$ 6,750,000		\$	885,737	\$	7,635,737	

Net interest cost (%) 3.234%

SWACO Series 2008 Solid Waste Facility Improvements Bonds

Year	Principal	Coupon		Interest	ı	Total Debt Service
2009	\$ -	- \$ 715,328		\$	715,328	
2010	5,000	4.000%	φ	964,488	Ψ	
	•			<i>'</i>		969,488
2011	5,000	4.000%		964,288		969,288
2012	800,000	4.0%/5.0%		964,088		1,764,088
2013	830,000	4.000%		929,588		1,759,588
2014	870,000	4.0%/5.0%		896,388		1,766,388
2015	925,000	4.0%/5.0%		856,588		1,781,588
2016	945,000	4.000%		815,338		1,760,338
2017	1,000,000	5.000%		777,538		1,777,538
2018	1,030,000	5.000%		727,538		1,757,538
2019	1,095,000	4.375%/5.0%		676,038		1,771,038
2020	1,135,000	4.600%		622,538		1,757,538
2021	1,195,000	4.7%/5.0%		570,328		1,765,328
2022	1,250,000	4.8%/5.0%		512,078		1,762,078
2023	1,310,000	4.875%		450,078		1,760,078
2024	1,370,000	5.000%		386,215		1,756,215
2025	1,440,000	5.000%		317,715		1,757,715
2026	1,510,000	5.125%		245,715		1,755,715
2027	1,590,000	5.125%		168,328		1,758,328
2028	1,670,000	5.200%		86,840		1,756,840
Total	\$ 19,975,000		\$	12,647,043	\$	32,622,043

Net interest cost (%) 4.898%

SWACO Series 2010 Solid Waste Facility Improvements Bonds

Year	Drin	cipal	Coupon	Interest	Total Debt Service		
1 Cai	FIIII	Страт	Coupon	Interest		Service	
2011	\$	-	-	\$ 483,357	\$	483,35	
2012		625,000	2.000%	471,567		1,096,56	
2013		705,000	2.000%	459,067		1,164,06	
2014		720,000	2.000%	444,967		1,164,96	
2015		735,000	3.000%	430,567		1,165,56	
2016		750,000	3.500%	416,235		1,166,23	
2017		765,000	4.000%	399,172		1,164,17	
2018		785,000	4.220%	379,282		1,164,28	
2019		805,000	4.370%	357,750		1,162,75	
2020		830,000	4.520%	334,884		1,164,88	
2021		855,000	4.700%	310,499		1,165,49	
2022		880,000	4.850%	284,378		1,164,37	
2023		910,000	5.000%	256,636		1,166,63	
2024	1,	000,000	5.150%	227,061		1,227,06	
2025		970,000	5.700%	193,586		1,163,58	
2026	1,	005,000	5.700%	157,648		1,162,64	
2027	1,	045,000	5.700%	120,413		1,165,41	
2028	1,	080,000	5.700%	81,695		1,161,69	
2029	1,	125,000	5.700%	41,681		1,166,68	
Total	\$ 15,	590,000		\$ 5,850,447	\$	21,440,44	

Net interest cost (%)

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3.335%

SWACO
Series 2012 Solid Waste Facility Improvements and Refunding Bonds

Year	Principal	Coupon	Interes	t	Total Debt Service
2012	\$ -	-	\$ 1,667	,338 \$	1,667,338
2013	485,000	3.000%	3,334	,675	3,819,675
2014	4,590,000	2.000%	3,320	,125	7,910,125
2015	5,120,000	4.000%	3,228	,325	8,348,325
2016	5,265,000	4.000%	3,082	,275	8,347,275
2017	5,475,000	4.000%	2,871	,675	8,346,675
2018	5,650,000	5.000%	2,734	,550	8,384,550
2019	2,845,000	5.000%	2,452	,050	5,297,050
2020	3,000,000	5.000%	2,309	,800	5,309,800
2021	3,145,000	5.000%	2,159	,800	5,304,800
2022	3,305,000	5.000%	2,002	,550	5,307,550
2023	3,470,000	5.000%	1,837	,300	5,307,300
2024	3,585,000	5.000%	1,663	,800	5,248,800
2025	3,830,000	5.000%	1,484	,550	5,314,550
2026	2,535,000	5.000%	1,293	,050	3,828,050
2027	2,650,000	5.000%	1,166	5,300	3,816,300
2028	2,790,000	5.000%	1,033	,800	3,823,800
2029	4,330,000	5.000%		,300	5,224,300
2030	5,430,000	4.000%	677	,800	6,107,800
2031	5,645,000	4.000%	460	,600	6,105,600
2032	5,870,000	4.000%		,800	6,104,800
Total	\$ 79,015,000		\$ 39,909	·	118,924,463

Net interest cost (%) 3.527%

**SWACO** Table 19

**Series 2012 Taxable Revenue Notes** 

		Total Debt	
Year	Principal	Interest	Service
2012	\$ 4,470,000	\$ 57,787	\$ 4,527,787
Total	¢ 4.470.000	¢ 57.707	¢ 4507.707
Total	\$ 4,470,000	\$ 57,787	\$ 4,527,787

**Waste-to-Energy Facility Lease Payment Schedule (in thousands)**<sup>1</sup>

					Total Lease		Amount Paid	Interest on		Deferred	
Year	Principal		Interest <sup>2</sup>	rest <sup>2</sup> Obligation		or Credited	Deferred Balance <sup>3</sup>		Balance <sup>4</sup>		
1993	\$	4,991	\$	8,099	\$	13,090	\$ 13,090	\$	-	\$ -	
1994		7,881		9,042		16,923	16,923		-	-	
1995		5,579		5,853		11,432	6,000		153	5,585	
1996		6,229		5,341		11,570	8,000		402	9,557	
1997		6,299		4,991		11,290	4,055		746	17,538	
1998		7,258		4,664		11,922	2,002		1,177	28,635	
1999		7,904		4,220		12,124	6,764		1,670	35,665	
2000		7,932		3,969		11,901	9,938		1,840	39,468	
2001		8,373		3,374		11,747	13,083		1,967	40,099	
2002		7,807		3,034		10,841	8,637		1,991	44,294	
2003		8,370		2,323		10,693	10,826		2,150	46,310	
2004		8,158		1,954		10,112	61,881 5		125	(5,334)	
2005		8,097		1,551		9,647	2,776		14	1,551	
2006		8,203		1,147		9,350	12,458		(114)	(1,671)	
2007		8,316		738		9,054	2,375		142	5,149	
2008		4,830		354		5,184	8,561		172	1,943	
2009		2,215		159		2,374	2,294		10	2,036	
2010		2,063		52		2,115	2,265		3	1,889	
2011		1,889		-		-	1,889		-	-	
Subtotal 1993-2011		122,394		60,865		181,369	\$ 193,817	\$	12,448	\$ 	

<sup>1.</sup> WTEF lease obligation as modified. Excludes unamortized bond premiums. Includes a 35 percent reduction in the lease. See Note 11 to financial statements.

Source: SWACO 3-26

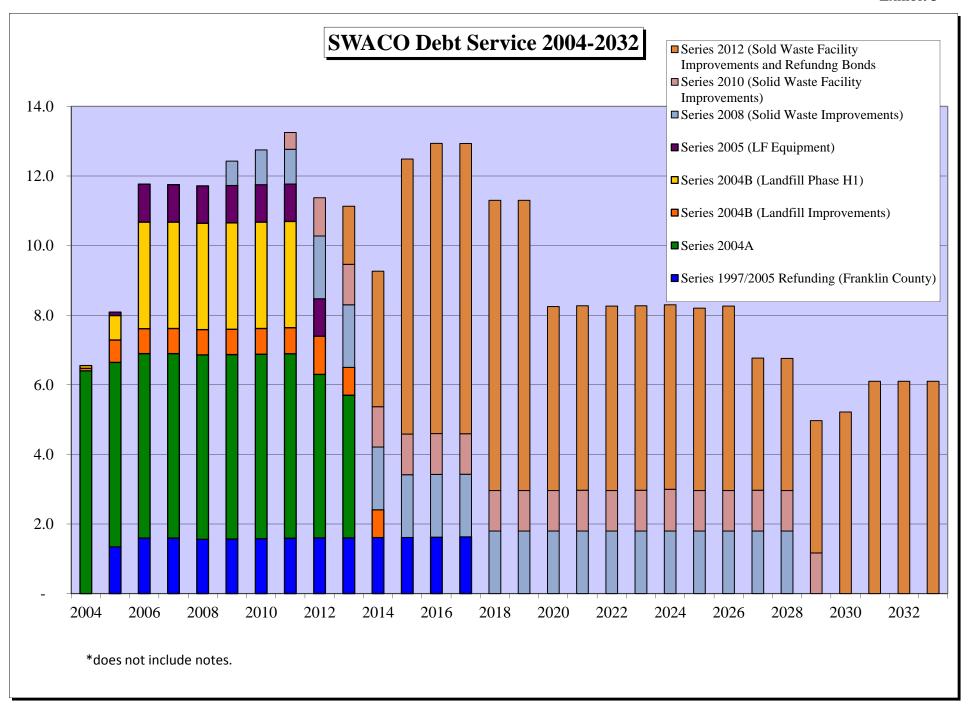
<sup>2.</sup> Includes letter of credit, remarketing and trustee fees on variable rate bonds issued by the City. The variable rate bonds were refinanced with fixed rate bonds in 2001.

<sup>3.</sup> Interest accrued at an annual rate of 4.5% on the deferred balance for the years 1995-2003 and at the STAR Ohio rate beginning in 2004 pursuant to modified lease.

<sup>4.</sup> Deferred balance plus interest payable to the City; excludes accrued interest on bonds maturing after December 31. Final payment on lease obligation occurred in November 2011.

<sup>5. 2004</sup> payments include \$55 million from the proceeds of the Series 2004A bonds.

<sup>6. 2010</sup> is the final maturity on the bonds issued by the City.



Source: SWACO 3-27

SWACO
Total and General Obligation Debt Ratios 2003 - 2012

Tax Year		Total SWACO Debt <sup>1</sup> (thousands)	SWACO District Population <sup>2</sup>	Total SWACO Debt PerCapita	SWACO General Obligation Debt <sup>3</sup> (thousands)	District Assessed Property Valuation (AV) <sup>2</sup> (thousands)	SWACO G.O. Debt as a Percent of AV	Annual Debt Service Paid from Tipping Fees <sup>4</sup> (thousands)	Solid Waste Received by SWACO (tons)	Annual Debt Service Paid from Tipping Fees Per Ton Received
2003	2004	124,097	1,132,000	110	16,045	25,790,945	0.06%	1,571	919,315	1.71
2004	2005	125,725	1,140,000	110	96,974	26,298,304	0.37%	1,578	945,636	1.67
2005	2006	128,553	1,159,000	111	99,639	29,868,345	0.33%	2,693	923,386	2.92
2006	2007	113,924	1,179,700	97	96,548	30,102,825	0.32%	5,680	884,004	6.43
2007	2008	116,970	1,189,600	98	97,810	29,912,050	0.33%	5,822	871,238	6.68
2008	2009	112,716	1,197,200	94	101,613	30,400,811	0.33%	6,186	845,358	7.32
2009	2010	106,363	1,201,810	89	93,265	28,910,438	0.32%	7,142	816,754	8.74
2010	2011	110,209	1,205,200	91	100,129	28,867,111	0.35%	7,921	939,847	8.43
2011	2012	125,197	1,208,800	104	91,114	27,113,105	0.34%	6,863	1,069,618	6.42
2012	2013	139,581	1,215,500	115	134,880	26,121,220	0.52%	8,165	1,034,406	7.89

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes the WTEF lease, General Obligation Bonds, and taxable notes; net of reserve accounts, unamortized premiums and unamortized cost of issuance. (See Notes 10 and 11 to the financial statements).

Source: SWACO

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Table 25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Total General obligation bonds. Excludes WTEF lease, taxable notes and reserve accounts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> General obligation bonds excluding Series 2004A bonds (paid from Retired Facility and Waiver Fees).

# SWACO Indirect Debt and Property Tax Limitations, June 1, 2012

SWACO's debt is not subject to direct debt limits, but its unvoted general obligation debt (debt authorized by the Board of Trustees but not by a vote of the electors) is subject to overlapping restrictions with each respective county and school district. Limitations apply to each county total and should not be considered cumulatively. Total debt service charges for any one year of all overlapping debt must not exceed ten mills (1%) of the assessed property value. This determination is made by the respective county auditors each time a subdivision proposes to issue unvoted debt. The most recent data prepared by the county auditors for this purpose was as of June 1, 2012.

Overlapping Jurisdictions	Millage required	<b>Unallocated Millage</b>
SWACO, Franklin County, the City of Hilliard, Dublin City School District, Washington Township & Central Ohio Tolles	8.5280	1.4720
SWACO, the City of New Albany, Licking Heights Local School District, Jersey Township & C-TEC Career Centers	6.4321	3.5679
SWACO, Union County, the City of Dublin, Washington Township & Dublin City School District	4.3312	5.6688
SWACO, Delaware County, the City of Westerville & Westerville City School District	6.0375	3.9625
SWACO, Pickaway County, Village of Harrisburg, Darby Township & South-Western City School District	0.9415	9.0585
SWACO, Fairfield County, City of Columbus, Montgomery Township & Pickerington Local School District	7.5418	2.4582

Source: Auditors for respective counties.

SWACO Ten Largest Employers 2012 and 2003<sup>1</sup> Franklin County, Ohio

2012 2003 Number of % of Total **Principal** % of Total Number of **Employer Business Employees Employment Employer Employment Employees** The Ohio State University Education 27,404 4.8% State of Ohio 25,787 4.5% The Ohio State University 3.1% State of Ohio Education 24,748 4.4% 17,361 JP Morgan Chase (formerly Bank One) Finance 19,200 3.4% Columbus City School District 12,092 2.1% 14,025 2.5% 10.815 1.9% OhioHealth Health Care Nationwide Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co. United States Government 11,316 2.0% 10,280 1.8% Finance **Kroger Company** 1.8% 8,873 1.6% Retail 10,031 Bank One Corp. Columbus City Schools Education 9,753 1.7% OhioHealth 8,304 1.5% City of Columbus 8,455 1.5% City of Columbus 8,067 1.4% Government Mount Carmel Health System 7,961 1.4% Limited, Inc. 7,200 1.3% Health Care Limited Brands Inc. Retail 7,800 Franklin County 7,161 1.3% 1.4% **Subtotal** 140,693 24.0% **Subtotal** 115,940 20.4% Total estimated Franklin Total estimated Franklin County employment<sup>2</sup> County employment<sup>2</sup> 587,300 100.0% 567,400 100.0%

Note: This table includes full-time employees only.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Business First, Book of Lists, 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Franklin County Auditor.

### District and Franklin County Demographic Statistics 2003 - 2012<sup>1</sup>

**Franklin County Only Total Assessed Total Assessed** Value Taxable Per Value Taxable District Property<sup>3</sup> Tax **Capita County Property District** Median Population<sup>2</sup> Population<sup>2</sup> Income<sup>4</sup> Age<sup>4</sup> (in thousands)<sup>5</sup> (in thousands) Year 2002 1.119.000 25,653,020 1,088,445 33 24,741,567 33,465 2003 1,132,000 25,790,945 1,101,226 34,152 33 24,872,526 33 2004 26,298,304 1,114,159 33,725 25,294,765 1,140,000 2005 34 1,159,000 29,868,345 1,131,895 34,960 28,743,005 36,335 6 33 2006 30,102,825 1,144,820 28,903,096 1,179,700 39.083 <sup>7</sup> 34 2007 29,912,050 1,153,867 28,695,371 1,189,600 34 7 1,160,300 7 40,009 7 27,999,978 7 2008 30,400,811 1,197,200 1,164,725 41,077 35 28,057,691 2009 28,910,438 1,201,810 33 8 28,867,111 39,165 8 27,984,335 1,167,641 2010 1,205,163 26,303,009 7 27,113,105 7 40,609 7 33 1,168,018 2011 1,208,818 40.981 7 34 7 26,121,220 7 26.124.038 7 2012 1,215,471 1,195,537

Sources: SWACO except as noted above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The SWACO solid waste district is principally within Franklin County but also includes parts of five adjacent counties.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> U.S.Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Assessed valuation reflects tax year. Source is Ohio Municipal Advisory Council.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Ohio Municipal Advisory Council.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Franklin County Auditor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Ohio Department of Development.

Average Unemployment Rates 2003 - 2012<sup>1</sup>

Table 25

Year	Franklin County	State of Ohio	<b>United States</b>
2003	4.7%	6.0%	6.0%
2004	4.8%	6.3%	6.5%
2005	4.9%	5.4%	5.0%
2006	$4.5\%^{2}$	$5.6\%^{3}$	4.5% <sup>3</sup>
2007	4.7%	5.6%4	$4.6\%^{4}$
2008	5.5% <sup>5</sup>	6.6% <sup>5</sup>	5.8% <sup>5</sup>
2009	8.3%4	10.2%	$9.3\%^{4}$
2010	$8.5\%^{4}$	$10.1\%^{4}$	$9.6\%^{4}$
2011	7.6% <sup>5</sup>	8.8% 5	$8.9\%^{5}$
2012	$6.1\%^{4}$	$7.2\%^{4}$	$8.1\%^{4}$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>2002 - 2005 Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Division of Research and Statistics.

Source: Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Estimates by the Mid-Ohio Planning Regional Planning Commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>State of Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation Labor Force Employment & Unemployment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Bureau of Labor Market Information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Franklin County Auditor.

SWACO Table 26

Sanitary Landfill	See Note 6 - Capital Assets, page 2-34 and Table 7 in the Statistical Section for
	additional information on the landfill.

	additional information on the landfill.				
	Capacity	Year			
<u>Transfer Stations</u>	(tons per day)	Constructed			
Jackson Pike	1,750	1983			
Morse Road	650	1974			
Georgesville Road	350	1974			
	Square	Year			
<u>Facilities</u>	<u>Footage</u>	Constructed			
Administrative Office Building	8,500	2002			
Fleet Maintenance Garage	11,120	2000			
<b>Landfill Operations Facility</b>	12,800	2005			
Green Energy Centre	4,280	2008			
Former RASTRA Facility	28,000	2009			
Landfill Equipment		Transfer Station Equipment			
Landfill compactors	5 Transfer tractors		30		
Landfill dozers	4	Transfer trailers	32		
Excavator/grader/track loader (1 each)	3	Front-end loaders	9		
Articulated dump trucks	4	Trackhoes	5		
Trailer tippers	3	Service vehicles and other	5		
Water trucks	2	Lowboy trailer	1		
Other landfill vehicles and equipment	9				
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Recycling Programs		Roll-off trucks	3		
Recycled materials packer trucks	6	Pickup trucks	27		
Drop-box containers	369	Cars and passenger vans	6		
		Street sweepers	3		
		Large mowers	8		
		Cargo trailers	4		

Source: SWACO 3-33

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# **COMPLIANCE SECTION**





INSIGHT - INNOVATION - EXPERIENCE

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

Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Franklin County 4239 London-Groveport Rd. Grove City, OH 43123

To the Audit and Finance Committee and 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 business-type activities and each major fund of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise SWACO's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 24, 2013.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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



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

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether SWACO'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 the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Schneider Downs & Co., Unc.

Columbus, Ohio May 24, 2013



#### **SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY OF CENTRAL OHIO**

#### **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 JUNE 20, 2013