# CENTRAL OHIO RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION ("CORMA") SELF-INSURANCE POOL, INC.

# FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

## **AUDIT REPORT**

For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2017





Board of Directors Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self Insurance Pool 5200 Emerald Parkway Dublin, OH 43017

We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self Insurance Pool, Franklin County, prepared by Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc., for the audit period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. 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 Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self Insurance Pool is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

April 20, 2018



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# **Audit Report**

# For The Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2017

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Certified Public Accountants

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self-Insurance Pool, Inc. c/o City of Dublin
Franklin County
5200 Emerald Parkway
Dublin, Ohio 43017

To the Board of Trustees:

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self-Insurance Pool (CORMA), Franklin County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise CORMA's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to CORMA'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 CORMA's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

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#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self-Insurance Pool, Franklin County, Ohio, as of September 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and the 10-Year Loss Development Information Schedule (the Schedule) on pages 3–7 and 27–29, respectively be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 5, 2018, on our consideration of the Central Ohio Risk Management Association, Franklin County, Ohio's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 CORMA's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Charles Having Association

Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc. February 5, 2018

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

The discussion and analysis of the Central Ohio Risk Management Association (CORMA) Self-Insurance Pool, Inc.'s (the "Association") financial performance provides an overall review of the Association's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Association's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Association's financial performance.

#### **Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2017 are as follows:

- The Association's net position at September 30, 2017 was \$2,186,357. This represents a decrease of \$176,622, or 7.47% from September 30, 2016.
- The Association has hired an independent actuary, Financial Risk Analysts, LLC, to determine the loss and loss adjustment expense reserves. Based upon the actuary's report, the loss and loss adjustment expense reserves was \$1,261,699 at September 30, 2017, compared to \$1,011,656 at September 30, 2016.
- The Association had operating revenues of \$1,751,151 and operating expenses of \$1,949,816 for fiscal year 2017. The Association had \$12,043 in interest revenue and \$10,000 in grants revenue. Operating loss and the decrease in net position for the fiscal year were \$198,665 and \$176,622, respectively.

#### **Using these Basic Financial Statements**

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

#### **Reporting the Association Financial Activities**

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

These documents look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did the Association perform financially during fiscal year 2017?" The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting*, similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting considers all current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position report the Association's *net position* and changes in that position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Association as a whole, the *financial position* of the Association has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. The Association's statement of net position and statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position can be found on pages 9-10 of this report. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Association's finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations. The statement of cash flows can be found on page 11 of this report.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

#### Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 13-24 of this report.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Ten years of loss development information can be found on pages 25-29 of this report.

#### Net Position and Changes in Net Position

The table below provides a summary of the Association's net position for fiscal years 2017 and 2016.

#### **Net Position**

	2017	2016
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,353,092	\$ 1,476,431
Investments	1,792,863	1,783,336
Receivables:		
Accounts	170,293	111,214
Accrued interest	5,949	4,214
Prepayments	1,167,009	
Total assets	4,489,206	3,375,195
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	-	560
Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves	1,261,699	1,011,656
Unearned revenue	1,041,150	
Total liabilities	2,302,849	1,012,216
Net Position:		
Unrestricted	2,186,357	2,362,979
Total net position	\$ 2,186,357	\$ 2,362,979

The Association maintained the approximate same level of investments in 2017 as in 2016 while cash and cash equivalents decreased primarily due to fiscal 2017 operations. The Association's investments consist primarily of federal agency securities, commercial paper, and treasury securities.

Accounts receivable increased as the Association incurred losses over the Association's self-insured retention amounts. These amounts are subject to reimbursement by commercial insurance carriers. The reimbursement receivable was \$111,089 at September 30, 2016 and increased to \$170,293 at September 30, 2017. Prepayments increased as the Association paid certain insurance premiums, administration fees, and claims handling fees associated with fiscal year 2018 prior to September 30, 2017.

The loss and loss adjustment expense reserve increased \$250,043, or 24.72%, from September 30, 2016. The loss and loss adjustment expense reserve at fiscal year-end is provided by Financial Risk Analysts, LLC, the Association's independent actuary.

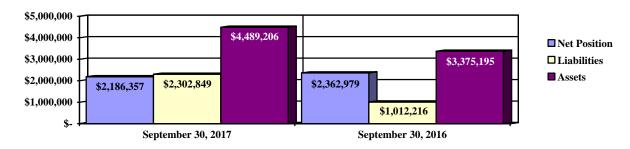
#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

Unearned revenues increased as six member entities paid their fiscal year 2018 insurance premiums in fiscal year 2017.

Overall, net position decreased by \$176,622 from the prior year.

The chart below shows a breakdown of the Associations assets, liabilities and net position for 2017 and 2016:

#### **Net Position**



The table below shows the changes in net position for fiscal years 2017 and 2016.

#### **Change in Net Position**

	2017	2016
Operating revenues:		
Insurance premiums	\$ 927,353	\$ 905,671
Loss fund contributions	630,000	630,000
Claims handling fees	50,000	50,000
Administrative and profesional fees	125,000	125,000
Other revenues	18,798	11,499
Total operating revenue	1,751,151	1,722,170
Operating expenses:		
Loss and loss adjustment expenses, net	785,396	422,873
Insurance premiums	927,353	905,671
Administration fees	125,000	125,000
Claims handling fees	60,163	50,000
Professional fees	45,782	36,879
Miscellaneous expenses	6,122	25,007
Total operating expenses	1,949,816	1,565,430
Operating income (loss)	(198,665)	156,740
Non-operating revenues:		
Grants and subsidies	10,000	-
Investment income	12,043	19,346
Total non-operating revenues	22,043	19,346
Change in net position	(176,622)	176,086
Net position, October 1	2,362,979	2,186,893
Net position, September 30	\$ 2,186,357	\$ 2,362,979

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

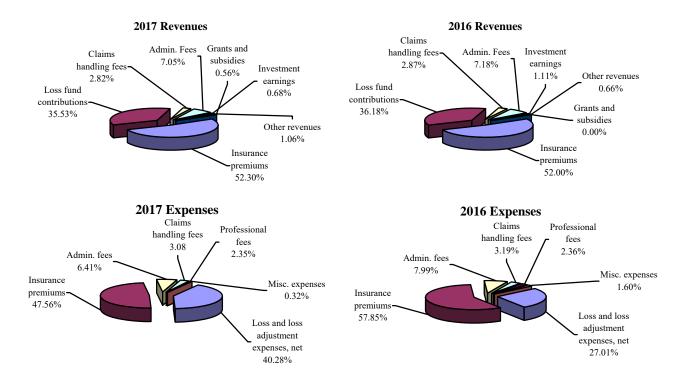
Net position was primarily affected by the fluctuation in the estimated loss and loss adjustment expenses, net, reported at September 30, 2017 and 2016 of \$1,261,699 and \$1,011,656, respectively. Fluctuations in the liability are reported as a component of the loss and loss adjustment expenses, net for each respective year. The fluctuation in the loss and loss adjustment expenses, net, between 2017 and 2016 resulted from differences between actuarial estimates of provisions for insured events from the current and prior years.

Insurance premium revenue increased \$21,682 from 2016 to 2017. The Association added the City of Grandview Heights to it's membership in 2017. Overall, operating revenue increased \$28,981 or 1.68% from fiscal year 2016.

Investment income decreased \$7,303 from fiscal year 2016 due to decreased investment activity and the timing of maturities. The Association also received \$10,000 in grants and subsidies in 2016 that they did not receive in 2017.

Operating expenses for the loss and loss adjustment expense, net, professional fees and miscellaneous expenses increased due to increased activity in 2017. Operating expenses for insurance premiums increased from 2016 to 2017. Overall, operating expenses increased \$384,386 or 24.55% from fiscal year 2016.

The charts below reflect the percentage of the revenues and expenses in fiscal years 2017 and 2016:



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

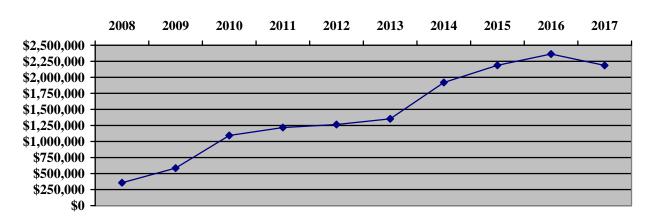
At September 30, 2017, the Association had no capital assets or outstanding debt obligations.

#### **Current Financial Related Activities**

The Association is committed to providing its member cities with the advantages of a large buying cooperative, while maintaining control by local city leadership. The Association continues to look at other members who meet the established criteria. Underwriting considerations are of utmost importance in reviewing new membership applications. The Association is committed to protecting the financial interests of its members and will not admit a new member that would have an adverse impact on the Association.

The Association's net position for the last ten fiscal years is as follows:

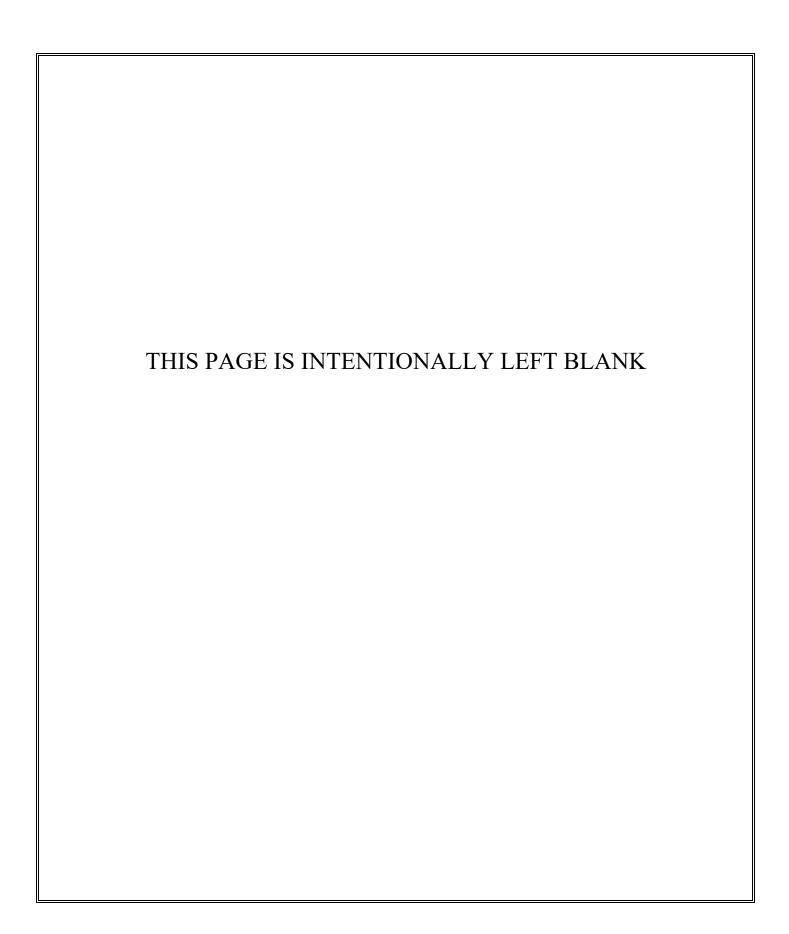
#### Net Position at September 30,



Establishing premiums that satisfy all claims, administration fees, and other expenses of the Association, in addition to enhancing the net position is important for the short-term and long-term interests of the Association.

#### Contacting the Association's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide interested users and our membership with a general overview of the Association's finances and to show the Association's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Ms. Angel Mumma, 5200 Emerald Parkway, Dublin, Ohio 43017 or by calling (614) 410-4401.



# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Assets:	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,353,092
Investments	408,438
Receivables:	
Accounts	170,293
Accrued interest	5,949
Prepayments	 1,167,009
Total current assets	 3,104,781
Noncurrent assets:	
Investments	 1,384,425
Total assets	 4,489,206
Liabilities:	
Current liabilities:	
Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves (see Note 6)	1,261,699
Unearned revenue	 1,041,150
Total liabilities	 2,302,849
Net position:	
Unrestricted	 2,186,357
Total net position	\$ 2,186,357

THE NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS STATEMENT.

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Operating revenues:		
Member contributions:		
Insurance premiums	\$	927,353
Loss fund contributions		630,000
Claims handling fees		50,000
Administrative fees		125,000
Other revenue	-	18,798
Total operating revenues		1,751,151
Operating expenses:		
Loss and loss adjustment expenses, net (see Note 7)		785,396
Insurance premiums		927,353
Administration fees		125,000
Claims handling fees		60,163
Professional fees		45,782
Miscellaneous expenses		6,122
Total operating expenses		1,949,816
Operating loss		(198,665)
Non-operating revenues:		
Grants		10,000
Investment income		12,043
Total non-operating revenues		22,043
Change in net position		(176,622)
Net position, October 1		2,362,979
Net position, September 30	\$	2,186,357

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# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from members	\$ 2,773,503
Cash received from other operations	18,923
Cash payments to suppliers for services	(2,385,071)
Cash payments for covered losses	(535,353)
Cash payments for miscellaneous expenses	 (6,122)
Net cash (used in) operating activities	(134,120)
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:	
Cash received from nonoperating grants	 10,000
Net cash provided by noncapital	
financing activities	 10,000
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Purchase of investments	(1,181,371)
Redemption of investments	1,154,872
Interest received	 27,280
Net cash provided by investing activities	781
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(123,339)
Cash and cash equivalents, October 1	1,476,431
Cash and cash equivalents, September 30	\$ 1,353,092
Reconciliation of operating (loss) to net cash (used in) operating activities:	
Operating loss	\$ (198,665)
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash (used in) operating activities:	
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) in accounts receivable	(59,079)
(Increase) in prepayments	(1,167,009)
(Decrease) in accounts payable and accrued expenses	(560)
Increase in unearned revenue	1,041,150
Increase in loss and loss adjustment expense reserves	 250,043
Net cash (used in) operating activities	\$ (134,120)

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#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY**

The Central Ohio Risk Management Association (CORMA) Self-Insurance Pool, Inc. (the "Association") is a legally separate entity organized under Ohio Revised Code Section 1702.01. The Association was established on September 24, 1997. The Association was formed to administer a joint self-insurance pool under Chapter 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code for the public purpose of enabling the subscribing political subdivisions to obtain insurance coverage, to provide methods for paying claims and to provide for a formalized, jointly administered self-insurance fund for its members. The Association is administered by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Members of the Association.

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

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

#### A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "<u>The Financial Reporting Entity</u>" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39 "<u>Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units</u>" and GASB Statement No. 61, "<u>The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34</u>". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure that the basic financial statements of the Association are not misleading. On this basis, no governmental organizations or agencies other than the Association itself are included in the financial reporting entity.

#### **B.** Fund Accounting

The Association maintains its accounting records in accordance with the principles of "fund" accounting. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of government entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific revenues and expenses. The Association uses an enterprise fund to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

#### C. Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

For financial statement presentation purposes, the Association utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The Association's activities are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the Association's operations are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net position.

The Association distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from charges to members for insurance premiums, loss fund contributions, claims handling fees and administrative fees. Operating expenses for the Association include the payment of loss and loss adjustment expenses, insurance premiums, administrative fees, claims handling fees, professional fees and miscellaneous expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses. Non-operating revenues include investment income and grants.

#### D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position

#### Cash and Investments:

During fiscal year 2017, investments were limited to the State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio), Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB) securities, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) securities, Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) securities, Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) securities, Commercial paper, Treasury Securities and a U.S. government money market mutual fund. Except for investments in STAR Ohio, investments are reported at fair value.

During fiscal year 2017, the Association invested in STAR Ohio. STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but has adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Statement No. 79, "Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants." The Association measures their investment in STAR Ohio at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio. The NAV per share is calculated on an amortized cost basis that provides an NAV per share that approximates fair value.

For the fiscal year 2017, there were no limitations or restrictions on any participant withdrawals due to redemption notice periods, liquidity fees, or redemption gates. However, notice must be given 24 hours in advance of all deposits and withdrawals exceeding \$100 million. STAR Ohio reserves the right to limit the transaction to \$100 million, requiring the excess amount to be transacted the following business day(s), but only to the \$100 million limit. All accounts of the participant will be combined for these purposes.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows and for reporting on the statement of net position, investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Association are considered to be "cash equivalents". Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are considered to be "investments".

The Association maintains three individual accounts for claims, losses, and administrative costs. Each separate account is a depository account with a financial institution. The total of the depository accounts, STAR Ohio investment account, and the U.S. government money market mutual fund is presented on the statement of net position as "cash and cash equivalents".

An analysis of the Association's cash and investments at fiscal year-end is provided in Note 4.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### Receivables:

All receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible amounts, as applicable. Receivables in excess of 90 days are evaluated for the ability to collect them and an allowance is established, as deemed necessary, based on the best information available and in an amount that management believes is adequate. Receivables are written off when deemed uncollectible. Recoveries of receivables previously written off are recorded when received. The Association has recorded receivables for the reimbursement of losses over the Association's self-insured retention amounts and for accrued interest on investments in federal agency securities at September 30, 2017.

#### Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves:

Provisions for loss reserves and loss adjustment expense reserves are based on information reported by members and are calculated by an actuary. These amounts represent an estimate of reported unpaid claims plus a provision for claims incurred but not reported. Adjustments to this reserve account are charged or credited to expense in the period in which they are made. The Association's management believes that the estimate of the liability for loss reserves is reasonable; however, actual incurred loss and loss adjustment expense may not conform to the assumptions inherent in the determination of the liability. Accordingly, the ultimate settlement of losses and the related loss adjustment expense may vary from the estimated amounts included in the accompanying financial statements. Should the provision for loss reserves be insufficient, supplemental contributions will be assessed to the Association members. See Note 6 for more information of the Association's loss and loss adjustment expense reserves.

#### Net position:

Net position is the excess of revenues over expenses during the period in which the Association has been in existence. If adequate provision has been made for the payment of all claims and expenses of the Association, the Board of Trustees, at its discretion, may distribute surplus funds to members during that particular year, provided that such members are also members in the year in which the distribution is made. In lieu of distributing surplus funds to the members, the Board may carry forward the surplus to offset annual or supplemental payments in the subsequent fiscal year.

In the event the Association is terminated, all members of the Association are obligated for any necessary supplemental payments applicable to the years during which they were members. After all claims and related expenses have been paid or reserves established for the payment of any such claims, any surplus funds will be distributed to members, past or present, who constituted the Association for that fiscal year.

#### E. Revenues and Expenses

#### Premiums, member and supplemental contributions, claims handling fees and administrative fees:

Premiums are determined based on the member's allocated insurance coverage costs as determined by the Association administrator and are recognized ratably as revenue and the related expense over the insurance coverage period.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

Member and supplemental contributions are determined based on a formula approved by the Board of Trustees and applied to all members to provide sufficient funds within the self-insurance pool to adequately fund administrative expenses of the Association and to create adequate reserves for claims and unallocated loss adjustment expense.

Under the terms of the cooperative agreement, should the annual contributions not be sufficient to fund operations or obligations of the Association, additional supplementary payments shall be required to be made by every member based on the formula used to determine the annual contributions.

Claims handling and administrative fees are based on a contract with a third party and are recognized ratably as revenue and the related expense by the Association over the term of the agreement.

#### Insurance coverage:

The Association provides insurance coverage for various lines of insurance including property, general liability, automobile liability, automobile physical damage, police liability occurrences and errors and omissions claims. The self-insured portion is limited to annual aggregates. Losses over the Association's self-insured retention amounts are payable by commercial insurance policies, only to the extent limits and coverage applies.

The Association has an agreement with a company to administer claims and loss control. During fiscal year 2017, the Association used Financial Risk Analysts, LLC as their independent actuary and Wichert Insurance Services, Inc. as their claims administrator and insurance broker. Wichert Insurance Services, Inc. handles all past and future claims.

#### F. Budgetary Process

Under Ohio law, the Association is not required to follow a budgetary process and, therefore, no budgetary information is provided in these basic financial statements.

#### G. Estimates

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

#### H. Fair Value Measurements

The Association categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

#### I. Prepayments

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond September 30, 2017 are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the year which services are consumed.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

#### J. Unearned Revenue

Receipts received in advance of the year the services are provided are recorded as unearned revenue. A current liability for the unearned revenue is recorded at the time of receipt and a revenue is reported in the year which services are performed.

#### NOTE 3 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### Compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions:

The Association had no material violations of finance-related legal and contractual provisions.

#### Change in Accounting Principles:

For fiscal year 2017, the Association has implemented GASB Statement No. 77, "Tax Abatement Disclosures", GASB Statement No. 78, "Pensions Provided Through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans", GASB Statement No. 80, "Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14" and GASB Statement No. 82, "Pension Issues - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68 and No. 73".

GASB Statement No. 77 requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreement. GASB Statement No. 77 also requires disclosures related to tax abatement agreements that have been entered into by other governments that reduce the reporting government's tax revenues. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 77 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Association.

GASB Statement No. 78 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for defined benefit pensions provided to the employees of state or local governmental employers through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (cost-sharing pension plan) that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 68 and that (a) is not a state or local governmental pension plan, (b) is used to provide defined benefit pensions both to employees of state or local governmental employers and to employees of employers that are not state or local governmental employers, and (c) has no predominant state or local governmental employer (either individually or collectively with other state or local governmental employers that provide pensions through the pension plan). The implementation of GASB Statement No. 78 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Association.

GASB Statement No. 80 improves the financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. This Statement applies to component units that are organized as not-for-profit corporations in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 80 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Association.

GASB Statement No. 82 addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 82 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Association.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

The Treasurer of the Association pools all available cash of the Association for investment purposes. The Association's investment policy, as approved by the Association's Board, serves to define authorized investments and eligible investment transactions of the Association. Eligible investments may be derived from, or based upon Chapter 135.14 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC), and/or include certain other investments not authorized or defined under 135.14 ORC. Investments not defined in 135.14 ORC or other sections of Chapter 135 ORC, but authorized pursuant to the Association's investment policy, are considered as authorized investments of the Association. In some sections, the Association's investment policy places further limits upon the use of eligible investments or investment transactions.

State statute and the Association's investment policy allow monies to be deposited or invested in the following:

- 1. United States Government Securities including bills, notes, bonds, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by the U.S. treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States. U.s. Government securities includes U.S. Treasury stripped principal or interest obligations;
- 2. United States Agency or Instrumentality Securities including bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB), Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB), Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC), Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA). All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities. Investments in derivatives and in stripped principal or interest obligations of federal agency obligations are prohibited;
- 3. Time Certificates of Deposit, Savings Accounts, and Deposit accounts including interest bearing time certificates of deposit, savings accounts, and deposit accounts of any eligible public depository as defined by ORC, provided that any such deposits and savings accounts are properly insured or secured by collateral as prescribed in Section 135.18 or 135.181 of the ORC. Each financial institution with which the Association has deposits shall provide a quarterly statement, or more often as determined by the Association's Treasurer, describing defining reflecting the securities pledged including the market value of such securities;
- 4. Repurchase agreements (Repo's) with any eligible institution mentioned in section 135.03 ORC, or any eligible securities dealer pursuant to (M) of 135.14 ORC of this section, except that such eligible securities dealers shall be restricted to primary government securities dealers. Repurchase agreements will settle on a delivery vs payment basis with repo collateral held at a qualified custodian or agent, designated by the Association. Eligible repo collateral is restricted to securities listed in division (B)(1) or (B)(2) under 135.14 ORC. The market value of securities subject to a repurchase agreement must of any repo transaction, a master repurchase agreement will be signed by the Treasurer of the Association and the eligible parties. The Treasurer may determine that an additional market value of collateral will be required;
- 5. Bonds and other obligations of this state, or the political subdivisions of this state, provided that, with respect to bonds or other obligations of political subdivisions, all of the following apply:
  - a. The bonds or other obligations are payable from general revenues of the political subdivision and backed by the full faith and credit of the political subdivision;

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

- b. The bonds or other obligations are rated at the time of purchase in one of the three highest classifications established by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service and purchased through a registered securities broker or dealer;
- c. The aggregate value of the bonds or other obligations does not exceed twenty per cent of the Association investment portfolio at the time of purchase;
- d. The Association is not the sole purchaser of the bonds or other obligations at original issuance;
- 6. The state treasurer's investment pool, otherwise known as STAR Ohio, defined pursuant to 135.45 of the Ohio Revised Code, and any other investment alternative(s) offered by the Treasurer of State, are authorized investments of the Assoication;
- 7. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (B)(1) or (2) of section 135.14 ORC and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in no-load money market mutual funds are made only through financial institutions eligible for deposit as authorized by ORC section 135.03; and
- 8. As defined under Section 135.35(A)(8) ORC, up to twenty-five per cent of CORMA's total average portfolio in either of the following investments:

Commercial paper notes issued by an entity that is defined in division (D) of section 1705.01 of the Revised Code and that has assets exceeding five hundred million dollars, to which notes all of the following apply:

- a. The notes are rated at the time of purchase in the highest classification established by at least two nationally recognized standard rating services;
- b. The aggregate value of the notes does not exceed ten per cent of the aggregate value of the outstanding commercial paper of the issuing corporation;
- c. The notes mature not later than two hundred seventy days after purchase;

Bankers acceptances of banks that are insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation and that mature not later than one hundred eighty days after purchase.

The Association's investment policy places the following limitations on investments as follows:

- 1. The total value of certificates of deposit, purchased from any individual financial institution, shall not exceed three percent (3%) of the institutions total time deposits.
- 2. The use of derivative securities, as defined in Ohio Revised Code §135.14 (C), is expressly prohibited.
- 3. Collateralized mortgage obligations (CMO's) of any kind are expressly prohibited.
- 4. All eligible investments will mature within five (5) years from the date of settlement.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

Protection of the Association's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Association by the financial institution or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

The Association's investment policy prescribes that securities purchased for Association will be held in safekeeping by a qualified trustee as provided in Section 135.37 ORC. Securities held in safekeeping by the custodian will be evidenced by a monthly statement describing such securities. The custodian may safe keep the Association's securities in (1) Federal Reserve Bank book entry form; (2) Depository Trust Company (DTC) book entry form in the account of the custodian or the custodian's correspondent bank; or (3) Non-book entry (physical) securities held by the custodian or the custodian's correspondent bank. All securities transactions will settle using standard delivery-vs-payment (DVP) procedures. The records of the custodian shall identify such securities in the name of the Association. Collateral will be required on two types of investments: certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements. The collateralization level will be as defined by ORC. Collateral is limited to eligible securities defined in ORC Sections 135.18 and 135.181. Each financial institution with which the Association has deposits shall provide a quarterly statement reflecting the securities pledged including the market value of such securities.

#### A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At September 30, 2017, the carrying amount of the Association's deposits was \$1,324,405 and the bank balance was \$2,538,838. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "*Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures*", as of September 30, 2017, \$2,106,127 of the Association's bank balance of \$2,538,838 was uninsured uncollateralized, while \$432,711 was covered by the FDIC.

#### **B.** Investments

As of September 30, 2017, the Association had the following investments and maturities:

			Investment Maturities								
Measurement/	M	easurement Amount	6	months or less		7 to 12 months		13 to 18 months	19 to 24 months	_	reater than 24 months
Investment type		Amount		iess		monus		monus	 monus		24 monuis
Fair Value:											
U.S. government money											
market mutual fund	\$	3,272	\$	3,272	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
FFCB		283,889		149,946		-		-	-		133,943
FHLMC		218,472		-		-		-	99,709		118,763
FNMA		624,656		-		-		-	-		624,656
FHLB		249,503		149,817		-		99,686	-		-
Commercial paper		108,675		-		108,675		-	-		-
Treasury securities		307,668		-		-		-	-		307,668
Amortized Cost:											
STAR Ohio		25,415		25,415	_		_		 	_	
	\$	1,821,550	\$	328,450	\$	108,675	\$	99,686	\$ 99,709	\$	1,185,030

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

The weighted average length to maturity of investment is 2.48 years.

The Association's investments in U.S. Government money market mutual funds are valued using quoted market prices in active markets (Level 1 inputs). The Association's investments in federal agency securities (FHLB, FHLMC, FNMA, and FFCB), commercial paper and Treasury securities are valued using quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources for similar assets or liabilities for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly (Level 2 inputs). As discussed in Note 2.D, investments in STAR Ohio are reported at the net asset value (NAV) per share provided by STAR Ohio.

*Interest Rate Risk:* As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from rising interest rates and according to State law, the Association's investment policy limits investment portfolio maturities to five years or less.

Credit Risk: The Association's investments in federal agency securities and Treasury securities were rated AA+ and Aaa by Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investor Services, respectively. Standard & Poor's has assigned STAR Ohio and the U.S. government money market an AAAm money market rating. Ohio law requires that STAR Ohio maintain the highest rating provided by at least one nationally recognized standard rating service. The Association's investment policy aims to ensure preservation of capital in the overall portfolio.

Custodial Credit Risk: For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Association will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The federal agency securities, commercial paper and Treasury sercurities are exposed to custodial credit risk in that they are uninsured, unregistered and held by the counterparty's trust department or agent, but not in the Association's name. The Association has no investment policy dealing with investment custodial risk beyond the requirement in State statute that prohibits payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing such investments to the treasurer or qualified trustee.

Concentration of Credit Risk: The Association's investment policy places specific limitations on the amounts that may be invested in a single institution or issuer as described above. The following table includes the percentage of each investment type held by the Association at September 30, 2017:

Measurement Measurement		easurement			
Investment type		Amount	% of Total		
Fair Value: U.S. government money					
market mutual fund	\$	3,272	0.18		
FFCB	•	283,889	15.59		
FHLMC		218,472	11.99		
FNMA		624,656	34.28		
FHLB		249,503	13.70		
Commercial paper		108,675	5.97		
Treasury securities		307,668	16.89		
Amortized Cost:					
STAR Ohio		25,415	1.40		
	\$	1,821,550	100.00		

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS - (Continued)**

#### C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investment to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments as reported in the footnote above to cash and investments as reported on the statement of net position as of September 30, 2017:

Cash and investments per footnote		
Carrying amount of deposits	\$	1,324,405
Investments		1,821,550
Total	\$	3,145,955
Cash and investments on Statement of No	et Position	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,353,092
Investments - current		408,438
Investments - non-current	_	1,384,425
Total	\$	3,145,955

#### **NOTE 5 - INSURANCE COVERAGES**

For the year ended September 30, 2017, the Association provided the following insurance coverage:

Self-insured portion for covered claims per occurrence:

Property claims	\$ 50,000
Liability claims	100,000

Annual aggregate self-insured retention

(liability coverages) 630,000

Claims over the self-insured portion are covered by commercial insurance policies with members as additional named insured's.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### NOTE 6 - LOSS AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSE RESERVES

The Association established a reserve liability that includes a provision for reported and unreported insured events and an estimate of future payment of losses and related loss adjustment expenses. The claims liability as required by GASB Statement No. 10, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Risk Financing and Related Insurance Issues", as amended by GASB Statement No. 30, "Risk Financing Omnibus", was provided by the Associations independent actuary, Financial Risk Analysts, LLC. The changes in the aggregate liabilities for the Association for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 were as follows:

	2017	2016
Unpaid loss and loss adjustment expense reserves, beginning	\$ 1,011,656	\$ 943,273
Incurred loss and loss adjustment expenses, provision for insured events of the current period (Decrease) in provision for insured events of the prior years	810,354 (24,958)	697,191 (274,318)
Total incurred loss and loss adjustment expenses	785,396	422,873
Payments:  Loss and loss adjustment expenses attributable to insured events of the current year	177,285	187,384
Loss and loss adjustment expenses paid attributable to insured events of prior years	358,068	167,106
Total payments	535,353	354,490
Unpaid loss and loss adjustment expense reserves, ending	\$ 1,261,699	\$1,011,656

#### NOTE 7 - LOSS AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES, NET

For fiscal years 2017 and 2016, the Association reported loss and loss adjustment expenses, net of \$785,396 and \$422,873, respectively. The increased expense for 2017 is the result of differences between actuarial estimates of provisions for insured events from the current and prior years. The Association's independent actuary for fiscal year 2017 was Financial Risk Analysts, LLC.

The \$250,043 increase in the loss and loss adjustment expense reserves from September 30, 2016 to September 30, 2017 is reflected in the fiscal year 2017 loss and loss adjustment expenses, net as reported on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. For fiscal year 2017, actual claims payments for covered losses were \$535,353 as reported on the Statement of Cash Flows.

#### **NOTE 8 - CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION**

The Association has entered into agreements with companies for the purpose of claims administration, claims adjustments, loss control and Association administration. For the year ended September 30, 2017, the amounts charged to expense were as follows:

Administration fees Claims handling fees	\$ 125,000 60,163
Total	\$ 185,163

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 9 - CONTINGENCIES**

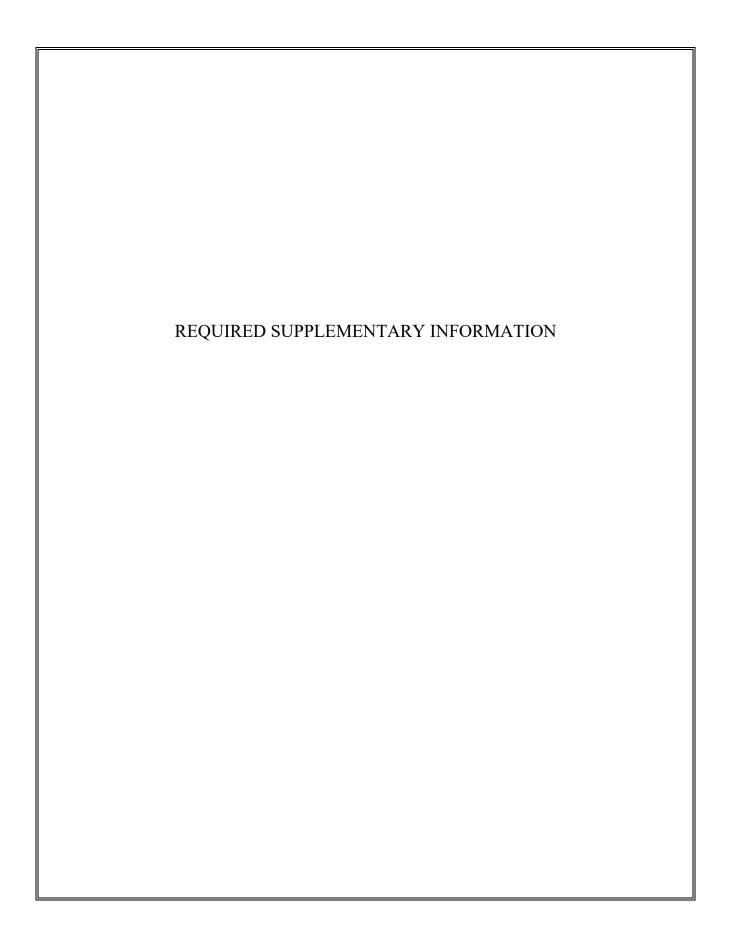
#### General:

In the normal course of business, the Association is involved in various legal proceedings. In the opinion of management, any liability resulting from such proceedings would not have a material adverse effect on the financial statements.

#### Concentration by geographic location and industry:

The Association is exposed to certain risks by writing all its business in the State of Ohio, thus increasing exposure to a single geographic area.

Association membership is limited to municipalities.



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#### TEN-YEAR LOSS DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

The following table illustrates how the Association's earned revenue and investment income compares to related costs of loss and other expenses assumed by the Association as of the end of the year. The rows of the table are defined as follows:

- (1) This line shows the total of each fiscal year's gross earned premiums and reported investment income.
- (2) This line shows each fiscal year's other operating costs of the Association including overhead and loss adjustment expenses not allocable to individual claims.
- (3) This line shows the Association's gross incurred losses and allocated loss adjustment expense as originally reported at the end of the year in which the event that triggered coverage occurred (called *accident year*).
- (4) This section shows the cumulative net amounts paid as of the end of the accident year.
- (5) This section shows how each accident year's net incurred losses increased or decreased as of the end of the year. (This annual re-estimation results from new information received on known losses, re-evaluation of existing information on known losses and emergence of new losses not previously known.)
- (6) This line compares the latest re-estimated net incurred losses amount to the amount originally established (line 3) and shows whether this latest estimate of losses is greater or less than originally thought.

As data for individual accident years mature, the correlation between original estimates and re-estimated amounts is commonly used to evaluate the accuracy of net incurred losses currently recognized in less mature accident years. The columns of the table show data for successive accident years. Loss development information for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008 through 2017 is as follows:

## TEN-YEAR LOSS DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

#### Fiscal and Accident Year Ended September 30,

		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		2013	
1. Premiums, investment	_		_		_				_		_		
and other income	\$	1,241,153	\$	1,302,444	\$	1,510,339	\$	1,317,019	\$	1,461,346	\$	1,528,639	
2. Unallocated expenses		707,985		709,243		778,556		837,934		851,878		1,032,505	
3. Estimated losses incurred													
and expense, end of year		668,835		569,892		497,758		523,431		571,610		451,033	
4. Paid, cumulative as of:													
End of accident year		154,843		75,381		112,486		140,900		148,510		132,841	
One year later		198,911		330,403		348,576		233,257		341,703		157,399	
Two years later		214,504		252,659		584,683		322,968		400,482		157,399	
Three years later		235,397		270,310		597,051		343,500		431,807		157,399	
Four years later		244,503		281,250		597,050		343,500		482,417		157,399	
Five years later		252,090		281,250		597,050		335,925		537,477		-	
Six years later		253,002		281,250		604,401		335,925		-		-	
Seven years later		253,224		281,250		604,401		-		-		-	
Eight years later		253,224		281,250		-		-		-		-	
Nine years later		253,224		-		-		-		-		-	
5. Re-estimated incurred													
losses and expense:													
End of accident year		668,835		569,892		497,758		523,431		571,610		451,033	
One year later		437,862		475,486		648,014		459,330		564,149		270,949	
Two years later		333,069		274,492		682,400		456,684		570,413		217,261	
Three years later		308,133		300,603		653,580		396,954		589,574		186,972	
Four years later		302,292		299,739		632,854		362,633		545,376		176,717	
Five years later		308,437		281,250		597,050		335,925		537,477		-	
Six years later		253,002		281,250		604,400		335,925		=		-	
Seven years later		253,224		281,250		604,400		-		=		-	
Eight years later		253,224		281,250		-		-		=		-	
Nine years later		253,224		-		-		-		-		-	
6. Increase (decrease) in													
estimated incurred losses													
and expenses from end													
of accident year		(415,611)		(288,642)		106,642		(187,506)		(34,133)		(274,316)	

Fiscal and Accident Year Ended September 30,

 2014	 2015	2016	2017			
_	 _	_		_		
\$ 1,588,019	\$ 1,768,161	\$ 1,741,516	\$	1,773,194		
1,007,175	1,144,615	1,253,646		1,164,420		
532,544	551,909	697,191		810,354		
146,859 179,910 198,185 238,208	140,567 239,012 327,814	187,384 361,567 - - - - -		177,285		
532,544 450,079 346,811 320,971	551,909 474,704 501,636	697,191 689,295 - - - - - -		810,354 - - - - - - -		
(211,573)	(50,273)	(7,896)		-		



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

Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self-Insurance Pool, Inc. c/o City of Dublin Franklin County 5200 Emerald Parkway Dublin, Ohio 43017

#### To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Central Ohio Risk Management Association Self-Insurance Pool, Inc., Franklin County, Ohio (CORMA), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise CORMA's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 5, 2018.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*Page 2

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

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

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Charles Having Association

Charles E. Harris & Associates, Inc. February 5, 2018



# CENTRAL OHIO RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION SELF INSURANCE POOL INC 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 MAY 10, 2018