### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

AND

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Chairman and Commissioners of Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") as of and for the years ended October 31, 2016 and 2015, which collectively comprise the Authorities basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents and the related notes to the financial statements,

### 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 opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, Issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and audit requirements as prescribed by the Local Finance Board and by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

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### Chairman and Commissioners of Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority

### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority as of October 31, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows, thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America

### **Emphasis of Matter**

Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncement

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, during the year ended October 31, 2015, the Authority adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

### Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 6 and budgetary comparison information on pages 31 through 36 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 this 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.

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### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 6, 2017, on our consideration of the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities 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 the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Certified Public Accountant

June 6, 2017 Lakewood, New Jersey

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

Our discussion and analysis of Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority financial performance provides an overview of the Authority's financial activities for the year ended October 31, 2016. Please review it in conjunction with the Authority's basic financial statements which begin on Page 7.

### Financial Highlights

- Total net position increased \$2,961,985 which represents a 5.55 percent increase from the 2015 balance.
- Operating revenues, accounted for 99.29 percent of all revenues, and increased \$608,171 which represents a 5.44 percent increase from 2015. The largest increase was in the area of water and sewer connection fees.
- Operating expenses, accounted for 96.02 percent of all expenses, and increased \$835,470 which represents a 8.67 percent increase from 2015. The largest increase was in the areas of pension expense.
- Other expenses, accounted for 3.98 percent of all expenses and decreased \$93,562 from 2015. The largest decrease was in the area of Bond interest expense net of amortization of refunding gain.

### Adopted Accounting Pronouncements and Prior Period Adjustments/Restatement of Net Position

The Authority has adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions for the year ended October 31, 2014. The adoption of this statement resulted in a restatement of the Authority's net position as of November 1, 2014 in the amount of \$3,351,096. Please refer to note 9 for additional information.

### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows(on page 7 through 11) provide information about the activities of the Authority as a whole.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)**

Reporting the Authority as a Whole

### The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position

Our analysis of the Authority as a whole begins on page 7. One of the most important questions asked about the Authorities finances is, "Is the Authority as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position report information about the Authority as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include *all* assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Authorities *net position* and changes in them. You can think of the Authorities net position - the difference between assets and liabilities-as one way to measure the Authorities financial health, or *financial position*. Over time, *increases or decreases* in the Authorities net position are one indicator of whether its *financial health* is improving or deteriorating.

### The Authorities Funds

In accordance with the 1997 bond resolution and the 1986 and 1993 supplemental bond resolutions, the Authority has established the cash and investment funds for the deposit of all revenues received by the Authority as described on page 13.

### The Authority as a Whole

The Authorities total net position increased \$2,961,985 to \$56,340,104 or 5.55 percent. Details of the changes are reflected on page 8.

### Original Versus Final Budget

Pages 17 and 18 reflects the variances between the original and final budgeted amounts.

### Capital Assets

At year end, the Authority had \$94,321,742 in total capital assets - an increase of \$7,185,027 from 2015, the largest increase in capital assets was the construction costs of the Developer expansion of system, remote read meter project, site improvements 1,3 &5 and Route 88 sewer line.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)**

### **Debt Administration**

On November 6, 2008, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of Series 2008 Revenue Bonds of 16,369,580 for the purpose of providing funds for the replacement of Airport Road water storage tank, upgrade and the expansion of the New Hampshire Avenue treatment plant, construction of well no. 17 with ASR capability, install well pump and motor in well no. 4, construction of Cedar Bridge raw water main and renovation of the Authority's administration building. Interest on the 2008 Revenue Bonds will be capitalized during the period of construction.

On May 3, 2012, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of Series 2012 Revenue Bonds of \$1,995,430 for the purpose of providing supplemental additional funds for the replacement of the Airport Road water storage tank, upgrade and the expansion of the New Hampshire Avenue treatment plant, construction of well no. 17 with ASR capability, install well pump and motor in well no. 4, construction of Cedar Bridge raw water main and renovation of the Authority's administration building.

On May 3, 2012, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of Series 2012 Revenue Bonds of \$3,205,781 for the purpose of providing funds for the replacement and upgrading the utility billing meters through out the Authorities service area. This included integration of the new meters into an Automated Metering Infrastructure.

In May 2016 the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust's ("NJEIT") sold 2016A-R1 Refunding Series, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority will able to save approximately \$1,387,484 in total debt service repayments for its Series 2008 debt.

### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates**

The Authorities governing body considered many factors when setting the 2017 budget and water and sewer rates including the economy, the rate of inflation, planned future capital projects and debt service requirements. The Authorities anticipates no increase in water and sewer service rates for 2017, a growth rate of approximately 2 percent is being estimated.

### CONTACTING THE AUTHORITIES FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, ratepayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to show the Authorities accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Chief Financial Officer at 390 New Hampshire Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey 08701.

### STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016		2015
ASSETS			
Unrestricted assets:			
Cash and interest bearing accounts \$	12,296,842	\$	14,377,503
Investments, at fair value - Notes 2 & 7	651,093		784,007
Accounts receivable - Note 2	1,776,909		1,832,178
Accrued interest receivable	8,940		8,942
Other receivables	-		393,157
Prepaid expenses	11,408		11,430
Total unrestricted assets	14,745,192		17,407,217
Restricted assets:			
Construction Fund:			
Cash	209,572		360,092
Investments, at fair value - Notes 2 & 7	533,726		602,220
Bond Service Fund:			. =00 .0.
Investments, at fair value - Notes 2 & 7	1,731,276		1,738,464
Bond Reserve Fund:			444.004
Investments, at fair value - Notes 2 & 7	441,984		441,984
Renewal and Replacement Fund:	40.070		40.077
Investments, at fair value - Notes 2 & 7	49,878		49,877
Total restricted assets	2,966,436	-	3,192,637
Property, plant and equipment			
Less: accumulated depreciation - Notes 2 & 6	68,429,110	-	63,525,734
Total unrestricted and restricted assets	86,140,738		84,125,588
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOUR	CES		
Deferred outflows related to populars. Notes 2.8.8	2,432,535		1,197,043
Deferred outflows related to pensions - Notes 2 & 8	2,402,000	-	1,107,040
Total deferred outflow of resources	2,432,535	-	1,197,043
\$	88,573,273	\$	85,322,631

### STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016		2015
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities payable from			
unrestricted assets:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities \$	619,887	\$	477,137
Accrued payroll liabilities	56,310		46,197
Accrued pension liabilities - Note 8	198,151		177,068
Unearned revenue assignment of cell tower leases - Note 11	26,625		18,125
Unearned revenue - Note 2	395,573		395,167
Customers deposits	105,966		105,966
Escrow fund - Note 2	1,038,490		1,359,380
Total current liabilities payable from			
unrestricted assets	2,441,002		2,579,040
Current liabilities payable from restricted assets			
Accrued interest payable on revenue bond	226,256		274,829
Revenue bonds payable - current portion Note 5	1,480,691		1,452,399
Construction cost payable	156,871	,	519,010
Total current liabilities payable from restricted assets	1,863,818		2,246,238
Accrued post-employment benefit plan - Note 10	1,144,047		942,600
Accrued unfunded post-employment benefit plan - Note 10	1,553,500		1,553,500
Compensated abesences - Note 2	228,781		235,925
Advanced revenue assignment of cell tower leases - Note 11	1,039,354		649,479
Long-term portion of revenue bonds payable - Note 5	16,285,604		18,559,295
Premium on revenue bonds payable, net - Note 2	411,230		444,030
Net pension liability - Note 8	6,542,011		4,623,328
Total liabilities	31,509,347		31,833,435
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCE	ES		
Deferred inflows related to pensions - Notes 2 & 8	-		74,334
Gain on loan refundings, net of accumulated amortization	723,822		36,743
Total deferred inflow of resources	723,822		111,077
NET POSITION			
Contributed capital			
Less: accumulated depreciation - Note 3	22,674,581		21,527,602
Restricted for:			
Construction Fund - Note 4	28,920,300		23,401,366
Bond Service Fund - Note 4	24,329		11,236
Bond Reserve Fund - Note 4	441,984		441,984
Renewal and Replacement Fund - Note 4	49,878		49,877
Unrestricted:			
Unfunded post-employment benefit plan - Note 10	(1,553,500)		(1,553,500)
Unrestricted Fund	5,782,532		9,499,554
Total Net Position \$	56,340,104	\$	53,378,119

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016	2015
Operating revenues: Water and sewer service charges	\$ 9,839,741	\$ 9,838,716
Connection fees	1,681,775	1,069,453
Other income	274,475	279,651
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Total operating revenues	_11,795,991_	11,187,820
Operating expenses:		
Personnel services	1,834,841	1,728,139
Employee benefits	1,827,770	1,211,516
Administrative	710,980	706,309
Operations and maintenance	3,819,685	3,747,104
Depreciation - Note 2 & 6	<u>2,281,651</u>	2,246,389
Total operating expenses	10,474,927	9,639,457
Operating income	1,321,064	1,548,363
Other income (expense):		
Investment income	84,918	111,033
Bond interest expense - Note 5	(434,191)	(527,753)
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Income (before transfer of depreciation on assets		
purchased with contributed capital)	971,791	1,131,643
Transfer of depreciation to contributed capital	843,215	787,597
Change in net position	1,815,006	1,919,240
Restricted and unrestricted net position - beginning of year	31,850,517	33,282,373
Prior period restatement - Note 9		(3,351,096)
Restricted and unrestricted net position - end of year	33,665,523	31,850,517
Contributed capital - beginning of year	21,527,602	19,855,988
Developer expansion of system	1,990,194	2,459,211
Transfer of depreciation from operations to contributed capital	(843,215)	(787,597)
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Contributed capital - end of year	22,674,581	21,527,602
Total net position - end of year	\$56,340,104_	\$ 53,378,119

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities: Cash received from customers Cash paid to suppliers and employees Investment income - received Bond interest expense - paid Increase (decrease) in escrow funds	\$ 12,643,198 (7,216,148) 84,920 (549,661) (320,890)	\$ 10,412,372 (6,891,525) 111,049 (588,074) (41,982)
Net cash provided by operating activities	4,641,419	3,001,840
Cash flows from investing activities: Capital expenditures (Increase) decrease in investments  Net cash used in investing activities	(7,547,166) 208,595 (7,338,571)	(4,201,609) (202,225) (4,403,834)
Cash flows from financing activities:  Developer expansion of system  Principal redemption of long-term debt	1,990,194 (1,524,223)	2,459,211 (1,813,787)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	465,971	645,424
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(2,231,181)	(756,570)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	14,737,595	15,494,165
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$12,506,414	\$14,737,595

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued) YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	_	2016	_	2015
Change in net position	\$_	1,815,006	\$_	1,919,240
Adjustments to reconcile change in net position to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation, net of transfer to contributed capital Unbudgeted pension expense - non cash item		1,438,436 608,857		1,458,792 105,743
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
(Increase) decrease in:     Accounts receivable     Accrued interest receivable     Other receivable     Prepaid expenses     Increase (decrease) in:     Accounts payable and accrued liabilities     Accrued payroll liabilities     Accrued pension liabilities     Compensated absences     Unearned revenue assignment of cell tower leases     Accrued post-employment benefit plan		55,269 2 393,157 22 142,750 10,113 21,083 (7,144) 398,375 201,447		(381,734) 16 (393,157) 89 103,702 4,465 29,317 31,327 (18,125) 226,900
Unearned billings Escrow funds Accrued interest payable on revenue bonds Amortization on gain loan refundings Premium on revenue bonds payable	_	406 (320,890) (48,573) (34,097) (32,800)	_	17,568 (41,982) (18,314) (9,207) (32,800)
Total adjustments	_	2,826,413	_	1,082,600
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ _	4,641,419	\$_	3,001,840

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### **NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ORGANIZATION**

The Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority was created by ordinance of the Township of Lakewood dated July 22, 1971 and as amended on August 12, 1971.

The purposes of which the Authority was created include the acquisition and/or construction of plants and distribution systems to provide an adequate supply of water and the acquisition and/or construction of sewer facilities for the disposition and treatment of sewerage for the relief of waters from pollution.

New Jersey statutes provide for the creation, dissolution and operation of separate bodies corporate and politic for the purpose of fostering the provision and distribution of an adequate supply of water and the collection, treatment, disposal and recycling of wastewater and sewerage sludge. The statutes were enacted as the "Municipal and Counties Utilities Authorities Act", and are codified in New Jersey Statutes Annotated as N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq. Additional statutory requirements relating to the financial operations of independent local authorities were established as the "Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law", which is codified as N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-1 et seq. The provisions of the Local Authorities Fiscal Control Law established the Local Finance Board and the Division of Local Government Services, in the Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, as oversight agencies for the creation, project financing, budgeting and overall financial condition of local authorities.

As a public body, under existing statute, the Authority is exempt from both federal and state taxes.

The powers of the Authority are exercised by a governing body or Board composed of five members and two alternates.

Members of the Board are as follows:

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Senator Robert W. Singer, Chairman P.G. Waxman, Vice Chairman	February 1, 2021 February 1, 2020
Raymond Coles, Treasurer	February 1, 2019
Anne Fish, Assistant Secretary	February 1, 2018
Craig Theibault, Commissioner	February 1, 2020
Sam Flancbaum, Alternate Commissioner	February 1, 2019
Meir Lichtenstein, Alternate Commissioner	February 1, 2020

Justin Flancbaum, Executive Director

### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### A. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Authority have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") applicable to enterprise funds of state and local governments.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

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

For the year ended October 31, 2015, the Authority implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, as amended by GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. GASB Statement Nos. 68 and 71 establish standards for measuring and recognizing net pension liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expenses/expenditures related to pension benefits provided through defined benefit pension plans. In addition, Statement No. 68 requires disclosure of information related to pension benefits.

All activities of the Authority are accounted for within a single proprietary (enterprise) fund. Proprietary funds are used to account for operations that are (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise where the intent of the governing body is that the cost (expenses, including depreciation) 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 capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to the Authority is determined by its measurement focus. The transactions of the Authority are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets, liabilities and deferred inflow or outflow of resources associated with the operations are included on the statement of net position. Net position (i.e., total assets net of total liabilities) are segregated into invested capital assets, net of related debt; restricted for capital activity; restricted for debt service; and unrestricted components.

### **B. Budgetary Accounting**

Each year the Authority adopts a budget which is approved by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services. The budget may be amended by resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Authority. The budgetary basis of accounting is utilized to determine the Authority has sufficient cash to operate and pay debt service. As such, certain items such as bond payments are included in budgetary expenses while depreciation is not included.

### C. Accounts Receivable

The Authority bills its customers quarterly based on actual usage. No allowance for doubtful accounts is deemed necessary as the Authority places its delinquent accounts on tax sale once a year.

### D. Inventory

Inventory consists principally of chemicals for the treatment of water, spare parts and other equipment, and recorded as expenditures when they are acquired, regardless of when used.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

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

### E. Property, Plant and Equipment

Costs of the water and sewer systems incurred to date consist of facilities constructed or acquired, cost of acquisition of land, easements and rights-of-way, costs incidental to such construction or acquisitions, including engineering and inspection fees, costs of equipment, administrative and legal expenses, facilities contributed to the Authority by developers, and interest on bonds incurred during the period of construction.

Depreciation is calculated utilizing the straight-line method for financial reporting purposes. Depreciation on assets acquired with grants-in-aid is recorded as a reduction of contributed capital.

### F. Statement of Cash Flows

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, the Authority considers investments with maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

### G. Investment Securities

State laws authorize the Authority to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury and other instruments allowed under N.J.S. 40A: 5-14. Cash and investments include bank balances and investments that, at the balance sheet date, were entirely insured. Investments are shown at cost or amortized cost plus accrued interest shown under a separate caption.

### H. Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ.

### I. Escrow Funds

Monies required from contractors to assure performance. Deposits are retained in the account until the contractor satisfies all outstanding debts to the Authority and/or at the end of one year the engineer recommends release of the monies and acceptance of the project.

### J. Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2015 financial statements to conform with the 2016 presentation.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

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

### K. Compensated Absences

Compensated absences are those absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation, sick leave and sabbatical leave. A liability for compensated absences that are attributable to services already rendered, and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Authority and its employees, is accrued as the employees earn the rights to the benefits. Compensated absences that relate to future services, or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Authority and its employees, are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or in which such services are rendered or in which such events take place.

### L. Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied and is recorded as a liability until the revenue is both measureable and the Authority is eligible to realize the revenue

### M. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that result from the ongoing principal operations of the Authority. Operating revenues consist primarily of charges for services. Non-operating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that are related to financing and investing activities or result from non-exchange transactions or ancillary activities. When an expense is incurred for purposes for which there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available, it is the Authority's policy to apply those expenses to restricted net assets to the extent such are available and then to unrestricted net assets.

### N. Net Position

Net position, represents the difference between summation of assets and deferred outflows of resources, and the summation of liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position is classified in the following three components:

- <u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> This component represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, net of outstanding balances of borrowings used for acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- <u>Restricted</u> Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Authority or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- <u>Unrestricted</u> Net position is reported as unrestricted when it does not meet the criteria of the other two components of net position.

### O. Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

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### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

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

### P. Impact of Recently Issued Account Principles

### Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

For the year ended October 31, 2015, the Authority implemented GASB Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - (Amendment to GASB Statement No. 27) and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. The implementation of the Statements requires the Authority to report as an asset and/or a liability its portion of the collective net pension's asset and liability of the New Jersey Public Employees/ Retirement System (PERS). The implementation of the Statements also requires the Authority to report a deferred outflow and/or inflow for the effect of the net change in the Authority's proportion of the collective net position asset and/or liability and difference during the measurement period between the Authority's contributions and its proportionate share of total contributions to the pension systems not included in pension expense.

### Q. Fair Value Measurement

The Authority categorizes its assets and liabilities measured at fair value into a three-level hierarchy based on the priority of the inputs to the valuation technique used to determine fair value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level I) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level III). If the inputs used in the determination of the fair value measurement fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Assets and liabilities valued at fair value are categorized based on the inputs to the valuation techniques as follows:

Level I - Inputs that utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Authority has the ability to access. Fair values for these instruments are estimated using pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics.

Level II - Inputs that include quoted market prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level III - Inputs that are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are typically based on an entity's assumptions, as there is little, if any, related market activity. Fair values for these instruments are estimated using appraised values.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the Authority may remeasure the carrying value of assets and liabilities measured on a nonrecurring basis to fair value. Adjustments to fair value usually result when certain assets are impaired. Such assets are written down from their carrying amounts to their fair value.

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Authority in estimating the fair value of its financial instruments:

Certificate of Deposit: Valued at the net asset value (NAV) at year end when the NAV is valued at \$1 per

The preceding methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

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

### R. Subsequent Events

Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the Statement of Net Position date through May 3, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### **NOTE 3 - CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL**

On September 22, 1987, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority accepted a grant from the Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce in an amount not to exceed \$521,000. The grant was used to provide assistance in the construction of a new water supply well and water treatment facility.

Construction grant in the amount of \$300,000 was provided by the Township of Lakewood, Lakewood Industrial Commission, to help defray cost of the expansion of the Authority's facilities in order to assure an adequate water supply and treatment facility for the Lakewood Industrial Campus.

A non-refundable contribution in the amount of \$835,000 was provided by Lakewood Cogeneration, L.P. The contribution will be used towards the construction of the relocated wells and/or other related future plant facilities.

A contribution in the amount of \$56,061 was received from New Jersey Spill Compensation Fund. These monies were used to provide assistance in the construction of the Locust Street and Vermont Avenue water main extensions.

Developer expansion of the Authority's water distribution and sewer sanitary collection systems.

	2016	2015
Economic Development Administration Township of Lakewood Lakewood Cogeneration, L.P. New Jersey Spill Compensation Fund Developer expansion of system	\$ 521,000 300,000 835,000 56,061 32,989,323	\$ 521,000 300,000 835,000 56,061 30,999,129
Less: accumulated depreciation	34,701,384 12,026,803 \$_22,674,581_	32,711,190 11,183,588 \$ 21,527,602

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### **NOTE 4 - RESTRICTED FUNDS**

In accordance with the 1997 bond resolution and the 1986 and 1993 supplemental bond resolutions, the Authority has established the following cash and investment funds for the deposit of all revenues received by the Authority:

Funds	Amount	Use For Which Restricted
Revenue	All revenues received by the Authority.	Authorized operating expenses and, as of the first day of each month, transfers to the various funds described below.
General	Any extent.	Authorized expenditures and transfers to the various funds.
Construction	Proceeds of debt issued and construction grants - in aid.	Construction costs of the system.
Bond Service (Current Debt Service)	Amount needed to pay principal and interest due on or before the first day of May and November.	Principal and interest on the bonds.
Bond Reserve (Future Debt Service)	Amount needed to equal the greatest amount of debt service due in any bond year.	Transfers to meet minimum levels required in the bond service or sinking funds. Any excess may be transferred into the renewal and replacement fund.
Renewal and Replacement	Amount needed to increase the balance to equal the renewal and replacement requirements as defined by the resolution.	Transfers to meet minimum levels required in the bond service, sinking or bond reserve funds or major repairs, renewals and extensions of the system.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### **NOTE 5 - REVENUE BONDS**

Less: current portion

				2016 Re	ve	nue Bonds		
		Series 2002		Series 2008		Supplemental	Meter	
		Refunding 2007B	F	Refunding 2016A-R	1	Series 2012	Series 2012	Total
Trust Loan	\$	1,365,713	\$	6,577,000	\$	890,000 \$	660,000 \$	9,492,713
Fund Loan		976,607		4,959,503		661,073	1,676,399	8,273,582
		2,342,320	•	11,536,503	-	1,551,073	2,336,399	17,766,295
Less: current po	rtion	361,900		867,387	-	91,184	160,220_	1,480,691
	\$	1,980,420	\$	10,669,116	\$	1,459,889	2,176,179 \$	16,285,604
2015 Revenue Bonds								
		Series 2002			,	Supplemental	Meter	
		Refunding 2007B		Series 2008	_	Series 2012	Series 2012	Total
Trust Loan	\$	1,556,266	\$	7,805,000	\$	930,000 \$	690,000 \$	10,981,266
Fund Loan		1,138,798		5,372,753	_	712,257	1,806,620	9,030,428
		2 695 064		13.177.753		1.642.257	2.496.620	20,011,694

848,250

160,221

91,184

12,329,503 \$ 1,551,073 \$ 2,336,399 \$ 18,559,295

1,452,399

### Maturities of the debt for each of the succeeding five years are as follows:

352,744

2,342,320 \$

Year ended October 31,	Series 2002 Refunding 2007B	Series 2008 Refunding 2016A-R1	Supplemental Series 2012	Meter Series 2012	Total
2017 \$	361,900	\$ 867,387	91,184 \$	160,220 \$	1,480,691
2018	371,181	893,497	91,184	165,220	1,521,082
2019	387,808	863,990	91,184	165,220	1,508,202
2020	396,389	885,244	101,184	165,220	1,548,037
2021	404,671	909,663	101,184	170,220	1,585,738
Thereafter	420,371	7,116,722	1,075,153	1,510,299	10,122,545
\$	2,342,320	\$ 11,536,503	<u>1,551,073</u> \$	2,336,399 \$	17,766,295

On November 7, 2002, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of \$6,461,230 Series 2002 Revenue Bonds for the purpose of providing funds for the replacement of the existing Shorrock Street Treatment Plant with the construction of a new facility and the construction of a 3.0 MG ground level storage tack and pump station. In 2007 NJEIT 2007B Refunding Bonds were issued. The bonds interest payments are semiannual on May 1 and November 1 of each year.

On November 6, 2008, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of Series 2008 Revenue Bonds of 16,369,580 for the purpose of providing funds for the replacement of the Airport Road water storage tank, upgrade and the expansion of the New Hampshire Avenue treatment plant, construction of well no. 17 with ASR capability, install well pump and motor in well no. 4, construction of Cedar Bridge raw water main and renovation of the Authority's administration building. In 2016 NJEIT 2016A-R1 Refunding Bonds were issued.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 5 - REVENUE BONDS (Continued)

On May 3, 2012, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of Series 2012 Revenue Bonds of \$1,995,430 for the purpose of providing supplemental additional funds for the replacement of the Airport Road water storage tank, upgrade and the expansion of the New Hampshire Avenue treatment plant, construction of well no. 17 with ASR capability, install well pump and motor in well no. 4, construction of Cedar Bridge raw water main and renovation of the Authority's administration building.

On May 3, 2012, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority authorized the issuance of Series 2012 Revenue Bonds of \$3,205,781 for the purpose of providing funds for the replacement and upgrading the utility billing meters through out the Authorities service area. This included integration of the new meters into an Automated Metering Infrastructure.

### Bond interest expense consists of the following:

	_	2016	_	2015
Revenue Bonds Series 2002	\$	72,916	\$	85,825
Revenue Bonds Series 2008 Revenue Bonds Series 2012 - Supplemental		360,775 38,631		413,388 40,431
Revenue Bonds Series 2012 - Meter Amortization gain loan refundings		28,766 (34,097)		30,116 (9,207)
Amortize premium on revenue bonds	_	(32,800)	_	(32,800)
Bond interest expense	\$_	434,191	\$_	527,753

### NOTE 6 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

### Property, plant and equipment consists of the following:

	2016	2015	Useful Lives Years
Land	\$ 76,445	\$ 76,445	
Water and sewer system	86,362,627	83,461,583	40-75
Office building and garage	1,491,416	1,486,939	5-40
Other equipment	102,804	102,804	5-7
Transportation equipment	388,982	296,932	5
Construction in progress	5,899,468	1,712,012	
	94,321,742	87,136,715	
Less: accumulated depreciation	25,892,632	23,610,981	
	\$ 68,429,110	\$ 63,525,734	

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### **NOTE 7 - INVESTMENTS**

Investments in securities are presented in the financial statements at fair value.

	_	2016			2015		
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:	-	Cost	Fair Value	-	Cost	Fair Value	
REVENUE FUND State of New Jersey Cash Management Funds	\$	67,486 \$	67,486	\$	67,248 \$	67,248	
JP Morgan, U.S. Treasury Plus Premier, Money Market Fund	_	493,780	493,780	-	626,933	626,933	
	_	561,266	561,266		694,181_	694,181	
GENERAL FUND  JP Morgan, U.S. Treasury Plus Premier,							
Money Market Fund	-	89,827	89,827	-	89,826	89,826	
	_	651,093	651,093		784,007	784,007	
RESTRICTED FUNDS:							
CONSTRUCTION FUND  JP Morgan, U.S. Treasury Plus Premier,  Money Market Fund		352,064	352,064		352,043	352,043	
State of New Jersey NJEIT Funds Held in Trust		181,662	181,662	_	250,177	250,177	
		533,726	533,726	_	602,220	602,220	
BOND SERVICE FUND  JP Morgan, U.S. Treasury Plus Premier,  Money Market Fund	-	1,731,276	1,731,276	-	1,738,464	1,738,464	
BOND RESERVE FUND U.S. Treasury Bond Slug,							
4.04547%, due 11/01/21	_	441,984	441,984	-	441,984	441,984	
		441,984	441,984	-	441,984	441,984	
RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT FUND  JP Morgan, U.S. Treasury Plus Premier,  Manay Market Fund		49,878	49,878		49,877	49,877	
Money Market Fund				<b>-</b>			
	\$ =	3,407,957 \$	3,407,957	\$ =	3,616,552 \$	3,616,552	

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN

### Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)

<u>Plan Description</u> - The State of New Jersey, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions and Benefits (the Division). For additional information about PERS, please refer to Division's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) which can be found at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrprts.shtml.

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service orunder the disability provisions of PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Definition</u>
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 55 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

<u>Basis of Presentation</u> - The schedules of employer allocations and the schedules of pension amounts by employer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of PERS or its participating employers. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of PERS or the participating employers. The amounts presented in the Schedules were prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally accepted accounting principles. Such preparation requires management of PERS to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN - (Continued)

### Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Contributions - The contribution policy for PERS is set by N.J.S.A. 15 A and requires contributions by active members and contributing employers. State legislation has modified the amount that is contributed by the State. The State's pension contribution is based on an actuarially determined amount which includes the employer portion of the normal cost and an amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. Funding for noncontributory group insurance benefits is based on actual claims paid. For fiscal year 2016, the State's pension contribution was less than the actuarial determined amount. The local employers' contribution amounts are based on an actuarially determined rate which includes the normal cost and unfunded accrued liability. Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 provided an option for local employers of PERS to contribute 50% of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. Such employers will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets.

### Three-Year Trend Information for PERS

Year Funding	(	Annual Pension Cost (APC)	Percentage of APC Contributed	-	Net Pension Obligation
2016 2015 2014	\$	196,232 177,068 147,751	100% 100% 100%	\$	6,542,011 4,623,328 3,355,593

Components of Net Pension Liability - As of October 31, 2016, the Authority reported a liability of \$6,542,011 for its proportionate share of the PERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined using update procedures to roll forward the total pension liability from an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2015, to the measurement date of June 30, 2016. The Authority's proportion of the net position liability was based on the Authority's actual contributions to the plan relative to the total of all participating employer's contributions for the year ended June 30, 2016. The Authority's proportion measured as of June 30, 2016 was .02209% which was an increase of .00149% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN - (Continued)

### Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

### Collective Balances as of October 31, 2016 and 2015

	_	2016		2015
Actuarial valuation date	•	July 1, 2015	J	uly 1, 2014
Deferred outflows of resources Deferred inflows of resources Net pension liability	\$ \$ \$	2,432,535 - 6,542,011	\$ \$ \$	1,197,043 74,334 4,623,328
Authorty's portion of the plan's total net pension liability		0.02209%		0.02060%

<u>Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources</u> For the year ended October 31, 2016, the Authority recognized pension expense of \$807,008. As of October 31, 2016, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

		ferred Outflows of Resources	red Inflows esources
Changes of assumptions	\$	1,355,155	\$
Net difference between expected and actual experience		121,662	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		249,453	
Changes in proprotion and differences between Authority contributions and proportionate share of contributions	_	706,265	 
Total	\$_	2,432,535	\$ _

Amounts allocated as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be included in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30:		PERS
2017	\$	547,663
2018		547,663
2019		634,486
2020		533,061
2021		169,662
	•	
Total	\$	2,432,535

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN - (Continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

<u>Actuarial Assumptions</u> - The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2016. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

Measurement date June 30, 2016

Actuarial valuation date July 1, 2015

Inflation rate 3.08%

Salary increases based on age:

Through 2026 1.65 - 4.15% Thereafter 2.65 - 5.15%

Investment rate of return 7.65%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Health Male and Female Mortality Tables (setback 1 year for males and females) for service retirement and beneficiaries of former members with adjustments for mortality improvements from the base year of 2013 based on Projection Scale AA. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Tables (setback 3 years for males and setback 1 year for females) are used to value disabled retirees.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

Long-Term Expected Rate of Return - In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.65% at June 30, 2016) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the following table.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN - (Continued)

### Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash U.S. Treasuries Investment Grade Credit Mortgages High Yield Bonds Inflation-Indexed Bonds Broad US Equities Developed Foreign Equities Emerging Market Equities Private Equity Hedge Funds/Absolute Return Real Estate (Property) Commodities Global Debt ex US	5.00% 1.50% 8.00% 2.00% 2.00% 1.50% 26.00% 13.25% 6.50% 9.00% 12.50% 2.00% 0.50% 5.00%	0.87% 1.74% 1.79% 1.67% 4.56% 3.44% 8.53% 6.83% 9.95% 12.40% 4.68% 6.91% 5.45% -0.25%
REIT	5.25% 100.00%	5.63%

<u>Discount Rate</u> - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.98% as of June 30, 2016. The single blended discount rate was based on long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.65%, and a municipal bond rate of 2.85% as of June 30, 2016, based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the average of the last five years of contributions made in relation to the last five years of actuarially determined contributions. Based on those assumption, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2034. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2034, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

### LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

NOTE 8 - PENSION PLAN - (Continued)

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) - (Continued)

Sensitivity of the Authority's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability as of June 30, 2016 calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above, as well as what the Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (2.98%) or 1-percentage -point higher (4.98%) than the current rate:

			Current	
	1% Decrease		Discount	1% Increase
	(2.98%)	_	Rate (3.98%)	(4.98%)
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 8,016,471	\$	6,542,011	\$ 5,324,717

Adopted Accounting Pronouncements - For the year ended October 31, 2015, the Authority implemented GASB Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - (Amendment to GASB Statement No. 27) and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. The implementation of the Statements requires the Authority to report as an asset and/or a liability its portion of the collective net pension's asset and liability of the New Jersey Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS). The implementation of the Statements also requires the Authority to report a deferred outflow and/or inflow for the effect of the net change in the Authority's proportion of the collective net pension asset and/or liability and difference during the measurement period between the Authority's contributions and its proprotionate share of total contributions to the pension systems not included in pension expense.

Also included as a deferred outflow is the Authority contributions to the pension system subsequent to the measurement date.

### NOTE 9 - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT/RESTATEMENT OF NET POSITION

Net position as of November 1, 2014 has been restated as follows for the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, as amended by GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date. Net position as of November 1, 2014 has also been restated to correct the recording of the 2007 advance refunding bonds.

	_	Governmental Activities
Net position as previously reported at November 1, 2014	\$	53,138,361
Prior period adjustment - Implementation of GASB 68:  Net Pension Liability (measurement date as of June 30, 2014)  PERS Pension Payable (2015 Authority PERS Pension Contribution)  Deferred Outflows (measurement date as of June 30, 2014)  Deferred Inflows (measurement date as of June 30, 2014)  Correction of recording 2007 advance refunding bonds	_	(3,355,593) (147,751) 308,443 (199,975) 43,780
Total prior period adjustment	-	(3,351,096)
Net Position as restated, November 1, 2014	\$	49,787,265
(Continued)		

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 10 - OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

<u>Plan Description</u> - The Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority is a single-employer, defined healthcare plan established through the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority. The plan provides healthcare insurance for eligible retirees (retirees with at least 25 years of service, of which 15 years must be with the Authority) through the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority group health insurance plan, which covers both active and retired members. At November 1, 2012, the date of the last plan valuation, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority covered twenty-seven (twenty-five active plan members and two retirees receiving benefits).

<u>Contributions</u> - For fiscal year 2016, Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority contributed \$226,900 to the plan. In the event that plan assets are not sufficient to pay for benefits under the plan, the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority is required to contribute the additional amounts necessary to provide the benefits. In fiscal year 2016, no additional contributions were required. Administrative costs of the plan are paid by the Authority.

Funded Status - As of November 1, 2012, the actuarial accrued liability (AAL) for benefits was \$1,553,500, and the actuarial I value of assets was \$0, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$1,553,500 funded ratio of 0 percent. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$1,258,700, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 123 percent.

Methods and Assumptions - The projection of future benefit payments for an ongoing plan involves estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer (ARC) are subject to continual revision as results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to the point. The methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

### The following assumptions were made:

**Demographic assumptions** - Are the same used to project the data as those used to value the SHBP and the PERS pension liabilities. There is no assumptions for future new hires.

**Mortality** - Life expectancies were based on mortality tables from the Society of Actuaries the RP-2000 mortality table.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 10 - OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

The following assumptions were made: (Continued)

**Turnover** - The Authority's historical data on turnover by age were used as the basis for assigning active plan members a probability of remaining employed until the assumed retirement age and for developing an expected future working lifetime assumption for purposes of allocating to periods the present value of total benefits to be paid.

Healthcare cost trend rate - The expected rate of increase in healthcare insurance premiums was based on projections of the Office of the Actuary at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. A rate of 8.5 percent initially, reduced to an ultimate rate of 5 percent after seven to nine years, was used.

*Health insurance premiums* - 2012 health insurance premiums for retirees were used as the basis for calculation of the present value of total benefits to be paid.

The discount rate used, 4 percent, is a blended rate reflecting the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets and the city's investments. The calculation of the blended rate was based on the historical and expected levels of employer contributions in relation to the ARC. In addition, the projected unit actuarial cost method was used, and the actuarial value of plan assets is measured at fair value. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level dollar amount. The remaining amortization period at October 31, 2010, was thirty years.

Schedule of Funding Progress for the

			Actuarial				UAAL as a
Actuarial Valuation Date	-	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Accrued Liability (AAL) Entry age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	Percentage of Covered Payroll ([b - a] / c)
11/1/2012	\$	0	\$ 1,553,500	\$ 1,553,500	0.00%	1,258,700	123.00%

Schedule of Employer Contributions									
		30 year				Annual			
Fiscal Year Ended		Service Cost at end of year		Amortization UAL		Required Contribution			
10/31/2013	\$	137.100	\$	89,800	\$	226,900			

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

### NOTE 11 - UNEARNED REVENUE EASEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OF CELL TOWER LEASES

The Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority has entered into a agreement with LD Holdings, LLC to purchase easement and the assignment of rental lease agreements with cellular carriers. Term of leases is forty (40) years commencing in 2012. The purchase price paid at closing was \$725,000. The purchase price is being amortized over four hundred eighty (480) months at \$1,510 per month.

The Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority has entered into a agreement with SBA Site Management, LLC to purchase easement and the assignment of rental lease agreements with cellular carriers. Term of leases is fifty (50) years commencing in 2016. The purchase price paid at closing was \$425,000. The purchase price is being amortized over six hundred (600) months at \$708 per month.



### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF WATER OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

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	Budgete	Budgeted Amounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budget
	Original (Unaudited)	Final (Unaudited)	Budgetary Basis	Positive(Negative)
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Water service charges	\$ 5,185,072	\$ 5,185,072	\$ 5,431,092	\$ 246,020
Other income	92,240	92,540	162,037	69,537
Total operating revenues	5,376,818	5,376,818	6,836,359	1,459,541
COST OF OPERATIONS:				
Personnel services	1,104,570	1,104,570	1,102,970	1,600
Employee benefits	862,262	862,262	1,096,778	(234,516)
Administrative	352,200	352,200	455,008	(102,808)
Operations and maintenance Depreciation, net	1,041,500	1,041,500	1,125,913 1,035,674	(84,413) (1,035,674)
Total cost of operations	3,360,532	3,360,532	4,816,343	(1,455,811)
Operating profit	2,016,286	2,016,286	2,020,016	3,730
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE): Investment income Amortization	27,500	27,500	42,459 29,638	14,959 29,638
Net income available for debt service	2,043,786	2,043,786	2,092,113	48,327
DEBT SERVICE COSTS:		1		
Bond interest expense Bond redemption	505,541 1,347,805	505,541 1,347,805	439,331	(66,210) (1,347,805 <u>)</u>
Total debt service costs	1,853,346	1,853,346	439,331	(1,414,015)
CAPITAL OUTLAYS	6,552,000	6,552,000	2,648,350	3,903,650
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures, debt service and capital outlays	\$ (6,361,560)	\$ (6,361,560)	\$	\$ 5,365,992

## BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF SEWER OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016

		Budgeted Amounts	mounts		4	Actual	Va	Variance with Final Budget	
		Original (Unaudited)	Final (Unaudited)	I	Bu	Budgetary Basis	Posit	Positive(Negative)	
OPERATING REVENUES:									
Sewer service charges Connection fees Other income	θ. 4.	4,242,331 \$ 42,534 82,500	\$ 4,242,331 42,534 82,500	- + O		4,408,649 438,545 112,438	↔	166,318 396,011 29,938	
Total operating revenues	4	4,367,365	4,367,365	اما	4	4,959,632		592,267	
COST OF OPERATIONS: Personnel services		727.312	727.312	01		731.871		(4 559)	
Employee benefits		588,579	588,579	0		730,992		(142,413)	
Administrative		233,800	233,800	0		255,972		(22,172)	
Operations and maintenance Depreciation net	2,	2,667,887	2,667,887	_	7	2,693,772 402,762		(25,885) (402,762)	
Total cost of operations	4	4,217,578	4,217,578	m l	4	4,815,369	l	(597,791)	
Operating profit		149,787	149,787	_		144,263		(5,524)	
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE): Investment income Amortization		27,500	27,500	o 1		42,459 3,162		14,959 3,162	
Net income available for debt service		177,287	177,287	_		189,884		12,597	
DEBT SERVICE COSTS:  Bond interest expense  Bond redemption		30,068 114,040	30,068	8 O		27,660		(2,408)	
Total debt service costs		144,108	144,108	اھ		27,660		(116,448)	
CAPITAL OUTLAYS	4	4,310,000	4,310,000	ol	2	2,546,483	1	1,763,517	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures, debt service and capital outlays	\$	(4,276,821)	\$ (4,276,821)		\$ (2	(2,384,259)	₩	1,659,666	

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# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - UNRESTRICTED AND RESTRICTED YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2015

RESTRICTED

			BOND	BOND	RENEWAL AND		TOTALS	
ł	UNRESTRICTED	CONSTRUCTION	SERVICE	RESERVE	REPLACEMENT	2016	ı	2015
↔	9,839,741	€	↔	↔	<del>6</del>	\$ 9,839,741	5	9.838.716
	1,681,775					1,681,775	5	1,069,453
ı	274,475					274,475	,2	279,651
1	11,795,991	1	1		1	11,795,991	2	11,187,820
	1,834,841					1,834,841	7	1,728,139
	1,827,770					1,827,770	0,	1,211,516
	710,980					710,980	000	706,309
	3,819,685					3,819,685	35	3,747,104
ı	2,281,651					2,281,651	27	2,246,389
I	10,474,927			1		10,474,927	72	9,639,457
	1,321,064	•	1	•	ı	1,321,064	72	1,548,363
	65,703	1,334	7 700	17,880	<del>-</del>	84,918	<u> </u>	111,033
ı			(101,101)			(10-1,101)		(567, 135)
	1,386,767	1,334	(434,191)	17,880	_	971,791	16	1,131,643
	19,215	(1,334)		(17,880)	(1)			'
	(434,191)		434,191				1	ı
	843,215					843,215	5	787,597
i	(5,532,028)	5,518,934	13,093	1	~		4	
	(3,717,022)	5,518,934	13,093	I	~	1,815,006	90	1,919,240
ı	9,499,554	23,401,366	11,236	441,984	49,877	33,404,017	- [	34,835,873
<del>⇔</del>	5,782,532	\$ 28,920,300	\$ 24,329	\$ 441,984	\$ 49,878	\$ 35,219,023	\$	33,404,017

### SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH AND INVESTMENTS UNRESTRICTED ACCOUNTS YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

		2016	-	2015
Cash and investments at beginning of year	\$	15,161,510	\$	14,902,307
Cash receipts:				
Operating revenues		12,643,198		10,412,372
Investment income		65,703		88,844
Transfers from restricted funds		17,880	-	35,759
Total cash and investments available	-	27,888,291	-	25,439,282
Cash disbursements:				
Operations		7,216,146		6,891,525
Decrease in escrow funds		320,890		41,982
Transfers to restricted funds		7,403,320	-	3,344,265
Total cash disbursements		14,940,356	_	10,277,772
Cash and investments at end of year	\$ :	12,947,935	\$ _	15,161,510
Balance comprised of:				
Cash and interest bearing accounts	\$	12,296,842	\$	14,377,503
Investments	-	651,093	-	784,007
	\$	12,947,935	\$_	15,161,510

### RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2015 LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN CASH INVESTMENTS

	CON	CONSTRUCTION	l	BOND		BOND	REF	RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT	. 1	TC 2016	TOTALS	2015
Cash and investments at beginning of year	↔	962,312	↔	1,738,464	€	441,984	↔	49,877	↔	3,192,637	↔	4,006,185
Cash receipts: Interest Developer enhancements Transfers from unrestricted fund		1,334 1,990,194 5,336,624		2,066,696		17,880		<del>-</del>		19,215 1,990,194 7,403,320		22,205 2,459,211 3,344,265
Total cash and investments available		8,290,464		3,805,160		459,864		49,878	1 !	12,605,366	1 1	9,831,866
Cash disbursements: Capital expenditures Principal reduction long term debt Bond interest expense Transfer to unrestricted fund		7,547,166	I	1,524,223		17,880			I	7,547,166 1,524,223 549,661 17,880	I	4,201,609 1,813,787 588,074 35,759
Total cash disbursements		7,547,166		2,073,884		17,880		1	I	9,638,930	l	6,639,229
Cash and investments at end of year	₩	743,298	₩	1,731,276	₩	441,984	€	49,878	₩	2,966,436	₩	3,192,637
Balance comprised of: Cash and interest bearing accounts Investments	↔	209,572 533,726		1,731,276	<i></i>	441,984	₩	49,878	↔	209,572 2,756,864	<i>↔</i>	360,092 2,832,545
	₩	743,298	<del>∨</del>	1,731,276	₩	441,984	↔	49,878	₩	2,966,436	 <del>∽</del>	3,192,637

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### OPERATING EXPENSES YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

						Т	otal	
		Water		Sewer	-	2016		2015
PERSONNEL SERVICES	-				-		•	
Plant & distribution	\$	646,627	\$	276,972	\$	923,599	\$	865,552
Administration		344,094		342,650		686,744		573,399
Engineering		94,749		94,749		189,498		254,188
Commissioners		17,500		17,500	_	35,000	_	35,000
	_	1,102,970		731,871	_	1,834,841		1,728,139
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS								
Health insurance		375,747		250,499		626,246		545,349
Pension expense		484,205		322,803		807,008		282,811
Post employment benefit plan		136,140		90,760		226,900		226,900
Payroll taxes		83,615		55,549		139,164		127,483
Workman's compensation insurance	_	17,071		11,381	_	28,452	-	28,973
	_	1,096,778		730,992	_	1,827,770	-	1,211,516
ADMINISTRATIVE								
Office costs		11,314		11,063		22,377		27,007
Postage & advertising notices		22,723		13,793		36,516		39,380
Bank fees		3,866		3,866		7,732		11,846
Licenses and taxes		65,119		4,300		69,419		51,134
Insurance		24,011		16,007		40,018		39,695
Legal		19,660		14,623		34,283		44,516
Engineering		97,161		47,297		144,458		167,146
Accounting and actuary		34,304		34,304		68,608		65,552
Dues, publications and seminars		6,763		6,763		13,526		17,648
Repairs and maintenances		37,399		42,262		79,661		90,663
Telephone		12,584		12,584		25,168		23,961
Computer costs		34,223		34,223		68,446		43,580
Trustee fees		70,528		2,960		73,488		62,475
Sundry	-	15,353		11,927	_	27,280	_	21,706
	_	455,008		255,972	_	710,980	_	706,309
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE								
Ocean County Utilities Authority		-		2,380,745		2,380,745		2,413,639
Purchased water		321,896		-		321,896		326,475
Utilities - electric & gas		279,884		69,579		349,463		393,637
Chemicals and supplies		225,193		17,881		243,074		229,185
Laboratory tests		22,963		-		22,963		41,747
Repairs and maintenance		189,738		151,590		341,328		230,156
Vehicle costs		11,930		11,930		23,860		31,454
Meter costs		67,440		55,178		122,618		67,685
Tools, small equipment & uniforms		6,869		6,869		13,738		12,626
Other	_	-		-	_	-	-	500
	_	1,125,913		2,693,772	_	3,819,685	_	3,747,104
DEPRECIATION	-	1,507,232	-	774,419	_	2,281,651	-	2,246,389
	\$ _	5,287,901	\$	5,187,026	\$ =	10,474,927	\$ _	9,639,457

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Chairman and Commissioners of Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority

### Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on and Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

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 and audit requirements as prescribed by the Local Finance Board and by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, the financial statements of the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities, as of and for the year ended October 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 6, 2017.

### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities 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.

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### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authorities 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 and 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 or audit requirements as prescribed by the Local Finance Board and by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey.

### Purpose of this Report

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

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Certified Public Accountants

June 6, 2017 Lakewood, New Jersey