



**Palmdale Water District**  
**Annual Financial Report**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**



## Mission Statement

*The Mission of the Palmdale Water District is to provide high quality water to our current and future customers at a reasonable cost.*

## Vision Statement

*The District will strive for excellence in providing high quality, reasonably priced water in a growing Antelope Valley by being a strong advocate for our customers in local water issues, public education, asset management, water conservation, planning and securing additional water supplies, continuing our commitment to operate efficiently with the help of emerging technologies, challenging, motivating and rewarding our employees and offering premium customer service in all that we do.*

### Palmdale Water District

**Board of Directors as of December 31, 2014**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Elected/ Appointed</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Robert Alvarado	1	Vice President	Elected	12/15
Joe Estes	2	Secretary	Elected	12/17
Gloria Dizmang	3	Treasurer	Elected	12/15
Kathy Mac Laren	4	President	Elected	12/15
Vincent Dino	5	Director	Elected	12/17

### Palmdale Water District

**Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager**

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## **Financial Section**



## **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Board of Directors  
Palmdale Water District  
Palmdale, California

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Palmdale Water District, California (the "District"), which comprise of the statement of net position as of December 31, 2014, and the related statement of revenues, expenses and change in net position, and cash flows and for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic 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 controls 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 basic 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 of 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 opinion.

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District as of December 31, 2014, and the change in its net position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Emphasis of Matter**

### *Implementation of GASB Statement No. 68*

As further discussed in Note 18 to the basic financial statements, GASB issued GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pension Plans*. This statement requires state and local government agencies to display the actuarially determined net pension liability in its financial statements effective with fiscal year 2015. This net pension liability is expected to be substantial. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

## **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 3 through 7 and the schedule of funding progress on pages 36 and 37 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 inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquires, 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.

### *2013 Financial Information*

The Palmdale Water District's basic financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014, were audited by other auditors whose report thereon dated March 31, 2014, expressed an unmodified opinion on the respective financial statements of the District.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated March 10, 2015, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance. This report can be found on pages 38 and 39.

*The PwC Group, LLP*

Santa Ana, California  
March 10, 2015



**Palmdale Water District**  
***Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)***  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

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The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of activities and financial performance of the Palmdale Water District (District) provides an introduction to the financial statements of the District for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the basic financial statements and related notes, which follow this section.

**Financial Highlights**

- In 2014, the District's net position decreased 2.79% or \$3,034,833, from \$108,672,170 to \$105,637,337. In 2013, the District's net position decreased 0.69% or \$760,535, from \$109,432,705 to \$108,672,170.
- The District's 2014 operating revenues decreased 3.25% or \$783,275, due to a decrease in water service revenues, while in 2013 the District's operating revenues increased 6.76% or \$1.528 million, due to an increase in water service revenues.
- The District's 2014 non-operating revenues decreased 13.66% or \$1.090 million, due primarily to a \$252,903 decrease in property tax collections and a \$688,217 decrease in legal settlements. In 2013, non-operating revenues increased 14.54% or \$1.012 million, due primarily to a \$1.217 million increase in the property tax collections.
- The District's 2014 total expenses increased .51% or \$169,351, due primarily to the net effect of a \$1.740 million increase in operating expenses and a \$963,182 decrease in non-operating expenses, while in 2013 total expenses decreased 2.44% or \$827,050, due primarily to a \$1.55 million decrease in operating expenses and a \$1.183 million increase in non-operating expenses.

**Required Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and Statement of Cash Flows provide information about the activities and performance of the District using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies.

The Statement of Net Position includes all of the District's investments in resources (assets), deferred outflows of resources, the obligations to creditors (liabilities), deferred inflows of resources and net position. It also provides the basis for computing a rate of return, evaluating the capital structure of the District and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the District. All of the current year's revenue and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. This statement measures the success of the District's operations over the past year and can be used to determine if the District has successfully recovered all of its costs through its rates and other charges. This statement can also be used to evaluate profitability and credit worthiness. The final required financial statement is the Statement of Cash Flows, which provides information about the District's cash receipts and cash payments during the reporting period. The Statement of Cash Flows reports cash receipts, cash payments and net changes in cash resulting from operations, investing, non-capital financing, and capital and related financing activities and provides answers to such questions as where did cash come from, what was cash used for, and what was the change in cash balance during the reporting period.

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**Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) (Continued)**  
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## Financial Analysis of the District

One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is, "Is the District better off or worse off as a result of this year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position report information about the District 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 the cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the District's *net position* and changes in them. You can think of the District's net position – the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources – as one way to measure the District's financial health, or *financial position*. Over time, *increases or decreases* in the District's net position are one indicator of whether its *financial health* is improving or deteriorating. However, one will need to consider other non-financial factors such as changes in economic conditions, population growth, zoning and new or changed government legislation, such as changes in Federal and State water quality standards.

## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 13 through 35.

## Statements of Net Position

Condensed Statements of Net Position					
	2014	2013	Change	2012	Change
<b>Assets:</b>					
Current assets	\$ 26,345,253	\$ 28,344,627	\$ (1,999,374)	\$ 16,911,413	\$ 11,433,214
Non-current assets	65,420	100,000	(34,580)	-	100,000
Capital assets, net	153,780,266	154,293,310	(513,044)	156,809,338	(2,516,028)
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>180,190,939</b>	<b>182,737,937</b>	<b>(2,546,998)</b>	<b>173,720,751</b>	<b>9,017,186</b>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>2,791,901</b>	<b>2,948,593</b>	<b>(156,692)</b>	<b>1,582,279</b>	<b>1,366,314</b>
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 182,982,840</b>	<b>\$ 185,686,530</b>	<b>\$ (2,703,690)</b>	<b>\$ 175,303,030</b>	<b>\$ 10,383,500</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Current liabilities	\$ 11,463,106	\$ 11,013,657	\$ 449,449	\$ 10,619,967	\$ 393,690
Non-current liabilities	65,882,397	65,900,703	(18,306)	55,250,358	10,650,345
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>77,345,503</b>	<b>76,914,360</b>	<b>431,143</b>	<b>65,870,325</b>	<b>11,044,035</b>
<b>Net position:</b>					
Net investment in capital assets	103,774,107	106,048,979	(2,274,872)	109,085,439	(3,036,460)
Restricted	65,420	100,000	(34,580)	-	100,000
Unrestricted	1,797,810	2,523,191	(725,381)	347,266	2,175,925
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>105,637,337</b>	<b>108,672,170</b>	<b>(3,034,833)</b>	<b>109,432,705</b>	<b>(760,535)</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net position</b>	<b>\$ 182,982,840</b>	<b>\$ 185,586,530</b>	<b>\$ (2,603,690)</b>	<b>\$ 175,303,030</b>	<b>\$ 10,283,500</b>

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets plus deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and net position by \$105,637,337 and \$108,672,170, as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

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A portion of the District's net position, 98.2% and 97.6% as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, reflects the District's investment in capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation) less any related debt or related deferred outflow of resources or deferred inflow of resources used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to customers within the District's service area; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending.

At the end of year 2014 and 2013, the District showed a positive balance in its unrestricted net position of \$1,863,230 and \$2,623,191, respectively.

**Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position**

**Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Operating revenues	\$ 23,341,636	\$ 24,125,011	\$ (783,375)	\$ 22,596,968	\$ 1,528,043
Non-operating revenues	6,890,012	7,980,183	(1,090,171)	6,967,305	1,012,878
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>30,231,648</b>	<b>32,105,194</b>	<b>(1,873,546)</b>	<b>29,564,273</b>	<b>2,540,921</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>					
Operating expenses	22,405,397	20,665,315	1,740,082	22,215,659	(1,550,344)
Overhead absorption	(508,818)	(217,332)	(291,486)	(42,639)	(174,693)
Depreciation expense	7,166,973	7,483,036	(316,063)	7,768,448	(285,412)
Non-operating expenses	4,216,477	5,179,659	(963,182)	3,996,260	1,183,399
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>33,280,029</b>	<b>33,110,678</b>	<b>169,351</b>	<b>33,937,728</b>	<b>(827,050)</b>
<b>Net loss before capital contributions</b>	<b>(3,048,381)</b>	<b>(1,005,484)</b>	<b>(2,042,897)</b>	<b>(4,373,455)</b>	<b>3,367,971</b>
<b>Capital contributions</b>	<b>13,548</b>	<b>244,949</b>	<b>(231,401)</b>	<b>1,257,818</b>	<b>(1,012,869)</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>(3,034,833)</b>	<b>(760,535)</b>	<b>(2,274,298)</b>	<b>(3,115,637)</b>	<b>2,355,102</b>
<b>Net position, beginning of year</b>	<b>108,672,170</b>	<b>109,432,705</b>	<b>(760,535)</b>	<b>112,548,342</b>	<b>(3,115,637)</b>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 105,637,337</b>	<b>\$ 108,672,170</b>	<b>\$ (3,034,833)</b>	<b>\$ 109,432,705</b>	<b>\$ (760,535)</b>

The statement of revenues, expenses and changes of net position shows how the District's net position changed during the years. In the case of the District, net position decreased by \$3,034,833 and \$760,535 for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

A closer examination of the sources of changes in net assets reveals that:

- The District's 2014 operating revenues decreased 3.25% or \$783,275, due to a decrease in water service revenues, while in 2013 the District's operating revenues increased 6.76% or \$1.528 million, due to an increase in water service revenues.
- The District's 2014 non-operating revenues decreased 13.66% or \$1.090 million, due primarily to a \$252,903 decrease in property tax collections and a \$688,217 decrease in legal settlements. In 2013, non-operating revenues increased 14.54% or \$1.012 million, due primarily to a \$1.217 million increase in the property tax collections.
- The District's 2014 total expenses increased .51% or \$169,351, due primarily to the net effect of a \$1.740 million increase in operating expenses and a \$963,182 decrease in non-operating expenses, while in 2013 total expenses decreased 2.44% or \$827,050 due primarily to a \$1.55 million decrease in operating expenses and a \$1.183 million increase in non-operating expenses.

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### Capital Asset Administration

At the end of year 2014 and 2013, the District's investment in capital assets amounted to \$153,780,266 and \$154,293,310 (net of accumulated depreciation), respectively. This investment in capital assets includes land, land rights, transmission and distribution systems, wells, tanks, reservoirs, pumps, buildings and structures, equipment, vehicles, State Water Project entitlement, and construction-in-process. There were numerous capital asset additions in the years 2014 and 2013. (See note 5)

Changes in capital asset amounts for 2014 were as follows:

	<b>Balance 2013</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Transfers/ Deletions</b>	<b>Balance 2014</b>
Capital assets:				
Non-depreciable assets	\$ 6,229,183	\$ 5,149,640	\$ (6,263,987)	\$ 5,114,836
Depreciable assets	272,703,136	9,702,961	(594,771)	281,811,326
Accumulated depreciation	(124,639,009)	(9,101,658)	594,771	(133,145,896)
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 154,293,310</u>	<u>\$ 5,750,943</u>	<u>\$ (6,263,987)</u>	<u>\$ 153,780,266</u>

Changes in capital asset amounts for 2013 were as follows:

	<b>Balance 2012</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Transfers/ Deletions</b>	<b>Balance 2013</b>
Capital assets:				
Non-depreciable assets	\$ 5,728,926	\$ 2,920,947	\$ (2,420,690)	\$ 6,229,183
Depreciable assets	267,119,035	6,204,257	(620,156)	272,703,136
Accumulated depreciation	(116,038,623)	(9,220,542)	620,156	(124,639,009)
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 156,809,338</u>	<u>\$ (95,338)</u>	<u>\$ (2,420,690)</u>	<u>\$ 154,293,310</u>

### Debt Administration

In 2014, long-term debt decreased by \$1,707,974, due to principal payments made by the District. In 2013, long-term debt increased by \$6,791,241, due primarily to a refunding and issuance of new debt during the year. (See notes 8, 9 and 10)

Changes in long-term debt amounts for 2014 were as follows:

	<b>Balance 2013</b>	<b>Additions/ Deletions</b>	<b>Principal Payments</b>	<b>Balance 2014</b>
Long-term debt:				
2012 – Refunding COP's	\$ 11,726,489	\$ -	\$ (1,017,774)	\$ 10,708,715
2013 – Bonds payable	43,610,000	-	(455,000)	43,155,000
Capital lease payable	579,128	-	(170,198)	408,930
Pension-related debt	1,084,487	-	(65,002)	1,019,485
Total long-term debt	<u>\$ 57,000,104</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,707,974)</u>	<u>\$ 55,292,130</u>

Changes in long-term debt amounts for 2013 were as follows:

	<b>Balance 2012</b>	<b>Additions/ Deletions</b>	<b>Principal Payments</b>	<b>Balance 2013</b>
Long-term debt:				
2004 – COP's	\$ 35,560,000	\$ (35,560,000)	\$ -	\$ -
2012 – Refunding COP's	12,765,208	-	(1,038,719)	11,726,489
2013 – Bonds payable	-	44,350,000	(740,000)	43,610,000
Capital lease payable	742,614	-	(163,486)	579,128
Pension-related debt	1,141,041	-	(56,554)	1,084,487
Total long-term debt	<u>\$ 50,208,863</u>	<u>\$ 8,790,000</u>	<u>\$ (1,998,759)</u>	<u>\$ 57,000,104</u>

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**Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide the District's funding sources, customers, stakeholders and other interested parties with an overview of the District's financial operations and financial condition. Should the reader have questions regarding the information included in this report or wish to request additional financial information, please contact the District's Finance Manager at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, CA 93550 or by phone (661) 947-4111.

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# **Basic Financial Statements**

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Statements of Net Position**  
**December 31, 2014 and 2013**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents (note 2)	\$ 9,220,142	\$ 8,481,773
Restricted – cash and cash equivalents (note 2)	4,410,779	7,761,016
Investments (note 2)	3,761,914	3,734,701
Accrued interest receivable	6,682	6,750
Accounts receivable – water sales and services, net (note 3)	1,576,011	1,784,916
Accounts receivable – property taxes and assessments	5,041,581	5,191,580
Accounts receivable – other	506	13,397
Materials and supplies inventory	1,572,698	832,364
Prepaid items and other deposits	754,940	438,130
Total current assets	<u>26,345,253</u>	<u>28,244,627</u>
<b>Non-current assets:</b>		
Investment in Palmdale Recycled Water Authority (note 4)	65,420	100,000
Capital assets – not being depreciated (note 5)	5,114,836	6,229,183
Capital assets – being depreciated, net (note 5)	148,665,430	148,064,127
Total non-current assets	<u>153,845,686</u>	<u>154,393,310</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>180,190,939</u>	<u>182,637,937</u>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources:</b>		
Deferred loss on debt defeasance, net (note 6)	2,791,901	2,948,593
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<u>2,791,901</u>	<u>2,948,593</u>
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources</b>	<u><u>\$ 182,982,840</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 185,586,530</u></u>

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**Statements of Net Position (Continued)**  
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	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>Current liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 775,402	\$ 631,476
Customer deposits for water service	2,863,067	2,597,134
Construction and developer deposits	1,703,611	1,742,137
Unearned property taxes and assessments	3,525,000	3,500,000
Accrued interest payable	552,900	563,062
Long-term liabilities – due in one year:		
Compensated absences (note 7)	273,252	271,874
Bonds payable (note 8)	470,000	455,000
Capital lease payable (note 9)	177,185	170,198
Certificates of participation (note 8)	1,048,421	1,017,774
Pension-related debt (note 10)	74,268	65,002
Total current liabilities	<u>11,463,106</u>	<u>11,013,657</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities:</b>		
Long-term liabilities – due in more than one year:		
Compensated absences (note 7)	91,085	90,625
Bonds payable (note 8)	42,685,000	43,155,000
Capital lease payable (note 9)	231,745	408,930
Certificates of participation (note 8)	9,660,294	10,708,715
Premium(discount) on certificates of participation, net (note 8)	2,936,194	3,038,323
Other post employment benefits payable (note 11)	9,332,862	7,479,625
Pension-related debt (note 10)	945,217	1,019,485
Total non-current liabilities	<u>65,882,397</u>	<u>65,900,703</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>77,345,503</u>	<u>76,914,360</u>
<b>Net position:</b>		
Net investment in capital assets (note 12)	103,774,107	106,048,979
Restricted for investment in Palmdale Recycled Water Authority (note 4)	65,420	100,000
Unrestricted (note 13)	1,797,810	2,523,191
<b>Total net position</b>	<u>105,637,337</u>	<u>108,672,170</u>
<b>Total liabilities and net position</b>	<u>\$ 182,982,840</u>	<u>\$ 185,586,530</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position**  
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	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>Operating revenues:</b>		
Water sales – commodity charge	\$ 8,502,071	\$ 9,217,809
Monthly water service charge	11,321,843	11,059,700
Water quality fees	1,564,800	1,650,551
Elevation fees	477,654	553,632
Other water service charges	1,475,268	1,643,319
Total operating revenues	<u>23,341,636</u>	<u>24,125,011</u>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>		
Source of supply – purchased water	3,164,037	3,205,345
Operations and production	5,875,735	5,685,515
Facilities	4,270,413	3,408,556
Engineering	1,289,492	1,460,236
Water conservation	361,146	396,176
Administration	3,794,424	3,111,692
Finance and customer service	3,650,150	3,397,795
Total operating expenses	<u>22,405,397</u>	<u>20,665,315</u>
Operating income before overhead absorption	936,239	3,459,696
Overhead absorption	508,818	217,332
Operating income before depreciation expense	1,445,057	3,677,028
Depreciation expense	(7,166,973)	(7,483,036)
<b>Operating loss</b>	<u>(5,721,916)</u>	<u>(3,806,008)</u>
<b>Non-operating revenue(expense):</b>		
Property taxes – ad valorem	1,582,069	1,765,553
Property tax assessment for State Water Project	5,066,642	4,899,758
Successor agency component of property taxes	415,074	651,377
Investment earnings	45,464	34,920
Change-in-market value of investments	5,005	(39,707)
Change in investment – Palmdale Recycled Water Authority (note 4)	(34,580)	-
Rental income	-	154,972
Legal and insurance refunds/settlements	(490,406)	197,811
State Water Project amortization expense	(1,934,685)	(1,737,506)
Interest expense – long-term debt	(2,125,100)	(1,900,004)
Amortization of deferred resources outflows (note 6)	(156,692)	(1,542,149)
Dept. of Water Resources fixed-charge recovery	221,578	233,833
Other non-operating revenues/(expenses), net	79,166	81,666
Total non-operating revenues, net	<u>2,673,535</u>	<u>2,800,524</u>
<b>Net loss before capital contributions</b>	<u>(3,048,381)</u>	<u>(1,005,484)</u>
<b>Capital contributions:</b>		
Capital improvement fees	13,548	244,949
Total capital contributions	<u>13,548</u>	<u>244,949</u>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<u>(3,034,833)</u>	<u>(760,535)</u>
<b>Net position, beginning of year</b>	<u>108,672,170</u>	<u>109,432,705</u>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 105,637,337</u>	<u>\$ 108,672,170</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Statements of Cash Flows**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Cash receipts from customers for water sales and services	\$ 23,816,474	\$ 24,650,672
Cash receipts from others	313,635	1,115,757
Cash paid to vendors and suppliers for materials and services	(14,473,215)	(14,018,204)
Cash paid to employees for salaries and wages	(7,010,439)	(6,547,188)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>2,646,455</u>	<u>5,201,037</u>
<b>Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from property taxes	7,188,784	6,960,926
Proceeds from note receivable – property taxes from state	-	167,267
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	<u>7,188,784</u>	<u>7,128,193</u>
<b>Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:</b>		
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(8,588,614)	(6,704,514)
Proceeds from capital improvement fees	13,548	244,949
Principal paid on long-term debt	(1,707,974)	(1,998,759)
Proceeds from refunding issuance	-	44,986,800
Cost of refunding security	-	(35,540,000)
Cost of refunding issuance	-	(629,800)
Interest paid on long-term debt	(2,187,391)	(1,963,447)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	<u>(12,470,431)</u>	<u>(1,604,771)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from sales(purchases) of investments, net	(22,208)	(1,755,358)
Interest and investment earnings	45,532	33,585
Net cash provided by(used in) investing activities	<u>23,324</u>	<u>(1,721,773)</u>
<b>Net increase(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<u>(2,611,868)</u>	<u>9,002,686</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year</b>	<u>16,242,789</u>	<u>7,240,103</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of year</b>	<u><u>\$ 13,630,921</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,242,789</u></u>
<b>Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents to statements of net position:</b>		
	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,220,142	\$ 8,481,773
Restricted – cash and cash equivalents	4,410,779	7,761,016
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<u><u>\$ 13,630,921</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,242,789</u></u>

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**Palmdale Water District**  
**Statements of Cash Flows, continued**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Operating loss	\$ (5,721,916)	\$ (3,806,008)
<b>Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Deprecation expense	7,166,973	7,483,036
Rental income	-	154,972
Legal and insurance refunds/settlements	(490,406)	197,811
Dept. of Water Resources fixed-charge recovery	221,578	233,833
Other non-operating revenues/(expenses), net	79,166	81,666
<b>Changes in assets and liabilities:</b>		
(Increase)Decrease in assets:		
Accounts receivable – water sales and services, net	208,905	268,169
Accounts receivable – other	12,891	405,764
Materials and supplies inventory	(740,334)	106,449
Prepaid items and other deposits	(316,810)	(305,430)
Increase(Decrease) in liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	143,926	(1,466,194)
Customer deposits for water service	265,933	257,492
Construction and developer deposits	(38,526)	41,711
Compensated absences	1,838	36,583
Other post employment benefits payable	1,853,237	1,511,183
Total adjustments	<u>8,368,371</u>	<u>9,007,045</u>
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<u><u>\$ 2,646,455</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,201,037</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements**  
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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**Organization and Operations of the Reporting Entity**

The Palmdale Water District (District) was formed as an Irrigation District under Division 11 of the California Water Code in 1918. The District provides potable water service to a portion of the City of Palmdale, California, and surrounding unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles. The District is operated under the direction of a five-member board of directors. The board members are elected by the public for staggered four-year terms.

The Palmdale Water District Public Facilities Corporation (Corporation) was organized on August 22, 1991 pursuant to the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law of the State of California (Title 1, Division 2, Part 2 of the California Corporations Code), solely for the purpose of acquiring and or constructing various public facilities and providing financial assistance to the District.

The District is the primary government unit. Component units are those entities which are financially accountable to the primary government, either because the District appoints a voting majority of the component unit's board or because the component unit will provide a financial benefit or impose a financial burden on the District. The District has accounted for the Corporation as a blended component unit. Despite being legally separate, this entity is so intertwined with the District that it is in substance part of the District's operations. Accordingly, this component unit is included within the financial statements of the District.

**Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus**

The District reports its activities as an enterprise fund, which is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, where the intent of the District is that the costs of providing water to its service area on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges (water sales), capital grants and similar funding. Revenues and expenses are recognized on the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place.

Operating revenues and expenses, such as water sales and water purchases, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the District. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Management, administration and depreciation expenses are also considered operating expenses. Other revenues and expenses not included in the above categories are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

**Financial Reporting**

The District's basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), as applied to enterprise funds. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The District solely operates as a special-purpose government which means it is only engaged in business-type activities; accordingly, activities are reported in the District's proprietary fund.

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, and Net Position**

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported changes in net assets during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Substantially all of the District's cash is invested in interest bearing accounts. The District considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

**Investments and Investment Policy**

The District has adopted an investment policy directing management to deposit funds in financial institutions.

Changes in fair value that occur during a fiscal year are recognized as investment income reported for that fiscal year. Investment income includes interest earnings, changes in fair value, and any gains or losses realized upon the liquidation or sale of investments.

**Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts**

The District extends credit to customers in the normal course of operations. When management deems customer accounts uncollectible, the District uses the allowance method for the reservation and write-off of those accounts.

**Property Taxes and Assessments**

The County of Los Angeles Assessor's Office assesses all real and personal property within the County each year. The County of Los Angeles Tax Collector's Office bills and collects the District's share of property taxes and assessments. The County of Los Angeles Treasurer's Office remits current and delinquent property tax collections to the District throughout the year. Property tax in California is levied in accordance with Article 13A of the State Constitution at one percent (1%) of countywide assessed valuations.

Property taxes receivable at year-end are related to property taxes collected by the County of Los Angeles, which have not been credited to the District's cash balance as of December 31. The property tax calendar is as follows:

Lien date	March 1
Levy date	July 1
Due dates	November 1 and March 1
Collection dates	December 10 and April 10

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, and Net Position**

**Materials and Supplies**

Materials and supplies consist primarily of water meters, pipe and pipefittings for construction and repair to the District's water transmission and distribution system. Materials and supplies are valued at cost using a weighted average method. Materials and supplies items are charged to expense at the time that individual items are consumed.

**Prepaid Items**

Certain payments to vendors reflects costs or deposits applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in the basic financial statements.

**Restricted Assets**

Certain assets of the District are restricted for use by ordinance or debt covenant and, accordingly are shown as restricted assets on the accompanying statement of net assets. The District uses restricted resources, prior to using unrestricted resources, to pay expenditures meeting the criteria imposed on the use of restricted resources by a third party.

**Capital Assets**

Capital assets acquired and/or constructed are capitalized at historical cost. District policy has set the capitalization threshold for reporting capital assets at \$5,000. Donated assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Upon retirement or other disposition of capital assets, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective balances and any gains or losses are recognized. Depreciation is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Littlerock Dam	50 years
Buildings, wells and distribution system	40 years
Machinery and equipment	3-20 years

**State Water Project – Participation Rights**

The District participates in the State Water Project (Project) entitling it to certain participation rights. The District's participation in the Project is through cash payments. Monies used for the construction of capital assets, such as pipelines, pumping facilities, storage facilities, etc., are recorded as participation rights and amortized over the life of the agreements. Certain projects also require payments for on-going maintenance; those payments are charged to expense as incurred.

**Deferred Charges**

The deferred charges are from debt issuance costs that have been expensed as incurred.

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, and Net Position, continued**

**Compensated Absences**

The District's personnel policies provide for accumulation of vacation and sick leave. Liabilities for vacation and sick leave are recorded when benefits are earned. Cash payment of unused vacation is available to those qualified employees when retired or terminated.

**Customer Deposits**

Based on a customer's credit, the District may require a deposit deemed reasonable by the District. These deposits are held to pay off close out bills or to cover delinquent payments.

**Net Position**

The financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as follows:

- **Net Investment in Capital Assets Component of Net Position**– This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by any debt outstanding against the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt are included in this component of net position.
- **Restricted Component of Net Position** – This component of net position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.
- **Unrestricted Component of Net Position** – This component of net position is the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of the net investment in capital assets or restricted component of net position.

**Water Sales**

Most water sales are billed on a monthly cyclical basis. Estimated unbilled water revenue through year-end has been accrued.

**Capital Improvement Fees**

Capital improvement fees represent cash and capital asset additions contributed to the District by property owners, granting agencies or real estate developers desiring services that require capital expenditures or capacity commitment.

**Budgetary Policies**

The District adopts an annual non-appropriated budget for planning, control, and evaluation purposes. Budgetary control and evaluation are affected by comparisons of actual revenues and expenses with planned revenues and expenses for the period. Encumbrance accounting is not used to account for commitments related to unperformed contracts for construction and services.

**Reclassifications**

The District has reclassified certain prior year information to conform to current year presentations of the basic financials statements.



**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**Note 2 – Cash and Investments**

Cash and investments as of December 31, are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,220,142	\$ 8,481,773
Restricted – cash and cash equivalents	4,410,779	7,761,016
Investments	3,761,914	3,734,701
Total cash and investments	<u>\$ 17,392,835</u>	<u>\$ 19,977,490</u>

Cash and investments as of December 31, consist of the following:

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Cash on hand	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,700
Deposits with financial institutions	290,028	1,378,439
Deposits in money market funds	13,325,460	14,848,945
Deposits with the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	11,733	11,705
Investments	3,761,914	3,734,701
Total cash and investments	<u>\$ 17,392,835</u>	<u>\$ 19,977,490</u>

***Investments Authorized by the California Government Code and the District's Investment Policy***

The following table identifies the investment types that are authorized by the District in accordance with the California Government Code (or the District's investment policy, where more restrictive). The table also identifies certain provisions of the California Government Code (or the District's investment policy, where more restrictive) that address interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk. This table does not address investments of debt proceeds held by bond trustees that are governed by the provisions of debt agreements of the District, rather than the general provisions of the California Government Code or the District's investment policy.

<b>Authorized Investment Type</b>	<b>Maximum Maturity</b>	<b>Maximum Percentage Of Portfolio</b>	<b>Maximum Investment in One Issuer</b>
U.S. Treasury Obligations	5 years	None	None
District Issued Bonds	5 years	None	None
Federal Agency Obligations	5 years	None	None
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	5 years	30%	None
Money Market Mutual Funds	N/A	None	None
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	N/A	None	None

***Investments Authorized by Debt Agreements***

Investment of debt proceeds held by bond trustees are governed by provisions of the debt agreements, rather than the general provisions of the California Government Code or the District's investment policy. The table below identifies the investment types that are authorized for investments held by bond trustee. The table also identifies certain provisions of these debt agreements that address interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk.

<b>Authorized Investment Type</b>	<b>Maximum Maturity</b>	<b>Maximum Percentage Of Portfolio</b>	<b>Maximum Investment in One Issuer</b>
Investment Contracts	None	None	None
Money Market Mutual Funds	N/A	None	None

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

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**Note 2 – Cash and Investments (Continued)**

***Investment in State Investment Pool***

The District is a voluntary participant in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) that is regulated by the California Government Code under the oversight of the Treasurer of the State of California. The fair value of the District's investment in this pool is reported in the accompanying financial statements at amounts based upon the District's pro-rata share of the fair value provided by LAIF for the entire LAIF portfolio (in relation to the amortized cost of that portfolio). The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by LAIF, which are recorded on an amortized cost basis.

***Custodial Credit Risk***

Custodial credit risk for *deposits* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for *investments* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. With respect to investments, custodial credit risk generally applies only to direct investments in marketable securities. Custodial credit risk does not apply to a local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools (such as LAIF).

The California Government Code and the District's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for deposits or investments, other than the following provision for deposits: The California Government Code requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least 110% of the total amount deposited by the public agencies. California law also allows financial institutions to secure District deposits by pledging first trust deed mortgage notes having a value of 150% of the secured public deposits. Of the bank balances, federally insured is unlimited for non-interest bearing accounts through December 31, 2014 and the remaining balance is collateralized in accordance with the Code; however, the collateralized securities are not held in the District's name.

***Interest Rate Risk***

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. One of the ways that the District manages its exposure to interest rate risk is by purchasing a combination of shorter term and longer term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of the portfolio matures or comes close to maturity evenly over time as necessary to provide requirements for cash flow and liquidity needed for operations.

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**Note 2 – Cash and Investments (Continued)**

***Interest Rate Risk Continued***

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the District's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is provided by the following table that shows the distribution of the District's investments by maturity date:

Investment maturities as of December 31, 2014, were as follows:

Investment Type	Amount	Remaining Maturity (in Months)			
		12 Months Or Less	13 to 24 Months	25-60 Months	More than 60 Months
Certificates-of-deposit	\$ 1,264,119	\$ 544,666	\$ 239,666	\$ 479,787	\$ -
Government sponsored agency obligations	2,497,795	505,690	997,530	994,575	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,761,914</b>	<b>\$ 1,050,356</b>	<b>\$ 1,237,196</b>	<b>\$ 1,474,362</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

Investment maturities as of December 31, 2013, were as follows:

Investment Type	Amount	Remaining Maturity (in Months)			
		12 Months Or Less	13 to 24 Months	25-60 Months	More than 60 Months
Certificates-of-deposit	\$ 1,739,716	\$ 479,602	\$ 542,937	\$ 717,177	\$ -
Government sponsored agency obligations	1,994,985	-	510,925	1,484,060	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,734,701</b>	<b>\$ 479,602</b>	<b>\$ 1,053,862</b>	<b>\$ 2,201,237</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

***Credit Risk***

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. Presented below is the minimum rating required by (where applicable) the California Government Code, the District's investment policy, or debt agreements, and the actual rating as of year end for each investment type.

Credit ratings as of December 31, 2014, were as follows:

Investment Type	Amount	Minimum Legal Rating	Rating as of year-end	
			Moody's Aaa	Not Rated
Certificates-of-deposit	\$ 1,264,119	Aaa	\$ -	\$ 1,264,119
Government sponsored agency obligations	2,497,795	Aaa	2,497,795	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,761,914</b>		<b>\$ 2,497,795</b>	<b>\$ 1,264,119</b>

Credit ratings as of December 31, 2013, were as follows:

Investment Type	Amount	Minimum Legal Rating	Rating as of year-end	
			Moody's Aaa	Not Rated
Certificates-of-deposit	\$ 1,739,716	Aaa	\$ -	\$ 1,739,716
Government sponsored agency obligations	1,994,985	Aaa	1,994,985	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,734,701</b>		<b>\$ 1,994,985</b>	<b>\$ 1,739,716</b>

***Concentration of Credit Risk***

The investment policy of the District contains no limitations on the amount that can be invested in any one issuer beyond that stipulated by the California Government Code. Investments in any one issuer (other than U.S. Treasury securities, mutual funds, and external investment pools) that represent 5% or more of total District investments are as follows:

Issuer	Investment Type	Invested Amount	
		2014	2013
Certificates-of-deposit	Certificates-of-deposit	\$ 1,264,119	\$ 1,739,716
Government sponsored agency obligations	Government sponsored agency	2,497,795	1,994,985
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 3,761,914</b>	<b>\$ 3,734,701</b>

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
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**Note 3 – Accounts Receivable – Water Sales and Services, Net**

The balance at December 31, consists of the following:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Accounts receivable – water sales and services	\$ 1,776,210	\$ 2,011,316
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	(200,199)	(226,400)
Accounts receivable – water sales and services, net	<u>\$ 1,576,011</u>	<u>\$ 1,784,916</u>

**Note 4 – Investment in Palmdale Recycled Water Authority**

The Palmdale Recycled Water Authority (Authority) was formed under a Joint Exercise of Powers Authority on September 26, 2012, pursuant to Section(s) 6506 and 6507 of the Exercise of Powers Act, codified by California Government Code section(s) 6500, which authorizes public agencies by agreement to exercise jointly any power common to the contracting parties. The Authority was formed between the City of Palmdale, a California Charter City (City) and Palmdale Water District, an Irrigation District under Division 11 of the California Water Code (District). The Authority is an independent public agency separate from its Members.

The purpose of the Authority is to establish an independent public agency to study, promote, develop, distribute, construct, install, finance, use and manage recycled water resources created by the Los Angeles County Sanitation District Nos. 14 and 20 for any and all reasonable and beneficial uses, including irrigation and recharge, and to finance the acquisition and construction or installation of recycled water facilities, recharge facilities and irrigation systems.

The governing body of the Authority is a Board of Directors, which consists of five Directors. The governing body of each Member appoints and designates in writing two Directors who are authorized to act for and on behalf of the Member on matters within the powers of the Authority. The person(s) appointed and designated as Director(s) are member(s) of the Member's governing board. The fifth Director is appointed jointly by both Members.

The Members share in the revenues and expenses of the Authority on a 50/50 pro-rata share basis. Therefore, the District accounts for its investment in the Authority as an equity interest on the statement of net position. The District reports its equity interest as of the date of the most recent audited financial statements of the Authority, which was audited by other auditors, whose report dated May 13, 2014, expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
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**Note 4 – Investment in Palmdale Recycled Water Authority (Continued)**

The following is the condensed financial statements of the Authority.

**Palmdale Recycled Water Authority**  
**Condensed Statement of Financial Position**  
**December 31, 2013**

	<b>Audited Total</b>	<b>City of Palmdale 50% Share</b>	<b>District 50% Share</b>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Total assets	\$ 181,184	\$ 90,592	\$ 90,592
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Total liabilities	50,343	25,171	25,172
<b>Net position:</b>			
Total net position	130,841	65,421	65,420
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 181,184	\$ 90,592	\$ 90,592

**Palmdale Recycled Water Authority**  
**Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2013**

	<b>Audited Total</b>	<b>City of Palmdale 50% Share</b>	<b>District 50% Share</b>
<b>Operating revenues:</b>			
Total operating revenues	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
<b>Operating expenses:</b>			
Total operating expenses	69,194	34,597	34,597
Operating income	130,806	65,403	65,403
<b>Non-operating revenues:</b>			
Total non-operating revenue	35	18	17
Change in net position	130,841	65,421	65,420
<b>Net position – beginning of year</b>	-	-	-
<b>Net position – end of year</b>	\$ 130,841	\$ 65,421	\$ 65,420

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**Note 5 – Capital Assets**

Changes in capital assets for 2014, were as follows:

	<b>Balance January 1, 2014</b>	<b>Additions/ Transfers</b>	<b>Deletions/ Transfers</b>	<b>Balance December 31, 2014</b>
Non-depreciable assets:				
Land and land rights	\$ 1,784,358	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,784,358
Construction-in-process	4,444,825	5,149,640	(6,263,987)	3,330,478
Total non-depreciable assets	6,229,183	5,149,640	(6,263,987)	5,114,836
Depreciable assets:				
Buildings, wells and distribution system	203,404,764	6,115,668	(544,844)	208,975,588
SWP – participation rights	58,873,747	3,386,115	-	62,259,862
Machinery and equipment	10,424,625	201,178	(49,927)	10,575,876
Total depreciable assets	272,703,136	9,702,961	(594,771)	281,811,326
Accumulated depreciation & amortization:				
Buildings, wells and distribution system	(96,411,576)	(6,179,909)	544,844	(102,046,641)
SWP – participation rights	(20,146,292)	(1,934,685)	-	(22,080,977)
Machinery and equipment	(8,081,141)	(987,064)	49,927	(9,018,278)
Total accumulated depreciation	(124,639,009)	(9,101,658)	594,771	(133,145,896)
Total depreciable assets, net	148,064,127	601,303	-	148,665,430
Total capital assets, net	\$ 154,293,310	\$ 5,750,943	\$ (6,263,987)	\$ 153,780,266

Changes in capital assets for 2013, were as follows:

	<b>Balance January 1, 2013</b>	<b>Additions/ Transfers</b>	<b>Deletions/ Transfers</b>	<b>Balance December 31, 2013</b>
Non-depreciable assets:				
Land and land rights	\$ 1,784,358	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,784,358
Construction-in-process	3,944,568	2,920,947	(2,420,690)	4,444,825
Total non-depreciable assets	5,728,926	2,920,947	(2,420,690)	6,229,183
Depreciable assets:				
Buildings, wells and distribution system	201,710,783	2,314,137	(620,156)	203,404,764
SWP – participation rights	55,038,127	3,835,620	-	58,873,747
Machinery and equipment	10,370,125	54,500	-	10,424,625
Total depreciable assets	267,119,035	6,204,257	(620,156)	272,703,136
Accumulated depreciation & amortization:				
Buildings, wells and distribution system	(90,734,769)	(6,296,963)	620,156	(96,411,576)
SWP – participation rights	(18,408,786)	(1,737,506)	-	(20,146,292)
Machinery and equipment	(6,895,068)	(1,186,073)	-	(8,081,141)
Total accumulated depreciation	(116,038,623)	(9,220,542)	620,156	(124,639,009)
Total depreciable assets, net	151,080,412	(3,016,285)	-	148,064,127
Total capital assets, net	\$ 156,809,338	\$ (95,338)	\$ (2,420,690)	\$ 154,293,310

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**Note 5 – Capital Assets (Continued)**

***Construction-In-Process***

The District has been involved in various construction projects throughout the year. The balances of the various construction projects that comprise the construction-in-process balances at December 31 are as follows:

The balance at December 31, consists of the following projects:

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Sediment removal – Littlerock Dam	\$ 946,305	\$ 1,033,185	\$ 1,395,256
Distribution master plan	532,335	-	-
Recycled facilities master plan	291,543	296,111	-
Garden bar study	162,630	162,630	-
Division Street/Avenue Q3 waterline replacement	1,030,925	-	-
Well 11A rehabilitation project	323,627	361,528	-
3600' Zone tank replacement project	100,904	-	-
20th/22nd/Pld Bl/Ave Q Vicinity waterline replacement	69,207	163,998	-
Avenue Q5/16th St. E. waterline replacement	47,824	506,895	-
Ave Q/Ave Q3/Division/Sumac waterline replacement	13,363	863,956	-
Avenue P14 waterline replacement	2,909	191,418	-
Localized GAC Contractor	-	408,617	-
10th ST E waterline replacement (Spec 1207)	-	44,771	802,533
Frontier/31st/32nd waterline replacement (Spec 1205)	-	45,419	255,459
Littlerock groundwater recharge project	-	-	622,707
Various other minor projects >\$100,000	422,996	366,297	254,523
Construction-in-process	<u>\$ 3,944,568</u>	<u>\$ 4,444,825</u>	<u>\$ 3,330,478</u>

***State Water Project – Participation Rights***

In 1963, the District contracted with the State of California (State) for 1,620 acre-feet per year of water from the State Water Project (SWP). In subsequent years, the annual entitlement increased to 21,300 acre feet. The SWP distributes water from Northern California to Southern California through a system of reservoirs, canals, pumps stations and power generation facilities.

The District is one of many participants contracting with the State of California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for a system to provide water throughout California. Under the terms of the State Water Contract, as amended, the District is obligated to pay allocable portions of the cost of construction of the system and ongoing operations and maintenance costs through at least the year 2035, regardless of the quantities of water available from the project. The District and the other contractors may also be responsible to the State for certain obligations by any contractor who defaults on its payments to the State.

Management's present intention is to exercise the District's option to extend the contractual period to at least 2052, under substantially comparable terms. This corresponds to an estimated 80-year service life for the original facilities. The State is obligated to provide specific quantities of water throughout the life of the contract, subject to certain conditions.

In addition to system on-aqueduct power facilities, the State has, either on their own or through joint venture financed certain off-aqueduct power facilities (OAPF). The power generated is utilized by the system for water transportation and distribution purposes. Power generated in excess of system needs is marketed to various utilities and California's power market.

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**Note 5 – Capital Assets (Continued)**

***State Water Project – Participation Rights Continued***

The District is entitled to a proportionate share of the revenues resulting from sales of excess power. The District and the other water providers are responsible for repaying the capital and operating costs of the OAPF regardless of the amount of power generated.

The District capitalizes its share of system construction costs as participation rights in the State water facilities when such costs are billed by the DWR. Unamortized participation rights essentially represent a prepayment for future water deliveries through the State system. The District's share of system operations and maintenance costs is charged to expense as incurred.

The District amortizes a portion of capitalized participation rights each year using a formula that considers the total estimated cost of the project, estimated useful life and estimated production capacity of the assets based upon information provided by the State of California. The participation rights have been included with the District's capital assets as shown in the schedule of changes in capital assets.

**Note 6 – Deferred Outflows of Resources**

Changes in deferred outflows of resources for 2014, were as follows:

	<u>Balance January 1, 2014</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Amortization</u>	<u>Balance December 31, 2014</u>
Deferred outflows of resources:					
Deferred loss on debt defeasance, net	\$ 2,948,593	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (156,692)	\$ 2,791,901
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 2,948,593</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (156,692)</u>	<u>\$ 2,791,901</u>

Changes in deferred outflows of resources for 2013, were as follows:

	<u>Balance January 1, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Amortization</u>	<u>Balance December 31, 2013</u>
Deferred outflows of resources:					
Deferred charges, net	\$ 786,956	\$ 629,800	\$ -	\$ (1,416,756)	\$ -
Deferred loss on debt defeasance, net	795,323	2,044,873	233,790	(125,393)	2,948,593
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 1,582,279</u>	<u>\$ 2,674,673</u>	<u>\$ 233,790</u>	<u>\$ (1,542,149)</u>	<u>\$ 2,948,593</u>

**Note 7 – Compensated Absences**

Changes in compensated absences for 2014, were as follows:

<u>Balance January 1, 2014</u>	<u>Earned</u>	<u>Taken</u>	<u>Balance December 31, 2014</u>	<u>Current Portion</u>	<u>Long-term Portion</u>
\$ 362,499	\$ 518,155	\$ (516,317)	\$ 364,337	\$ 273,252	\$ 91,085

Changes in compensated absences for 2013, were as follows:

<u>Balance January 1, 2013</u>	<u>Earned</u>	<u>Taken</u>	<u>Balance December 31, 2013</u>	<u>Current Portion</u>	<u>Long-term Portion</u>
\$ 325,916	\$ 476,883	\$ (440,300)	\$ 362,499	\$ 271,874	\$ 90,625



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**Note 8 – Long-term Debt**

Changes in long-term debt amounts for 2014, were as follows:

	Balance January 1, 2014	Additions/ Deletions	Principal Payments	Balance December 31, 2014	Due within One Year	Due in More Than One Year
Long-term debt:						
2012 – Refunding certificates of participation	\$ 11,726,489	\$ -	\$ (1,017,774)	\$ 10,708,715	\$ 1,048,421	\$ 9,660,294
2013 – Bonds payable	43,610,000	-	(455,000)	43,155,000	470,000	42,685,000
Capital lease payable	579,128	-	(170,198)	408,930	177,185	231,745
Pension-related debt	1,084,487	-	(65,002)	1,019,485	74,268	945,217
Total long-term debt	<u>\$ 57,000,104</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,707,974)</u>	<u>\$ 55,292,130</u>	<u>\$ 1,769,874</u>	<u>\$ 53,522,256</u>

Changes in long-term debt amounts for 2013, were as follows:

	Balance January 1, 2013	Additions/ Deletions	Principal Payments	Balance December 31, 2013	Due within One Year	Due in More Than One Year
Long-term debt:						
2004 – Certificates of participation	\$ 35,560,000	\$ (35,560,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2012 – Refunding certificates of participation	12,765,208	-	(1,038,719)	11,726,489	1,017,774	10,708,715
2013 – Bonds payable	-	44,350,000	(740,000)	43,610,000	455,000	43,155,000
Capital lease payable	742,614	-	(163,486)	579,128	170,198	408,930
Pension-related debt	1,141,041	-	(56,554)	1,084,487	65,002	1,019,485
Total long-term debt	<u>\$ 50,208,863</u>	<u>\$ 8,790,000</u>	<u>\$ (1,998,759)</u>	<u>\$ 57,000,104</u>	<u>\$ 1,707,974</u>	<u>\$ 55,292,130</u>

***Certificates of Participation***

***2004 Certificates of Participation***

In August 2004, the District issued \$38,285,000 of Revenue Certificates of Participation, Series 2004 (2004 COP's), with maturities from 2008 through 2034 and an average interest rate of 4.90%. The net proceeds are to be used to finance the acquisition, construction and improvement of certain water facilities and to pay issuance costs of the debt. Issuance of the 2004 COP's resulted in a premium of \$328,767 which is being amortized over the life of the issue using the straight-line method.

In 2013, the District advanced refunded the remaining \$35,560,000 of the 2004 COP's into the 2013 Bonds payable issuance.

***2012 Refunding Certificates of Participation***

In November 2012, the District issued \$12,765,208 of Refunding Revenue Certificates of Participation, Series 2012 (2012 COP's), with maturities from 2013 through 2023 and an interest rate of 3.10%. The net proceeds of the issuance were used to accomplish an advance refunding (an in-substance defeasance) of \$12,505,000 aggregate principal amount of the District's 1998 COP's with an average interest rate of 4.73%. The initial escrow deposit was used to purchase government sponsored agency obligation securities. These securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the Series 1998 Certificates of Participation.

The advance refunding resulted in a difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying value amount of the old debt of \$312,075. This difference is being amortized through 2023 (the life of the debt) using the straight-line method as a deferred loss on debt defeasance. The District completed the advance refunding to reduce its total debt service payments over the next 11 years by approximately \$1.293 million and to obtain an economic gain (the difference between the present values of the old and new debt service payments) of approximately \$1.154 million.

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**Note 8 – Long-term Debt (Continued)**

Annual debt service requirements for the 2012 Refunding Certificates of Participation are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 1,048,421	\$ 323,907	\$ 1,372,328
2016	1,082,553	291,144	1,373,697
2017	1,115,453	257,332	1,372,785
2018	1,147,084	222,509	1,369,593
2019-2023	6,315,204	550,772	6,865,976
Total	10,708,715	1,645,664	12,354,379
Less: current	(1,048,421)		
Total non-current	\$ 9,660,294		

***Bonds Payable***

***2013 Bonds Payable***

The District's Public Financing Authority issued \$44,350,000 in Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2013A (2013 Bonds) with maturities from 2013 through 2043 with an interest rate range between 2.00% to 5.00% pursuant to an Indenture of Trust, dated as of May 1, 2013, by and between the Authority and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee. The 2013 Bonds are being issued: (i) to prepay the District's outstanding Revenue Certificates of Participation, Series 2004, (ii) to finance certain improvements to the District's Water System; (iii) to purchase a municipal bond insurance policy to guarantee payment of the principal of and interest on the 2013 Bonds; (iv) to purchase a municipal bond debt service reserve insurance policy for deposit in the Reserve Fund; and (v) to pay the costs of issuing the 2013 Bonds. Principal and interest payments are due in April and October each year.

Annual debt service requirements for the 2013 Bonds payable are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 470,000	\$ 1,879,625	\$ 2,349,625
2016	475,000	1,870,225	2,345,225
2017	495,000	1,855,975	2,350,975
2018	510,000	1,841,125	2,351,125
2019-2023	2,835,000	8,900,225	11,735,225
2024-2028	11,675,000	7,584,725	19,259,725
2029-2033	14,550,000	4,714,600	19,264,600
2034-2038	6,865,000	1,723,950	8,588,950
2039-2043	5,280,000	650,000	5,930,000
Total	43,155,000	31,020,450	74,175,450
Less: current	(470,000)		
Total non-current	\$ 42,685,000		

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**Note 8 – Long-term Debt (Continued)**

Changes in premium(discount) on certificates of participation for 2014, were as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>January 1, 2014</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Amortization</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>December 31, 2014</u>
Premium on certificates of participation	\$ 3,166,270	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (106,429)	\$ 3,059,841
Discount on certificates of participation	(127,947)	-	-	4,300	(123,647)
Total premium(discount) on certificates of participation, net	<u>\$ 3,038,323</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (102,129)</u>	<u>\$ 2,936,194</u>

Changes in premium(discount) on certificates of participation for 2013, were as follows:

	<u>Balance</u> <u>January 1, 2013</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Amortization</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>December 31, 2013</u>
Premium on certificates of participation	\$ 238,356	\$ 3,228,354	\$ (233,790)	\$ (66,650)	\$ 3,166,270
Discount on certificates of participation	-	(130,456)	-	2,509	(127,947)
Total premium(discount) on certificates of participation, net	<u>\$ 238,356</u>	<u>\$ 3,097,898</u>	<u>\$ (233,790)</u>	<u>\$ (64,141)</u>	<u>\$ 3,038,323</u>

**Note 9 – Capital Lease Payable**

The District has leased \$863,876 in equipment under a capital lease agreement, upon which the District will take ownership of the equipment at the end of the lease-term. Capital lease payments of \$15,868 are due on a monthly-basis from April 2013 to March 2017 at an annual interest rate of 4.030%.

Annual debt service requirements for the capital lease payable are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2015	\$ 177,185	\$ 13,231	\$ 190,416
2016	184,459	5,957	190,416
2017	47,286	318	47,604
Total	408,930	19,506	428,436
Less: current	(177,185)		
Total non-current	<u>\$ 231,745</u>		

**Note 10 – Pension-Related Debt – CalPERS Side-Fund**

As of June 30, 2003, CalPERS implemented risk-pooling for the District's agent multiple-employer public employee defined benefit pension plan. As a result, the District's defined benefit pension plan with CalPERS converted from an agent multiple-employer plan to a cost sharing multiple-employer plan. This change in the type of the plan created the CalPERS Side-Fund, which CalPERS financed at a 7.75% interest rate. CalPERS actuarially calculated the amount needed to bring the District into the cost sharing multiple-employer plan on an equal basis with other governmental agencies that had less than 100 active and retired employees combined. The reason that CalPERS switched these governmental agencies into the cost sharing multiple-employer plan was to smooth the annual costs related to the pension benefit over a longer period of time resulting in a lower cost of service to the governmental agencies.

A portion of the District's annual required contributions to CalPERS are actuarially determined and shared by all governmental agencies within the cost sharing risk pool. Also, the District is required to make annual payments to pay-down the CalPERS Side-Fund, as well. The responsibility for paying-down the District's CalPERS Side-Fund is specific to the District and is not shared by all governmental agencies within the cost sharing risk pool.

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**Note 10 – Pension-Related Debt – CalPERS Side-Fund (Continued)**

Therefore, the Side Fund falls under the definition of pension-related debt and recorded as liability on the District's financial statements.

Annual payments on the CalPERS Side-Fund represent principal and interest payments on the pension-related debt. Debt principal and interest expense is blended into the CalPERS pension benefit rate by individual class of District employee and repaid to CalPERS each payroll period throughout the fiscal year. The following is a pay-down schedule of the remaining payments of the District's CalPERS Side-Fund at a 7.50% interest rate, which was reduced by CalPERS in fiscal year 2012, for fiscal years 2012 and beyond as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015	\$ 74,268	\$ 39,244	\$ 73,962
July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016	39,550	68,425	147,525
July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017	89,620	62,330	151,950
July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018	101,068	55,441	156,509
July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019	113,517	47,688	161,205
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020	127,045	38,966	166,011
July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021	141,737	29,284	171,021
July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022	157,688	18,465	176,153
July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023	174,992	6,562	181,554
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,019,485</b>	<b>366,405</b>	<b>1,385,890</b>
Less: current	(74,268)		
<b>Total non-current</b>	<b>\$ 945,217</b>		

**Note 11 – Other Post Employment Benefits Payable**

***Plan Description – Eligibility***

The District administers its post-employment benefits plan, a single-employer defined benefit plan (Plan). The following requirements must be satisfied in order to be eligible for post employment medical, dental and vision benefits: (1) Attainment of age 55, and 20 years for full-time service, and (2) Retirement from the District (the District must be the last employer prior to retirement).

Membership in the OPEB plan consisted of the following members as of December 31:

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Active plan members	81	90	90
Retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits	15	10	10
Separated plan members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-	-	-
<b>Total plan membership</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

***Plan Description – Benefits***

The District offers post employment medical, dental and vision benefits to retired employees who satisfy the eligibility rules. Spouses and surviving spouses are also eligible to receive benefits. Retirees may enroll in any plan available through the ACWA-JPIA medical, dental and vision programs.

The contribution requirements of Plan members and the District are established and may be amended by the Board of Directors.

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**Note 11 – Other Post Employment Benefits Payable (Continued)**

***Funding Policy***

The District is required to contribute the *Annual Required Contribution (ARC) of the Employer*, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The current ARC rate is 31.42% for 2014 and 30.58% for 2013 of the annual covered payroll.

The District will pay 100% of the cost of the post-employment benefit plan. The District funds the plan on a pay-as-you-go basis and maintains reserves (and records a liability) for the difference between pay-as-you-go and the actuarially determined ARC cost.

***Annual Cost***

For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, the District's ARC cost was \$2,202,960 and \$1,892,506, respectively. The District's net OPEB payable obligation amounted to \$9,332,862 and \$7,479,625 for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The District contributed \$349,723 and \$381,323 in age adjusted contributions for current retiree OPEB premiums for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The balance at December 31, consists of the following:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Annual OPEB expense:			
Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 2,306,498	\$ 2,002,499	\$ 1,982,672
Interest on net OPEB obligation	149,593	122,950	89,796
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(253,131)</u>	<u>(232,943)</u>	<u>(170,127)</u>
Total annual OPEB expense	2,202,960	1,892,506	1,902,341
Change in net OPEB payable obligation:			
Age adjusted contributions made	<u>(349,723)</u>	<u>(381,323)</u>	<u>(292,883)</u>
Total change in net OPEB payable obligation	1,853,237	1,511,183	1,609,458
OPEB payable – beginning of year	<u>7,479,625</u>	<u>5,968,442</u>	<u>4,358,984</u>
OPEB payable – end of year	<u><u>\$ 9,332,862</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,479,625</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,968,442</u></u>

The District's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of the annual OPEB cost contributed to the Plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2014 and the three preceding years were as follows:

<i>Three-Year History of Net OPEB Obligation</i>				
<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Age Adjusted Contribution</u>	<u>Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation Payable</u>
2013	\$ 2,202,960	\$ 349,723	15.88%	\$ 9,332,862
2013	1,892,506	381,323	20.15%	7,479,625
2012	1,902,341	292,883	15.40%	5,968,442

***Funded Status and Funding Progress of the Plan***

The most recent valuation (dated February 18, 2015) includes an Actuarial Accrued Liability and Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability of \$25,778,850. There are no plan assets because the District funds on a pay-as-you-go basis and maintains no reserves equal to the remaining net post-employment benefits payable obligation. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$7,010,439. The ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to annual covered payroll was 367.72% as of December 31, 2014.

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**Note 11 – Other Post Employment Benefits Payable (Continued)**

***Actuarial Methods and Assumptions***

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Calculations are based on the types of benefits provided under the terms of the substantive plan at the time of each valuation and the pattern of sharing of costs between the employer and plan members to that point. Consistent with the long-term perspective of actuarial calculations, actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

The following is a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods:

Valuation date	December 31, 2014
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost method
Amortization method	Level percent of payroll amortization
Remaining amortization period	26 Years as of the valuation date
Asset valuation method	30 Year smoothed market
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	2.00% – Current LAIF rating (rounded)
Projected salary increase	1.90%
Inflation - discount rate	2.00%
Health care cost trend rate	3.00%

See page 37 for the Schedule of Funding Progress.

**Note 12 – Net Investment in Capital Assets**

The balance at December 31, consists of the following:

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Capital assets – not being depreciated	\$ 5,114,836	\$ 6,229,183
Capital assets – being depreciated, net	148,665,430	148,064,127
Restricted – cash and cash equivalents	4,410,779	7,761,016
Deferred outflows of resources	2,791,901	2,948,593
Bonds payable – current portion	(470,000)	(455,000)
Capital lease payable – current portion	(177,185)	(170,198)
Certificates of participation – current portion	(1,048,421)	(1,017,774)
Bonds payable – non-current portion	(42,685,000)	(43,155,000)
Capital lease payable – non-current portion	(231,745)	(408,930)
Certificates of participation – non-current portion	(9,660,294)	(10,708,715)
Bond premium/discount	(2,936,194)	(3,038,323)
Net investment in capital assets	<u>\$ 103,774,107</u>	<u>\$ 106,048,979</u>

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**Note 13 – Designations of Unrestricted Net Position**

The balance at December 31, consists of the following:

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Prepaid assets:		
Materials and supplies inventory	\$ 1,572,698	\$ 832,364
Prepaid items and other deposits	754,940	438,130
Total non-spendable unrestricted net position	<u>2,327,638</u>	<u>1,270,494</u>
Rate stabilization reserve	480,174	480,000
Spendable net position is designated as follows:		
Pension-related debt – current portion	(74,268)	(65,002)
Pension-related debt – non-current portion	(945,217)	(1,019,485)
Other post employment benefits payable – non-current portion	(9,332,862)	(7,479,625)
Operating reserve	<u>9,342,345</u>	<u>9,336,809</u>
Total spendable net position	<u>(1,010,002)</u>	<u>772,697</u>
Total unrestricted net position	<u><u>\$ 1,797,810</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,523,191</u></u>

**Note 14 – Deferred Compensation Savings Plan**

For the benefit of its employees, the District participates in a 457 Deferred Compensation Program (Program). The purpose of this Program is to provide deferred compensation for public employees that elect to participate in the Program. Generally, eligible employees may defer receipt of a portion of their salary until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency. Until the funds are paid or otherwise made available to the employee, the employee is not obligated to report the deferred salary for income tax purposes.

Federal law requires deferred compensation assets to be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of the participants. Accordingly, the District is in compliance with this legislation. Therefore, these assets are not the legal property of the District, and are not subject to claims of the District's general creditors. Market value of all plan assets held in trust by the Lincoln Financial Group at December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$3,801,716 and \$3,554,426, respectively.

Since the District has little administrative involvement and does not perform the investing function for this plan, the assets and related liabilities are not shown on the statement of net position.

**Note 15 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

***Plan Description***

The District contributes to the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. CalPERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. CalPERS acts as a common investment and administrative agent for participating public agencies within the State of California. Benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by state statute and the District. Copies of CalPERS annual financial report may be obtained from their executive Office: 400 P Street, Sacramento, CA, 95814.

***Funding Policy***

The contribution rate for plan members in the CalPERS 2.0% at 55 Risk Pool Retirement Plan is 7% of their annual covered salary. The District makes these contributions required of District employees on their behalf and for their account. Also, the District is required to contribute the actuarially determined remaining amounts necessary to fund the benefits for its members.

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**Note 15 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)**

The required employer contribution rates for years 2014, 2013 and 2012 were as follows:

<u>Time Period</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
January 1st - June 30th	12.385%	11.913%	11.004%
July 1st - December 31st	13.652%	12.385%	11.913%

The contribution requirements of the plan members are established by State statute, and the employer contribution rate is established and may be amended by CalPERS. For fiscal years 2014, 2013 and 2012, the District's annual contribution was \$1,171,118, \$1,058,982 and \$1,190,148, respectively, for CalPERS and was equal to the District's required and actual contributions for each year.

***California Public Employees Pension Reform Act of 2013***

On September 12, 2012, the California Governor signed the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) into law. PEPRA took effect January 1, 2013.

Key components of the legislation are as follows:

- Establishes PEPRA which will apply to all public employers and public pension plans on and after January 1, 2013 (Except specific exemptions);
- Establishes new retirement tiers/benefits for new public employees;
- Prohibits certain cash payments from being counted as compensation; and
- Increases retirement age for all new public employees.

***Second-Tier – Beginning January 1, 2013***

The contribution rate for plan members in the CalPERS 2.0% at 62 Retirement Plan under PEPRA is 6.25% of their annual covered wages. District employees contribute 6.25% of their annual covered wages to their account. Also, the District is required to contribute the actuarially determined remaining amounts necessary to fund the benefits for its members. The employer contribution rate (6.25%) and member contribution rate (6.25%) is a combined rate of 13.20% which will be in effect until June 30, 2015.

***Funding Policy***

The contribution requirements of the plan members are established by State statute, and the employer contribution rate is established and may be amended by CalPERS. For fiscal years 2014 and 2013, the District's annual contribution was \$57,802 and \$6,502, respectively, for CalPERS PEPRA and was equal to the District's required and actual contributions for each year.

See Pages 36 and 37 for the Schedules of Funding Progress.

***Actuarial Methods and Assumptions***

Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Calculations are based on the types of benefits provided under the terms of the substantive plan at the time of each valuation and the pattern of sharing of costs between the employer and plan members to that point. Consistent with the long-term perspective of actuarial calculations, actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.



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**Note 15 – Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)**

***Actuarial Methods and Assumptions Continued***

The following is a summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods:

Valuation date	June 30, 2013
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal cost method
Amortization method	Level percent of payroll, open
Asset valuation method	Market value
Actuarial assumptions:	
Discount rate	7.50% (net of administrative expenses)
Projected salary increase	3.30% to 14.20% depending on age, service, and type of employment
Inflation	2.75%
Payroll growth	3.00%
Individual salary growth	A merit scale varying by duration of employment coupled with an assumed annual inflation growth of 2.75% and an annual production growth of 0.25%

**Note 16 – Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District is a member of the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA), an intergovernmental risk sharing joint powers authority created to provide self-insurance programs for California water agencies. The purpose of the ACWA/JPIA is to arrange and administer programs of self-insured losses and to purchase the appropriate amount of insurance coverage. At December 31, 2014, the District participated in the self-insured Liability, Property and Worker's Compensation insurance programs provided by ACWA/Joint Powers Insurance Authority through AON Risk Insurance Services West, Inc. as follows:

**General and Auto Liability**

Each member limits of \$60 million per occurrence for auto and general liability coverage. The program protects the member agencies against third-party claims for bodily injury and property damage. The following coverages are also included:

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|------------------------|---------------------------|
| • Personal Injury      | • Employment Practices    |
| • Errors and Omissions | • Broadened Pollution     |
| • Products Hazard      | • Failure to Supply Water |
| • Inverse Condemnation | • Care, Custody & Control |

**Property**

Each member Special Form Property Coverage including coverage for buildings, personal property, fixed equipment, mobile equipment, and licensed vehicles. Member agencies have various deductible selections. Boiler and Machinery Coverage is also included.

The following is an overview of the program:

- Real Property, Fixed Equipment, Personal Property at replacement cost
- Crime Coverage-up to \$100,000 Public Employee Dishonesty and Computer Fraud
- Terrorism Coverage-up to \$100 million per occurrence for property damage caused by act declared to involve Terrorism
- \$10 million Accounts Receivables for the amount of accounts uncollectible due to a covered loss
- \$100,000 Catastrophic coverage for vehicles

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

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**Note 16 – Risk Management (Continued)**

**Worker's Compensation**

Each member is covered for bodily injury by accident, \$2 million each accident, or bodily injury by disease, \$2 million each employee, including death, of employee arising out of and in the course of employment.

In addition, the District in August 2014 continued a separate policy with underwriters at Landmark American Insurance Company for commercial earthquake/business income interruption insurance. This insurance was purchased to safeguard the District in case of a major earthquake until disaster relief funds are made available by state and federal agencies. This policy has provisions as follows:

- The loss limit is \$9,284,980 per occurrence and in the annual aggregate.
- Deductible is 5% of values per unit of insurance subject to \$25,000 minimum per occurrence.
- Coverage for 2029 East Avenue Q location is \$2.891 million building limit and \$393,120 contents, including \$6 million business income.

Settled claims have not exceeded any of the coverage amounts in any of the last three fiscal years and there were no reductions in the District's insurance coverage during the years ending December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012. Liabilities are recorded when it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated net of the respective insurance coverage. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred but not reported (IBNR). There were no IBNR claims payable as of December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012.

**Note 17 – Commitments and Contingencies**

**State Water Contract**

Estimates of the District's share of the project fixed costs of the State Water Project (SWP) are provided annually by the State. The estimates are subject to future increases or decreases resulting from changes in planned facilities, refinements in cost estimates and inflation. During the next five years payments under the State Water Contract, exclusive of variable power costs, are currently estimated by the State to be as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015	\$ 5,607,112
2016	5,439,605
2017	5,495,556
2018	5,568,282

As of December 31, 2014, the District has expended approximately \$91,464,294 since the District started participating in the State Water Contract.

According to the State's latest estimates, the District's long-term obligations under the contract, for capital and minimum operations and maintenance costs, including interest to the year 2035, are as follows:

<u>Type of Long-Term Obligation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
State Water Project Contract:	
Transportation facilities	\$ 82,299,633
Delta water charges	24,042,186
Off-aqueduct power facilities	514,157
Revenue bond surcharge	5,198,969
Total	<u>\$ 112,054,945</u>

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Notes to the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**Note 17 – Commitments and Contingencies (Continued)**

***Bay/Delta Regulatory and Planning Activities***

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) is the agency responsible for setting water quality standards and administering water rights throughout California. Decisions of the State Board can affect the availability of water to the District and other water users by means of public proceedings leading to regulations and decisions. In 1995, the State Board adopted a Water Quality Control Plan establishing water quality standards and flow improvements in the Bay/Delta watershed. In August 2000, the California Federal (CALFED) Bay/Delta Program Record of Decision (Decision) was approved with mandates to improve water quality, enhance water supply reliability, augment ecosystem restoration, and assure long-term protection for Delta levees. During its first three years, CALFED has invested more than \$2.0 billion in hundreds of local and regional projects to meet these program goals. In May 2004, a Delta Improvement Package was proposed to facilitate implementation of the Decision. Funding is expected to be provided by state and federal appropriations and contributions from local users, including the District. CALFED's objective is to allocate project costs based on a beneficiaries pay policy, that is new costs commensurate with benefits received. At this time, the exact allocation of costs between the federal, state, and local users has not been determined, and therefore, the District cannot estimate the extent of timing of its contributions at this time.

***Construction Contracts***

The District has a variety of agreements with private parties relating to the installation, improvement or modification of water facilities and distribution systems within its service area. The financing of such construction contracts is being provided primarily from the District's replacement reserves and advances for construction. The District has committed to approximately \$3,635,323 to complete the open construction contracts as of December 31, 2014. These include the following:

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Cost of Project to Date</b>	<b>Estimated Costs to Complete</b>	<b>Total Expected Project Cost</b>
Sediment removal - Littlerock Dam (EIR/EIS/Permits)	\$ 1,395,256	\$ 150,250	\$ 1,545,506
10th ST E waterline replacement (Spec 1207)	802,533	435,750	1,238,283
Frontier/31st/32nd waterline replacement (Spec 1205)	255,459	1,227,476	1,482,935
Upper Amargosa Recharge Project	38,402	1,211,598	1,250,000
Littlerock Recharge & Recovery Project	622,707	610,249	1,232,956
Total	<u>\$ 3,114,358</u>	<u>\$ 3,635,323</u>	<u>\$ 6,749,680</u>

***Other Litigation***

In the ordinary course of operations, the District is subject to claims and litigation from outside parties. Nevertheless, after consultation with legal counsel, the District believes that these actions, when finally concluded and determined are not likely to have a material adverse effect on the District's financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

**Note 18 – Subsequent Events**

In June 2012, GASB issued Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27)*. This Statement establishes standards for measuring and recognizing liabilities, deferred outflow of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures for pension plans. This Statement identifies the methods and assumptions that should be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of employee service. Management is evaluating the impact of the adoption of this Standard on the financial statements and believes that its impact, when adopted, may be substantial to the District. GASB Statement No. 68 will be implemented effective with the fiscal year 2015 financial statements.

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## **Required Supplementary Information**

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**Palmdale Water District**  
**Schedules of Funding Progress (Unaudited)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**1. Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

**Development of the Actuarial Value of Assets Calculation in a Risk Pool**

The District is part of the CalPERS Miscellaneous 2.0% at 55 yrs. Risk Pool	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2012	June 30, 2013
1. Plan's accrued liability	\$ 24,831,715	26,605,702	28,645,821
2. Plan's side fund	(1,203,412)	(1,167,310)	(1,114,771)
3. Pool's accrued liability	3,619,835,876	4,175,139,166	4,434,848,248
4. Pool's side fund	(115,840,552)	(132,335,224)	(108,339,918)
5. Pool's actuarial value of assets (AVA) including receivables	3,203,214,899	3,686,598,343	N/A
6. Plan's actuarial value of assets (AVA) including receivables $[(1+2) / (3+4) \times 5]$	21,600,067	23,197,052	N/A
7. Pool's market value of assets (MVA) including receivables	2,867,303,802	3,120,110,130	N/A
8. Plan's market value of assets (MVA) including receivables $[(1+2) / (3+4) \times 7]$	19,334,935	19,632,558	22,203,797

**Funding History**

The Funding History below shows the actuarial accrued liability, the actuarial value of assets, the market value of assets, funded ratios and the annual covered payroll. The actuarial value of assets is used to establish funding requirements and the funded ratio on this basis represents the progress toward fully funding future benefits for current plan participants. The funded ratio based on the market value of assets is an indicator of the short-term solvency of the plan in the risk pool.

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Accrued Liability (a)	Share of Pool's Market Value of Assets (MVA) (b)	Plan's Share of Pool's Unfunded Liability (a-b)	Funded Ratio	Annual Covered Payroll
June 30, 2011	\$ 24,831,715	19,334,935	5,496,780	77.9%	\$ 5,967,838
June 30, 2012	26,605,702	19,632,558	6,973,144	73.8%	6,154,498
June 30, 2013	28,645,821	22,203,797	6,442,024	77.5%	5,651,206

**Palmdale Water District**  
**Schedule of Funding Progress Continued (Unaudited)**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013**

**1. Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)**

**Development of the Actuarial Value of Assets Calculation in a Risk Pool**

The District is part of the CalPERS Miscellaneous 2.0% at 62 yrs. Risk Pool	June 30, 2013
1. Plan's accrued liability	\$ 955
2. Plan's side fund	-
3. Pool's accrued liability	1,063,294
4. Pool's side fund	-
5. Pool's actuarial value of assets (AVA) including receivables	-
6. Plan's actuarial value of assets (AVA) including receivables [(1+2) / (3+4) x 5]	-
7. Pool's market value of assets (MVA) including receivables	-
8. Plan's market value of assets (MVA) including receivables [(1+2) / (3+4) x 7]	1,281

**Funding History**

The Funding History below shows the actuarial accrued liability, the actuarial value of assets, the market value of assets, funded ratios and the annual covered payroll. The actuarial value of assets is used to establish funding requirements and the funded ratio on this basis represents the progress toward fully funding future benefits for current plan participants. The funded ratio based on the market value of assets is an indicator of the short-term solvency of the plan in the risk pool.

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Accrued Liability (a)	Share of Pool's Market Value of Assets (MVA) (b)	Plan's Share of Pool's Unfunded Liability (a-b)	Funded Ratio	Annual Covered Payroll
June 30, 2013	\$ 955	1,281	(326)	134.14%	\$ 84,282

**2. Other Post-Employment Benefits Payable**

**Required Supplemental Information – Schedule of Funding Progress**

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Plan Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (b)	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b-a)/c
12/31/2014	\$ -	25,778,850	25,778,850	0.00%	\$ 7,010,439	367.72%
12/31/2010	-	16,234,820	16,234,820	0.00%	6,547,188	247.97%
12/31/2008	-	4,497,022	4,497,022	0.00%	6,311,893	71.25%

Funding progress is presented for the year(s) that an actuarial study has been prepared since the effective date of GASB Statement 45. Actuarial review and analysis of the post-employment benefits liability and funding status is performed every three years or annually if there are significant changes in the plan. The next scheduled actuarial review and analysis of the post-employment benefits liability and funding status will be performed in 2016 based on the year ending December 31, 2015.



# **Report on Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance**

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**Independent Auditors' 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***

Board of Directors  
Palmdale Water District  
Palmdale, California

We have audited, 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, the financial statements of the Palmdale Water District (District), which comprise the statement of net position as of December 31, 2014, and the related statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District'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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

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

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

***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants 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 controls 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.

*The Pw Group, LLP*

Santa Ana, California  
March 10, 2015