SMOKY RIVER REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

To the Members of Smoky River Regional Water Management Commission

The integrity, relevance and comparability of the data in the accompanying financial statements are the responsibility of management.

The financial statements are prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. They necessarily include some amounts that are based on the best estimates and judgements of management.

To assist in its responsibility, management maintains accounting, budget and other controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are appropriately authorized, that assets are properly accounted for and safeguarded, and that financial records are reliable for preparation of financial statements.

JDP Wasserman & Associates have been appointed by the Board Members of Smoky River Regional Water Management Commission to express an opinion on the financial statements.

Marco Gervais

Manager

Falher, AB March 22, 2021



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Smoky River Regional Water Management Commission

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Smoky River Regional Water Management Commission (the "Commission"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020, and the statements of operations and accumulated surplus, changes in net financial debt and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as at December 31, 2020, and the results of its operations, changes in net financial debt and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Commission in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Matter

The financial statements of the Commission for the year ended December 31, 2019, were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements on March 30, 2020.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Commission or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance (Members of the Board) are responsible for overseeing the Commission's financial reporting process.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
 fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
 evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting
 a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may
 involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal
 control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Commission's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Commission to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Edmonton, Alberta March 22, 2021 ISRAEL WASSERMAN PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANT

Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2020

,	2020	2019
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 1,233,174	\$ 862,683
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	89,345	93,684
Investments (Note 4)	2,455	231,251
	1,324,974	1,187,618
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 5)	55,488	43,469
Long-term debt (Note 7)	1,804,058	1,930,073
	1,859,546	1,973,542
NET FINANCIAL DEBT	(534,572)	(785,924)
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Prepaid expenses	400	200
Inventory for consumption	10,397	13,343
Tangible capital assets (Schedule 1)	13,192,732	13,524,319
	13,203,529	13,537,862
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS (Note 10)	\$ 12,668,957	\$ 12,751,938

CONTINGENCY (Note 6)

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Board Member

Chair

Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

		2020 (Budget) (Note 12)	2020 (Actual)	2019 (Actual)
REVENUES				
Fees charged to commission members (Note 9)	\$	1,081,500	\$ 1,026,365	\$ 1,032,264
Investment income		8,000	20,712	25,270
Other revenues		4,800	7,802	19,441
	4	1,094,300	1,054,879	1,076,975
EXPENSES				
Amortization of tangible capital assets		329,171	356,626	370,705
Salaries, wages and benefits		333,350	315,419	312,789
Utilities		163,000	126,625	150,972
Interest on long-term debt		94,807	94,610	101,325
Chemicals		72,000	62,858	68,071
Fleet		S#1	47,571	05.047
Insurance		25,500	27,634	25,317
Professional services		25,000	20,297	8,291
Supplies and fuel		19,000	18,641	18,930 35,568
Repairs and maintenance Contracted and general services		70,000 20,400	17,964 17,816	12,096
Postage, phone and freight		10,000	8,648	9,179
Travel and subsistence		6,500	5,992	6,141
Rental		1,000	2,040	2,040
Advertising, print and memberships	10	500	1,595	396
	_	1,170,228	1,124,336	1,121,820
ANNUAL DEFICIT BEFORE OTHER		(75,928)	(69,457)	(44,845)
OTHER REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	_	22	(13,524)	
ANNUAL DEFICIT		(75,928)	(82,981)	(44,845)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS - TO BEGIN YEAR	_	12,751,938	12,751,938	12,796,783
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS - END OF YEAR	\$	12,676,010	\$ 12,668,957	\$ 12,751,938

Statement of Changes in Net Financial Debt

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	(2020 (Budget) (Note 12)	2020 (Actual)	2019 (Actual)
ANNUAL DEFICIT	\$	(75,928)	\$ (82,981)	\$ (44,845)
Amortization of tangible capital assets		329,171	356,626	370,705
Purchase of tangible capital assets		-	(78,438)	(62,083)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets		-	39,875	-
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets Acquisition of prepaid expenses		-	13,524	-
Use (acquisition) of inventory for consumption			(200) 2,946	- (4,216)
		329,171	334,333	304,406
INCREASE IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS		253,243	251,352	259,561
NET FINANCIAL DEBT - BEGINNING OF YEAR		(785,924)	(785,924)	(1,045,485)
NET FINANCIAL DEBT - END OF YEAR	\$	(532,681)	\$ (534,572)	\$ (785,924)

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
OPERATING ACTIVITIES Annual deficit Item not affecting cash and cash equivalents:	\$ (82,981)	\$ (44,845)
Amortization of tangible capital assets Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	356,626 13,524	370,705
	287,169	325,860
Changes in non-cash working capital: Accounts receivable Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Prepaid expenses Inventory for consumption	4,339 12,019 (200) 2,946	(6,349) 3,703 - (4,216)
	19,104	(6,862)
Cash flow from operating activities	306,273	318,998
INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of tangible capital assets Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets Net change in investments	(78,438) 39,875 228,796	(62,083) - (229,407)
Cash flow from (used by) investing activities	190,233	(291,490)
FINANCING ACTIVITY Repayment of long-term debt	(126,015)	(146,111)
Cash flow used by financing activity	(126,015)	(146,111)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	370,491	(118,603)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	862,683	981,286
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR	\$ 1,233,174	\$ 862,683

SMOKY RIVER REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

ets	(Schedule 1

		Land	Land Improvements	ents	Buildings		Engineered Structures	Machinery and Equipment	y and ent	Vehicles		2020		2019
: OST BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	↔	50,000	€	,	€	↔	\$ 19,271,794	↔		\$ 99,988		\$ 19,421,782	*	\$ 19,359,695
Purchase of tangible capital assets Disposal of tangible capital assets	Į.						78,438			(886'66)	(8)	78,438 (99,988)		62,083
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	₩	50,000	8	,	€	↔	19,350,232	↔		€	49	\$ 19,400,232	₩	19,421,782
CCUMULATED AMORTIZATION BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	↔		€	,	€	↔	5,850,874	↔		\$ 46,589	9	5,897,463	€9	5,526,758
Amortization of tangible capital assets Disposal of tangible capital assets		1 1			9 9		356,626			(46,589)	(6	356,626 (46,589)		370,705
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	↔	ij	€		€	€	6,207,500	€		ا د	₩.	6,207,500	49	5,897,463
IET BOOK VALUE OF ANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS	4	50,000	↔		10	•	\$ 13,142,732	₩.		40	₩.	\$ 13,192,732	8	\$ 13,524,319
IET BOOK VALUE OF ANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS, 2019	↔	50,000	↔	€	10	↔	\$ 13,420,920	€		\$ 53,399	o		↔	\$ 13,524,319

cluded in the net book value of tangible capital assets is work-in-progress of \$Nii (2019 - \$Nii),

Schedule of Equity in Tangible Capital Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

(Schedule 2)

	2020	2019
BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 11,594,246	\$ 11,756,757
Purchase of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital assets Repayment of long-term debt Cost of tangible capital assets disposed of Accumulated amortization of tangible capital assets disposed	78,438 (356,626) 126,015 (99,988) 46,589	62,083 (370,705) 146,111
BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 11,388,674	\$ 11,594,246
Equity in tangible capital assets is comprised of: Net book value of tangible capital assets (Schedule 1) Long-term debt (Note 7)	\$ 13,192,732 (1,804,058)	\$ 13,524,319 (1,930,073)
	\$ 11,388,674	\$ 11,594,246

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Smoky River Regional Water Management Commission (the "Commission") are the representations of management, prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. Significant aspects of the accounting policies adopted by the Commission are as follows:

(a) Reporting Entity

The financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and cash flows of the Commission. The members of the Commission are the Towns of Falher and McLennan, the Villages of Girouxville and Donnelly, and the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130.

The Commission is constituted under the *Alberta Municipal Government Act* and was established for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, controlling, and managing a regional water supply line from Smoky River. It was approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on May 28, 2003.

The Commission is exempt from income taxes under Section 149 of the Canadian Income Tax Act.

(b) Basis of Accounting

The Commission follows the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are accounted for in the period in which the service is delivered or in which the transactions or events occurred that gave rise to the revenues. Investment income is recognized when it is earned. Expenses are recognized in the period the goods and services are acquired and a liability is incurred or transfers are due.

Funds from external parties and earnings thereon restricted by agreement or legislation are accounted for as deferred revenue until used for the purpose specified.

Government transfers are recognized in the financial statements as revenues in the period that the events giving rise to the transfer occurred, providing the transfers are authorized, the Commission has met any eligibility criteria, and reasonable estimates of the amounts can be made.

(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes items that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value, and have a maturity of 90 days or less at acquisition.

(d) Investments

Investments are recorded at amortized cost. Investment premiums and discounts are amortized over the term of the respective investments. When there has been a loss in value that is other than a temporary decline, the respective investment is written-down to recognize the loss. Gains on principal protected notes are recognized as income when sold.

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Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(e) Non-Financial Assets

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the normal course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the annual deficit, provides the Statement of Changes in Net Financial Debt for the year (page 7).

(f) Inventories for Consumption

Inventories of materials and supplies for consumption are recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value with cost determined using the average cost method.

(g) Tangible Capital Assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The cost, less residual value, of the tangible capital assets is amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life as follows:

Engineered structures Vehicles 45 - 75 years 10 years

Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at fair value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue. Tangible capital assets received or purchased as part of a restructuring transaction are recorded at carrying value at the date of receipt and also are recorded as revenue.

Tangible capital assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is substantially complete and available for productive use. Those tangible capital assets not meeting this criteria are categorized as work-in-progress as of year-end.

Works of art for display are not recorded as tangible capital assets but are disclosed.

Leases are classified as capital or operating leases. Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as capital leases. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related lease payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

(h) Contaminated Sites

Contaminated sites are defined as a result of contamination being introduced in air, soil, water or sediment of a chemical, organic, or radioactive material or live organism that exceeds an environmental standard. A liability for remediation on contaminated sites is recognized, net of any recoveries, when an environmental standard exists, contamination exceeds the environmental standard, the Commission is directly responsible for or accepts responsibility for the liability, future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the liability can be made.

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Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(i) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Where measurement uncertainty exists, the financial statements have been prepared within reasonable limits of materiality. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Commission has used estimates to determine accrued liabilities and tangible capital asset useful lives.

(j) New Accounting Standards not yet Adopted

Effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2022, *PS3280 Asset Retirement Obligations* provides guidance on how to account for and report liabilities for retirement of tangible capital assets.

Effective for fiscal years beginning on or after April 1, 2023, *PS3400 Revenue* provides guidance on how to account for and report revenue, and specifically, it addresses revenue arising from exchange transactions and unilateral transactions.

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	:	2020	2019
Notice on demand bank accounts Bank account Petty cash	\$	868,021 365,143 10	\$ 557,246 305,427 10
	\$	1,233,174	\$ 862,683

The notice on demand bank accounts bear interest at rates ranging from 1.50% to 2.45% and require notice to access funds of 90 days.

3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	· ·	2020	2019
Trade and other Goods and Services Tax recoverable	\$	78,345 11,000	\$ 82,679 11,005
	\$	89,345	\$ 93,684

4. INVESTMENTS

Investments consist of an equity share in the Girouxville Co-op. Investments as of December 31, 2019 also included a long-term deposit with both a cost and market value of \$229,128 which earned interest at an effective rate of 2.7% and matured January 9, 2020.

Notes to Financial Statements

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	•	2020	 2019
Trade and other Employee earned vacation and sick liability Accrued interest on long-term debt	\$	28,171 23,360 3,957	\$ 13,697 25,618 4,154
	\$	55,488	\$ 43,469

6. CONTINGENCY

The Commission has received a statement of claim which was filed March 30, 2012 in the amount of \$115,951 plus Goods and Services Tax, interest and costs, filed by In-Line Contracting Ltd., a contractor to the Commission in respect of the project known as the "Smoky River Water Commission Raw Water Supply Contract 2". In turn, the Commission has counterclaimed for \$1,000,000 for costs associated with correction of deficiencies. At this time, we are unable to make a conclusive determination regarding liability and quantum. No amount payable or receivable has been set up as at December 31, 2020.

7. LONG-TERM DEBT

Alberta Capital Finance Authority debenture repayable in semi-annual installments of \$70,601 including interest at 5.012% maturing in 2031.

Alberta Capital Finance Authority debenture repayable in semi-annual installments of \$26,488 including interest at 4.995% maturing in 2032.

Alberta Capital Finance Authority debenture repayable in semi-annual installments of \$10,410 including interest at 4.980% maturing in 2034.

Capital Ford Credit loan repayable in monthly installments of \$485 with 0% interest maturing in 2020.

	2020	2019				
\$	1,141,965	\$ 1,222,877				
	459,217	488,166				
	202,876	213,207				
_	S=6	5,823				
\$	1,804,058	\$ 1,930,073				

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Principal and interest payments are due as follows:

	Principal	Principal Interest		
2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 Thereafter	\$ 126,283 132,682 139,406 146,471 153,894 1,105,322 \$ 1,804,058	\$ 88,715 82,316 75,592 68,527 61,104 192,609 \$ 568,863	\$ 214,998 214,998 214,998 214,998 214,998 1,297,931 \$ 2,372,921	

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

8. DEBT LIMITS

Debenture debt is repayable to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority and is issued on the credit and security of the Commission at large. Section 3 of Alberta Regulation 76/2000 requires that debt and debt limits for the Commission be disclosed as follows:

	2020		2019	
Total debt limit Total debt	\$ 2,109,758 (1,804,058)	\$	2,153,950 (1,930,073)	
Total debt limit remaining	\$ 305,700	\$	223,877	
Service on debt limit Service on debt	\$ 369,208 (214,998)	\$	376,941 (220,821)	
Total service on debt limit remaining	\$ 154,210	\$	156,120	

The debt limit is calculated at 2 times revenues of the Commission (as defined by Alberta Regulation 76/2000) and the debt service limit is calculated at 0.35 times such revenues. Incurring debt beyond these limits requires approval by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. These thresholds are guidelines used by Alberta Municipal Affairs to identify municipal entities which could be at financial risk if further debt is acquired. The calculation taken alone does not represent the stability of the Commission. Rather, the financial statements must be interpreted as a whole.

9. RELATED PARTIES

Fees charged to Commission members are summarized as follows:

	2020		2019	
Town of Falher Smoky River Water Co-operative Ltd. Village of Girouxville Village of Donnelly Town of McLennan Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130	\$	453,695 271,364 166,201 135,105	\$	481,776 248,158 168,559 133,771
	\$	1,026,365	\$	1,032,264

Smoky River Water Co-operative Ltd. has also been identified as a related party. Even though it is not a member of the Commission, it does have two representative Directors on the Commission's Board.

Included in contracted and general services expenses is \$4,200 (2019 - \$3,966) to the Town of Falher for administrative services. Rental expense also relates to the Town of Falher for \$2,040 (2019 - \$2,040). Included in other revenues is \$3,600 (2019 - \$3,600) from Smoky River Water Cooperative Ltd. for booster station monitoring.

Included in accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities as of December 31, 2020 is \$77,986 (2019 - \$80,750) and \$8,642 (2019 - \$Nil), respectively.

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For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

10.	ACCUMULATED SURPLUS				
			2020		2019
	Unrestricted surplus	\$	30,283	\$	39,692
	Restricted surplus Operating reserves (Note 10) Capital reserves (Note 10) Equity in tangible capital assets (Schedule 2)	_	222,000 1,028,000 11,388,674		222,000 896,000 11,594,246
		<u>\$</u>	12,668,957	\$	12,751,938
— 11.	RESTRICTED SURPLUS				
		7	2020		2019
	Operating Reserves Operating Insurance deductible	\$	212,000 10,000	\$	212,000 10,000
		\$	222,000	\$	222,000
	Capital Reserves Capital replacement Vehicle replacement	\$	992,000 36,000	\$	860,000 36,000
		\$	1,028,000	\$	896,000
12.	BUDGET FIGURES			_	
		V	2020 (Budget)		2020 (Actual)
	Annual deficit Amortization of tangible capital assets Acquisition of tangible capital assets Repayment of long-term debt Net transfers (to) from reserves	\$	(75,928) 329,171 - (120,192) (132,000)	\$	(82,981 356,626 (78,438 (126,015 (132,000
	Results of operations	\$	1,051	\$	(62,808
	The budget data presented in these financial statements is ba	sed	on the opera	iting	and capita

The budget data presented in these financial statements is based on the operating and capital budgets approved by the Members of the Board on October 28, 2019. The chart above reconciles the approved financial plan to the figures reported in these financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

13. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Commission's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, investments, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and long-term debt. It is management's opinion that the Commission is not exposed to significant market or liquidity risk arising from these financial instruments. Unless otherwise noted, the fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values.

The Commission is exposed to credit risk with respect to its accounts receivable. Credit risk arises from the possibility that customers may experience financial difficulty and be unable to fulfill their obligations. The large number and diversity of customers minimizes the Commission's credit risk.

14. IMPACT OF COVID-19

On March 11, 2020, the COVID-19 outbreak was declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization and on March 17, 2020 the Province of Alberta declared a public health emergency. COVID-19 had minimal operational or financial impacts on the Commission in 2020 and it is management's opinion that COVID-19 will not have a significant financial impact on the Commission in the future.

Overall, as government response is still ongoing and an end to the pandemic is indeterminable, an estimate of any future potential financial impact on the Commission cannot be made at this time. However, many businesses and individuals in a vast array of sectors may continue to experience an economic loss due to COVID-19 which may have a financial impact on the Commission.

15. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

16. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by the Members of the Board and management.