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EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

CITY OF AUBURN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013





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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF AUBURN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Water Utility, Wastewater Utility, and Electric Utility (Utilities), major enterprise funds and departments of the City of Auburn (City), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013. The Utilities' management is responsible for the financial statements presented herein. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the financial statement presented herein and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note I, the financial statements of the Utilities are intended to present the financial position, and the changes in financial position and cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities of the City that is attributable to the transactions of the Utilities. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Auburn as of December 31, 2013, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the Utilities, major enterprise funds and departments of the City of Auburn, as of December 31, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Utilities have not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Paul D. Joyce, CPA State Examiner

June 19, 2014

CITY OF AUBURN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES STATEMENT OF NET POSITION December 31, 2013

<u>Assets</u>	Water Utility	Wastewater Utility	Electric Utility
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	\$ 77,585 71,341	\$ 599,640 175,574	\$ 1,156,755 345,475
Inventories Prepaid items	52,300 5,395	11,027	901,408
Total current assets	206,621	786,241	2,424,783
Noncurrent assets: Restricted cash, cash equivalents, and investments:	4 074 000	0.400.040	400.000
Depreciation Bond and interest Construction	1,274,690 3	2,469,916 670,793	120,369 - 125,737
Debt service reserve Cash reserve Improvement	199,670	1,352,288 20,692 1,161,811	81,313
Customer deposits	59,239	68,799	327,303
Total restricted assets	1,533,602	5,744,299	654,722
Capital assets: Land, improvements to land, and construction in progress Other capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	3,098,098 13,332,204	22,319,784 28,637,952	11,900,225 20,104,877
Total capital assets	16,430,302	50,957,736	32,005,102
Total noncurrent assets	17,963,904	56,702,035	32,659,824
Total assets	18,170,525	57,488,276	35,084,607
Deferred outflow of resources			400,512
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Taxes payable Wages payable Compensated absences	30,903 9,371 26,781 21,922	57,524 - 40,170 33,789	2,754,190 62,897 57,046 57,330
Current liabilities payable from restricted assets: Customer deposits Accrued interest payable	59,239 -	68,799 220,798	327,303 55,600
Revenue bonds payable State Revolving Fund loan payable	244,640	910,000	
Total current liabilities	392,856	1,331,080	3,314,366
Noncurrent liabilities: Revenue bonds payable (net of unamortized premium) State Revolving Fund loan payable	1,130,584	- 16,130,000	3,380,000
Total noncurrent liabilities	1,130,584	16,130,000	3,380,000
Total liabilities	1,523,440	17,461,080	6,694,366
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for debt service Restricted for other purposes	15,055,078 199,673 1,274,690	33,917,736 2,023,081 3,652,419	28,625,102 - 327,419
Unrestricted Total net position	117,644 \$ 16,647,085	433,960 \$ 40,027,196	(161,768) \$ 28,790,753

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

CITY OF AUBURN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2013

		Water Utility	٧	Vastewater Utility		Electric Utility
Operating revenues:						
Metered revenue: Residential	\$	1,032,678	\$	2,112,360	\$	4,520,880
Commercial	•	347,625	•	778,722	*	2,390,688
Industrial		491,149		1,262,027		24,552,057
Public street and highway lighting				-		167,402
Fire protection revenue		130,005		-		-
Penalties		11,850		65,093		107,990
Flat rate revenues		-		100,565		-
Network service fees		-		-		2,026,432
Other	_	49,496	_	392,004	_	740,435
Total operating revenues	_	2,062,803	_	4,710,771	_	34,505,884
Operating expenses:						
Salaries and wages		700,987		1,017,455		1,490,813
Employee benefits		262,073		416,200		556,890
Materials and supplies		85,156		277,965		186,853
Maintenance		279,772		316,144		
Purchased power		249,625		235,810		28,816,654
Chemicals		13,804		220,450		-
Contractual services		65,071		245,837		412,731
Transmission and distribution Network service expense		-		-		730,615 918,064
Transportation expense		32,015		16,089		910,004
Insurance		26,514		53,412		95,089
Depreciation		283,108		409,839		1,215,072
Utility receipts tax		27,055		-		472,333
Payment in lieu of taxes		139,000		283,000		170,000
Bad debt expense		1,392		3,659		18,895
Miscellaneous expense		51,703		93,074	_	304,640
Total operating expenses		2,217,275		3,588,934	_	35,388,649
Operating income (loss)		(154,472)		1,121,837		(882,765)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):						
Interest and investment revenue		1.961		6,996		1,364
Miscellaneous revenue		11,742		-		121,075
Interest expense		(46,010)		(125,095)		-
Amortization of deferred charges	_				_	(17,094)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)		(32,307)	_	(118,099)	_	105,345
Income (loss) before contributions		(186,779)		1,003,738		(777,420)
Contributions	_	241,825	_	5,968,451		460,778
Change in net position		55,046		6,972,189		(316,642)
Total net position - beginning		16,592,039		33,055,007	_	29,107,395
Total net position - ending	\$	16,647,085	\$	40,027,196	\$	28,790,753

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

CITY OF AUBURN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2013

		Water Utility	۷	Vastewater Utility		Electric Utility
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Receipts from customers and users	\$	2,071,356	\$	4,728,461	\$	35,768,419
Payments to suppliers and contractors		(918,335)		(1,767,792)	((32,803,253)
Payments to employees		(960,653)		(1,427,175)		(1,501,764)
Payments for taxes		(27,127)		-		(468, 522)
Other receipts	_	11,742	_	=		121,075
Net cash provided by operating activities	-	176,983		1,533,494		1,115,955
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities: Severance damages paid		_		_		(5,345)
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Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:				004.040		
Proceeds from capital debt		(050 474)		324,340		(4.000.540)
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(256,174)		(1,939,298) 519,358		(1,639,513)
Capital contributions Principal paid on capital debt		241,825 (235,600)		(875,000)		460,778
Interest paid on capital debt		(56,920)		(464,425)		(67.461)
interest paid on capital debt	_	(30,920)	_	(404,425)	_	(67,461)
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities	_	(306,869)	_	(2,435,025)	_	(1,246,196)
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Interest received	_	1,961		6,996	_	1,364
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(127,925)		(894,535)		(134,222)
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1	_	1,739,112	_	7,238,474	_	1,945,699
Cash and cash equivalents, December 31	\$	1,611,187	\$	6,343,939	\$	1,811,477
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:						
Operating income (loss)	\$	(154,472)	\$	1,121,837	\$	(882,765)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		000 100				4 0 4 5 0 5 0
Depreciation expense		283,108		409,839		1,215,072
Miscellaneous nonoperating revenues		11,742		-		121,075
(Increase) decrease in assets:		0.552		17 600		47.460
Accounts receivable Inventories		8,553 15,498		17,690		47,463
Prepaid items		620		383		(128,457) (7,721)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		020		303		(1,121)
Accounts payable		3.667		(36,384)		593,497
Taxes payable		(72)		(50,504)		3,811
Wages payable		4,784		6,423		(13,209)
Compensated absence payable		(2,377)		57		2,258
Customer deposits	_	5,932		13,649		164,931
Total adjustments		331,455		411,657	_	1,998,720
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Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	176,983	\$	1,533,494	\$	1,115,955
Noncash investing, capital, and financing activities:						
Bond anticipation note forgiven	\$	-	\$	5,000,000	\$	-
Capital assets acquired through contributions		-		449,093		-
Capital assets acquired through interest payable		-		163,957		56,402

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The financial statements reflect only the activities of the City of Auburn Municipal Utilities (Utilities) and are not intended to present fairly the position of the City of Auburn (City), and the results of its operations and cash flows of its enterprise funds. The Utilities, whose operations are controlled by the City, represent all of the City's enterprise funds.

B. Fund Financial Statements

Business-type activity financial statements consist of the Statement of Net Position; Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; and the Statement of Cash Flows. Business-type activities rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The accounts of the business-type activities are maintained and the financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Enterprise funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from nonoperating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with an enterprise fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating receipts of the enterprise funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating disbursements for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services and administrative costs. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating receipts and disbursements.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, the Utilities' policy is to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

1. Deposits and Investments

The Utilities' cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

State statute (IC 5-13-9) authorizes the Utilities to invest in securities, including but not limited to, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

Investment income, including changes in the fair value of investments, is reported as revenue in the operating statement.

2. Inventories and Prepaid Items

All inventories are valued at cost using the first in/first out (FIFO) method.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

3. Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds of the enterprise fund revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the Statement of Net Position because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants

The financial statements report Water Utility restricted net position of \$1,474,363, Wastewater Utility restricted net position of \$5,675,500, and Electric Utility restricted net position of \$327,419 of which all are restricted by enabling legislation.

4. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the financial statements.

Capital assets are reported at actual or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Contributed or donated assets are reported at estimated fair value at the time received.

Capitalization thresholds (the dollar values above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts), depreciation methods and estimated useful lives of capital assets are as follows:

	Capitalization Threshold		Depreciation Method	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings Improvements other than buildings Machinery and equipment	\$	1,000 1,000 1,000	Composite Composite Composite	1.5% to 3.0% 1.5% to 3.0% 1.5% to 3.0%
Transportation equipment		1,000	Composite	1.5% to 3.0%

For depreciated assets, the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed. The total interest expense incurred during the current year was \$46,010 for the Water Utility, \$448,300 for the Wastewater Utility, and \$123,863 for the Electric Utility. Of the Wastewater Utility amount, \$323,205 was included as construction in progress as part of the LTCP project and of the Electric Utility amount, \$123,863 was included as construction in progress as part of the AES Phase III project.

5. Compensated Absences

- a. Sick Leave Utility employees earn sick leave at the rate of 6 days per year. Sick leave does not accumulate from year to year.
- b. Vacation Leave Utility employees earn vacation leave at rates from 5 days to 25 days per year based upon the number of years of service. Vacation leave does not accumulate from year to year.
- c. Personal Leave Utility employees earn personal leave at the rate of 6 days per year. Personal leave does not accumulate from year to year.

Vacation leave is accrued when incurred.

6. Long-Term Obligations

Long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

7. Change in Accounting Principle

GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities* (GASB 65), amends or supersedes the accounting and financial reporting guidance for certain items previously required to be reported as assets or liabilities. The objective is to either properly classify certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources or recognize certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities as outflows of resources (expenses) or inflows of resources (revenues). The implementation of GASB 65 resulted in the write-off of bond issuance costs and the effect of adoption of GASB 65 is the reduction of beginning net position by \$118,688 for the Electric Utility, \$65,331 for the Water Utility, and \$17,090 for the Wastewater Utility.

II. Detailed Notes on All Funds

A. Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. Indiana Code 5-13-8-1 allows a political subdivision of the State of Indiana to deposit public funds in a financial institution only if the financial institution is a depository eligible to receive state funds and has a principal office or branch that qualifies to receive public funds of the political subdivision. The Utilities do not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. At December 31, 2013, the Utilities had deposit balances in the amount of \$1,611,187, \$6,343,939, and \$1,811,477 for the Water, Wastewater, and Electric Utilities, respectively.

The bank balances were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Public Deposit Insurance Fund, which covers all public funds held in approved depositories.

B. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2013, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Water Utility:	·		-	·
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 735,068	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 735,068
Construction in progress	2,353,608	9,422		2,363,030
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	3,088,676	9,422	_	3,098,098
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings	3,510,677	_	_	3,510,677
Improvements other than buildings	13,746,336	13,461	_	13,759,797
Machinery and equipment	1,336,525	613	_	1,337,138
Transportation equipment	272,050	-	_	272,050
Totals	18,865,588	14,074		18,879,662
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Less accumulated depreciation	(5,264,350)	(283,108)		(5,547,458)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	13,601,238	(269,034)	-	13,332,204
Total capital assets, net	\$16,689,914	<u>\$ (259,612)</u>	\$ -	\$16,430,302
Wastewater Utility:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	A 077 757	•		A 077.757
Land	\$ 377,757	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 377,757
Construction in progress	19,913,658	2,028,369		21,942,027
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	20,291,415	2,028,369	_	22,319,784
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Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings	6,288,738	-	-	6,288,738
Improvements other than buildings	23,783,858	449,093	-	24,232,951
Machinery and equipment	10,558,533	20,472	-	10,579,005
Transportation equipment	380,209	,	_	380,209
Totals	41,011,338	469,565	-	41,480,903
Less accumulated depreciation	(12,433,112)	(409,839)		(12,842,951)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	28,578,226	59,726	_	28,637,952
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Total capital assets, net	\$48,869,641	\$ 2,088,095	\$ -	\$50,957,736

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Electric Utility:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 701,589	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 701,589
Construction in progress	10,049,515	1,149,121		11,198,636
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	10,751,104	1,149,121		11,900,225
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings	2,543,958	-	-	2,543,958
Improvements other than buildings	27,662,757	115,827	-	27,778,584
Machinery and equipment	7,921,987	441,352	-	8,363,339
Transportation equipment	1,733,754	56,274		1,790,028
Totals	39,862,456	613,453		40,475,909
Less accumulated depreciation	(19,155,960)	(1,215,072)		(20,371,032)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	20,706,496	(601,619)		20,104,877
Total capital assets, net	\$31,457,600	\$ 547,502	\$ -	\$32,005,102

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the Utilities as follows:

	_	2013
Water Wastewater Electric	\$	283,108 409,839 1,215,072
Total depreciation expense	\$	1,908,019

C. Construction Commitments

Construction work in progress is composed of the following:

	2013		
	E	xpended to	
Project	De	ecember 31	
Water Utility:			
Westside Main	\$	2,446	
SCADA		29,774	
Water Main Rest Park		2,329,126	
AMI Project		1,684	
Total for Water Utility	\$	2,363,030	

	2013		
	Expended to		
Project		ecember 31	
Wastewater Utility:			
Wastewater LTCP	\$	19,763,350	
Sewer Separation		3,493	
Southeast Sewer Separation		17,100	
Lift Station CR 48 and Auburn Dr.		19,617	
CDBG North Side Sewer		2,041,194	
CSO Eckhart Sewer		32,388	
Lab Project		64,885	
Total for Wastewater Utility	\$	21,942,027	
Electric Utility:			
AES Phase II	\$	476,676	
AES Phase III		5,643,531	
SmartGrid		2,554,817	
11A Project		8,929	
CR 35 Construction		22,180	
AES NISC SIS		39,986	
AES TV Headend		208,546	
Zone B LCP		2,062,089	
Scott Industries		181,882	
Total for Electric Utility	\$	11,198,636	

D. Short-Term Liabilities

The Utilities may use short-term notes and loans to finance a variety of public projects.

Short-term debt activity for the year ended December 31, 2013, was as follows:

2013	Beginning	Issued/	Redeemed	Ending
	Balance	Draws	Repayments	Balance
Wastewater Utility: SRF Bond Anticipation Note	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000	<u>\$</u>

E. Long-Term Liabilities

1. Revenue Bonds

The Utilities issue bonds to be paid by income derived from the acquired or constructed assets. Revenue bonds outstanding at year end are as follows:

Purpose	Interest Rates			Amount	
Water Utility: 2010 Waterworks refunding revenue bonds	3.80%	\$ 1,320,670	\$ 54,554	\$ 1,375,224	
Electric Utility: 2011 Electric refunding revenue bonds	2.0% to 4.75%	\$ 3,380,000	\$	\$ 3,380,000	

Revenue bonds debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

	Electric	c Util	ity	Water Utility			ity
	 Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest
2014	\$ -	\$	134,922	\$	244,640	\$	47,883
2015	150,000		133,422		254,010		38,499
2016	155,000		129,985		263,760		28,754
2017	155,000		125,917		273,880		18,637
2018	160,000		121,306		284,380		8,130
2019-2023	890,000		515,834		-		-
2024-2028	1,090,000		311,058		-		-
2029-2031	 780,000		56,527			_	
Totals	\$ 3,380,000	\$	1,528,971	\$	1,320,670	\$	141,903

2. Loans Payable

During 1995 and 2009, the Utilities entered into finance assistance agreements with the State of Indiana's Wastewater Revolving Loan program that allow for a maximum of \$6,600,000 and \$15,470,000 in 1995 and 2009, respectively, for improvements at the Wastewater treatment facility and sewer separation. At December 31, 2013, \$6,600,000 and \$15,470,000 had been drawn down against the 1995 and 2009 agreement. The Utilities do not intend to draw any more funds. The following debt service requirements to maturity reflect the anticipated loan payments after the loans have been drawn down 100 percent:

	Wastewater Utility			
	Principal		Interest	
2014	\$ 910,000	\$	436,581	
2015	945,000		407,557	
2016	970,000		377,581	
2017	930,000		346,657	
2018	900,000		322,583	
2019-2023	4,880,000		1,265,505	
2024-2028	5,670,000		619,476	
2029-2030	1,835,000		45,571	
Totals	\$ 17,040,000	\$	3,821,511	

3. Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended December 31, 2013, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Water Utility: Revenue bond payable	\$ 1,556,270	<u> </u>	\$ 235,600	\$ 1,320,670	\$ 244,640
Wastewater Utility: SRF loans payable	\$ 17,810,132	\$ 104,868	\$ 875,000	\$ 17,040,000	\$ 910,000
Electric Utility: Revenue bond payable	\$ 3,380,000	<u>\$</u>	\$ -	\$ 3,380,000	<u>\$</u>

F. Restricted Assets

The balances of restricted asset accounts in the enterprise funds are as follows:

	 Water Utility	 Wastewater Utility		Electric Utility
Depreciation	\$ 1,274,690	\$ 2,469,916	\$	120,369
Bond and interest	3	670,793		_
Construction	_	-		125,737
Debt service reserve	199,670	1,352,288		_
Cash reserve	_	20,692		81,313
Improvement	_	1,161,811		_
Customer deposits	 59,239	 68,799		327,303
Total restricted assets	\$ 1,533,602	\$ 5,744,299	\$	654,722

G. Revenues Pledged

Water Utility Revenues Pledged

The Utilities have pledged future water revenues, net of specified operating expenses, to repay revenue bonds issued in 2010. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for waterworks improvements. The bonds are payable solely from water net revenues and are payable through 2019. Annual principal and interest payments are expected to require less than 14 percent of operating revenues.

Wastewater Utility Revenues Pledged

The Utilities have pledged future wastewater revenues, net of specified operating expenses, to repay revenue bonds issued in 1995 and 2009, respectively. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for wastewater collection and treatment system improvements. The bonds are payable solely from wastewater net revenues and are payable through 2017 and 2030, respectively. Annual principal and interest payments are expected to require less than 30 percent of operating revenues.

Electric Utility Revenues Pledged

The Utilities have pledged future electric revenues, net of specified operating expenses, to repay revenue bonds issued in 2011. Proceeds from the bonds provided financing for electric improvements. The bonds are payable solely from electric net revenues and are payable through 2031. Annual principal and interest payments are expected to require less than 2 percent of operating revenues.

III. Other Information

A. Risk Management

The Utilities are exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; job related illnesses or injuries to employees; medical benefits to employees, retirees, and dependents; and natural disasters.

The risks of torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters are covered by commercial insurance from independent third parties.

The City, including the Utilities, has chosen to establish a risk financing fund for risks associated with medical benefits to employees, retirees and dependents. The risk financing fund is accounted for in the Self Insurance fund, an internal service fund, where assets are set aside for claim settlements. The City purchases commercial insurance for claims in excess of coverage provided by the fund. Amounts are paid into the Self Insurance fund by all funds from which payroll is paid. The amounts paid by each fund are determined by a percentage of total payroll to the payroll paid from that fund.

During 2003, the City, including the Utilities, joined with other governmental entities in the Indiana Public Employers Plan, a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for 350 member governmental entities. This risk pool was formed in 1989. The purpose of the risk pool is to provide a medium for the funding and administration of job related illness or injury (workers' comp). The City pays an annual premium to the risk pool for its job related illness or injury (workers' comp) coverage. The risk pool is considered a self-sustaining risk pool that will provide coverage for its members for up to \$1,000,000 per insured event. The risk pool obtains independent coverage for insured events in excess of the \$1,000,000 limit.

Settled claims from risks covered by commercial insurance have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past three years. There were no significant reductions in insurance by major category of risk.

B. Rate Structure

1. Water Utility

The current rate structure was approved by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission on January 11, 2000.

2. Wastewater Utility

The current rate structure was approved by the City Council on September 8, 2009.

3. Electric Utility

The current rate structure was approved by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission on July 28, 1990.

C. Pension Plan

Agent Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Public Employees' Retirement Fund

Plan Description

The Indiana Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF) is a defined benefit pension plan. PERF is an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system, which provides retirement benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. All full-time employees are eligible to participate in this defined benefit plan. State statutes (IC 5-10.2 and 5-10.3) govern, through the Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS) Board, most requirements of the system, and give the City authority to contribute to the plan. The PERF retirement benefit consists of the pension provided by employer contributions plus an annuity provided by the member's annuity savings account. The annuity savings account consists of members' contributions, set by state statute at 3 percent of compensation, plus the interest credited to the member's account. The employer may elect to make the contributions on behalf of the member.

INPRS administers the plan and issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan as a whole and for its participants. That report may be obtained by contacting:

Indiana Public Retirement System 1 North Capitol Street, Suite 001 Indianapolis, IN 46204 Ph. (888) 526-1687

Funding Policy

The contribution requirements of the plan members for PERF are established by the Board of Trustees of INPRS.

Information to segregate the assets/liabilities and the actuarial study figures between the City and the Utilities is not available. Therefore, the liability for Net Pension Obligation (NPO) is considered an obligation of the City as a whole and is not presented as an asset/liability of the proprietary funds.

In addition to this report, a Financial Statement and Federal Single Audit Report and a Supplemental Compliance Report have been issued for the City of Auburn. Those reports can be found on the Indiana State Board of Accounts' website: http://www.in.gov/sboa/.

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The contents of this report were discussed on June 19, 2014, with, Patricia M. Miller, Clerk-Treasurer; Norman E. Yoder, Mayor; and Dr. David Painter, President Pro Tempore of the Common Council.