Financial Report

of

The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority

For the Years Ended November 30, 2016 and 2015

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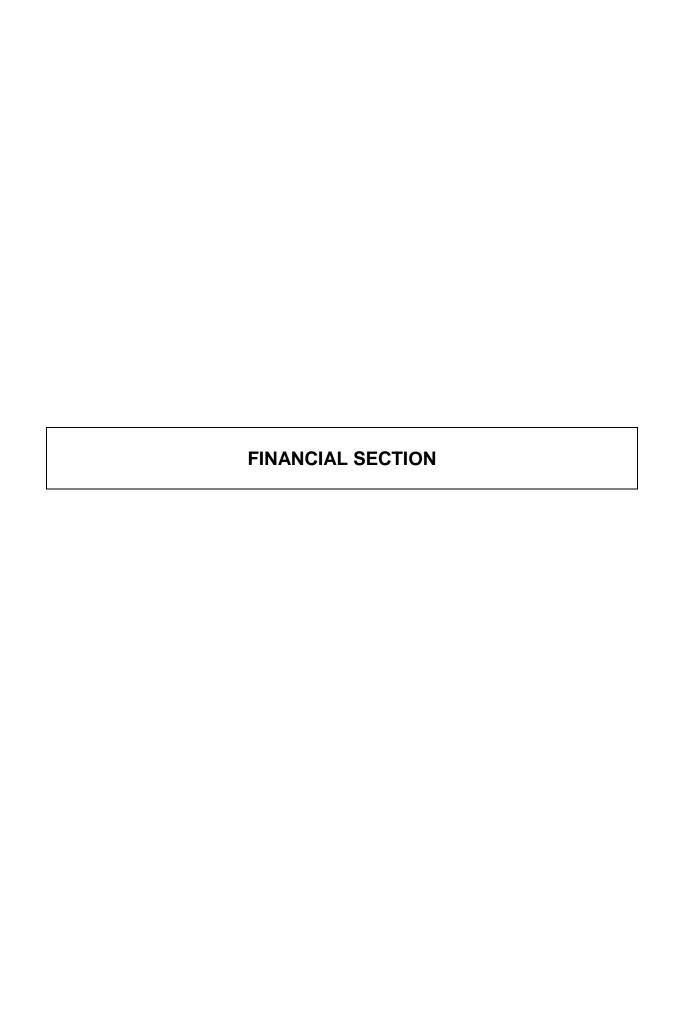
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority 220 Triangle Road - Suite 234 Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority, as of and for the years ended November 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority, as of November 30, 2016 and 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and the schedules related to accounting and reporting for pensions in Schedules R-1 through R-3 identified in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority's basic financial statements. The supplemental data schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplemental data schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the financial statements and other schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 22, 2017 on our consideration of the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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June 22, 2017

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

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We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority as of and for the year ended November 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority's financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 22, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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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

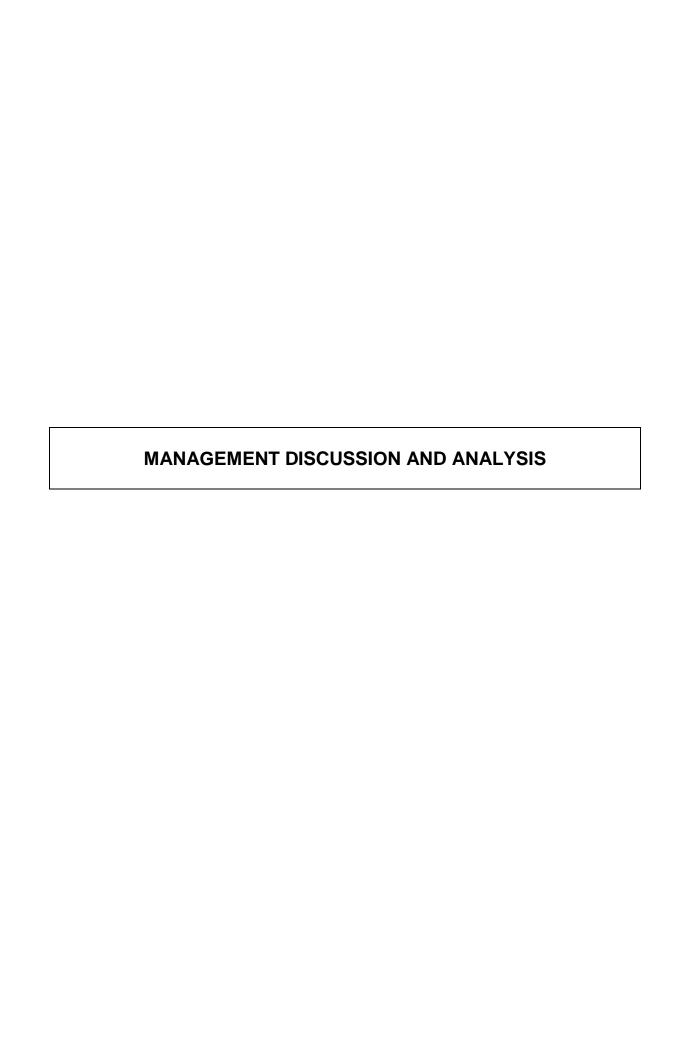
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance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

Purpose of this Report

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

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June 22, 2017



Management's Discussion and Analysis

In this section of the annual report, management of The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") presents a narrative discussion and analysis of the Authority's financial activities for the years ended November 30, 2016 and 2015. This section of the report should be read in conjunction with the Authority's audited financial statements and supplementary information for the years ended November 30, 2016 and 2015. The Authority's audited financial statements are presented in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Financial Highlights

Total assets at year-end totaled \$19.1 million largely comprised of investments and fixed assets. Liabilities and deferred inflows total \$4.9 million comprised of bonds payable financing the investments and fixed assets and a Net Pension Liability of \$3.6 million. Working capital balances are adequate to meet the operational needs of the Authority.

Operating Revenues totaled \$6.3 million while Operating Expenses totaled \$5.6 million. Total operating revenues decreased \$241,000 or 3.7% from the prior year. Operating Expenses decreased \$212,000 or 3.7% from prior year expenses of \$5.8 million. Revenues are generated largely from sewer service charges and connection charges.

Cash and Investments total \$8.7 million increased \$925 thousand or 11.5% from prior year's total of \$7.8 million.

Bonds Payable of \$787 thousand decreased \$178 thousand dur to scheduled principal payments scheduled during the year.

Overview of Annual Financial Report

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) serves as an introduction to, and should be read in conjunction with, the basic audited financial statements and supplementary information. The MD&A represents management's examination and analysis of the Authority's financial condition and performance. Summary financial statement data, key financial and operational indicators used in the Authority's budget, and other management tools were used for this analysis.

The financial statements report information about the Authority using full accrual accounting methods as utilized by similar business activities in the private sector. The financial statements include a Statement of Net Position; a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes to Net Position; a Statement of Cash Flows; and notes to the financial statements.

The Statement of Net Position presents the Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources and Total Net Position of the Authority on a historical cost basis. Over time, increases and decreases in the components of the Authority's Total Net Position are indicators of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

While the Statement of Net Position provides information about the nature and amount of resources and obligations at year-end, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes to Net Position presents the results of the business activities over the course of the fiscal year and information as to how the net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

The Statement of Cash Flows presents changes in cash and cash equivalents, resulting from operational, financing, and investing activities. This statement presents cash receipts and cash disbursement information, without consideration of the earnings event, when an obligation arises, or depreciation of capital assets.

In 2015, the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 68 requires state and local governmental entities to disclose their unfunded pension liabilities. The Authority participates in the pension plan sponsored by the State of New Jersey, which has a publicized, large unfunded liability. Although the Authority is not responsible for making pension payments to employees when they retire, GASB 68 dictates that the pro-rata share represented by Authority employees participating in PERS (Public Employee Retirement System) be reported in the audited financial statements to promote better financial clarity. Understandably, the net pension liability of \$3,591,518, shown within non-current liabilities, is a significant amount at November 30, 2016. Notes to the Financial Statements No. 2, 10 and 11 explain pension plan accounting in greater detail.

The Notes to the Financial Statements provide required disclosures and other information that are essential to a full understanding of material data provided in the statements. The notes present information about the Authority's accounting policies, significant account balances and activities, material risks, obligations, commitments, contingencies and subsequent events, if any.

Summary of Organization and Business

The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority is a public body politic and corporate, organized and existing under the County and Municipal Utility Authorities Law, constituting Chapter 183 of the P.L. of 1957 of the State of New Jersey approved August 22, 1957 and the acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto and was created by virtue of an ordinance of the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, adopted on April 13, 1966.

The Authority was created for the purpose of providing sanitary sewer service to the Township of Hillsborough, New Jersey. The Authority currently maintains 166 miles of gravity sewer, 15 sewage pumping stations, and 14.6 miles of force main. The Authority has a service agreement with the Somerset-Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority for sanitary waste treatment.

Revenue is provided primarily from annual service charges collected from customers using the system and initial connection fees.

Financial Analysis

The following comparative condensed financial statements and other selected information serve as key financial data and indicators for management, monitoring and planning.

Condensed Financial Statements

Condensed Statement of Net Position

A I	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	Net Change	<u>%</u>	<u>2014</u>
<u>Assets</u>					
Current Assets Fixed Assets Deferred Outflows	\$ 8,994,687 8,892,856 1,251,159	\$ 8,068,114 9,089,481 631,842	\$ 926,573 (196,625) 619,317	11.5% -2.2% 98.0%	\$ 7,186,133 9,584,695 392,653
Total Assets and Deferred Outflow of Resources	\$ 19,138,702	\$ 17,789,437	\$ 1,349,265	7.6%	\$ 17,163,481
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Current Liabilities Bonds Payable Net Pension Liability	\$ 297,691 787,663 3,591,518	\$ 287,683 965,697 2,889,384	\$ 10,008 (178,034) 702,134	3.5% -18.4% 24.3%	\$ 277,462 1,464,887 2,644,144
Total Liabilities	4,676,872	4,142,764	534,108	12.9%	4,386,493
Deferred Inflows of Resources	278,040	245,199	1,236,242	504.2%	157,577
Net Position					
Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted Unrestricted	8,116,536 2,121,581 3,945,673	8,417,661 2,126,051 2,857,762	(301,125) (4,470) 1,087,911	-3.6% -0.2% 38.1%	8,125,568 2,839,779 1,654,064
Total Net Position	14,183,790	13,401,474	782,316	5.8%	12,619,411
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position	\$ 19,138,702	\$ 17,789,437	\$ 782,316	4.4%	\$ 17,163,481
Condensed Statement of Revenue, Expe	enses, and Chang	es in Net Position	n		
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>			<u>2014</u>
Operating Revenues	\$ 6,346,240	\$ 6,587,082	\$ (240,842)	-3.7%	\$ 6,215,167
Operating Expenses	5,558,147	5,770,250	(212,103)	-3.7%	5,553,335
Operating Income	788,093	816,832	(28,739)	-3.5%	661,832
Non Operating Revenues (Expenses)	(5,777)	(34,769)	28,992	-83.4%	(50,166)
Change in Net Position	782,316	782,063	253	0.0%	611,666
Net Position, Beginning of Year	13,401,474	12,619,411	782,063	6.2%	14,533,238
Restatement to Include Net Pension Liability Net Position, Beginning of Year - Restated					(2,525,493) 12,007,745
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 14,183,790	\$ 13,401,474	\$ 782,316	5.8%	\$ 12,619,411

Bonds Payable

The Authority issued bonds for the purpose of paying construction costs relating to the Authority's collection system. A summary of the Bonds Payable activity for the year is as follows:

Bonds Payable at November 30, 2015 \$965,697

Principal Payments on Bonds <u>178,034</u>

Bonds Payable at November 30, 2016 <u>\$ 787,663</u>

Contacting the Authority's Management

Any questions about the Authority's report or if additional information is needed, please contact the Executive Director of The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority, 220 Triangle Road, Suite 234, Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844.



MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Restricted Assets:			
Revenue Account:			
Cash	568,520	\$ 533,	640
Investments	937,570	1,301,	
Accounts Receivable:	•		
Sewer Charges	232,191	251,	144
Connection Charges	80,307	55,	596
	312,498	306,	740
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts		_	-
	312,498	306,	740
General Account:			
Cash	8,253	·	680
Investments	6,557,696	5,032,	665
Construction Account:			
Cash	335		445
Investments	11,008	293,	432
Bond Service Account:			
Cash	11		11
Investments	223,072	223,	047
Bond Reserve Account:	0.1 - 000	- · -	
Investments	217,280	217,	280
Renewal and Replacement Account:	100.000	400	000
Investments	100,000	100,	000
Inspection Trust Account:	E0 444	4.4	E02
Cash Accrued Interest Receivable	58,444	44,	503
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TOTAL RESTRICTED ASSETS	8,994,687	8,068,	114
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Fixed Assets:			
Collection System	22,885,838	22,857,	432
Facilities	1,741,367	1,511,	
Equipment	1,631,705	1,732,	
_ 14. F	26,258,910	26,101,	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	17,366,054	17,011,	
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NET FIXED ASSETS	8,892,856	9,089,	481
Deferred Outflow of Resources:			
Pension Related	1 251 150	624	Q//2
r disjoit Neialeu	1,251,159	631,	042
TOTAL ASSETS	19,138,702	\$ 17,789,	437

MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
<u></u>				
Current Liabilities Payable From Restricted Assets: Accounts Payable Payroll Deductions Payable	\$	153,080 12,009	\$	156,518 9,389
Overpayments-Service Charges Miscellaneous Deposits		25,610 58,444		27,149 44,503
Accrued Vacation and Sick Pay		45,660		46,583
Accrued Interest Payable		2,888		3,541
Revenue Bonds Payable-Current Portion	-	186,730	•	178,034
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	484,421	•	465,717
Noncurrent Liabilities:				
Long-Term Portion of Bonds Payable		600,933		787,663
Net Pension Liability	_	3,591,518	-	2,889,384
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	_	4,192,451	-	3,677,047
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	4,676,872		4,142,764
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Pension Related		278,040		245,199
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	_	278,040	_	245,199
	-		•	
Net Position :				
Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted:		8,116,536		8,417,661
Operating Cost		1,581,218		1,585,713
Debt Service		440,363		440,338
Renewal and Replacement		100,000		100,000
Unrestricted:				
System Replacement		1,400,000		1,400,000
Capital Improvements		3,500,000		2,727,566
Rate Stabilization		1,264,975		1,268,571
Operating	-	(2,219,302)	•	(2,538,375)
TOTAL NET POSITION	_	14,183,790	-	13,401,474
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	S			
AND NET POSITION	\$_	19,138,702	\$	17,789,437

MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

STATEMENTS OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating Revenue:		
Sewer Service Charges	\$ 5,624,651	\$ 5,551,296
Connection Charges	643,408	947,252
Inspection Fees	18,150	32,075
Plan Review Fees	2,095	1,069
Other	8,724	107
Interest on Delinquent Accounts	49,212	 55,283
Total Operating Revenues	 6,346,240	 6,587,082
Operating Expenses:		
Operating Costs	2,246,794	2,201,270
Sewerage Treatment	2,822,425	2,973,569
Depreciation Expense	488,928	595,411
Total Operating Expenses	5,558,147	 5,770,250
Operating Income	788,093	816,832
Non-Operating Revenue (Expense):		
Interest Income	31,221	12,113
Interest Expense	(37,921)	(51,780)
Other	 923	4,898
	 (5,777)	 (34,769)
Change in Net Position	782,316	782,063
Net Position, Beginning of Year	 13,401,474	 12,619,411
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 14,183,790	\$ 13,401,474

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Receipts from Sewer Service Charges	\$	5,616,845	\$	5,666,561
Receipts from Connection Charges	Ψ	618,697	Ψ	956,310
Miscellaneous Receipts		78,181		88,534
Payments to Suppliers		(4,031,074)		(4,191,000)
Payments to Employees		(885,067)		(906,011)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	_	1,397,582	•	1,614,394
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Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:				
Acquisition of Capital Assets		(298,920)		(93,430)
Principal Payments on Long-Term Debt		(178,034)		(499,190)
Interest Paid on Bonds		(37,921)		(53,638)
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	_	(514,875)		(646,258)
Net Oddi Odda by Odpital and Related I manding Retivities	_	(014,070)		(0+0,200)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Interest Received		31,221		12,359
Sale/(Purchase) of Investments		(872,567)		(1,283,049)
Other Receipts		923		15,451
Net Cash Provided(Used) by Investing Activities	_	(840,423)	•	(1,255,239)
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Net Increase(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		42,284		(287,103)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	_	593,279	·	880,382
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$_	635,563	\$	593,279
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided				
by Operating Activities:	•	=00.000	•	0.4.0.000
Net Income (Loss) From Operations	\$	788,093	\$	816,832
Add Expenses Not Using Working Capital:		400.000		505 444
Depreciation A LL (2) L		488,928		595,411
Add (Deduct) Changes in Non-Cash Working Capital:		(= ===)		440 740
Accounts Receivable		(5,758)		113,719
Accounts Payable		(3,438)		6,887
Payroll Deductions Payable		2,620		(727)
Overpayments-Service Charges		(1,539)		10,855
Miscellaneous Deposits		13,941		(251)
Accrued Vacation and Sick Pay		(923)		(4,685)
Net Pension Liability	_	115,658	·	76,353
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ _	1,397,582	\$	1,614,394

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(1) GENERAL

The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority is a public body politic and corporate, organized and existing under the County and Municipal Utility Authorities Law, constituting Chapter 183 of the P.L. of 1957 of the State of New Jersey approved August 22, 1957 and the acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto and was created by virtue of an ordinance of the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough in the County of Somerset, adopted on April 13, 1966.

The Authority was created for the purpose of providing sanitary sewer service to the Township of Hillsborough, New Jersey. The Authority currently maintains 169 miles of gravity sewer, 15 sewage pumping stations, and 14.6 miles of force main. The Authority has a service agreement with the Somerset-Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority for sanitary waste treatment.

Revenue is provided primarily from annual service charges collected from customers using the system and initial connection fees.

The service contract with the Township dated September 1, 1966 requires that service charges be sufficient to provide in each fiscal year all operating, maintenance, debt service and reserve requirements necessary to operate the system.

The service agreement further provides that the Authority will charge the Township and the Township will pay to the Authority annual charges sufficient to cover in each fiscal year any short-fall in meeting the expenses of the System (including operation and maintenance, debt service, deficits resulting from failure to receive sums due to the Authority from others, and such reserves or sinking funds as may be required or deemed desirable) out of the funds and revenues of the Authority (including service charges bond proceeds, insurance proceeds, investments proceeds, contributions and reserves on hand).

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Reporting Entity

The Authority's financial statements include the operations of the wastewater collection system for which the Board Members of the Authority exercise financial accountability. The Board members are appointed to five-year terms by the Township of Hillsborough. There are no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity and the Authority is not included in any other reporting entity.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Authority have been prepared on the accrual basis and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to enterprise funds of state and local governments. An Enterprise Fund is used to account for operations: (i) that are financed primarily through user charges, or (ii) where the governing body has decided that determination of net income is appropriate.

The accounting and financial reporting applied by the Authority is determined by its measurement focus. The financial statements are reported using the economic measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The transactions of the Authority are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations are included in the Statements of Net Position. Net Position (totals assets and deferred outflows net of total liabilities and deferred inflows) are segregated into invested in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted components.

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions

The Authority implemented GASB 68 in the Year 2015. This Statement amends GASB Statement No. 27. It improves accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local government employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. This Statement results from a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of existing standards of accounting and financial reporting for pensions with regard to providing decision useful information, supporting assessments of accountability and interperiod equity, and creating additional transparency. This Statement replaces the requirement of Statement No. 27, Accounting for Pension by State and Local Governmental Employers, as well as the requirements of Statement No. 50, Pension Disclosures, as they relate to pensions that are provided through pension plans administered as trusts or equivalent arrangements that meet certain criteria. The requirements of Statements 27 and 50 remain applicable for pensions that are not covered by the scope of this Statement. This statement is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2014.

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(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (Continued)

The Authority has also implemented GASB Statement 71, Pension Transition for Contributions made Subsequent to the Measurement Date-an amendment to GASB No. 68. The objective of this Statement is to address an issue regarding application of the transition provisions of Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The issue relates to amounts associated with contributions, if any, made by a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity to a defined benefit pension plan after the measurement date of the government's beginning net pension liability.

Statement 68 requires a state or local government employer (or nonemployer contributing entity in a special funding situation) to recognize a net pension liability measured as of a date (the measurement date) no earlier than the end of its prior fiscal year. If a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity makes a contribution to a defined benefit pension plan between the measurement date of the reported net pension liability and the end of the government's reporting period, Statement 68 requires that the government recognize its contribution as a deferred outflow of resources.

In addition, Statement 68 requires recognition of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for changes in the net pension liability of a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity that arise from other types of events.

At transition to Statement 68, if it is not practical for an employer or nonemployer contributing entity to determine the amounts of all deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, paragraph 137 of Statement 68 required that beginning balances for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources not be reported. Consequently, if it is not practical to determine the amounts of all deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, contributions made after the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability could not have been reported as deferred outflows of resources at transition. This could have resulted in a significant understatement of an employer or nonemployer contributing entity's beginning net position and expense in the initial period of implementation.

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NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (Continued)

This Statement amends paragraph 137 of Statement 68 to require that, at transition, a government recognize a beginning deferred outflow of resources for its pension contributions, if any, made subsequent to the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability. Statement 68, as amended, continues to require that beginning balances for other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions be reported at transition only if it is practical to determine all such amounts.

Under GAAP, Authorities are required to recognize the pension liability in Statements of Revenues, Expenses, Changes in Net Assets (balance sheets) and Notes to the Financial Statements in accordance with GASB 68. The liability required to be displayed by GASB 68 is displayed as a separate line item in the Unrestricted Net Liabilities area of the balance sheet.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Currently, the Authority has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category, deferred amounts related to pensions.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Authority has one item that qualifies in this category, deferred amounts related to pension.

Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates market. The Authority considers investments with maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Investments</u>

Investments in marketable securities and debt securities are valued at their fair values based on quoted market prices or prices which are provided by investment managers in the statement of financial position. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the statement of activities.

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(2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Accounts Receivable

The Authority considers all other accounts receivable to be fully collectible. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.

Fixed Assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost which includes direct construction costs and other expenditures related to construction. Depreciation is determined on a straight-line basis, for all plant and equipment. Depreciation is provided for over the following estimated useful lives:

Collection System	20-40 years
Facilities	30 years
Machinery and Equipment	10-20 years
Computer Equipment	3-5 years
Furniture and Fixtures	10 years
Vehicles	5 years

Details of fixed assets as of November 30, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Collection System Facilities Equipment	\$22,885,838 1,741,367 <u>1,631,705</u> \$26,258,910	\$22,857,432 1,511,106 <u>1,732,462</u> \$26,101,000
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	17,366,054	17,011,519
Net Fixed Assets	<u>\$8,892,856</u>	<u>\$9,089,481</u>

Management has elected not to include depreciation expense in the service charge rate structure.

<u>Inventory</u>

Inventory of spare parts and supplies is recorded as an expense when purchased and accordingly, is not included in the statements of net assets.

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(2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Vacation and Sick Leave

Authority employees are granted vacation in varying amounts and earn certain sick leave time. In the event of termination, an employee is reimbursed for accumulated vacation days. All employees are eligible for the reimbursement of accumulated sick leave which is capped. Accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave is accrued when incurred.

Income Taxes

No provision for income taxes has been made as the Authority is exempt from Federal and State income taxes.

Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts 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 reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Net Position

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- 1. <u>Net Investment in Capital Assets</u> consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- 2. <u>Restricted</u> when constraints placed on net position are either a) externally imposed by creditors (such as the bond resolution), grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments or b) imposed by law.
- 3. <u>Unrestricted</u> any other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets."

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NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Restricted Assets

In accordance with the General Bond Resolution adopted April 26, 1983, and as amended and supplemented, including supplemental resolutions for the purpose of bond issuance, the Authority has established various cash and investment accounts with the Trustee. In addition, the resolutions provide restrictions on the use of these accounts.

1. Revenue Account

The Revenue Account is established by the Bond resolution to receive all revenues due to the Authority. Periodic withdrawals are made from the Revenue Account to each of the related accounts to provide the financial resources necessary for the other accounts to carry out their required activities. The Revenue Account is under the direct control of the Trustee for the Bondholders.

2. General Account

The General Account is established to:

- A. Provide a source of cash that could be used to increase the amount in the Bond Reserve Account so that it equals the Bond Service Account requirement.
- B. Make up deficiencies in the Bond Reserve Account and Sinking Fund Account.
- C. To permit the Authority to transfer cash to the Revenue Account or withdraw cash for any other lawful purpose.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(2) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)</u>

Restricted Assets (Continued)

3. Construction Account

The Construction Account has been established to receive and disburse cash for a construction project, or projects, undertaken by the Authority. The Trustee will credit the Construction Account with cash received from the Federal Government, State Grants, proceeds from sale of bonds, insurance proceeds and cash made available by the Authority. Cash may be withdrawn by a requisition certified by the consulting engineer's certificate as to the need, receipt or performance of the items indicated in the requisition. Upon completion of the construction project, any excesses shall be transferred to:

- A. Bond Reserve Account to the extent as shall not cause the amount in the Bond Reserve Account to exceed the Bond Reserve Requirements.
- B. Renewal and Replacement Account, to the extent if any, needed to increase the amount in the Renewal and Replacement Accounts so that is equals the System Reserve Requirement.
- C. The General Account to the extent of any remaining balance of such monies.

4. <u>Bond Service Account</u>

The Bond Service Account is established to pay the principal and interest to the bondholders as such obligations become due. The Bond Resolution requires that the Trustee withdraw from the Revenue Account and deposit into the Bond Service Account the principal and interest requirements for the current year.

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NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Restricted Assets (Continued)

5. Bond Reserve Account

The Bond Reserve Account is established to provide additional security to the Bondholders. This account is required to have a balance of the sum equal to the maximum annual Debt Service. In the event that the amount of the Bond Reserve Account balance exceeds the required annual Debt Service and, if the amount in the Invested Sinking Fund Account equals or exceeds the aggregate amount of all Sinking Fund installments, the Trustee shall withdraw from the Bond Reserve Account the amount of any excess and at the option of the Authority, apply the excess to the redemption of bonds or transfer such excess to the Construction Account.

6. Revolving Account for Operating Expenses

The Trustee shall pay from the Revenue Account to the Authority, upon its requisitions thereof, at one time or from time to time, a sum or sums aggregating not more than \$125,000, exclusive of and in addition to reimbursements as hereinafter in this section authorized, such sums and such reimbursements to be used by the Authority as a revolving account for the payment, in accordance with the applicable Annual Budget of Operating Expenses. Such revolving account shall be reimbursed by the Trustee from time to time for such operating expense so paid, by payments from the Revenue Account upon requisitions of the Authority accompanied by its certificate specifying the payee and the amount and the particular purpose of each payment from such revolving account for which such reimbursement is requested and certifying that each such payment was necessary for the operation, maintenance or repair or the system and was for an item of operating expenses which was provided for within the Annual Budget then applicable. In making such reimbursements, the Trustee may rely upon such requisitions and accompanying certificates.

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(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Restricted Assets (Continued)

7. Renewal and Replacement Account

This account shall be used for:

- a. Payments to the Bond Reserve Account if the amount in the account is less than the requirements.
- b. Major repairs, renewals, replacements or maintenance items of a type not recurring annually or at shorter intervals.

In addition to the above, the Authority has also established the following Dedicated Accounts:

- 1. Inspection Trust Account deposits received from customers to assure payment of fees relative to connection inspections.
- 2. System Replacement Account:

This account is reserved for improvements and replacements of the system.

3. Capital Improvement:

This account is reserved for capital improvement.

4. Rate Stabilization:

This account is established as a reserve to fund future rate changes.

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(3) BUDGETARY PROCEDURES

The Authority follows these procedures in establishing the Operating Fund budget:

The annual budget for each fiscal year of the Authority is introduced by resolution passed by not less than a majority of the governing body. Copies are submitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services Director prior to the beginning of the Authority's fiscal year for approval prior to its adoption.

The budget must comply with the terms and provisions of any security agreements, and is to be in such form and detail as to items of revenue, expenses and other contents as required by law or by rules and regulations of the Local Finance Board.

No authority budget can be finally adopted until the Director has approved the budget.

Public hearings are conducted to obtain citizen comments on the proposed budget.

Operating expense appropriations lapse at the close of the fiscal year to the extent that they have not been expended.

The level at which expenditures cannot exceed the budget is at the total budget level.

The budget may be increased after adoption when an item of revenue has been made available after the adoption date.

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NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(4) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

As of November 30, 2016 and 2015, cash and cash equivalents of the Authority consisted of the following:

<u>2016</u> <u>2015</u>

Checking and Money Market Accounts \$635,562 \$593,279

New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds in institutions located in New Jersey which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the Savings Association Insurance Fund (SAIF), or by any other agencies of the United States that insures deposits or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. New Jersey statutes permit the deposit of public funds only in banks which meet the requirements of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund. This Act, commonly referred to as "GUDPA", requires that banks which accept public funds to be a public depository. The statutes require public depositories to maintain collateral for deposits of public funds that exceed insurance limits.

The Authority does not have a policy for either credit risk or custodial credit risk. However, it is the Authority's policy only to invest with banks that are approved by the board.

The Authority does not have a policy to limit interest rate risk. Investments consist of U.S. government agency obligations.

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(5) <u>INVESTMENTS</u>

The Authority's investments include restricted and unrestricted investments which are held by a bank or bank trust department in the Authority's name. Restricted and Unrestricted investments are summarized as follows:

Restricted Investments	Carrying <u>Amount</u>	Fair <u>Value</u>
November 30, 2016: Federated Money Market Treasury Obligations	<u>\$8,046,626</u>	<u>\$8,046,626</u>
November 30, 2015: Federated Money Market Treasury Obligations	<u>\$7,168,096</u>	<u>\$7,168,096</u>

Cost of Investments approximates Fair Value due to the short-term nature of the investments.

(6) CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

The following is a summary of the changes in fixed assets for the period ending November 30, 2016:

	Balance November 30, <u>2015</u>	Additions	<u>Disposals</u>	Balance November 30, 2016
Collection System Facilities Equipment	\$22,857,432 1,511,107 _1,732,461	\$28,406 230,261 <u>40,253</u>	<u>\$(141,010)</u>	\$22,885,838 1,741,367 <u>1,631,705</u>
	<u>\$26,101,000</u>	<u>\$298,920</u>	<u>\$(141,010)</u>	<u>\$26,258,910</u>

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(7) <u>BONDS PAYABLE</u>

The indebtedness of the Authority and its operations are pursuant to the general bond resolution adopted April 26, 1983, as amended and supplemented, including supplemental resolutions.

For the purpose of paying construction costs relating to the Authority's collection system, the Authority has issued the following bonds:

- 1983 Revenue Bonds Series A, \$5,000,000
 As of November 30, 2016, none of these bonds were outstanding.
- 2. Revenue Bonds Series 1986, \$4,000,000

 As of November 30, 2016, none of these bonds were outstanding.
- 3. Revenue Bonds Series 1995, \$3,000,000

 As of November 30, 2016, none of these bonds were outstanding.

For the purpose of reducing interest expense, the Authority on October 4, 2006 advance refunded \$2,115,000 Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 1995 by issuing \$2,147,176 Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 2006. The proceeds of the new issue were used to pay issuance costs and to purchase U.S. Treasury, State and Local Government Securities. These securities were placed in an irrevocable escrow fund managed by a trustee. The principal and interest earned on these securities will be sufficient to pay, when due, principal and interest on the Revenue Refund Bonds – Series 1995.

Since the Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 1995 are fully secured by the escrowed securities; they are not regarded as direct obligations of the Authority.

As of November 30, 2016, \$787,663 of the Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 2006 was outstanding.

The following schedule sets forth the principal payment requirement for the next four years:

2017	\$186,730
2018	190,272
2019	198,700
2020	<u>211,961</u>

<u>\$787,663</u>

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(8) ACCRUED VACATION AND SICK LEAVE

Certain employees are permitted to accrue unused vacation and sick leave. The Authority estimates its liability for such accrued time at November 30, 2016 and 2015 to be as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Vacation Pay Sick Pay	\$9,372 36,288	\$ 10,864 <u>35,719</u>
	<u>\$45,660</u>	\$46,583

(9) <u>NET POSITION</u>

The components of net position as of November 30 are as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 8,116,536	\$ 8,417,661
Restricted:		
Operating Cost	1,581,218	1,585,713
Debt Service	440,363	440,338
Renewal and Replacement	100,000	100,000
Total Restricted	\$ 2,121,581	\$ 2,126,051
Unrestricted:		
System Replacement	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,400,000
Capital Improvements	3,500,000	2,727,566
Rate Stabilization	1,264,975	1,268,571
Net Pension Liability	(2,219,302)	(2,538,375)
Total Unrestricted	3,945,673	2,857,762
	<u>\$14,183,790</u>	<u>\$13,401,474</u>

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(10) PENSION PLAN

Authority employees participate in the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) of New Jersey, a multi-employer cost sharing plan. The Division of Pensions within the Treasury Department of the State of New Jersey is the administrator of the plan. The plan does not maintain separate records for each member in the state and, therefore, the actuarial data for the Authority is not available.

The plans provide retirement and disability benefits and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The plans are cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans and as such do not maintain separate records for each Authority in the state and, therefore, the actual data for the Authority is not available. The division of pensions issues publicly available financial reports for each of the plans that include financial statements and required supplementary information. The reports may be obtained by writing the State of New Jersey, Division of Pensions.

Covered employees are required by State Statute to contribute a certain percentage of their salary to the plan. In addition, the PERS may bill the Authority annually at an actuarially determinable rate for its required contribution. The current employee rate is 7.2% of base salary.

The contribution requirements of plan members and the Authority are established and may be amended by the PERS Board of Trustees. The Authority was required to contribute \$110,660 to the plan for the year ended November 30, 2016 and \$116,425 for the year ended November 30, 2015

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(11) ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION - GASB 68

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – GASB #68

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 68 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Public Employees Pensions" and is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014. This statement requires the State of New Jersey to calculate and allocate, for note disclosure purposes only, the unfunded net pension liability of Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) and the Police and Firemen's Retirement System (PFRS) of the participating municipality as of November 30, 2016. The statement does not alter the amounts of funds that must be budgeted for pension payments under existing state law.

Under accounting principles and practices prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, any unfunded net pension liability of the municipality, allocated by the State of New Jersey, is not required to be reported in the financial statements as presented and any pension contributions required to be paid are raised in that year's budget and no liability is accrued at November 30, 2016.

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

At November 30, 2016, the Authority reported a liability of \$3,591,518 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Authority's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating local units, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, the Authority's proportion was 0.0121264894 percent, which was a decrease of 0.0007449665 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the State recognized an actuarially determined pension expense of \$331,112 for the Authority's proportionate share of the total pension expense. The pension expense recognized in the Authority's financial statement based on the April 1, 2016 billing was \$110,660.

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(11) <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION - GASB 68</u> (CONTINUED)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

At November 30, 2016, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

	Deferred Inflow of <u>Resources</u>	Deferred Outflow of <u>Resources</u>
Changes of assumptions		\$743,971
Net difference between expected and actual experience		66,791
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		136,948
Changes in proportion and differences between Authority contributions and proportionate share of		
contributions	<u>\$278,040</u>	<u>195,719</u>
	<u>\$278,040</u>	<u>\$1,143,429</u>

Other local amounts reported by the State as the Authority's proportionate share of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in the State's actuarially calculated pension expense as follows:

<u>Amount</u>
\$200,704
200,704
240,099
175,066
48,816

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(11) <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION - GASB 68</u> (CONTINUED)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015, which rolled forward to June 30, 2016. These actuarial valuations used the following assumptions:

	<u>June 30, 2015</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>
Inflation Salary Increases (based on age)	3.04 Percent	3.08 Percent
Though 2026	2.15-4.40 Percent	1.65-4.15 Percent
Thereafter	3.15-5.40 Percent	2.65-5.15 Percent
Investment Rate of Return	7.90 Percent	7.65 percent

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Employee Preretirement Mortality Table for male and female active participants. For State employees, mortality tables are set back 4 years for males and females. For local employees, mortality tables are set back 2 years for males and 7 years for females. In addition, the tables provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables (set back 1 year for males and females) for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members and a one-year static projection based on mortality improvement Scale AA.

In addition, the tables for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 3 years for males and set forward 1 year for females).

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

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(11) <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION - GASB 68</u> (CONTINUED)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Long-Term Rate of Return

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

	<u>June</u>	e 30, 2016
		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	Rate of Return
Cash	5.00%	0.87%
U.S. Treasuries	1.50%	1.74%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.79%
Mortgages	2.00%	1.67%
High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.56%
Inflation Indexed Bonds	1.50%	3.44%
Broad U.S. Equities	26.00%	8.53%
Developed Foreign Markets	13.25%	6.83%
Emerging Market Equities	6.50%	9.95%
Private Equity	9.00%	12.40%
Hedge Funds/Absolute Returns	12.50%	4.68%
Real Estate (Property)	2.00%	6.91%
Commodities	0.50%	5.45%
Global Debt ex US	5.00%	-0.25%
REIT	5.25%	5.63%
	100.00%	

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(11) <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION - GASB 68</u> (CONTINUED)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.98% as of June 30, 2016. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.65% and a municipal bond rate of 2.85% as of June 30, 2016 based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index, which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the contribution rate in the most recent fiscal year. The State employer contributed 30% of the actuarially determined contributions and the local employers contributed 100% of their actuarially determined contributions. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2034. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2034 and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2016 respectively, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower or 1- percentage point higher than the current rate:

_	June 30, 2016					
	1%	At Current	1%			
	Decrease	Discount Rate	Increase			
	<u>2.98%</u>	<u>3.98%</u>	<u>4.98%</u>			
Authority's proportionate share of						
the pension liability	\$4,400,987	\$3,591,518	\$2,923,232			

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NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(11) <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION - GASB 68</u> (CONTINUED)

Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) (Continued)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). The report may be obtained at State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits P.O. Box 295 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0295 http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

(12) POST-RETIREMENT HEALTH BENEFITS

The Authority provides post-retirement health benefits to all employees who retire with 25 years or more of service. There are currently eight (7) retirees who meet this requirement and are receiving benefits. In addition, there are two (2) employees who are eligible upon their retirement.

<u>Plan Description</u>. The Authority contributes to the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan administered by the State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits. SHBP was established in 1961 under N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.25 et seq. to provide health benefits to State employees, retirees, and their dependents. The SHBP was extended to employees, retirees, and dependents of participating local public employers in 1964. Local employers must adopt a resolution to participate in the SHBP. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. SHBP provides medical, prescription drugs, mental health/substance abuse, and Medicare Part B reimbursement to retirees and their covered dependents. The State Health Benefits Commission is the executive body established by statute to be responsible for the operation of the SHBP. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the SHBP. That report may be obtained by writing to: State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits, P.O. Box 295, Trenton, NJ 08625-0295 or by visiting their website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(12) POST-RETIREMENT HEALTH BENEFITS (CONTNUED)

<u>Funding Policy</u>. Contributions to pay for the health premiums of participating employees in the SHBP are billed to the Authority on a monthly basis. Participating employers are contractually required to contribute based on the amount of premiums attributable to their retirees. In accordance with Chapter 62, P.L. 1994, post-retirement medical benefits have been funded on a pay-as-you-go basis since 1994. Prior to 1994, medical benefits were funded on an actuarial basis. The Authority's contributions to SHBP for the years ended November 30, 2016 and 2015 were \$142,691 and \$136,057, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

(13) INSURANCE

The Authority is a member of the New Jersey Utility Authorities Joint Insurance Fund (JIF).

The Fund was created on September 15, 1991, in accordance with P.L. 1983, C. 372, entitled "An act concerning joint insurance funds for local units of government, and supplementing Chapter 10 of "Title 40A of the New Jersey statues." The Fund is both an insured and self-administered group of utility authorities established for the purpose of providing low cost insurance coverage and safety programs for the member utility authorities in order to keep insurance premiums, claims and administrative costs at a minimum.

The following coverage's are offered by the Fund to its members:

- a. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability
- b. Liability other than Motor Vehicles
- c. Property Damage other than Motor Vehicles
- d. Motor Vehicle
- e. Environmental Liability
- f. Public Officials
- g. Employment Practices Liability

The Joint Insurance Fund is also a member of The Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund which provides excess coverage.

A participating utility authority must remain in the Fund for the full term of membership unless earlier terminated by a majority vote of the Fund Commissioners or a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee for non-payment of assessments or continued non-compliance after written notice to comply with the by-laws or other obligations. Termination may occur only after proper notice has been given, in accordance with the Fund's by-laws.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(14) DEVELOPERS' DEPOSITS

The balances for deposits received from developers for tie-in charges, application review costs, performance guarantees and inspection fees at November 30, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Revenue Fund: Application Review Costs Inspection Trust Account	\$ _58,444	\$ _44,503
	<u>\$ 58,444</u>	<u>\$44,503</u>

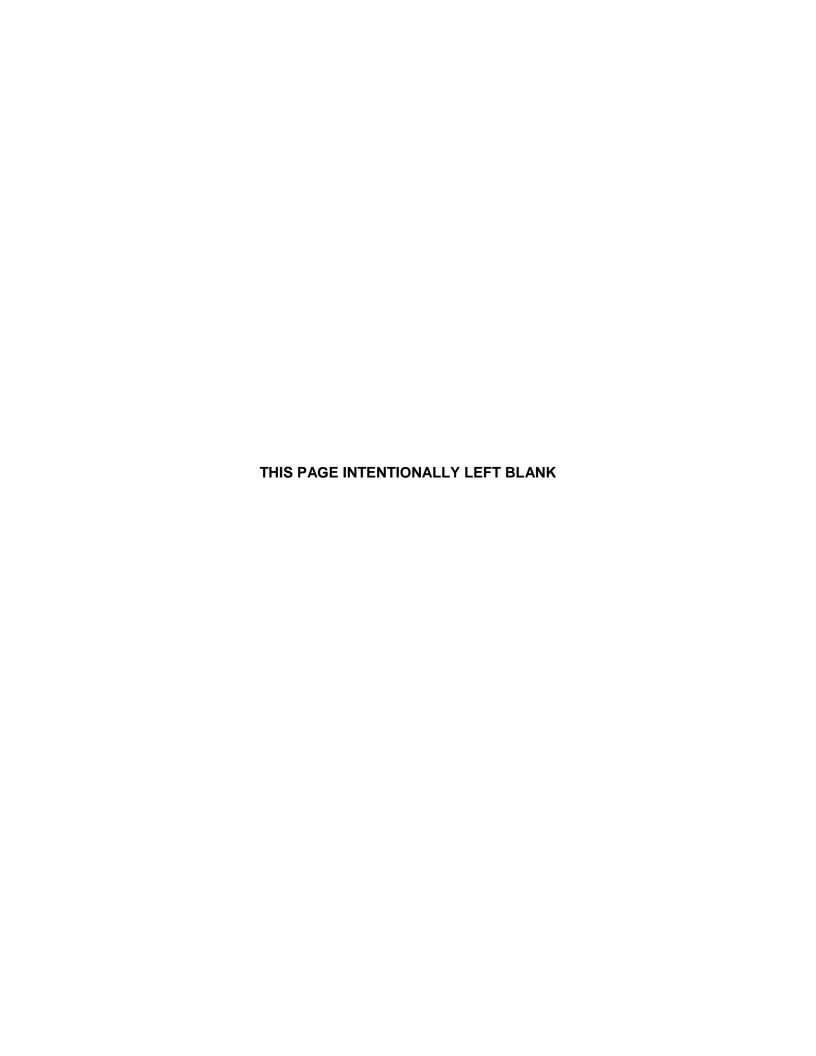
(15) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

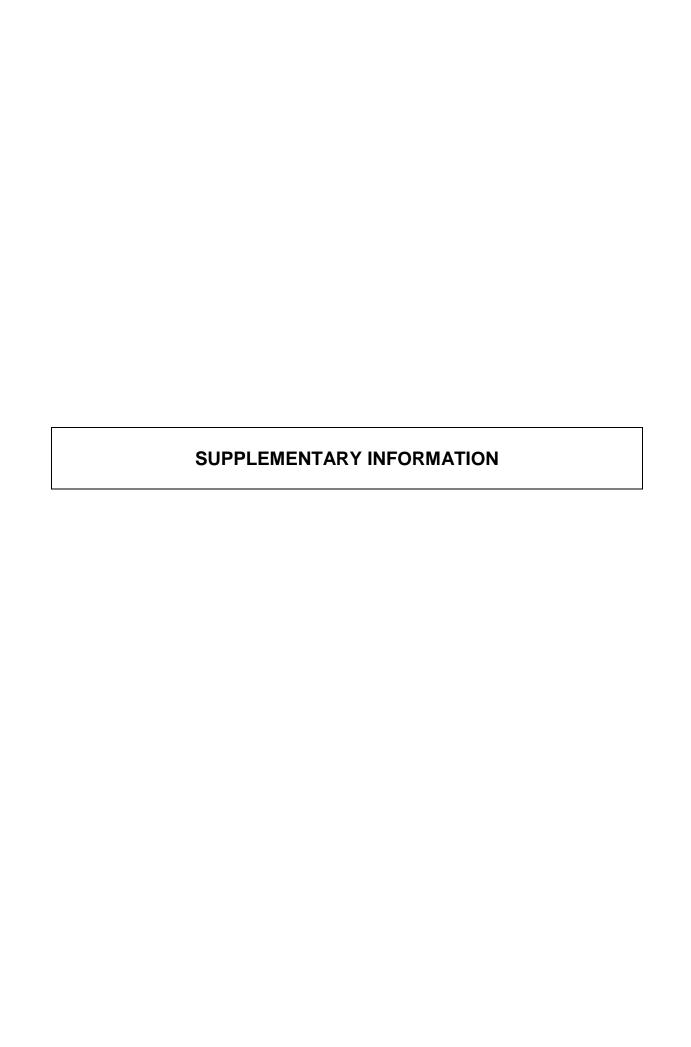
The Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the financial statement date through June 22, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based on this evaluation, the Township of Hillsborough Municipal Utilities Authority has determined that no subsequent events have occurred which require disclosure in the financial statements.

(16) <u>LITIGATION, CLAIMS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES</u>

The Authority is subject to extensive federal and state environmental regulations. The Authority's management is not aware of any violations that may have a material effect on the financial statements.

In the ordinary conduct of its business, the Authority may be a party to litigation. At November 30, 2016, in the opinion of management based upon consultation with legal counsel, there were no matters pending or threatened which would have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the Authority.





SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
LAST TEN YEARS THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the total Pension Liability	40.71% 42.74% 42.32%
Authority's Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a percentage of it's Covered-	158.48% 366.84% 405.42%
Authority's Covered-Employee <u>Payroll</u>	1,037,476 787,641 885,867
Authority's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	1,644,144 \$ 2,889,384 \$ 3,591,518 \$
	% % %
Authority's Proportion Share of the Net Pension <u>Liability (Asset)</u>	0.0141226391% 0.0128714559% 0.0121264894%
Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30,</u>	2014 2015 2016

Note: Schedule is intended to show ten year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available.

THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAST TEN YEARS

Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee	11.22% 14.05% 12.16%
Authority's Covered- Employee <u>Payroll</u>	1,037,476 787,641 885,867
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Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	수 수 수
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Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	116,425 110,660 107,730
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Contractually Required Contribution	116,425 110,660 107,730
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Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30,</u>	2014 2015 2016

ANote: Schedule is intended to show ten year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available.

THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULES RELATED TO ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR PENSION (GASB 68) NOTE TO RSI III FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS)

Change in benefit terms

None

Change in assumptions

The calculation of the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability is dependent upon the long-term expected rate of return, and the municipal bond index rate. There was a change in the municipal bond index rate from the prior measurement date (3.80%) to the current measurement date (2.85%), resulting in a change in the discount rate from 4.90% to 3.98%. This change in the discount rate is considered to be a change in actuarial assumptions under GASB No. 68.

THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION NOVEMBER 30, 2016

TOTAL	5,624,651 643,408 18,150 2,095 8,724 49,212 6,346,240	2,246,794 2,822,425 488,928 5,558,147	788,093	31,221 (37,921) 923	(5,777)	782,316		782,316	13,401,474	14,183,790
RATE STABILIZATION	 ₩	1.1	l	,	l		(3,596)	(3,596)	1,268,571	1,264,975 \$
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	↔						772,434	772,434	2,727,566	3,500,000 \$
RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT	€			12	12	12	(12)		100,000	100,000 \$
DEBT SERVICE	€			90	90	20	(25)	25	440,338	440,363 \$
OPERATING COST	€						(4,495)	(4,495)	1,585,713	1,581,218 \$
SYSTEM REPLACEMENT	€							•	1,400,000	1,400,000 \$
UNRESTRICTED	\$ 5,624,651 \$ 643,408 18,150 2,095 8,724 49,212 6,346,240	2,246,794 2,822,425 488,928 5,558,147	788,093	31,159 (37,921) 923	(5,839)	782,254	37 (764,343)	17,948	5,879,286	\$ 5,897,234 \$
	Operating Revenues: Sewer Service Charges Connection Charges Inspection Fees Plan Review Fees Other Interest on Delinquent Accounts Total Operating Revenues	Operating Expenses: Operating Costs Sewerage Treatment Depreciation Expense Total Operating Expenses	Operating Income	Non-Operating Revenue (Expense): Interest Income Interest Expense Other		Net Income (Loss) Before Transfers	Transfers: Interest Income Interfunds	Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	Net Position, Beginning of Year	Net Position, End of Year

THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016

INSPECTION TRUST ACCOUNT	44,503	31	32 094	76,594	18,150	18,150	58,444	58,444	58,444
RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT ACCOUNT	100,000 \$	2	5	100,012	(12	100,000	100,000	100,000 \$
BOND RESERVE ACCOUNT	217,280 \$	25	25	217,305	;	25	217,280	217,280	217,280 \$
BOND SERVICE ACCOUNT	223,058 \$	25	216,608	439,691	38,574	216,608	223,083	11 223,072	223,083 \$
CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT	293,877 \$	30	26	293,933	120 282,470	282,590	11,343	335 11,008	11,343 \$
GENERAL ACCOUNT	5,047,346 \$	30,455	1,504,598	6,582,399	16,450	16,450	6,565,949	8,253 6,557,696	6,565,949 \$
REVENUE ACCOUNT	1,835,311 \$	5,616,845 618,697 674 49,212 25,610 2,095 18,150	8,724	8,175,318	45,859	6,669,228	1,506,090	568,520 937,570	1,506,090 \$
TOTAL	7,761,375 \$	5,616,845 618,697 31,252 49,212 25,610 2,095 18,150	32,000 8,724 1,721,232 8,123,877	15,885,252	45,859 4,902,294 38,574 298,920 178,034	7,203,063	8,682,189	635,563 8,046,626	8,682,189 \$
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	Balance, December 1, 2015	Increased by: Sewer Service Charges Sewer Connection Charges Interest on Investments Interest on Delinquent Accounts Service Charges Overpaid Plan Review Fees Inspection Fees	Developers Deposits Miscellaneous Interfunds	Total	Decreased by: Accounts Payable Operating Expenses Interest on Bonds Sewerage System Costs Bonds Redeemed Inspection Costs	Interfunds Total	Balance, November 30, 2016	Cash Investments	

SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUES AND COSTS FUNDED BY OPERATING REVENUES COMPARED TO BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016

		2016 ADOPTED <u>BUDGET</u>	2016 ACTUAL	2015 ACTUAL
REVENUE Sewer Service Charges Connection Charges Interest Income Inspection Fees Plan Review Fees Miscellaneous Interest on Delinquent Accounts Rate Stabilization	\$	5,574,353 275,000 24,000 25,000 3,000 5,000 45,000	\$ 5,624,651 643,408 674 18,150 2,095 8,724 49,212	\$ 5,551,296 947,252 714 32,075 1,069 107 55,283
TOTAL REVENUE	_	5,951,353	 6,346,914	 6,587,796
OPERATING EXPENSES Administrative:				
Salaries and Wages Office Rent and Overhead Equipment Service and Maintenance Postage Printing and Stationery Supplies Dues, Subscriptions, Tuition and Seminars Trustee Fees and Expenses Miscellaneous System Operating Expense: Salaries and Wages Utilities Service, Repairs and Replacements		300,000 70,000 35,000 24,000 15,000 25,000 12,000 7,500 750,000 180,000 80,000	228,866 68,659 21,002 22,093 7,071 8,834 2,203 3,274 657,001 134,468 88,534	213,275 65,374 19,546 18,943 11,710 8,653 2,200 3,167 692,736 165,982 61,404
Vehicle Operation and Maintenance Tools, Materials and Supplies State Mandated Programs-Permits Bioxide Professional Services:		43,000 42,000 5,000 60,000	29,259 24,567 4,472 38,505	25,022 21,493 3,830 51,411
Legal Financial Engineering Operations Consulting Insurance and Bonding:		10,000 15,000 15,000 80,000	6,000 14,400 6,592 72,294	6,716 14,400 6,000 40,000
Group Insurance Plan for Employees Other Insurance and Bond Premiums Statutory Expenditures:		556,745 63,000	445,012 57,910	440,695 58,534
Social Security Disability/Unemployment Insurance Public Employees' Retirement System	_	95,000 8,000 135,000	 68,228 3,721 114,485	 69,769 3,807 120,250
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$	2,626,245	\$ 2,127,450	\$ 2,124,917

SCHEDULE OF OPERATING REVENUES AND COSTS FUNDED BY OPERATING REVENUES COMPARED TO BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2016

		2016 ADOPTED <u>BUDGET</u>	2016 ACTUAL		2015 ACTUAL
Sewerage Treatment - Somerset-Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority	\$_	3,500,000	\$ 2,822,425	\$_	2,973,568
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	_	6,126,245	4,949,875		5,098,485
OTHER COSTS Principal on Bonds Interest Expense	_	178,034 38,574 216,608	178,034 38,574 216,608	· _	499,190 53,638 552,828
TOTAL COSTS FUNDED BY OPERATING REVENUES	\$	6,342,853	\$ 5,166,483	\$	5,651,313

SCHEDULE 4

THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

SCHEDULE OF BONDS PAYABLE NOVEMBER 30, 2016

YEAR	<u>TOTAL</u>	INTEREST <u>RATE</u>	REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2006
2017 2018	\$ 186,730 190,272	4.40% \$ 4.40%	186,730 190,272
2019	198,700	4.40%	198,700
2020	211,961	4.40%	211,961
	 -		-
	\$ 787,663	\$	787,663

(1) Current Portion

SCHEDULE 5

THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

SCHEDULE OF SEWER CHARGES RECEIVABLE NOVEMBER 30, 2016

Balance, December 1, 2015			\$	251,144
Increased by: 2016 Charges				5,625,141 5,876,285
Decreased by: Collected Overpayments Applied	\$ \$	5,616,845 27,149	-	5,643,994
Balance, November 30, 2016			\$	232,291
SCHEDULE OF SEWER CONNECTION NOVEMBER 30		RGES RECEIV	ABLE	SCHEDULE 6
Balance, December 1, 2015			\$	55,596
Increased by: 2016 Charges			_	643,408 699,004
Decreased by: Collected			_	618,697
Balance, November 30, 2016			\$	80,307

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GENERAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

<u>NONE</u>