

Financial Statements,
Required Supplementary Information and Supplemental Schedules

June 30, 2002 and 2001

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors
Massachusetts Water Resources Authority:

We have audited the balance sheets of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (the Authority) as of June 30, 2002 and 2001, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Authority as of June 30, 2002 and 2001, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in note 2 to the financial statements, in 2002, the Authority adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, No. 37 – Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments: Omnibus and No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 9 and the required supplementary information on page 34 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.





In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report, dated August 13, 2002, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedules listed in the accompanying table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

KPMG LLP

August 13, 2002

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2002

This section of the Authority's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Authority's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2002. Please read it in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

Financial Highlights

The 2002 rate revenues were approximately \$389.5 million and were 3.5% higher than fiscal 2001 rate revenues, due to an increase in assessments. This was offset by a decrease in other customer services revenues of \$2.5 million or 1.8%. This decrease was primarily due to a reduction in water services provided to the City of Cambridge in fiscal 2002 as compared to fiscal 2001.

Other revenues decreased \$1.2 million or 37% due to a \$1.6 million settlement received in fiscal 2001.

Total operating expenses were approximately \$210.2 million in fiscal 2002. The 3.4% decrease in total operating expenses over 2001 is the result of lower salaries and wages caused by the Authority's early retirement incentive program and a lower operating contract for residuals processing. Operating expenses for fiscal 2002 were 2% less than the annual operating budget.

Net nonoperating expenses increased \$9.5 million or 8% primarily due a decrease in interest income of \$18 million offset by a decrease in interest expense of \$9.5 million.

Total assets at June 30, 2002 were approximately \$7.7 billion, a \$330 million or 4.5% increase over total assets at June 30, 2001.

Total capital assets (net of depreciation) were approximately \$6.4 billion at June 30, 2002, a \$218 million or 3.5% increase over June 30, 2001. The increase in total capital assets is primarily the result of the ongoing construction water projects, including the MetroWest Water Supply Tunnel, the Walnut Hill Water Treatment Plant and the Norumbega Covered Storage Project.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The financial section of this annual report consists of three parts: management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements and related notes to the financial statements, and other supplementary information.

The financial statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the Authority's overall financial status. The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of other supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements.

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Financial Analysis of the Authority

Net Assets

The Authority's total net assets at June 30, 2002 were approximately \$2.3 billion, a \$57.8 million decrease from June 30, 2001. Total assets increased \$330 million or 4.5% to \$7.7 billion, and total liabilities increased 7.9% to \$5.3 billion.

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Net Assets (dollars in thousands)

	_	2002	2001	Percent change
Current assets	\$	102,393	101,990	0.4%
Restricted assets		753,628	691,452	9.0%
Capital assets		6,441,861	6,223,985	3.5%
Other assets	_	370,591	321,030	15.4%
Total assets		7,668,473	7,338,457	4.5%
Current liabilities		478,147	448,328	6.7%
Payable from restricted assets		101,648	103,531	(1.8)%
Long-term debt		4,386,967	4,061,710	8.0%
Long-term lease		37,108	_	100.0%
Other liabilities	_	317,801	320,264	(1.0%)
Total liabilities		5,321,671	4,933,833	7.9%
Net assets:				
Invested in capital assets, net of				
related debt		2,005,980	2,107,007	(4.8)%
Restricted		128,190	114,040	12.4%
Unrestricted	_	212,632	183,577	15.8%
Total net assets	\$	2,346,802	2,404,624	(2.4)%

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Changes in Net Assets

The decrease in net assets at June 30, 2002 was \$57.8 million or 12.8% greater than the decrease in 2001. The Authority's total operating revenues increased by 2.4% to \$403,482 thousand and total operating expenses increased 1.5% to \$365,425 thousand.

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Change in Net Assets (dollars in thousands)

	_	2002	2001	Percent change
Operating revenues:				
Customer service revenue	\$	401,391	390,718	2.7%
Other revenue	_	2,091	3,301	(36.7)%
Total operating revenue		403,482	394,019	2.4%
Operating expenses:				
Operations		80,907	116,921	(30.8)%
Maintenance		16,346	16,658	(1.9)%
Payments in lieu of taxes		4,911	4,877	0.7%
Engineering, general and administrative		108,003	79,153	36.4%
Depreciation	_	155,258	142,248	9.1%
Total operating expenses		365,425	359,857	1.5%
Operating income		38,057	34,162	11.4%
Nonoperating items:				
Regulatory accounting provisions		27,953	24,128	15.9%
Net non-operating expenses		(129,685)	(120,190)	7.9%
Capital grants and contributions	_	5,853	10,654	(4.5%)
Change in net assets		(57,822)	(51,246)	12.8%
Total net assets, beginning of year	-	2,404,624	2,455,870	(2.1)%
Total net assets, end of year	\$_	2,346,802	2,404,624	(2.4)%

The increases in customer services revenues are primarily due to the 3.5% increase in the rate revenue requirement (\$13.2 million). This was offset by a decrease in other customer services revenues of \$2.5 million or 1.8%. This decrease was primarily due to a reduction in water services provided to the City of Cambridge in fiscal 2002 as compared to fiscal 2001. Other revenues decreased \$1.2 million due to a \$1.6 million settlement received in fiscal 2001.

Operating expenses before depreciation decreased \$7.4 million or 3.4% primarily in wages and salaries expenses and expenses related to residuals processing. Wages and salaries expenses were \$1.5 million lower than the prior year due to a one-time increase in the authority-wide accumulated leave balance accrual done in fiscal 2001. The new residuals processing contract increased sludge pelletization expenses

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by \$935,000, but resulted in savings in chemical expenses of \$1.1 million, utility expenses of \$3.6 million and landfill use costs of \$1.7 million. Operating expense increases were also seen in lab testing and analysis (\$828,000), security (\$962,000) and lease rentals related to a new facility (\$748,000).

Net non-operating expenses increased \$9.5 million or 8% primarily due to a decrease in interest income of \$18 million offset by a decrease in interest expense of \$9.5 million. Interest income decreased largely due to lower investment balances and lower interest rates during the year. Interest expense decreased due to the effect of lower interest rates on variable debt and the swap agreements associated with this debt. Lower interest rates reduced interest expense on variable rate debt, but at the same time increased swap expenses as the swap agreements have the Authority paying a fixed rate and receiving a variable rate. Working together these two components reduced interest expenses by \$7.4 million.

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Operating Costs by Functionality (dollars in thousands)

	_	2002	2001	Percent change
Wastewater treatment and transport	\$	78,559	84,637	(7.18)%
Water treatment and transport		18,571	21,705	(14.4)%
Water and wastewater quality		9,101	8,711	4.5%%
Metering and monitoring		3,501	3,016	16.1%
Facilities planning, design and construction		12,308	14,458	(14.9)%
MIS		9,418	8,358	12.7%
Administration and support		46,754	43,105	8.5%
Total direct operating costs	-	178,212	183,990	(3.1)%
Indirect operating costs	-	31,955	33,619	(4.9)%
Total operating costs	\$	210,167	217,609	(3.4)%

All of the functional areas of the Authority were affected by a decrease in wages and salaries primarily due to a reduction in the workforce. The Authority is transitioning from an agency staffed to both build and operate major capital investments to an agency focused on operations and maintenance. In 1999, as part of its business plan, the Authority established long-term agency-wide staffing targets. In fiscal 2002, the Authority's Board of Directors adopted an early retirement incentive program which increased the pace of staffing reductions this fiscal year. To better manage its workforce, the Authority has consolidated its water and wastewater field staff from ten facilities into one facility in Chelsea. By combining these and other operation functions, greater workforce flexibility and efficiencies were achieved.

The overall reduction in operating costs for Wastewater Treatment and Transport is attributable to significant savings achieved in the renegotiation of the sludge processing contract and competitive procurement of electricity at Deer Island due to deregulation. Water treatment and transport decreases are due to lower staffing levels. Water and Wastewater Quality increased due to lab testing and analysis related to the opening of the outfall tunnel. Facilities planning, design and construction spending decreased due to the completion of the Boston Harbor Project. MIS operating costs increased due to a consolidation of functions previously included in the Wastewater Treatment and Transport line item. In

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addition a computer network was installed at the new Chelsea facility, previously located at our headquarters facility. Administrative and support spending increased due to the opening of the Chelsea facility and additional security costs. Chelsea facility costs are expected to be somewhat offset as remote facility sites are surplused.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

As of June 30, 2002 the Authority had approximately \$6.4 billion of capital assets (net of depreciation). This includes land, construction in progress, plant and equipment for the water and sewer systems, furniture and fixtures, leasehold improvements and motor vehicles and equipment. The Authority's net capital assets increased approximately \$218 million or 3.5% over the prior year.

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Capital Assets (net of depreciation, dollars in thousands)

	 2002	2001	Percent change
Land	\$ 16,806	16,806	0.0%
Construction in progress	1,177,074	991,444	18.7%
Plant and equipment, water and sewer			
systems	5,245,583	5,214,698	0.6%
Furniture and fixtures	21	358	(94.1)%
Leasehold improvements	1,734		100.0%
Motor vehicles and equipment	 643	679	(5.3)%
Total net capital assets	\$ 6,441,861	6,223,985	3.5%

Increases in construction in progress are primarily due to additional work on the Braintree/Weymouth Relief Facilities (\$42 million), the Norumbega Covered Storage facility (\$28 million), the Walnut Hill Water Treatment Plant (\$54 million) and the MetroWest Tunnel (\$59 million).

Increases in plant and equipment for the water and sewer systems include capitalization of final Boston Harbor Project costs (\$37 million), covered water storage facilities (\$41 million), water pipelines (\$32 million) and the new maintenance facility (\$37 million).

Increases in leasehold improvements (\$1.7 million) are primarily for improvements to the Authority's facilities in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Debt Administration

The Authority's bond sales must be approved by the Board of Directors and must comply with rules and regulations of the United States Treasury Department and United States Securities and Exchange Commission. Neither the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth") nor any political

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subdivision thereof shall be obligated to pay the principal of, premium or interest on any debt outstanding and neither faith and credit nor taxing power of the Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof is pledged to such payment.

Bond Resolutions

Under the General Bond Resolution rate covenant, the Authority is required to maintain revenues sufficient to pay: current expenses; debt service on indebtedness; required deposits to reserves; costs of maintenance, replacement and/or improvement to the wastewater and water systems that are considered current expenses; and additional amounts the Authority may be required to pay by any law or contract.

In addition to the rate covenant the Authority is required to meet two covenants with respect to debt service coverage. The primary debt service coverage requires that the Authority fix and adjust rates and charges to provide revenues available for bond debt service in an amount equal to 1.2 times that required for debt service on all outstanding bonds, not including subordinated bonds. The subordinated debt service coverage requires that the Authority fix and adjust rates and charges to provide revenues available for bond debt service in an amount equal to 1.1 times that required for debt service on all outstanding bonds, including subordinated bonds.

Credit Rating

Of the \$4.7 billion of revenue bonds the Authority currently has outstanding, \$2.6 billion is credit enhanced by a combination of bond insurance, liquidity, or letters of credit. The Authority's enhanced revenue bonds are rated "AAA" by FITCHRATINGS, "Aaa" by Moody's Investors Service, and "AAA" by Standard and Poor's. The Authority's unenhanced \$1,633 million long-term, senior debt is rated "AA-" by FITCHRATINGS, "Aa3" by Moody's Investors Service, and "AA" by Standard and Poor's.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

In June 2002, the Board of Directors approved the FY03 Current Expense Budget (CEB), which totals \$515.2 million. The FY03 CEB provides for \$400.9 million to be funded through rates and charges, and \$47.2 million to be offset by state debt service assistance. The FY03 CEB includes a transfer of \$13.3 million from the Rate Stabilization Fund. Of the amounts budgeted, capital financing expenses (before offsets from state debt service assistance) account for 60%; direct expenses account for 34%; and indirect expenses account for 6%. The direct expense budget reflects a shift of \$3.2 million of capital lease costs to debt service. Including such shift, total budgeted expenses for Fiscal Year 2003 are 4.7% less than total budgeted expenses for Fiscal Year 2002. Without the capital shift, the decrease from the Fiscal Year 2002 direct expense budget would be \$5.5 million or 3%.

The FY03 CEB was adopted prior to the adoption of the Commonwealth budget in July 2002, and the Authority now expects to receive approximately \$32.9 million in state debt service assistance, which is \$14.3 million less than budgeted in the FY03 CEB. The Authority will recommend to the Board a number of options for offsetting this expected shortfall in Fiscal Year 2003, including a reduction in operating expenses, the restructuring of debt service, and an increase in the transfer from the Rate Stabilization and Bond Redemption Funds. The Board could also consider revising the rates and charges assessed to the Local Bodies for FY03.

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CIP 10 year plan

The Authority's planned spending for capital improvements in future years primarily reflects the continuation and completion of projects now underway. These include:

- Completion of the MetroWest Water Supply Tunnel, ensuring reliable water delivery to all Authority customers
- Completion of the new Walnut Hill Water Treatment Plant to improve treatment facilities and to ensure high quality drinking water
- Completion of covered storage facilities, to provide safe, reliable storage for water treated at Walnut Hill and transported via the MetroWest Water Supply Tunnel
- Completion of the long-term CSO (Combined Sewer Overflow) control plan
- Completion of new wastewater interceptor facilities under construction, as well as additional planned facilities.

Contacting the Authority's Financial Management

This report is designed to provide our bondholders, member communities and other interested parties with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to demonstrate the Authority's accountability for the revenue it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, Finance Division, 100 First Avenue, Boston, MA 02129.

Balance Sheets

June 30, 2002 and 2001

(Dollars in thousands)

Assets	_	2002	2001
Unrestricted current assets: Cash and cash equivalents (note 4) Investments (note 4) Intergovernmental loans (note 7) Accounts receivable	\$	34,058 54,003 12,515 1,817	42,644 47,047 10,388 1,911
Total unrestricted current assets	_	102,393	101,990
Restricted assets: Cash and investments (note 4) Interest receivable Grants receivable: Billed Unbilled		743,742 7,177 1,540 1,169	681,708 5,642 1,549 2,553
Total restricted assets	_	753,628	691,452
Capital assets, not being depreciated (notes 8 and 9) Capital assets, being depreciated, net (notes 8 and 9) Deferred charges (notes 3 and 9) Other assets, net (notes 7 and 9)	_	1,193,880 5,247,981 243,386 127,205	1,008,250 5,215,735 218,229 102,801
Total assets	\$_	7,668,473	7,338,457
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses (note 13) Commercial paper notes (note 6) Current portion of long-term debt (note 6)	\$	43,177 317,000 117,970	48,717 332,000 67,611
Total current liabilities	_	478,147	448,328
Payable from restricted assets: Accounts payable for construction Accrued interest on bonds payable	_	45,935 55,713	47,847 55,684
Total payable from restricted assets	_	101,648	103,531
Retainage on construction in progress Long-term debt, less current portion (note 6) Long-term capital lease (note 10) Reserves (note 5) Deferred credits (note 3)		44,225 4,386,967 37,108 119,184 154,392	43,892 4,061,710 — 119,184 157,188
Total liabilities		5,321,671	4,933,833
Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	_	2,005,980 128,190 212,632	2,107,007 114,040 183,577
Total net assets	_	2,346,802	2,404,624
Commitments and contingencies (notes 10, 12, and 13)			
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ _	7,668,473	7,338,457

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets Years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001

(Dollars in thousands)

_	2002	2001
Operating revenues:		
Customer services \$	401,391	390,718
Other _	2,091	3,301
<u>-</u>	403,482	394,019
Operating expenses:		
Operations	80,907	116,921
Maintenance	16,346	16,658
Payments in lieu of taxes	4,911	4,877
Engineering, general, and administrative	108,003	79,153
<u>-</u>	210,167	217,609
Income from operations before depreciation	193,315	176,410
Depreciation	155,258	142,248
Operating income	38,057	34,162
Regulatory accounting provisions:		
Decrease in reserves used to offset rates		640
Increase in deferrals, net (note 3)	27,953	23,488
<u>-</u>	27,953	24,128
Nonoperating revenues (expense):		
Debt service grants	50,207	51,261
Investment income	42,951	60,923
Interest expense	(222,843)	(232,374)
<u>-</u>	(129,685)	(120,190)
Net loss before capital contributions	(63,675)	(61,900)
Capital grants and contributions	5,853	10,654
Change in net assets	(57,822)	(51,246)
Total net assets, beginning of year	2,404,624	2,455,870
Total net assets, end of year \$	2,346,802	2,404,624

Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001

(Dollars in thousands)

		2002	2001
Cash flows from operating activities: Cash received from customers Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services Cash paid to employees for services Cash paid in lieu of taxes Other operating receipts	\$	401,455 (118,226) (92,172) (4,911) 2,091	390,754 (101,302) (103,649) (4,877) 3,301
Net cash provided by operating activities	_	188,237	184,227
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Proceeds from sale of revenue bonds and from loans and notes Capital grants for construction Capital contributions Debt service grant Capital lease principal payments Capital lease interest payments Repayment of debt Interest paid on debt Plant expenditures	_	412,992 7,444 — 50,026 (26) (242) (67,656) (207,107) (364,680)	272,046 18,991 505 51,261 — (82,835) (211,205) (336,600)
Net cash used for capital and related financing activities	_	(169,249)	(287,837)
Cash flows from investing activities: Purchases of short-term investments Sales and maturities of short-term investments Decrease (increase) in restricted cash and investments, net Interest received		(214,674) 75,959 77,230 33,911	(58,780) 222,489 (114,381) 54,677
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(27,574)	104,005
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(8,586)	395
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		42,644	42,249
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$	34,058	42,644
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided from operating activities: Operating income Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	38,057	34,162
Depreciation Decrease in other accounts, net (Decrease) increase in accounts payable		155,258 64 (5,142)	142,248 36 7,781
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	188,237	184,227

Noncash financing activities:

Effective in May 2002, the Authority entered into a capital lease for the North Maintenance Facility in Chelsea in the amount of \$37,134.

Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2002 and 2001
(Dollars in thousands)

(1) Organization

The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (the Authority) was established in January 1985 pursuant to Chapter 372 (the Enabling Act) of the Act of 1984 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the Commonwealth). The Authority, a successor agency to certain functions of the Metropolitan District Commission (the MDC), is a public instrumentality and, effective July 1, 1985, provides water supply services and sewage collection, treatment, and disposal services to areas of the Commonwealth.

The Authority is governed by an eleven-member board of directors (the Board) chaired by the Secretary of Environmental Affairs for the Commonwealth. The Secretary and four other members are appointed by the Governor, one upon recommendation of the Mayor of Quincy and one upon recommendation of the Selectmen of Winthrop. Three members of the Board are appointed by the Mayor of Boston and three are appointed by the Authority's Advisory Board.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Authority conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to government enterprises. The following is a summary of the Authority's significant accounting policies:

(a) Basis of Presentation

The Authority is required by the Enabling Act to establish user rates for its water and sewer services which provide sufficient funds to recover the costs of operations (excluding depreciation), debt service, maintenance, replacements, and improvements to its facilities, and appropriate reserves. The Authority's financial statements are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and the economic measurement focus as specified by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's requirements for an enterprise fund.

The Authority distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing water and sewer services to its member communities. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 20, Accounting and Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the Authority has adopted the option to apply all Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations issued before November 30, 1989, except for those that conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

In addition, the Authority has adopted the provisions of FASB No. 71, *Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation*, to provide a better matching of revenues and expenses. The effect of this policy has been to defer certain costs, which will be recovered through future revenues in accordance with the Authority's rate model, and to record deferred credits for revenue collected through current rates for costs expected to be incurred in the future. The effects of the Authority's accounting policies under Statement No. 71 are discussed further in notes 3 and 9.

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(b) Capital Assets

On July 1, 1985, ownership of the MDC's sewer and waterworks personal property was transferred to the Authority. Pursuant to the Enabling Act, ownership of the real property of the MDC sewer and waterworks systems was not transferred from the Commonwealth to the Authority; however, the Authority has the right to use, improve, maintain, and manage that property. In addition, ownership of the real and personal property of the watershed system remains with the Commonwealth; however, the Authority has the right to utilize the water therefrom for water supply purposes.

The personal property, together with the rights to the real property and watershed system, was recorded at its estimated fair market value of \$2,331,465 (including certain construction projects which were in progress as of July 1, 1985) based upon an appraisal performed by valuation specialists. Property, plant, and equipment acquired or constructed since July 1, 1985, is stated at historical cost, and includes the expenditure of capital grants in aid of construction.

Betterments and major renewals are capitalized and included in capital asset accounts, while expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense when incurred. The cost of depreciable assets and related accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts when such items are disposed of or otherwise retired.

(c) Interest Cost and Principal Payments on Construction

During fiscal 2002 and 2001, none of the Authority's interest expense was capitalized to construction in progress, in accordance with its current policy of recovering such costs through rates as incurred. Rates collected for principal payments on debt related to assets under construction are deferred until the related asset is completed and depreciation commences.

(d) Depreciation

The Authority provides for depreciation by use of the straight-line method. Depreciation is intended to distribute the cost of depreciable properties, including those financed by capital grants in aid of construction, over the following estimated average useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Plant and equipment, water, and	
sewerage systems	5-100
Motor vehicles and equipment	5
Furniture and fixtures	7
Leasehold improvements	3-5

(e) Revenue Recognition

The Authority recognizes revenue as amounts become collectible from its customers for water and sewer services provided. The majority of the Authority's billings to cities and towns are subject to, in the event of nonpayment, the local aid intercept allowed by the Enabling Act.

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During fiscal year 2001, the Authority adopted GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*. This Statement had no material effect on fiscal year 2001.

(f) Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Authority's policy is to treat unrestricted investments with a maturity date of three months or less when purchased as cash equivalents for purposes of the cash flow statements. Restricted cash and cash equivalents are combined with investments on the balance sheets, and shown separately on the statements of cash flows as an investing activity.

(g) Payments in Lieu of Taxes

The Enabling Act authorizes and directs the Authority to pay to the MDC Division of Watershed Management an amount for payment to each city or town in which land of the Quabbin watershed and Ware River watershed is located. Each such payment is equal to the amount which the respective city or town would receive in property taxes, based upon the fair value of such land if such land were not tax exempt.

(h) Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value. Fair value is determined based on quoted market price. The Authority recorded unrealized gains of \$7,516 and \$10,544 in fiscal 2002 and 2001, respectively.

(i) Use of Estimates

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

(j) Changes in Accounting Principles

The Authority adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments* (Statement 34), in 2002, effective July 1, 2001. Statement 34 establishes financial reporting standards for all state and local governments and related entities. Statement 34 primarily relates to presentation and disclosure requirements and had no impact on net assets as of June 30, 2002 and 2001. The impact of changes in the report includes the inclusion of Management's Discussion and Analysis.

The Authority adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 37 – Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments: Omnibus, and Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures, in 2002, effective July 1, 2001. The implementation of Statement No. 37 and Statement No. 38 had an impact on the presentation of the notes to the financial statements, but no impact on net assets.

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(k) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications were made to the fiscal year 2001 financial statements to conform to the fiscal year 2002 presentation.

(3) Deferred Charges and Credits

In accordance with FASB No. 71, deferred charges and credits result primarily from differences between depreciation on property, plant, and equipment not financed by grants or capital contributions, which is recovered through rates as principal payments on debt service and from amounts determined by the Board to be utilized in a subsequent year to reduce customer billings (rate stabilization).

A summary of the activity of FASB No. 71 charges (credits) for fiscal 2002 and 2001 is as follows:

	_	Sewer	Water	Total
Balance, June 30, 2000, net	\$	(713)	38,266	37,553
Difference between depreciation of capital assets not financed by grants or capital contributions, and debt service in				
excess of interest expense Rate stabilization:		32,187	17,308	49,495
Current year recovery		(15,418)	(5,324)	(20,742)
Current year usage			2,000	2,000
Other, net	_	(4,383)	(2,882)	(7,265)
Balance, June 30, 2001, net		11,673	49,368	61,041
Difference between depreciation of capital assets not financed by grants or capital contributions, and debt service in		21.544	2.550	25 125
excess of interest expense Rate stabilization:		21,566	3,559	25,125
Current year recovery Current year usage		679 6,728	(5,352) 4,872	(4,673) 11,600
Other, net	_	(1,099)	(3,000)	(4,099)
Balance, June 30, 2002, net	\$_	39,547	49,447	88,994

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The net balance at June 30, 2002 and 2001 is presented on the balance sheets as follows:

	 2002	2001	Current year change
Deferred charges Deferred credits	\$ 243,386 (154,392)	218,229 (157,188)	25,157 2,796
Net change in deferrals	\$ 88,994	61,041	27,953

The balance in the rate stabilization reserve which is included in deferred credits was \$56,135 and \$63,062 at June 30, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

(4) Deposits and Investments

The Authority is authorized by its general bond resolution to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, its agencies and instrumentalities, bonds, or notes of public agencies or municipalities, bank time deposits, guaranteed interest contracts, money market accounts, interest rate swap agreements, and repurchase agreements. These investments are recorded at fair value.

(a) Deposits

The Authority's deposits are classified as follows: those deposits that are fully insured or collateralized with securities held by the Authority or its agent in the Authority's name (Category 1), those deposits that are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Authority's name (Category 2), and those deposits that are not collateralized (Category 3). Money market mutual funds are not categorized. A summary of these deposits as of June 30, 2002 and 2001 is as follows:

			2002			
		Category		_	Total bank	Carrying
	 1	2	3		balance	amount
Cash and cash equivalents Not categorized:	\$ 200		39,060	=	39,260	34,258
Money market mutual funds				-	257,211	257,211
Total				\$	296,471	291,469
			2001			
		Category			Total bank	Carrying
	1	2	3		balance	amount
Cash and cash equivalents Not categorized:	\$ 200		54,762	_	54,962	45,844
Money market mutual funds					334,441	334,441
Total				\$	389,403	380,285

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Outstanding checks largely account for the difference between the bank balance and the carrying amount of deposits.

(b) Investments

The Authority's investments are categorized according to the level of risk assumed by the Authority. Category 1 includes investments that are insured, registered, or held by the Authority's trustee in the Authority's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Authority's name. Category 3 includes uninsured or unregistered investments held by the counterparty, its trust department or agent but not in the Authority's name. A summary of these investments as of June 30, 2002 and 2001 is as follows:

	_		_		
	_	1	2	3	Fair value
U.S. Government					
obligations	\$	48,393	_		48,393
U.S. Government Agency obligations		247,640	_	_	247,640
Guaranteed interest					
contracts	_	244,301			244,301
Total	\$ _	540,334			540,334

		2001						
	_	1	2	3	Fair value			
U.S. Government								
obligations	\$	46,356			46,356			
U.S. Government Agency								
obligations		189,897			189,897			
Guaranteed interest								
contracts	_	154,861			154,861			
Total	\$_	391,114			391,114			

The Authority entered into two interest rate swap agreements to reduce the impact of changes in interest rates. The interest rate swaps matured in August 2000 (fiscal 2001), for which the notional amounts were \$90,000 and \$78,000. Under both of these agreements, the Authority paid variable interest rates, based on a Kenney Information Services Index, and received interest at a fixed rate of 7.56%. The differential paid or received was recognized as interest rates changed. Approximately \$457 was earned on the interest rate swaps in fiscal 2001.

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(5) Bond Resolution Reserves

The components of the reserves required by the general and supplemental bond resolutions are as follows at June 30:

Reserves	_	Sewer	Water	2002 Total	2001 Total
Renewal and replacement	\$	27,300	16,701	44,001	44,001
Insurance		9,000	9,000	18,000	18,000
Operating		27,971	9,096	37,067	37,067
Community obligation and					
revenue enhancement		18,399	1,717	20,116	20,116
Total	\$	82,670	36,514	119,184	119,184

A renewal and replacement reserve of \$6,000 was established through grant receipts transferred from the Commonwealth in 1985 and is included in restricted net assets at June 30, 2002 and 2001.

(6) Notes Payable and Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt at June 30, consisted of the following:

	-	2002	2001
General Revenue Bonds:			
1990 Series A, 7 1/2%, issued February 15, 1990, due 2006	\$	19,259	17,901
1992 Series A, 6 1/2%, issued April 8, 1992, due 2007 to 2019		387,845	387,845
1993 Series C, 4 3/4% to 6%, issued December 2, 1993, due 2002 to 2023		327,370	337,820
1994 Series A, 5 1/10% to 5 6/10%, issued August 16, 1994, due 2002 to 2007		20,155	20,155
1995 Series B, 4% to 6 1/4%, issued January 4, 1996, due 2002 to 2024		234,155	239,095
1996 Series A, 5 1/10% to 6%, issued November 5, 1996, due 2002 to 2010		30,865	33,415
1998 Series A, 4 1/2% to 5 1/2%, issued January 27, 1998, due 2002 to 2032		196,835	199,825
2000 Series A, 4 1/2% to 6 1/8%, issued March 1, 2000, due 2002 to 2039		282,710	284,335
2002 Series B, 5% to 5 1/2%, issued March 15, 2002, due 2002 to 2027		180,000	_
General Revenue Refunding Bonds:			
1992 Series B, 5 1/2% to 6 1/4%, issued December 17, 1992, due 2003 to 2020		446,160	446,160
1993 Series B, 5% to 5 1/2%, issued May 6, 1993, due 2002 to 2022		452,865	476,440
1997 Series D, 4 1/4% to 6%, issued December 15, 1997, due 2002 to 2020		135,015	135,015
1998 Series B, 4 1/4% to 5 1/2%, issued January 27, 1998, due 2005 to 2022		104,545	104,545

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	_	2002	2001
Subordinated debt:			
General Revenue Bonds with the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust:			
1993 Series A, 4 5/8% to 5 1/2%, issued March 18, 1993, due 2002 to			
2013	\$	10,610	12,095
1993 Series D, 4 1/2% to 5 1/4%, issued January 6, 1994, due 2002 to		5 045	0.500
2014		7,915	8,790
1995 Series A, 4 1/2% to 6%, issued November 21, 1995, due 2002 to 2015		9,260	10,185
1998 Series C, 4% to 5 3/8%, issued July 9, 1998, due 2002 to 2018		17,030	18,425
1999 Series E Sewer, 4% to 5 3/8%, issued October 6, 1999, due 2002 to		17,030	10,423
2029		10,250	10,479
1999 Series E Water, 4% to 5 3/8%, issued October 6, 1999, due 2002 to			
2029		11,127	11,596
1999 Series F, 4 2/10% to 6%, issued November 3, 1999, due 2002 to			
2029		384,335	391,600
2000 Series E Sewer, 4 1/2% to 5 5/8%, issued November 1, 2000, due 2002 to 2030		73,371	60,425
2000 Series E Water, 4 1/2% to 5 5/8%, issued November 1, 2000, due		73,371	00,423
2002 to 2030		12,200	12,672
2001 Series C Water, 3% to 5 1/4%, issued July 26, 2001, due 2002 to		,	,
2021		5,270	_
2001 Series D Sewer, 4% to 5 3/4%, issued July 26, 2001, due 2002 to			
2019		8,025	_
2001 Series D Water, 4% to 5/3/4%, issued July 26, 2001, due 2002 to		1.572	
2019 2001 Series D. Server, 1.5250/ issued July 26, 2001, due 2002 (interim)		1,572	_
2001 Series D Sewer, 1.525%, issued July 26, 2001, due 2002 (interim) 2001 Series D Water, 1.525%, issued July 26, 2001, due 2002 (interim)		10,979 4,424	_
2002 Series A Sewer, 1.09%, issued May 7, 2002, due 2002 (interim)		20,000	_
2002 Series A Sewer, 1.09%, Issued May 7, 2002, due 2002 (Interim) 2002 Series A Water, 1.09%, issued May 7, 2002, due 2002 (interim)		5,000	_
2002 Series A water, 1.05%, issued May 7, 2002, due 2002 (interim)		3,000	_
General Revenue Bonds (variable rate):			
1997 Series A, 0.8% to 5.5%, issued June 18, 1997, due 2002 to 2028		82,700	83,800
1997 Series B, 0.8% to 5.5%, issued June 18, 1997, due 2002 to 2028		82,700	83,800
1998 Series D, 0.9% to 5.5%, issued December 22, 1998, due 2008 to 2026		198,895	198,895
1999 Series A, 1.0% to 5.35%, issued January 14, 1999, due 2002 to 2028		94,200	95,400
1999 Series B, 0.8% to 5.3%, issued January 29, 1999, due 2002 to 2028		94,200	95,400
1999 Series C, 1.2% to 4.53%, issued June 8, 1999, due 2002 to 2029		72,600	73,400
1999 Series D, 1.2% to 4.7%, issued June 8, 1999, due 2002 to 2029		72,600	73,400
2000 Series B, 0.9% to 5.5%, issued March 22, 2000, due 2002 to 2037		135,000	135,300
2000 Series C, 0.9% to 5.5%, issued March 22, 2000, due 2002 to 2037		134,900	135,300
2001 Series A, 0.8% to 2.35%, issued September 26, 2001, due 2002 to 2023		95,000	_
2001 Series B, 0.8% to 2.35%, issued September 26, 2001, due 2023 to 2031		85,000	_

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	2002	2001
General Revenue Bonds (fixed rates):		
2000 Series D, 5 1/2%, issued October 1, 2000, due 2009 to 2011	\$ 150,000	150,000
	4,706,942	4,343,513
Less:		
Unamortized issuance and discount costs	(112,693)	(117,524)
Unamortized excess of reacquisition price over net carrying amount of		
defeased bonds	(89,312)	(96,668)
Current portion of long-term debt	(117,970)	(67,611)
	(319,975)	(281,803)
Long-term debt, net	\$ 4,386,967	4,061,710

Long-term debt at June 30, 2002 and 2001 consisted of the following:

	2001 Beginning balance	Additions	Reductions	2002 Ending balance	Due within one year
General Revenue Bonds General Revenue Refunding Bonds General Revenue Bonds with the Massachusetts	\$ 2,645,086 1,162,160	361,358 —	29,455 23,575	2,976,989 1,138,585	36,240 25,695
Water Pollution Abatement Trust	536,267	69,727	14,626	591,368	56,035
	\$ 4,343,513	431,085	67,656	4,706,942	117,970
					·
	2000 Beginning balance	Additions	Reductions	2001 Ending balance	Due within one year
General Revenue Bonds General Revenue Refunding Bonds General Revenue Bonds with the Massachusetts	\$ Beginning	Additions 151,263	Reductions 46,720 15,430	Ending	within
	\$ Beginning balance 2,540,543		46,720	Ending balance 2,645,086	within one year 29,455

The Authority is required to establish water and sewer rates and charges at a level sufficient to provide, among other things, primary and subordinated debt service coverage ratios of 120% and 110%, respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2002, the Authority had primary and subordinated debt service coverage ratios of 173% and 110%, respectively.

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The Act of 1984 imposes a limitation of \$600,000 on the total amount of bonds and notes which may be outstanding at any one time. The Authority has requested increases in its debt limit as necessary to allow for issuances of bonds in amounts required to finance the capital program. The state legislature increased the debt limit to \$5,400,000.

On March 15, 2002, the Authority issued General Revenue Bonds, 2002 Series B in the principal amount of \$180,000. The proceeds from these bonds will be used to fund ongoing capital projects. The interest rates on these bonds range from 5% to 5.50%.

On September 26, 2001, the Authority issued Multi-Modal Subordinated General Revenue Bonds, 2001 Series A and B in the principal amount of \$180,000. The proceeds from these bonds will be used to fund ongoing capital projects. These bonds have a variable interest rate, which is currently reset weekly. The interest rate for the bonds outstanding during fiscal 2002 ranged from 0.80% to 2.35%. The maximum interest rate on the bonds shall not exceed 12% per annum. The bonds are secured by a \$180,000 standby bond purchase agreement, which terminates on September 26, 2006 and carries a fee of 0.15% per annum on the amount available.

On October 1, 2000, the Authority issued General Revenue Bonds, 2000 Series D, in the principal amount of \$150,000. The proceeds from these bonds will be used to fund ongoing capital projects. The fixed interest rate on these bonds is 5 ½%. In connection with the issuance of these bonds, the Authority has entered into an interest rate swap agreement in the initial notional amount of \$150,000. Under this agreement, the Authority will pay interest to the swap counterparty at a variable rate based on the sevenday, high grade market index of tax-exempt, variable rate demand obligations, published as the Bond Market Association Index (the BMA Index). In addition, the Authority will receive interest from the swap counterparty at a fixed rate of 4.906% per annum. The Authority received approximately \$4,819 and \$1,384 in interest income from this swap agreement in fiscal 2002 and 2001, respectively.

The Authority has entered into several interest rate swap agreements to reduce the impact of changes in interest rates on the Authority's variable rate debt. Under these agreements the Authority pays an average fixed interest rate of 3.96% and receives interest from the swap counterparties at a variable rate. This rate is based on the seven-day, high grade market index of tax-exempt, variable rate demand obligations published as the Bond Market Association Index. Under these agreements the Authority incurred net interest expense of \$17,931 and \$5,257 in fiscal 2002 and fiscal 2001, respectively.

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At June 30, 2002, the following bonds outstanding are considered defeased in substance:

Description	Redemption date	Redemption price	Outstanding principal amount
1991 Series A	2001 to 2004	100% to 102% \$	252,830
1992 Series A	2002	100% to 102%	283,500
1992 Series B	2000 to 2001	100%	3,790
1993 Series C	2004	102%	64,865
1994 Series A	2001, 2004	101.5%	113,145
1996 Series A	2006	101%	109,085

The proceeds and available funds were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent in an amount which will provide for payment of interest due to the redemption date and redemption of the defeased bonds outstanding on such date. The defeased portion of such debt, accrued interest thereon, and related unamortized issuance and discount costs were removed from the balance sheet in an in-substance defeasance transaction.

In 2001, the Authority entered into a \$350,000 forward interest rate swap agreement to facilitate the refunding of approximately \$345,000 of 1992 Series B refunding bonds, which occurred in August 2002 (see note 14). Under this agreement the Authority will pay a fixed interest rate of 4.127% and receive a variable rate based upon the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) index. This variable to fixed swap will match variable rate bonds that the Authority plans to issue in 2002 to retire the 1992 Series B bonds.

Outstanding bonds that are redeemable before their scheduled due dates are as follows at June 30, 2002:

Description	Redemption date	Redemption price	Outstanding principal amount
1992 Series B	November 2002	100% to 102% \$	446,155
1993 Series B	March 2003	100% to 102%	252,245
1993 Series C	December 2004	100% to 102%	120,245
1994 Series A	August 2004	100% to 101.5%	10,860
1995 Series B	December 2005	100% to 102%	179,730
1996 Series A	November 2006	100% to 101%	15,625
1997 Series D	August 2008	100% to 101%	113,375
1998 Series A	August 2008	100%	141,290
1998 Series B	August 2008	100%	72,945
2000 Series A	August 2010	100% to 101%	246,655
2002 Series B	August 2011	100% to 101%	161,885

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The variable rate general revenue bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Authority in whole or in part, on any interest payment date.

During fiscal 2002, the Authority executed loan agreements with the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust (MWPAT) providing for 2001 Series C Water, 2001 Series D Sewer and Water and 2002 Series A Sewer and Water loans in the principal amounts of \$5,270, \$19,004, \$5,996, \$20,000 and \$5,000, respectively. All proceeds for these loans were received by June 30, 2002.

During fiscal 2001, the Authority executed loan agreements with MWPAT providing for 2000 Series E Sewer and 2000 Series E Water loans in the principal amounts of \$77,552 and \$12,672, respectively, of which \$87,509 has been received as of June 30, 2002.

Federal and Commonwealth subsidies for purposes of offsetting principal payments aggregating \$133,425 will be recognized as capital grants in aid of construction over the term of the loans.

Interest is payable semiannually on all debt, except on the commercial paper and capital appreciation bonds, on which interest is payable upon maturity and the General Revenue Bonds with variable interest rates on which interest is payable monthly. The Senior General Revenue Bonds and the General Revenue Refunding Bonds are collateralized equally and ratably by a lien and pledge on substantially all of the Authority's cash and revenues, except the operating fund. The subordinated debt series, including the commercial paper are collateralized equally and ratably by a subordinated pledge on substantially all of the Authority's revenues and cash and investments, except the operating, debt service and debt service reserve funds. Discounts, issuance costs, and the excess of reacquisition price over the carrying amount of the defeased debt are being amortized over the lives of the respective issues.

The amounts of long-term debt, principal and interest, payable in future fiscal years are as follows:

	_	Principal	Interest	Total
Year ending June 30:				
2003	\$	117,970	220,082	338,052
2004		86,097	217,472	303,569
2005		97,741	212,856	310,597
2006		95,723	207,862	303,585
2007		105,409	202,961	308,370
2008-2012		907,891	898,470	1,806,361
2013-2017		987,713	661,763	1,649,476
2018-2022		1,089,740	422,977	1,512,717
2023-2027		756,111	197,867	953,978
2028-2032		277,180	82,123	359,303
2033-2037		122,319	40,159	162,478
2038-2040		63,048	4,788	67,836
Total	\$	4,706,942	3,369,380	8,076,322

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The Authority issued commercial paper notes of \$317,000 to finance capital expenditures, which are secured by a \$257,000 and \$102,466 irrevocable direct-pay letters of credit which expire on January 20, 2003 and September 8, 2004, respectively.

The maximum aggregate principal amount of commercial paper which may be outstanding at any one time is \$350,000. These letters of credit carry a fee of 0.225% and 0.28% per annum, respectively, on the amount available. The weighted average interest rate on commercial paper outstanding at June 30, 2002 was 1.5%.

(7) Accounts Receivable/Intergovernmental Loans

The Authority has entered into various interest-free loan agreements with certain member communities. Under these agreements, the Authority loaned these communities \$24,843 and \$17,421 in fiscal 2002 and 2001, respectively, to be received in four or five equal annual installments.

The long-term portion of these loans at June 30, 2002 and 2001 is \$39,595 and \$27,231, respectively, and is included in other assets. This program is designed to assist member communities with sewer and water systems rehabilitation.

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(8) Capital Assets

Capital assets consisted of the following at June 30:

		2001	Additions	Deletions/ transfers	2002
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	Φ	16.006			16.006
Land Construction in progress	\$	16,806 991,444	364,934	179,304	16,806 1,177,074
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		1,008,250	364,934	179,304	1,193,880
Capital assets, being depreciated: Plant and equipment, water and sewage					
system		6,430,350	177,987	_	6,608,337
Furniture and fixtures		19,199	35	_	19,234
Leasehold improvements		2,447	2,167	_	4,614
Motor vehicles and equipment		1,595			1,595
Total capital assets, being depreciated		6,453,591	180,189	_	6,633,780
Less accumulated depreciation for: Plant and equipment, water and sewage					
system		1,215,652	147,102	_	1,362,754
Furniture and fixtures		18,841	372	_	19,213
Leasehold improvements		2,447	433		2,880
Motor vehicles and equipment		916	36		952
Total accumulated depreciation		1,237,856	147,943	_	1,385,799
•		1,207,000	111,213		1,000,100
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net		5,215,735	32,246		5,247,981
Capital assets, net	\$	6,223,985	397,180	179,304	6,441,861

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Capital assets consisted of the following at June 30:

		2000	Additions	Deletions/ transfers	2001
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	Φ	16510	200		16.006
Land	\$	16,518	288	052.565	16,806
Construction in progress		1,612,042	332,967	953,565	991,444
Total capital assets, not being					
depreciated		1,628,560	333,255	953,565	1,008,250
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Plant and equipment, water and sewage					
system		5,498,966	931,384	_	6,430,350
Furniture and fixtures		19,199	_	_	19,199
Leasehold improvements		2,447	_	_	2,447
Motor vehicles and equipment		1,595			1,595
Total capital assets, being					
depreciated		5,522,207	931,384		6,453,591
•		3,822,207			0,100,001
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Plant and equipment, water and sewage					
system		1,080,668	134,984	_	1,215,652
Furniture and fixtures		18,469	372	_	18,841
Leasehold improvements		2,014	433	_	2,447
Motor vehicles and equipment		873	43		916
Total accumulated					
depreciation		1,102,024	135,832	_	1,237,856
•					
Total capital assets, being					
depreciated, net		4,420,183	795,552		5,215,735
Capital assets, net	\$	6,048,743	1,128,807	953,565	6,223,985

Depreciation for FY 2002 and 2001 was \$155,258 and \$142,248, respectively.

(9) Other Assets

On December 17, 1997, the Authority sold to Massachusetts Heavy Industries, Inc. (MHI) certain land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and other items located within a former shipbuilding facility, known as the Fore River Shipyard, for a total purchase price of \$10,000. The Authority received \$3,000 in December 1997. The remaining balance of \$7,000 was due to be received beginning in December 1999. In accordance with FASB No. 71, the original loss of \$28,303 was accounted for as a deferred charge and is expected to be recovered through future rates. During fiscal 2000, the \$7,000 receivable was determined to be uncollectible increasing the deferred loss on the original sale to \$35,303.

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(10) Leases

(a) Operating

The Authority leases electrical power assets, office space in Boston, and other property under long-term operating leases. Future minimum rental payments required under operating leases having initial or remaining noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year are as follows at June 30, 2002:

Year ending June 30:	
2003	\$ 10,485
2004	10,303
2005	10,122
2006	9,943
2007	6,938
2008-2012	26,853
2013-2017	15,386
2018-2022	 1,590
	\$ 91,620

The Authority has the option to extend the lease agreements on the Boston offices for a subsequent five-year period at costs ranging from the current market rent at the extension date to an 18% increase.

Rental expense was \$13,126 and \$11,754 in fiscal years 2002 and 2001, respectively.

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(b) Capital

In fiscal 2002, the Authority entered into a 30-year capital lease agreement for the new maintenance facility. The interest rate for the capital lease is 7.83%. Future minimum lease payments for the capital lease are as follows at June 30, 2002:

	_	Principal	Interest	Total
Year ending June 30:				
2003	\$	323	2,894	3,217
2004		349	2,868	3,217
2005		377	2,840	3,217
2006		408	2,809	3,217
2007		441	2,776	3,217
2008-2012		2,805	13,280	16,085
2013-2017		4,144	11,941	16,085
2018-2022		6,122	9,963	16,085
2023-2027		9,044	7,041	16,085
2028-2032	-	13,095	2,724	15,819
Total	\$ _	37,108	59,136	96,244

(11) Retirement Benefits

All MDC personnel who became employees of the Authority on July 1, 1985, and were members of the State Employees Retirement System, retained their membership in that system. The Authority is not liable for retirement allowances paid to or on account of these employees. Funding of the pension liability of the State Employees Retirement System is the obligation of the Commonwealth. Employees covered by this plan become 100% vested after ten years of service. The Authority's covered payroll for members of this plan for the year ended June 30, 2002 was \$11,478. Total covered payroll for all Authority employees was \$83,879 for the year ended June 30, 2002.

(a) Plan Description

The Enabling Act provided for the establishment of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Employees' Retirement System (the Plan), a contributory single-employer retirement system that is separate from the State Employees Retirement System. The Plan is a defined benefit pension plan covering those employees not employed by the MDC prior to July 1, 1985.

Under the provisions of the Plan, pension benefits vest after 10 years of full-time employment. An employee may retire after 20 years of service or at age 55 and completion of 10 years of service. At age 65, annual pension benefits equal 2 1/2% of the employee's average regular compensation earned during the last three years of employment or any three consecutive years when compensation was higher, multiplied by each year of creditable service. The benefit is reduced if retirement occurs before age 65 or if survivor's benefits are elected. The Plan also provides death and disability

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benefits. Ordinary disability benefits are available only to employees under age 55 with at least ten years of service. Complete financial statements for the Plan can be obtained from the Authority's administrative offices at Charlestown Navy Yard, 100 First Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02129.

(b) Funding Policy

Contributions made by employees are based upon a percentage of employee base pay (5% for employees hired before December 31, 1974, 7% for employees hired between January 1, 1975 and December 31, 1983, 8% for employees hired between December 31, 1983 and June 30, 1996, and 9% for employees hired after July 1, 1996). Additionally, certain employees earning in excess of \$30 contribute an extra 2% of their salary effective January 1, 1979. Employees receive full payment of contributions upon withdrawal from the Plan and 50% of interest earned for employees with five to nine years of service or 100% of interest earned for employees with ten or more years of service.

The 2002 contribution to the plan was based on an amount approved by the Retirement Board and the Authority's Board of Directors. The 2001 contribution to the Plan was based on 3.78% of covered payroll, as determined by the Retirement Board and approved by the Authority's Board of Directors. The Authority's Enabling Act requires funding to be made in accordance with the Retirement Board's recommendation.

(c) Annual Pension Cost

The annual required contribution for the current year was determined as part of the January 1, 2001, actuarial valuation using the entry age normal cost method. The actuarial assumptions included (a) 8% investment rate of return and (b) projected salary increase of 5.5% per year. Liabilities for cost of living increases have been assumed at an annual increase of 3%, on the first \$12 of benefit payments. Assets are valued at market value.

(d) Three-Year Trend Information

	_	Annual pension cost (APC)	Percentage of APC contributed	 Net pension obligation
Fiscal year ending:				
2002	\$	2,438	100%	
2001		2,616	100%	\$ _
2000		3,235	100%	

The Authority's policy is to provide certain health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees. Substantially all of the Authority's employees may become eligible for those benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the Authority. Those and similar benefits for active employees are provided through an insurance company whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. Premiums for retired employees were immaterial in fiscal year 2002 and 2001.

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(12) Commitments and Contingencies

A major capital improvement program is currently in progress. As part of this program, the Authority has entered into a number of contracts for the design and construction of facilities. Commitments under these contracts aggregated approximately \$627,284 at June 30, 2002.

Under an order of the Federal District Court of Massachusetts, the Authority is required to comply with a detailed schedule of actions to achieve and maintain compliance with the requirements of the Clean Water Act. On December 15, 2000, the Authority reported substantial completion of the construction of Battery C of secondary treatment, the last milestone relating to the construction of new primary and secondary treatment facilities that commenced in December 1990. The remaining schedule establishes, among other things, a timetable of target dates for construction of a number of combined sewer overflow control projects that commenced in April 1996 and are to be completed by November 2008. Despite certain unanticipated delays related to siting issues or newly discovered information in a few projects, the Authority is in substantial compliance with the schedule requirements for these projects.

As a result of a finding of liability for a Clean Water Act violation by the MDC's sewerage operations, a substantial part of the Authority's construction programs have been subject to court supervision. In addition, the Court has reserved the right to order further remedial action and assess penalties. The Authority cannot predict whether penalties will be requested by litigants or assessed by the Courts in the future. No penalties have been assessed to date, and the Authority has no reason to expect any at this time.

The Authority's operating and construction plans are designed to comply with the Federal District Court's schedule of actions. The Authority anticipates capital expenditures of approximately \$7,548,000 from fiscal 1986 through fiscal 2012, of which \$5,880,000 has been spent as of June 30, 2002, including those projects required to comply with the Federal District Court's schedule. These capital expenditures have been forecasted based upon certain preliminary assumptions and estimates, which may change significantly as design and construction of the necessary facilities proceed. Funding is expected to come from various federal and state grants, as available and approved, and from the Authority's debt proceeds. To date, federal appropriations for the Boston Harbor Project have aggregated \$810,000.

The Authority is also a defendant, or may derivatively be a defendant, in several legal actions arising out of the operations of the water and sewer systems. It is the opinion of management that no material adverse assessments will result from these actions.

(13) Risk Management

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss. The risk management program involves insurance and self insurance related to property and casualty, including general liability, automobile liability, marine liability, public officials' errors and omissions, workers' compensation, unemployment liability, and employee health care and life insurance.

On July 1, 1998, the Authority instituted an Alternative Risk Transfer insurance program, which combines the Authority's various insurance coverages into one program with a per occurrence deductible of \$2,500. The Authority reimburses the Commonwealth on a paid-claims basis for unemployment claims. Claims paid during fiscal 2002 and 2001 were immaterial. The Authority is a licensed self-insurer for workers'

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compensation. Excess loss insurance is carried on workers' compensation as required by law in excess of \$500 per occurrence retention and in the aggregate amount of \$2,000.

The Authority participates in and pays premiums to the Commonwealth's Group Insurance Contract for employee health benefits. The Authority pays 85% of these health premiums, with employees paying the balance.

Insurance claims have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the last three fiscal years.

The MetroWest Water Supply Tunnel is being insured under an Owner's Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP). The Authority provides workers' compensation, general liability, and pollution coverage for operations of the contractors on this project. There is a \$500 self-insurance retention for each coverage with a total aggregate self-insurance retention of \$1,250 for a combined claim under the OCIP.

The Authority also instituted a second OCIP for the Walnut Hill Water Treatment Plant. The Authority provides workers' compensation, general liability, and pollution coverage for operations of the contractors on this project. There is a \$500 self-insured retention per occurrence for each coverage.

GASB Statement No. 10 requires that liabilities for self insured claims be reported if it is probable that a loss has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated. These losses include an estimate of claims that have been incurred but not reported. The Authority records such liabilities in accrued expenses.

Changes in the claims liability insurance reserves in fiscal 2002 and 2001 were as follows:

		General liability, property, and casualty	Workers'	OCIP projects
Liability balance, June 30, 2000	\$	1,560	882	1,954
Provision to record estimated losses Payments		529 (221)	824 (1,341)	3,047 (2,080)
Liability balance, June 30, 2001		1,868	365	2,921
Provision to record estimated losses Payments	-	371 (779)	1,363 (1,561)	5,537 (2,669)
Liability balance, June 30, 2002	\$	1,460	167	5,789

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(14) Subsequent Events

On August 15, 2002, the Authority issued Multi-Modal Subordinated General Revenue Bonds, 2002 Series C, D, E, F, and G in the aggregate principal amount of \$430,000. The proceeds from these bonds, along with deposits on-hand, will be used to refund the total outstanding principal of 1992 Series B bonds of \$446,160.

Required Supplementary Information (Unaudited)

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Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial valuation	. <u>-</u>	Assets (a)	 Actuarial accrued liability (AAL) – entry age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded ratio (a/b)	_	Covered payroll (c)	UAAL as a percentage covered payroll ((b-a)/(c)
1/1/2001	\$	128,385	\$ 128,385		100%	\$	65,955	
1/1/1999		96,318	96,318		100%		66,782	
1/1/1998		77,712	77,712	_	100%		63,579	

Actuarial information about the Plan for other years is not readily available.

Supplemental Schedule of Accounts Established by the General Revenue Bond Resolution

Activity for the year ended June 30, 2002 and comparative totals as of June 30, 2002 and 2001

(Dollars in thousands)

	(Construction		Revenue	Debt service	Reserves	Total
	_				-		
Balance at June 30, 2001	\$	79,240		80,810	453,546	68,112	681,708
Proceeds from:							
Revenue bonds and loans		323,536		_	14,456	_	337,992
Commercial paper		75,000		_			75,000
Cash received from							
customers				403,546			403,546
Interest income		1,509		9,651	25,642	2,477	39,279
Grant receipts		2,247		_	5,197	_	7,444
Debt service grant				_	50,026	_	50,026
Construction payments		(364,680)		_		_	(364,680)
Capital lease payments		(26)		_	(242)	_	(268)
Debt service payment		(1,272)		_	(273,491)	_	(274,763)
Other Commonwealth				(22.1.70)			(00.4.50)
payments		<u> </u>		(22,159)			(22,159)
Interfund transfers		(3,229)		(203,866)	207,122	(27)	_
Transfers (to) from		4.50		(100.004)	2.42		(100.000)
operating account	_	179		(189,804)	242		(189,383)
Balance at June 30, 2002	\$	112,504		78,178	482,498	70,562	743,742
						2002	2001
				Sewer	Water	Total	Total
Restricted cash and investments:			-				
Construction			\$	26,502	86,002	112,504	79,240
Debt service reserves				215,291	47,159	262,450	245,573
Debt service				114,060	37,914	151,974	142,232
Revenue redemption				39,354	7,777	47,131	45,041
Revenue				47,487	30,691	78,178	80,810
Renewal and replacement rese	erve			34,183	18,382	52,565	50,115
Insurance				8,999	8,998	17,997	17,997
Community obligation and re	venu	e					
enhancement			_	18,931	2,012	20,943	20,700
Total restricted ca	sh an	d					
investments	on un	₩	\$	504,807	238,935	743,742	681,708

Supplemental Schedule Combining Balance Sheet

June 30, 2002

(Dollars in thousands)

Assets		Sewer	Water	Combined total
Unrestricted current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Investments Intergovernmental loans Accounts receivable	\$	24,212 37,740 4,842 1,291	9,846 16,263 7,673 526	34,058 54,003 12,515 1,817
Total unrestricted current assets	_	68,085	34,308	102,393
Restricted assets: Cash and investments Interest receivable Grants receivable:		504,807 4,699	238,935 2,478	743,742 7,177
Billed Unbilled		1,596 1,169	(56)	1,540 1,169
Total restricted assets		512,271	241,357	753,628
Capital assets, not being depreciated Capital assets, being depreciated, net Deferred charges Other assets, net		317,343 3,788,219 172,655 95,628	876,537 1,459,762 70,731 31,577	1,193,880 5,247,981 243,386 127,205
Total assets	\$	4,954,201	2,714,272	7,668,473
Liabilities and Net Assets				
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses Commercial paper notes Current portion of long-term debt	\$	21,794 — 96,158	21,383 317,000 21,812	43,177 317,000 117,970
Total current liabilities		117,952	360,195	478,147
Payable from restricted assets: Accounts payable for construction Accrued interest on bonds payable		26,541 41,730	19,394 13,983	45,935 55,713
Total payable from restricted assets	_	68,271	33,377	101,648
Retainage on construction in progress Long-term debt, less current portion Long-term capital leases Reserves Deferred credits		11,244 3,287,529 25,234 82,670 133,108	32,981 1,099,438 11,874 36,514 21,284	44,225 4,386,967 37,108 119,184 154,392
Total liabilities		3,726,008	1,595,663	5,321,671
Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	_	1,000,195 85,861 142,137	1,005,785 42,329 70,495	2,005,980 128,190 212,632
Total net assets	_	1,228,193	1,118,609	2,346,802
Commitments and contingencies				
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	4,954,201	2,714,272	7,668,473

Supplemental Schedule Combining Balance Sheet

June 30, 2001

(Dollars in thousands)

Assets		Sewer	Water	Combined total
Unrestricted current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Investments	\$	29,842 33,296	12,802 13,751	42,644 47,047
Intergovernmental loans Accounts receivable		4,485 307	5,903 1,604	10,388 1,911
Total unrestricted current assets		67,930	34,060	101,990
Restricted assets: Cash and investments Interest receivable Grants receivable:		544,490 4,277	137,218 1,365	681,708 5,642
Billed Unbilled		1,596 2,553	(47)	1,549 2,553
Total restricted assets		552,916	138,536	691,452
Capital assets, not being depreciated Capital assets, being depreciated, net Deferred charges Other assets, net	_	252,917 3,807,803 151,073 79,500	755,333 1,407,932 67,156 23,301	1,008,250 5,215,735 218,229 102,801
Total assets	\$	4,912,139	2,426,318	7,338,457
Liabilities and Net Assets		_		
Current liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued expenses Commercial paper notes Current portion of long-term debt	\$	25,135 57,838	23,582 332,000 9,773	48,717 332,000 67,611
Total current liabilities		82,973	365,355	448,328
Payable from restricted assets: Accounts payable for construction Accrued interest on bonds payable	_	24,339 42,709	23,508 12,975	47,847 55,684
Total payable from restricted assets	_	67,048	36,483	103,531
Retainage on construction in progress Long-term debt, less current portion Reserves Deferred credits	_	17,767 3,267,894 82,670 139,400	26,125 793,816 36,514 17,788	43,892 4,061,710 119,184 157,188
Total liabilities		3,657,752	1,276,081	4,933,833
Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	_	1,061,150 76,232 117,005	1,045,857 37,808 66,572	2,107,007 114,040 183,577
Total net assets		1,254,387	1,150,237	2,404,624
Commitments and contingencies				
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	4,912,139	2,426,318	7,338,457

Supplemental Schedule Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

Year ended June 30, 2002

(Dollars in thousands)

	Sewer	Water	Combined total
Operating revenues:			
Customer services \$,	112,438	401,391
Other	1,909	182	2,091
	290,862	112,620	403,482
Operating expenses:			
Operations	53,290	27,617	80,907
Maintenance	13,138	3,208	16,346
Payments in lieu of taxes		4,911	4,911
Engineering, general, and administrative	76,727	31,276	108,003
	143,155	67,012	210,167
Income from operations			
before depreciation	147,707	45,608	193,315
Depreciation	109,323	45,935	155,258
Operating income (loss)	38,384	(327)	38,057
Regulatory accounting provisions:			
Increase in reserves recovered through rates			
Decrease in deferred credits, net	27,872	81	27,953
	27,872	81	27,953
Nonoperating income (expense):	44 171	6.026	50.207
Debt service grants	44,171	6,036	50,207
Investment income	32,112	10,839	42,951
Interest expense	(174,358)	(48,485)	(222,843)
	(98,075)	(31,610)	(129,685)
Net loss before capital contributions	(31,819)	(31,856)	(63,675)
Capital grants and contributions	5,625	228	5,853
Change in net assets	(26,194)	(31,628)	(57,822)
Total net assets, beginning of year	1,254,387	1,150,237	2,404,624
Total net assets, end of year \$	1,228,193	1,118,609	2,346,802

Supplemental Schedule Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets

Year ended June 30, 2001

(Dollars in thousands)

Operating revenues: \$ 285,080 105,638 390,7 Other 3,106 195 3,30 288,186 105,833 394,0 Operating expenses: 0 75,102 41,819 116,92 Maintenance 13,750 2,908 16,62 Payments in lieu of taxes — 4,877 4,87 Engineering, general, and administrative 58,320 20,833 79,13	d
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Income from operations	
before depreciation 141,014 35,396 176,4	0
Depreciation 98,300 43,948 142,24	8
Operating income (loss) 42,714 (8,552) 34,10	2
Regulatory accounting provisions:	
Increase in reserves recovered through rates 320 320 64	
Decrease in deferred credits, net 12,386 11,102 23,45	8
12,706 11,422 24,12	8
Nonoperating income (expense): Debt service grants 45,871 5,390 51,20	1
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Interest expense (178,704) (53,670) (232,3'	
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Net loss before capital contributions (30,600) (31,300) (61,90	
Capital grants and contributions 9,126 1,528 10,63	4
Change in net assets (21,474) (29,772) (51,24	6)
Total net assets, beginning of year	0
Total net assets, end of year \$ 1,254,387 1,150,237 2,404,60	4