NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY REPORT OF AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

(A Component Unit of the Township of North Bergen)

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Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of Commissioners North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority North Bergen, New Jersey

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority, a component unit of the Township of North Bergen as of and for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, as listed in the table of contents. 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 consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. 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 previously present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, 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.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated April 30, 2010 on our consideration of the North Bergen 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 the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and other required supplementary information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are 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 required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority. The supplementary schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority. The accompanying schedules of expenditures of federal awards and state financial assistance are presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by New Jersey OMB Circular 04-04, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid" and are also not a required part of the financial statements of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Fair Lawn, New Jersey April 30, 2010 MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A)

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This section of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's ("NBMUA" or "Authority") annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Authority's financial performance during the year ended December 31, 2009. Please read it in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements and accompanying notes.

The 1981 creation ordinance for the NBMUA detailed its major responsibilities as:

- > Operation and maintenance of the waste water system, four pumping stations and forty-two overflow regulators. These facilities maintain all wastewater flows from the Township of North Bergen, and the Town of Guttenberg and a small area within Union City, New Jersey.
- > Collection, recycling and disposal of solid waste from the residential properties within the Township of North Bergen.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Authority's assets exceeded its liabilities at December 31, 2009 by \$49,120,753.
- The Authority's total net assets increased \$848,828 or 1.8%
- Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments increased \$4,794,932.
- Long-term liabilities decreased \$3,354,018 (4.7%)
- Operating Revenues decreased \$203,968 (1.2%)
- Operating Expenses decreased \$634,066 (4.1%)
- Operating Income for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$2,546,923.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual financial report consists of two parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section) and the basic financial statements. The Authority is a self-supporting entity and follows enterprise fund reporting; accordingly, the financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

These statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities and operations of the Authority. These statements are presented in the Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") prescribed manner. The financial statements also include Notes that explain certain information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

The North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority maintains one proprietary fund for two activities. Enterprise Funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities. The Authority uses Enterprise Funds to account for its Waste Water and Solid Waste operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE AUTHORITY

Net Assets – The following table summarizes the Net Assets as of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

	2009	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current and Other Assets Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	\$ 56,646,534 67,690,181	\$ 68,494,458 58,657,511	\$ 89,172,391 43,159,396
Total Assets	124,336,715	127,151,969	132,331,787
Non-Current Liabilities Other Liabilities	68,764,440 6,451,522	72,118,458 6,761,586	74,656,042 11,208,088
Total Liabilities	75,215,962	78,880,044	85,864,130
Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Restricted Unrestricted	5,753,319 1,357,756 42,009,678	8,351,888 1,324,312 38,595,725	3,130,730 1,285,216 42,051,711
Total Net Assets	\$ 49,120,753	\$ 48,271,925	\$ 46,467,657

The Authority's Net Assets increased \$848,828 or 1.8% for the year ended December 31, 2009. The Authority's Net Assets increased \$1,804,268 or 3.9% for the year ended December 31, 2008, and \$5,521,811 or 13.5% for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increase is largely attributable to an increase in the annual contribution made by the Township for solid waste and a decrease in liabilities and operating expenses in 2009.

OPERATING ACTIVITIES

The following table summarizes the changes in Net Assets between fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007:

		<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>		2007
OPERATING REVENUES						
User Charges	\$	11,502,411	\$	11,600,901	\$	10,318,202
Connection Fees	·	171,822		491,299	•	788,495
Interest on Delinquent Accounts		285,300		271,301		252,718
Miscellaneous		•		•		1,561,430
Contribution - Township of North Bergen		5,300,000		5,100,000		4,850,000
Total Operating Revenues		17,259,533	*************************************	17,463,501		17,770,845
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Administration		2,155,478		2,067,517		2,275,128
Cost of Providing Services		10,408,796		11,055,194		10,056,695
Depreciation		2,148,336		2,223,965	_	2,311,009
Total Operating Expenses		14,712,610	*	15,346,676		14,642,832
OPERATING INCOME		2,546,923		2,116,825		3,128,013
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)					
Revenues		486,805		2,153,731		4,508,962
Expenses		(2,184,900)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(2,466,288)	_	(2,115,164)
Total Non-Operating Income (Expenses)	•	(1,698,095)		(312,557)		2,393,798
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		848,828		1,804,268		5,521,811
Net Assets, January 1		48,271,925		46,467,657		40,945,846
Net Assets, December 31	\$	49,120,753	\$	48,271,925	\$	46,467,657

Operating income increased \$430,098 or 20.3% in 2009, compared to 2008. This was a result of a decrease in operating expenses in the amount of \$634,066. The cost of providing services decreased in preparation of the closure of the Central Treatment Plant and connection to the Passaic Valley Sewerage Authority. Capital expenditures increased during 2009 as a direct result of this.

Operating income decreased \$1,011,188 or 32.3% in 2008, compared to 2007. This was a result of a decrease in connection fees received and a decrease in the overall contribution made by the Township (there was an additional contribution made in 2007 to fund an accumulated deficit in the Solid Waste Department). Also, the Authority implemented GASB No. 45 resulting in a previously unrecorded accrued liability for post-retirement benefits of \$789,432.

OPERATING ACTIVITIES (Continued)

Collection of accounts billed to customers continues to be realized at approximately 95% of revenues billed through the use of consistent billing and delinquency processes and the State authorized Municipal tax sale.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

The following table summarizes the changes in capital assets, net of depreciation, between fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007.

	<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Land	\$ 2,500,000	\$	2,500,000	
Land Improvements				\$ 338
Building and Building Improvements	1,433,711		1,520,294	1,612,575
Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	7,240,469		8,421,726	9,607,203
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines	10,332,462		11,028,096	11,747,030
Vehicles and Equipment	366,079		432,464	607,994
Work in Progress	 45,817,460		34,754,931	 19,584,256
Total	\$ 67,690,181	<u>\$</u>	58,657,511	\$ 43,159,396

The Authority's major capital assets expansion includes the sewer pipeline connection to Jersey City. Additional information on the Authority's capital assets can be found in the Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

Capital Debt

The following table summarizes the gross capital debt for the 2009, 2008 and 2007 calendar years.

		<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
Capital Leases	\$	81,294	\$	128,549	\$	218,092
Project Notes	_					5,475,000
Intergovernmental Loans		9,963,738		11,649,055		41,892,722
Revenue Bonds	3	2,768,595		34,525,889	_	36,281,013
	<u>\$ 7</u>	2,813,627	\$ 7	76,303,493	\$	83,866,827

Additional information on the Authority's capital debt can be found in the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Economic Factors And Next Year's Rates

- Funding of renewal and replacement reserves for future capital programs.
- Pressure to control escalating cost of employee health insurance, liability and worker's compensation insurance.
- Increase in Township contribution for the removal of solid waste due to increasing cost of solid waste disposal.

All of these factors were considered in preparing the Authority's 2010 budget.

The Waste Water quarterly service fees budgeted for 2010 reflects an average increase of 2% over the existing quarterly user rates. The Township contribution for solid waste increased \$200,000 or 3% in 2010. This additional revenue will offset the rising costs of the solid waste disposal fees.

On March 6, 2006, the Commissioners of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority approved the decommission of the Central Sewerage Treatment Plant and to convey the sanitary sewage generated in the plant service area to the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners' ("PVSC") sewerage treatment plant located in Newark, New Jersey. The Township of North Bergen and the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority have entered into an interlocal service agreement with the City of Jersey City and the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority ("JCMUA") to convey the sanitary sewerage through the JCMUA's collection system. The proposed connection with the JCMUA collection system will require the NBMUA to construct and/or modify a pipeline and/or its pump station. The estimated total cost of this project is approximately \$41 million dollars. The NBMUA has submitted an application to the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust for the financing of this project and has received loans. During 2007 the NBMUA received an interest free fund loan of \$28,277,580, a trust loan of \$10,465,000 and a grant of \$2,122,458. The Authority is currently in the process of applying for additional financing with the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust.

CONTACTING THE AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide the North Bergen citizens, ratepayers, customers, investors and creditors, with a general overview of the Authority's finances to demonstrate the Authority's accountability for the revenues it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Chief Financial Officer at 6200 Tonnelle Avenue, North Bergen, New Jersey 07047.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

ASSETS	2009		2008
UNRESTRICTED CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 29,479,69	2 \$	22,373,500
Investments-Forward Delivery Agreement	2,300,00		2,300,000
User Charges Receivable (Net of Allowance	2,300,00	•	2,500,000
for Doubtful Accounts)	2,094,21	3	1,979,177
Other Accounts Receivable	394,14		493,989
Total Unrestricted Current Assets	34,268,05	1_	27,146,666
RESTRICTED CURRENT ASSETS			
Revenue Account			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	863,73	5	1,322,872
Bond Reserve Account	•		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,543,52	3	1,158,306
Investments	4,404,49	3	4,821,352
Renewal and Replacement Account			, .
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,826,00	1	1,824,753
Construction Account			•
Cash and Cash Equivalents	70,57	9	71,531
Accrued Interest Receivable	31,58		31,885
Environmental Infrastructure Loan Receivable	4,924,00		20,932,346
Environmental Infrastructure Grant Receivable		<u>-</u> _	527,951
Total Restricted Current Assets	13,663,92	<u>1</u> _	30,690,996
Total Current Assets	47,931,97	2	57,837,662
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investments-Forward Delivery Agreement	7,491,13	8 _	9,311,915
Deferred Charges			
Debt Issuance Costs (Net of Amortization)	1,223,42	4	1,344,881
Capital Assets			
Land	2,500,00	0	2,500,000
Land Improvements	35,87		35,875
Buildings and Building Improvements	2,532,16		2,526,980
Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	26,832,44		26,832,446
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines	22,071,59		22,071,596
Vehicles and Equipment	3,223,00		3,109,716
Work in Progress	45,817,46		34,754,931
Accumulated Depreciation	(35,322,36		(33,174,033)
Total Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	67,690,18	1	58,657,511
Total Non-Current Assets	76,404,74	3	69,314,307
Total Assets	124,336,71	<u> 5</u> _	127,151,969

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS (CONT'D) AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		<u>2009</u>		2008
CURRENT LIABILITIES (Payable from Unrestricted Assets)				
Accounts Payable	\$	430,246	\$	438,912
Claims and Judgments Payable	•	10,360	Ψ	10,360
Capital Lease Payable		50,380		47,254
Accrued Salaries and Wages		139,920		149,374
Accrued Interest on Bonds, Notes and Loans		238,824		237,781
Deferred Revenue		496,274		493,989
Intergovernmental Loans Payable		2,143,821	_	1,685,317
Total Current Liabilities Payable from				
Unrestricted Assets		3,509,825	_	3,062,987
CURRENT LIABILITIES (Payable from Restricted Assets)				
Accounts Payable		71,950		
Construction Contracts Payable		616,735		1,594,053
Accrued Interest on Bonds and Notes		48,012		54,546
Revenue Bonds Payable		2,205,000		2,050,000
Total Current Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets		2,941,697		3,698,599
Total Current Liabilities		6,451,522		6,761,586
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accrued Compensated Absences		263,212		455,304
Post Retirement Benefits Payable		1,583,188		789,432
Capital Leases Payable		30,914		81,295
Revenue Bonds Payable (Net of Unamortized Loss)		28,864,971		30,606,788
Intergovernmental Loans Payable		38,022,155	_	40,185,639
Total Non-Current Liabilities		68,764,440		72,118,458
Total Liabilities		75,215,962	_	78,880,044
NET ASSETS				
Invested in Capital Assets, net of related debt		5,753,319		8,351,888
Restricted For:		-,,,-		2,002,000
Pre-Treatment Program		43,986	•	43,986
Renewals and Replacements		1,313,770		1,280,326
Unrestricted		42,009,678		38,595,725
Total Net Assets	\$	49,120,753	<u>\$</u>	48,271,925

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

OPERATING REVENUES		<u>2009</u>		2008
User Charges	\$	11,269,160	\$	11,407,127
Service Charges		233,251		193,774
Connection Fees		171,822		491,299
Interest on Delinquent Accounts		285,300		271,301
Contribution - Township of North Bergen		5,300,000		5,100,000
Total Operating Revenues		17,259,533		17,463,501
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Administration				
Salaries and Wages		747,486		739,578
Fringe Benefits		595,443		589,101
Other Expenses		812,549		738,838
Cost of Providing Services				
Salaries and Wages		3,222,376		3,284,062
Fringe Benefits		2,189,817		2,106,800
Other Expenses		4,996,603		5,664,332
Depreciation		2,148,336		2,223,965
Total Operating Expenses		14,712,610		15,346,676
Operating Income		2,546,923		2,116,825
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
Interest and Investment Income		353,898		1,959,682
Grants and Entitlements		•		98,133
Miscellaneous Revenues		132,907		95,916
Bad Debt Expense		-		•
Municipal Appropriation				(200,000)
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs, Premiums, etc.		(273,269)		(238,396)
Interest Expense		(1,911,631)		(2,027,892)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		(1,698,095)		(312,557)
Change in Net Assets		848,828		1,804,268
Total Net Assets, January 1		48,271,925	_	46,467,657
Total Net Assets, December 31	<u>\$</u>	49,120,753	\$	48,271,925

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Cash Received from Customers/Municipality	0 17 107 010	Φ 15 011 102
Cash Paid for Goods and Services	\$ 17,127,912 (5,817,818)	\$ 17,011,403
Cash Paid to Employees	(6,162,912)	(8,605,015) (3,932,220)
. ,	(0,102,712)	(3,732,220)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	5,147,182	4,474,168
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Operating Grants and Entitlements	118,713	98,133
Municipal Contribution		(200,000)
Miscellaneous	132,907	95,916
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financing Activities	251,620	(5,951)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Principal Payments on Project Note		(5,475,000)
Principal Payments on Revenue Bonds	(2,050,000)	(2,025,000)
Principal Payments on Intergovernmental Loans	(1,685,317)	(243,667)
Principal Payments on Capital Leases Proceeds of Intergovernmental Loans	(47,255)	(84,436)
Payment of Debt Issuance Costs on Capital Appreciation Bonds	16,536,292 (1,000)	7,988,534
Interest Paid	(1,624,103)	(98,077) (1,774,005)
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(12,086,374)	(17,836,173)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Capital and Related Financing Activities	(957,757)	(19,547,824)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest Received	291,523	769,759
Proceeds from Forward Delivery Agreement	2,300,000	2,300,000
·	2,500,000	2,500,000
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	2,591,523	3,069,759
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	7,032,568	(12,009,848)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, January 1	26,750,962	38,760,810
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31	\$ 33,783,530	\$ 26,750,962
Analysis of Cash and Cash Equivalents, at December 31		
Unrestricted	\$ 29,479,692	\$ 22,373,500
Restricted	4,303,838	4,377,462
	\$ 33,783,530	\$ 26,750,962

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash	2009		<u>2008</u>
Provided by Operating Activities			
Operating Income	\$ 2,546,923	\$	2,116,825
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net	 1	_	
Cash Provided by Operating Activities:			
Depreciation	2,148,336		2,223,965
Bad Debt			,
(Increase)/Decrease in User Charges Receivable	(115,036)		(235,089)
(Increase)/Decrease in Other Accounts Receivable	99,843		220,412
Increase/(Decrease) in Deferred Revenue	(116,428)		(220,412)
Increase/(Decrease) in Judgements Payable			(279,232)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	(8,666)		(233,153)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Salaries and Wages	(9,454)		62,609
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Compensated Absences	(192,092)		28,811
Increase/(Decrease) in Post Retirement Benefits Payable	 793,756		789,432
Total Adjustments	 2,600,259		2,357,343
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 5,147,182	\$	4,474,168
NON-CASH INVESTING, CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Amortization of Bond Premium	\$ (60,693)	\$	(60,692)
Amortization of Loss on Refunding	231,170	-	231,169
Amortization of Premium on Notes	(19,663)		(3,610)
Capital Assets on Account and Capitalization of	(), , ,		(-,)
Accrued Interest on Loan	688,685		1,594,053
Interest Expense/Accreted Value of	,		_,,
Capital Appreciation Revenue Bonds	292,706		269,876

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF PLAN NET ASSETS POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST FUND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

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ASSETS				
Cash and Investments	\$	-	\$	N -
Total Assets				
NET ASSETS				
Net Assets Held in Trust for Other Post-Employment Benefits	\$	-	\$	-

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN PLAN NET ASSETS POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST FUND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
ADDITIONS		
Contributions	Ф 107.700	.
Employer	\$ 137,780	\$ 94,738
Total Additions	137,780	94,738
DEDUCTIONS	•	•
Benefits	137,780	94,738
Total Deductions	137,780	94,738
Net Increase in Plan Assets		
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR		
OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS		
Net Assets, Beginning of Year		
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -

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NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority"), a public body corporate and politic of the State, was created pursuant to the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law (the "Act") by virtue of an ordinance duly adopted on October 15, 1981 by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of North Bergen (the "Township").

Under provisions of the Service Agreement (Note 11), the Authority is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the waste water system which includes the Woodcliff and Central Treatment Plants, four pumping stations and forty-two overflow regulators. These facilities handle all waste water flows from the Township and the Town of Guttenberg (the "Town") and from a small area within Union City, New Jersey. Additionally, the Authority is responsible for the collection, recycling and disposal of solid waste from the residential properties within the Township.

Under terms of the Service Agreement, the Authority charges the users of the waste water system directly, in both the Township and the Town, for the annual operating expenses of the system, including debt service and related reserve and rate coverage requirements. The charges are based on the character and volume of discharge from each user.

The Authority has broad powers under the Act including, among others, the following: to retain, operate and administer its property; to provide for bonds and to secure their payment and rights of holders thereof; to bill and collect service charges for the use of its facilities and to revise such service charges to ensure that the revenues of the Authority will at all times be adequate to pay all operating and maintenance expenses, including reserves, insurance, extensions and replacements, and to pay the principal of and the interest on any bonds or loans, and to maintain such reserves or sinking funds therefore as may be required by the terms of any contract of the Authority; and to make and enforce rules and regulations for the management of its business and affairs.

The Authority is governed by a Board of Commissioners (the "Board") consisting of five members each of whom is appointed by the Board of Commissioners of the Township for a staggered term of five years. Upon expiration of a member's term, such member continues to serve until a successor has been appointed and qualified. An Executive Director is appointed by the Board and functions as Chief Executive Officer responsible for the daily operations of the Authority. A Chief Financial Officer is appointed by the Board and oversees the fiscal affairs of the Authority.

GASB has issued Statement No. 39 which requires the financial reporting entity to include both the primary government and those component units. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Authority is financially accountable. The Authority is financially accountable for an organization if the Authority appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the Authority is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the Authority is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the Authority is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the Authority is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the Authority in that the Authority approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Based on such criteria, the Authority has no component units; however, the Authority is considered a component unit of the Township of North Bergen.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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

The accounts of the Authority are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounting records that comprise its assets, liabilities, net assets, revenues and expenses. Government resources are allocated and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various activities are grouped into one generic fund and one broad fund category, as follows:

The Authority reports the following major proprietary fund:

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> - The Enterprise Funds are used to account for governmental operations which are financed and operated in a manner similar to private enterprises, where the intent of the board is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to its users on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Additionally, the Authority also reports the following fund type:

<u>Fiduciary Trust Fund</u> – The Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund is used to account for the Authority's post retirement benefits funding requirements in accordance with GASB Statement No. 45.

The Authority's financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All assets and all liabilities associated with these operations (with the exception of the Fiduciary Fund) are included on the Statement of Net Assets. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The Authority's financial transactions are recorded in accounts that are created by various resolutions adopted by the Authority to meet bond or note covenant requirements (more fully defined in Note 3).

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The Authority has elected not to follow FASB guidance issued subsequent to December 1, 1989.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Authority are charges to customers for sewer services and an assessment to the Township for solid waste services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of operations and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets

1. Deposits and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, cash in banks, certificates of deposit and all short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase. Investments are reported at market value and except for the operating accounts are limited by the 1989 Bond Resolution as amended and supplemented thereto. Operating account investments are limited by NJSA 40A:5-15.1 et. seq. See Note 4 for specific disclosures on cash and investments.

2. Inventory

The costs of inventories are deemed immaterial and are recognized as expenses when purchased. The Authority does not record inventory on its statement of net assets.

3. Prepaid Items

Certain payments to vendor's effect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in the financial statements.

4. Accounts Receivable

All receivables are reported at their gross value and where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

5. Interfunds Receivable and Payable

During the course of its operations, the Authority has numerous transactions between funds (accounts) to finance operations, provide services, construct assets, and retire debt. To the extent that certain transactions between the accounts had not been paid or received as of the balance sheet dates, balances of interfund amounts receivable and payable have not been recorded.

6. Restricted Assets

Certain assets are classified as restricted on the statement of net assets because they are maintained in separate bank accounts and their use is limited by the 1989 Bond Resolution.

7. Capital Assets

All capital assets acquired or constructed by the Authority are reported as expenses in the account that finances the acquisition of the assets and are capitalized in the Operating Accounts. Capital assets are defined by the Authority as assets with an individual cost of \$2,000 and an estimated useful life of at least two years. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets (Continued)

7. Capital Assets (Continued)

Construction costs are charged to work in progress until such time as they are completed and certified by the Authority's consulting engineers, at which time they are transferred to their respective asset category and are then depreciated over their useful lives.

All capital assets are valued at historical cost and depreciated on the straight-line method based on their asset class and estimated useful lives as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Life</u>
Land Improvements	5-10 Years
Building and Building Improvements	5-30 Years
Sewer Plant and Improvements	10-25 Years
Pump Station and Sewer Lines	10-40 Years
Vehicles and Equipment	5-10 Years

8. Deferred Charges

Debt Issuance Costs

In connection with the Authority's issuance of debt, the Authority incurred certain professional and miscellaneous expenses. These expenses are deferred and amortized over the respective lives of the debt. Unamortized debt issuance costs pertaining to refunded debt have been written off and included as part of the loss of refunding.

9. Compensated Absences

Sick leave and in certain instances vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employee's rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the Authority will compensate the employee for the benefits. Unused sick time shall be paid to employees at 50% of its accumulation up to a maximum which shall not exceed \$12,000.

Vacation time shall only be carried over to the succeeding year with approval of the Department Head or Executive Director. Non-union employees with accumulating time exceeding one full year vacation may be compensated monetarily at the rate of pay when earned for up to ten days. Any other days in excess of one year will be forfeited.

10. Long-Term Obligations

Long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Losses resulting from the refunding of debt are amortized over the life of the refunded debt or new debt, which ever is shorter. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount and loss on refunding.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets (Continued)

11. Net Assets

Restricted net assets are limited to outside third-party restrictions either by law or by other organizations or persons external to the Authority. Unrestricted net assets represent the net assets neither restricted nor invested in capital assets, net of related debt.

12. Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the December 31, 2008 balances to conform to the December 31, 2009 presentation.

13. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management of the Authority 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 expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

1. Budgetary Accounting

The Authority annually prepares operating budgets for its Waste Water and Solid Waste Systems. The budget is prepared in accordance with the Budget Manual for Local Public Authorities as promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services, which differs in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The budgets serve as a plan for expenses and the proposed means for financing them. Budgetary control is exercised within the respective system. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year end.

The annual budgets are approved at least sixty days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. The budgets must be approved by the Board and submitted to the Division of Local Government Services, Bureau of Authority Regulation for approval prior to adoption. Budget adoptions and amendments are recorded in the Authority's minutes.

Six year capital budgets are also prepared for each system. Included within the budgets are individual projects along with their estimated cost, completion date and source of funding.

The encumbrance method of accounting is utilized by the Authority for budgetary purposes. Under this method purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for expenditures of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable budget appropriation.

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, outstanding encumbrances at year-end for which goods or services are received or rendered, are classified to expenses and accounts payable. All other encumbrances in the annual budgeted funds are reversed at year-end and are cancelled. Encumbrances at year-end in funds that are budgeted on a project basis automatically carry forward along with their related appropriations and are not subject to annual cancellations and reappropriations.

NOTE 2 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)

2. Revenues

After the operating budgets are adopted, a sewer user rate is approved by the Board. Sewer user charges are directly imposed on users through quarterly bills based on water consumption provided by United Water Company and include a minimum usage charge. Revenue is recognized in the year that the user is billed.

Solid waste fees are remitted by the Township of North Bergen to the Authority through an appropriation provided for in the Township's annual budget. Revenue is recognized in the year the services are rendered.

3. Designated Unrestricted Net Assets

The Authority is permitted under budgetary accounting practices promulgated by the Division of Local Government Services to designate unrestricted net assets. The Authority Board of Commissioners may formally designate net assets to establish reserves of unrestricted net assets to meet policy adopted by the Board. The Authority established the following unrestricted net assets designations:

<u>Designated for Future Capital Projects</u> – This designation was established to designate the Forward Delivery Agreement Investment principal and income for the purpose of funding future debt service requirements for the sanitary sewerage plant expansion and system improvements.

At December 31, 2009 and 2008 the unrestricted net assets balances were as follows:

		<u>2009</u>		2008
Designated for Future Capital Projects Undesignated	\$ —	9,791,138 32,218,540	\$ —	11,611,915 26,983,810
	\$	42,009,678	\$	38,595,725

NOTE 3 CREATION OF FUNDS

Under the original Bond Resolution dated January 12, 1989 and amended and supplemented at various times, the following funds are required to be created and held by the Authority's Trustee:

- A) Construction Fund (Restricted)
- B) Revenue Fund (Restricted)
- C) Operating Fund (Unrestricted)
- D) Bond Service Fund (Restricted)
- E) Sinking Fund (Restricted)
- F) Bond Reserve Fund (Restricted)
- G) Renewal and Replacement Fund (Restricted)
- H) General Fund (Unrestricted)
- I) Rebate Fund (Restricted)

NOTE 3 CREATION OF FUNDS (Continued)

Each of the funds represents separate accounts held by a trustee, except for the Operating Accounts which are held by the Authority.

Only those funds and accounts that are presently required by the Trustee are described herein.

Operating Fund - To account for the payment of all operating costs of the Authority for the current month.

<u>Revenue Fund</u> - To account for all revenues received by the Authority. All revenues deposited into the Revenue Fund are transferred by the Trustee on the first business day of each month to the following funds described below.

<u>Bond Service Fund</u> - To account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of principal and interest due during the current fiscal year on outstanding bonds.

<u>Bond Reserve Fund</u> — To account for funds held in accordance with the Bond Resolution to meet the Bond Reserve requirement, an amount which is equal to the maximum annual debt service on outstanding bonds.

<u>Renewal and Replacement Fund</u> – To account for the accumulation of resources to meet the renewal and replacement reserve requirement, an amount equal to twenty percent (20%) of the operating expenses of the Authority. The Trustee can withdraw from this fund, upon a certification of the consulting engineer, for the use of reasonable and necessary expenses of the Authority with respect to major repairs, renewals, replacements or maintenance items of a type not recurring annually.

<u>Construction Fund</u> - To account for all financial resources received by the Authority for the payment of costs related to the construction, acquisition or restoration of the system. All moneys that are on deposit in the Construction Account are pledged to secure the payment of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and the interest on the Bonds.

 $\underline{Sinking\ Fund}$ - To account for the accumulation of resources required to pay principal on all term bonds in accordance with the Sinking Fund requirements.

<u>General Fund</u> - To account for the accumulation of resources resulting from excess monies which are not required to be maintained in any of the above funds.

<u>Rebate Account</u> - To account for financial resources and payments as determined by the Authority for interest earnings which are subject to arbitrage rebate to the United States Government.

NOTE 4 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits - The Authority's deposits are insured through either the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) or New Jersey's Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act. The New Jersey Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act requires all banks doing business in the State of New Jersey to maintain additional collateral in the amount of 5% of the average public deposits and to deposit these amounts with the Federal Reserve Bank for all deposits not covered by the FDIC.

NOTE 4 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Deposits (Continued)

Bank balances at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are insured up to \$250,000 in the aggregate by the FDIC for each bank. SIPC replaces cash claims up to a maximum of \$100,000 for each failed brokerage firm. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the book value of the Authority's deposits were \$33,783,530 and \$26,750,962, respectively, and bank balances of the Authority's cash and deposits amounted to \$34,535,935 and \$27,097,738, respectively.

The Authority's deposits which are displayed on the balance sheet as "cash and cash equivalents" are categorized as:

		2009	2008
Insured			
Restricted	\$	4,278,859	\$ 4,362,706
Unrestricted		22,542,067	15,069,007
Uninsured and Collateralized			
Unrestricted		7,715,009	7,666,025
	<u>\$</u>	34,535,935	\$ 27,097,738

<u>Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits</u> – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Authority does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Authority's bank balance of \$7,715,009 and \$7,666,025 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Uninsured and collateral held by pledging		
bank's trust department, in the Authority's name	<u>\$7,715,009</u>	<u>\$7,666,025</u>

<u>Investments</u> — The Authority is required by its Bond Resolutions to maintain each of its investments in the Fund (account) in which the investment is purchased. In all accounts, except the operating account, the securities and the underlying collateral are held by the Bond Trustees and are within their care, custody and control. The type, quality and length of time of investments are regulated by the Bond Resolution.

Investments permitted under the Authority's Bond Resolution include deposits or certificates of deposit with public depositories under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act, bonds or other obligations of the United States of America, bond of any federal intermediate credit bank, federal home loan bank, federal land bank, federal national mortgage association, United States Bank for Cooperatives, export-import bank, Tennessee Valley Authority, government national mortgage association, farmer's home administration, federal financing bank, student loan marketing association, U.S. Postage Service and Resolution Funding Corporation, bonds or other obligations of the Authority or other obligations of school districts of which the district of the Authority is a part, in either case having a credit rating of at least "A" by Standard & Poor's Corporation and/or Moody's Investors Service, bonds or other obligations having a maturity date of not more than 397 days from the date of purchase that are approved by the Division of Investments of the Department of Treasury, the New Jersey Cash Management Fund, negotiable or non-negotiable certificates of deposit issued by any bank, savings and loan association, trust company or national banking association, full faith and credit obligation of any state, which is rated in

NOTE 4 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

either of the two highest rating categories, any obligations which are expressly authorized as permissible investments for municipal utilities authorities under the laws of the State of New Jersey.

The Authority is permitted to invest unrestricted operating funds in accordance with the types of securities authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1. Investments include bonds or other obligations of the United States or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, Government Money Market Mutual Funds, bonds or other obligations of the Township or bonds or other obligations of the school districts which are a part of the Township or school districts located within the Township, Local Government investment pools, and agreements or the repurchase of fully collateralized securities, if transacted in accordance with NJSA 40A:5-15.1 (8a-8e).

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Authority had the following investments:

		Fair Value		
Restricted		<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>
U.S. Government Securities	-			
Treasury Bonds	\$	3,795,174	\$	4,174,865
Treasury Strips Unrestricted		609,319		646,487
Forward Delivery Agreement		9,791,138		11,611,915
	<u>\$</u>	14,195,631	<u>\$</u>	16,433,267

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u> — The Authority does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

<u>Credit Risk</u> – The Bond Resolution and State Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1) limits investments as noted above. The Authority does not have an investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

On March 8, 2001, the Authority entered into a Revenue Fund Forward Delivery Agreement with U.S. Bank (previously Wachovia Bank and First Union National Bank, the Trustee). Under the terms of the agreement, the Authority invested \$14,000,000 with the Trustee, for the purpose of accruing investment income which will fund future debt service requirements for Authority plant expansions. The Authority will withdraw commencing December 15, 2005 through 2014, \$2.3 million annually and \$260,000 on December 15, 2015 to fund the future Authority debt.

The fair value of the above-listed investments were based on quoted market prices or in the case of the Forward Delivery Agreement the net present value of future cash flows (i.e., withdrawal amounts).

The future net present values of the Forward Delivery Agreement are as follows:

12/15/2010	\$8,236,457	12/15/2013	\$2,413,297
12/15/2011	6,402,499	12/15/2014	246,496
12/15/2012	4.463.581		,

NOTE 5 RESTRICTED ASSETS

Bond covenants of the Authority require portions of the debt proceeds as well as other resources to be set aside for various purposes. These amounts are reported as restricted assets as follows:

- The "Revenue Fund" account reserves all revenues received for future distribution to the various accounts of the Authority in accordance with the Bond Resolution.
- The "Construction Fund" account segregates cash and investments that are restricted for use in construction.
- Cash and investments restricted for debt service payment on bonds are segregated in "Bond Service Fund" and "Debt Service Fund" accounts.
- Cash and investments reserved to meet future debt service contingencies are segregated in "Bond Reserve Fund" accounts.
- Cash and investments reserved for major repairs, renewals, replacements and non-routine maintenance items are segregated in "Renewal and Replacement Fund" accounts.

NOTE 6 USER CHARGES RECEIVABLE

Sewer user charges receivable at December 31, 2009 and 2008, including the applicable allowance for doubtful accounts, consisted of the following:

accounts, consisted of the following.	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Gross User Charges Receivable	\$ 2,691,541 \$	2,439,422
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	 (597,328)	(460,245)
Net User Charges Receivable	\$ 2,094,213 \$	1,979,177

NOTE 7 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On March 10, 2010 the Authority entered into an agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for financing relating to the rehabilitation of regulator chambers, inline netting chamber modifications, replacement of bar screens and comminutor at the Woodcliff Plant, the purchase of a boom-truck, installation of approximately 20,000 linear feet of pipelining and replacement of approximately 8,000 linear feet of pipe. The Authority qualified for a Trust Loan in the amount of \$2,305,000 and a Fund Loan in the amount of \$6,797,178. Of the \$6,797,178 Fund Loan, principal in the amount of \$4,531,452 will be forgiven under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act ("ARRA").

NOTE 8 CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

	Balance January 1, <u>2009</u>	Increases	<u>Decreases</u>	Balance, December 31, <u>2009</u>
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 2,500,000			\$ 2,500,000
Work in Progress	34,754,931	\$ 11,062,529	_	45,817,460
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	37,254,931	11,062,529	_	48,317,460
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated				
Land Improvements	35,875			35,875
Buildings and Building Improvements	2,526,980	5,186		2,532,166
Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	26,832,446	-,,,,,,		26,832,446
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines	22,071,596			22,071,596
Vehicles and Equipment	3,109,716	113,291	-	3,223,007
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	54,576,613	118,477	-	54,695,090
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Land Improvements	(35,875)			(35,875)
Building and Building Improvements	(1,006,686)	(91,769)		(1,098,455)
Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	(18,410,720)	(1,181,257)		(19,591,977)
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines	(11,043,500)	(695,634)		(11,739,134)
Vehicles and Equipment	(2,677,252)	(179,676)	_	(2,856,928)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(33,174,033)	(2,148,336)	•	(35,322,369)
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	21,402,580	(2,029,859)		19,372,721
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ 58,657,511	\$ 9,032,670	\$ -	\$ 67,690,181

NOTE 8 CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)

NOTE & CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)	Balance January 1, <u>2008</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Balance, December 31, 2008
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated				
Land		\$ 2,500,000		\$ 2,500,000
Work in Progress	\$ 19,584,256	15,246,680	\$ 76,005	34,754,931
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	19,584,256	17,746,680	76,005	37,254,931
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated				
Land Improvements	35,875			35,875
Buildings and Building Improvements	2,526,980			2,526,980
Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	26,832,446			26,832,446
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines	22,071,596			22,071,596
Vehicles and Equipment	3,058,311	51,405		3,109,716
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	54,525,208	51,405		54,576,613
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Land Improvements	(35,537)	(338)		(35,875)
Building and Building Improvements	(914,405)	(92,281)		(1,006,686)
Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	(17,225,243)	(1,185,477)		(18,410,720)
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines	(10,324,566)	(718,934)		(11,043,500)
Vehicles and Equipment	(2,450,317)	(226,935)	-	(2,677,252)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(30,950,068)	(2,223,965)	•	(33,174,033)
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated, Net	23,575,140	(2,172,560)	-	21,402,580
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ 43,159,396	\$ 15,574,120	\$ 76,005	\$ 58,657,511

NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT

Revenue Bonds

The Authority issued revenue bonds whereby the Authority pledges income from operations to pay debt service.

On March 1, 1993 the Authority issued \$47,485,000 Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds. The 1993 Bonds were issued for (1) the payment and defeasance of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the \$41,133,608 original principal amount of Sewer Revenue Bonds (Series 1989), (2) the making of deposits, if any, required by the Bond Resolution and (3) the payment of the costs of issuing the Bonds. These bonds were retired in full in December, 2009.

NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Revenue Bonds (Continued)

On October 15, 2003, the Authority issued \$33,760,000 Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2003 (the "2003 Sewer Refunding Bonds"). The 2003 bonds were issued to (1) currently refund a portion of the Authority's outstanding 1993 bonds, (2) satisfy the Bond Reserve Fund Requirement and (3) pay the costs and expenses associated with the issuance of the 2003 bonds.

On December 27, 2007 the Authority issued \$5,676,013 Sewer Revenue Subordinated Capital Appreciation Bonds, Series 2007 (the "2007 Bonds"). The 2007 bonds were issued to provide funds which will be used to (i) fund certain projects of the Authority; and (ii) to pay the costs and expenses associated with the issuance of the 2007 bonds. Revenue Bonds outstanding at December 31, 2009 and 2008 consist of the following:

		<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Waste Water System Revenue Bonds, Refunding Series 1993			
Revenue Serial Bonds Payable 7.875% due December 15, 2009			\$ 1,960,000
Waste Water System Revenue Bonds, Refunding Series 2003			
Revenue Serial Bonds Payable 2.00% to 5.25% due December 15, 2019	\$	26,530,000	26,620,000
Sewer Revenue Subordinated Capital Appreciation Bonds, Series 2007			
Capital Appreciation Bonds Payable Due December 15, 2020 to			
December 15, 2034 (Includes Accretion of \$292,706 and \$269,876			
through December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively).		6,238,595	 5,945,889
Total	<u>\$</u>	32,768,595	\$ 34,525,889

NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Intergovernmental Loans Payable – The Authority has entered into loan agreements with the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust and the Township to provide funds for the construction and improvements to the sanitary sewerage system plants, pump stations and sewer lines and the construction of the solid waste system maintenance facility. The Authority has pledged income from operations to retire the debt service.

Loans payable at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are comprised of the following:

	2009	2008
New Jersey Infrastructure Trust		
Trust Loan Payable - Waste Water System		
4.25% to 4.50% due August 1, 2008 to August 1, 2018	\$ 1,090,000	\$ 1,185,000
Trust Loan Payable - Waste Water System		,
4.75% to 5.70% due February 1, 2008 to August 1, 2019	120,000	130,000
Trust Loan Payable - Waste Water System	-	ŕ
3.40% to 5.00% due August 1, 2009 to August 1, 2027	10,105,000	10,465,000
Fund Loan Payable - Waste Water System		•
Interest Free due February 1, 2008 to August 1, 2018	858,632	952,947
Fund Loan Payable - Waste Water System	-	,
Interest Free due February 1, 2008 to August 1, 2019	92,200	102,125
Fund Loan Payable - Waste Water System		•
Interest Free due August 1, 2009 to August 1, 2027	27,194,718	28,277,580
Township of North Bergen		, ,
Loan Payable - Solid Waste System		
5.25% due June 1, 2008 to June 1, 2020	 503,188	 536,403
Total	\$ 39,963,738	\$ 41,649,055

NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

The Authority's schedule of principal and interest for long-term debt issued and outstanding is as follows:

Year Ending	Reven	ue Bonds	Intergovern	mental Loans	
December 31,	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2010	\$ 2,205,000	\$ 1,152,291	\$ 2,143,822	\$ 534,645	\$ 6,035,758
2011 2012	2,275,000 2,355,000	1,079,641 1,001,204	2,158,358 2,185,581	508,759 481,803	6,021,758 6,023,588
2013 2014	2,435,000 2,525,000	918,779 831,119	2,208,927 2,230,526	460,159 437,245	6,022,865 6,023,890
2015-2019 2020-2024	14,735,000 4,695,000	2,059,431	11,391,490 10,819,794	1,731,279 959,676	29,917,200 16,474,470
2025-2029 2030-2034	5,010,000 5,000,000	<u>-</u>	6,825,240	203,062	12,038,302 5,000,000
	41,235,000	\$ 7,042,465	\$ 39,963,738	\$ 5,316,628	\$ 93,557,831
Less: Unaccreted Value of Capital					
Appreciation					
Revenue Bonds at December 31, 2009	8,466,405				
	\$ 32,768,595				

Capital Lease - During 2003, the Authority entered into an agreement for the lease of two (2) sanitation trucks. In 2006, the Authority entered into an agreement for the lease of two (2) additional sanitation trucks. The capital lease agreements are for terms of 5 years. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments under these capital leases, and the present value of the net minimum lease payments at December 31, 2009.

Year Ended	Aı	<u>mount</u>
2010 2011	\$	54,136 31,579
Total Minimum Lease Payments		85,715
Less: Amounts Representing Interest		4,421
Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments	\$	81,294

NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

The Authority's long-term liability activity for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	Balance, January 1, <u>2009</u>	Additions	Reductions	Balance, December 31, 2009	Due Within One Year
Revenue Bonds Issuance Premium Deferred Loss on Refunding	\$ 34,525,889 654,970 (2,524,071)	\$ 292,706	\$ 2,050,000 60,693 (231,170)	\$ 32,768,595 594,277 (2,292,901)	\$ 2,205,000
Total Revenue Bonds Payable	32,656,788	292,706	1,879,523	31,069,971	2,205,000
Intergovernmental Loans Payable Issuance Premium	41,649,055 221,901	ų.	1,685,317 19,663	39,963,738 202,238	2,143,821
Total Intergovernmental Loans Payable	41,870,956		1,704,980	40,165,976	2,143,821
Capital Leases Payable Compensated Absences Post Retirement Benefits Payable	128,549 455,304 789,432 \$ 75,901,029	931,536 \$ 1,224,242	47,255 192,092 137,780 \$ 3,961,630	81,294 263,212 1,583,188 \$ 73,163,641	\$ 4,399,201
	Balance, January 1, <u>2008</u>	<u>Additions</u>	Reductions	Balance, December 31,	Due Within One Year
Revenue Bonds	\$ 36,281,013	\$ 269,876	\$ 2,025,000	\$ 34,525,889	\$ 2,050,000
Issuance Premium Deferred Loss on Refunding	715,662 (2,755,241)		60,692 (231,170)	654,970 (2,524,071)	
Total Revenue Bonds Payable	34,241,434	269,876	1,854,522	32,656,788	2,050,000
Intergovernmental Loans Payable Issuance Premium	41,892,722 225,511	•	243,667 3,610	41,649,055 221,901	1,685,317
Total Intergovernmental Loans Payable	42,118,233		247,277	41,870,956	1,685,317
Capital Leases Payable Compensated Absences Post Retirement Benefits Payable	218,092 426,493 	28,811 884,170	89,543 94,738	128,549 455,304 789,432	47,254
	<u>\$ 77,004,252</u>	\$ 1,182,857	\$ 2,286,080	\$ 75,901,029	\$ 3,782,571

As noted above, the principal amount of bonds outstanding at December 31, 2009 and 2008 of \$32,768,595 and \$34,525,889, respectively, have been increased by the unamortized bond premium on the 2003 refunding bonds in the amounts of \$594,277 and \$654,970. In addition, the principal amounts of bonds outstanding have been reduced by \$2,292,901 and \$2,524,071, respectively. Also, the principal amount of Intergovernmental Loans outstanding at December 31, 2009 and 2008 have been increased by the unamortized premium on the 2008 Environmental Infrastructure Loan in the amounts of \$202,338 and \$221,901. These amounts represent the unamortized deferred loss on the 2003 and 1993 refunding bonds and are being reported in accordance with GASB No. 23.

NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities (Continued)

Project Note Payable – The Authority had also issued short-term debt to provide funds for the financing relating to the upgrade of the Central Treatment Plant. The Authority has pledged income from its operations to retire the debt service. The Note was retired during 2008.

The Authority's short-term debt activity for the year 2008 was as follows:

	Balance,			Balance,
	January 1,			December,
	2008	Additions	Reductions	2008
<u>2008</u>				
Project Notes	\$ 5,475,000	\$	\$ 5,475,000	\$

NOTE 10 CONSTRUCTION AND SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Authority had the following commitments with respect to unfinished capital projects:

		<u>2009</u>	2008
Wastewater Conveyance System Force Main	\$	853,261	\$ 2,021,306
Rehabilitation of Central Treatment Plant's Pump Station		267,572	2,082,343
Westside Pump Station Grit Chamber and Improvements		461,445	3,076,614
Cleaning of Northwest Interceptor		606,330	
Rehabilitation of CSO Regulators, Inline Netting			
Chamber, Plant Mechanical Bar Screens and			
Comminutors		1,139,793	
Pipe Replacement		1,433,129	
Pipe Lining	***************************************	4,140,665	 **
	\$	8,902,195	\$ 7,180,263
Analysis:			
Contracts Payable	\$	616,735	\$ 1,594,053
Outstanding Commitment		8,285,460	 5,586,210
	\$	8,902,195	\$ 7,180,263

NOTE 11 SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Authority, the Township, and the Town have entered into a Service Agreement in order to provide additional security to the holders of the debt obligations of the Authority issued in connection with the Waste Water System. Pursuant to the terms of the Service Agreement, the Township and the Town have severally agreed to make up deficiencies, if any, in revenues of the Authority so that the Authority will have sufficient funds to pay its operating and administrative costs, and debt service on "bonds" (as such term is defined in the Service Agreement). The Service Agreement will remain in full force and effect as long as any obligations of the Authority that are entitled to the benefits thereof shall remain outstanding.

Pursuant to the terms of the Service Agreement, the Authority shall, in any fiscal year that the Authority estimates that the amount of revenues received from operation of the Waste Water System will be insufficient to satisfy all of its costs and expenses related thereto, impose and collect annual charges, as such term is defined in the Service Agreement (the "Annual Charges"), from the Township and the Town, as applicable. Such Annual Charges shall be an amount which is sufficient to provide for (after taking into account all other moneys of the Authority) deficiencies in funds of the Authority which are needed to pay for the Authority's expenses of (1) construction, acquisition, operation and maintenance of the Waste Water System, and the principal of and the interest on "all bonds" as such term is defined in the Service Agreement, as the same become due, (2) maintenance of reserves or sinking funds as may be required by the terms of any contract of the Authority or any bond resolution, or as may be deemed to be necessary or desirable by the Authority, (3) complying with the terms of any bond resolution and with the Act, and (4) making payments which are required by the terms of any contract or agreement executed by the Authority with respect to the Waste Water System.

The Annual Charges, if any, which are charged and which are payable by the Township and the Town under the terms of the Service Agreement will constitute the valid, binding, direct and general obligations of the Township and the Town, as applicable, and will be payable out of the first funds becoming legally available for such purpose. The obligation of the Town is limited to an amount representing the deficiencies in Revenues with respect to the Woodcliff Plant Service Area.

The Authority covenants to repay all Annual Charges paid by the Township and the Town without interest out of the surplus revenues of the Authority. Should the Township or the Town be obligated to pay supplemental Annual Charges due to the collection of inadequate user charges or other fees by the Authority, and then the Authority shall credit the difference against the amount of the next payment due in the succeeding Fiscal Year. As of the date of this audit, neither the Township nor the Town has been required to pay an annual charge to the Authority under the Service Agreement.

The Authority and the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority ("JCMUA") have agreed to undertake certain construction projects in furtherance of their agreement entitled Interlocal Sewer Connection and Service Agreement dated March 6, 2006. It is necessary for JCMUA to realign the Northwest interceptor in the vicinity of Manhattan Avenue through its license agreement with Norfolk Southern Railroad and the NBMUA needs to construct a sewer line in the vicinity of Manhattan Avenue to facilitate delivery of sewage to the JCMUA sewage system and in turn to the PVSC treatment plant. It has been determined that it is in the best interest of the NBMUA and JCMUA to modify its project by realigning and increasing the diameter of the sewer line.

The JCMUA agreed to undertake the design and construction of the project. The project is being funded by an NJEIT loan awarded to the JCMUA. The NBMUA will be responsible for paying its pro-rata share of the semi-annual debt service loan repayments at least seven days before JCMUA must make each debt service payment. It is estimated that NBMUA's share of principal and interest to be paid over the next 20 years approximates \$2,760,000.

NOTE 12 AMOUNTS REQUIRED BY BOND RESOLUTION COVENANTS

The Authority's waste water bond covenants require certain restricted funds to be on deposit at year-end. The balances required to be on deposit at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	December 31,		
	<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>
Bond Reserve Fund			
Required Balances Cash and Investments	\$ 3,361,9 5,948,0		3,361,906 5,979,658
Excess	\$ 2,586,1	110 \$	2,617,752
Renewal and Replacement Fund			
Required Balances Cash and Investments	\$ 1,802,9 1,826,0		1,769,476 1,824,753
Excess	\$ 23,0	<u>\$</u>	55,277

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION

A. Employee Retirement System and Pension Plan

The State of New Jersey sponsors and administers the following contributory defined benefit public employee retirement systems (retirement systems) covering substantially all state and local government employees which includes those Authority employees who are eligible for pension coverage.

Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) – established in January 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide coverage, including post-retirement health care, to substantially all full-time employees of the State or any county, municipality, school district, or public agency provided the employee is not a member of another State-administered retirement system. Membership is mandatory for such employees and vesting occurs after 8 to 10 years of service for pension benefits and 25 years for post-retirement health care coverage.

Other Pension Funds

The state established and administers a Supplemental Annuity Collective Trust Fund (SACT) which is available to active members of the State-administered retirement systems to purchase annuities to supplement the guaranteed benefits provided by their retirement system. The state or local governmental employers do not appropriate funds to SACT.

The cost of living increase for PERS is funded directly by the system and is considered in the annual actuarial calculation of the required contribution for the system.

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

A. Employee Retirement System and Pension Plan (Continued)

Other Pension Funds (Continued)

According to state law, all obligations of the retirement system will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should any retirement system be terminated.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of each of the above systems, funds, and trust. The financial reports may be accessed via the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pension.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the retirement systems are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Employer contributions are recognized when payable to the retirement systems Benefits or refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the retirement systems.

Investment Valuation

Investments are reported at fair value. Securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates. Mortgages are valued on the basis of future principal and interest payments, and are discounted at prevailing interest rates for similar instruments. The fair value of real estate investments is based on independent appraisals. Investments that do not have an established market are reported at estimated fair values.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements of the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund, Common Pension Fund A, Common Pension Fund B, Common Pension Fund D and Common Pension Fund E. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Investment, P.O. Box 290, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0290.

Significant Legislation

P.L. 2009, c. 19, effective March 17, 2009 provides an option for local employers to contribute 50 percent of the normal and accrued liability contribution amounts certified by the PERS for payments due in State fiscal year 2009. This law also provides that a local employer may pay 100 percent of the required contribution. Such an employer will be credited with the full payment and any such amounts will not be included in their unfunded liability. The actuaries for PERS will determine the unfunded liability of those retirement systems, by employer, for the reduced normal and accrued liability contributions provided under this law. This unfunded liability will be paid by the employer in level annual payments over a period of 15 years beginning with the payments due in the State fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 and will be adjusted by the rate of return on the actuarial value of assets.

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

A. Employee Retirement System and Pension Plan (Continued)

Significant Legislation (Continued)

P.L. 2008, c. 89, effective November 1, 2008, increased the PERS eligibility age for unreduced benefits from age 60 to age 62 for members hired on or after November 1, 2008; changed the early retirement provisions; increased the minimum annual compensation required for membership eligibility for new members on or after the effective date of this law.

P.L. 2007, c. 103, certain parts effective July 1, 2007, provided for the following: changed contribution rates of PERS to 5.5 percent of annual compensation; imposed an annual maximum wage contribution base and a new retirement age to new employees; implemented changes to State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) which included the creation of the School Employees' Health Benefit Program (SEHBP) and established an employee contribution of 1.5 percent of the employee's base salary.

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of June 30, 2008, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the aggregate funded ratio for all the State administered retirement systems, including PERS, is 72.6 percent with an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of \$34.4 billion. The aggregate funded ratio and unfunded accrued liability for the State-funded systems is 69.6 percent and \$23.0 billion, and the aggregate funded ratio and unfunded accrued liability for local PERS and PFRS is 77.2 percent and \$11.4 billion.

The funded status and funding progress of the retirement systems is based on actuarial valuations which involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. These amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the probability of future events.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective and are based on the benefits provided under the terms of the retirement systems in effect at the time of each valuation and also consider the pattern of the sharing of costs between the employer and members at that point in time. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the employer and members in the future.

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

A. Employee Retirement System and Pension Plan (Continued)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

In the June 30, 2008 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit was used as the actuarial cost method, and the five year average of market value was used as the asset valuation method for the retirement systems. The actuarial assumptions included (1) 8.25 percent for investment rate of return for PERS; and (2) 5.45 percent for projected salary increases for PERS.

Employer and Employee Pension Contributions

The contribution policy is set by laws of the State of New Jersey and contributions are required by active members and participating employers. Plan members and employer contributions may be amended by State of New Jersey legislation, with the amount of contributions by the State of New Jersey contingent upon the annual Appropriations Act. As defined, the PERS retirement system requires employee contributions based on 5.5%.

Annual Pension Cost (APC)

Per the requirements of GASB Statement No. 27 for the year ended June 30, 2009 for PERS, which is a cost sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plan, annual pension cost equals contributions made.

During the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, the Authority was required to contribute for normal cost pension contributions the following amounts which equaled the required contributions for each year:

Year Ended <u>December 31</u>	<u>PERS</u>
2009	\$ 231,771
2008	186,291
2007	105,690

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

B. Post Retirement Medical Benefits

Plan Description

The Authority provides a post employment healthcare plan for its eligible retirees and their dependents (as defined by the Authority). The plan is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield. In accordance with Authority resolution, the Authority provides payment of the entire cost of coverage for its employees and their dependents: (a) who have retired on a disability pension; (b) who have retired after 25 years or more of service credit in the Public Employees Retirement System and at least 10 years of service with the Authority; (c) who have retired and reached the age of 62 years or older with at least 15 years of service with the Authority. The coverage shall mirror the coverage provided for active employees. For purposes of establishing years of service with the Authority for this resolution only, any Authority employee who has previously worked for the Township of North Bergen, the years of service with the Township shall be credited to his/her years of service with the Authority. As specified above, "dependents" shall mean an employee's spouse and the employee's unmarried children, including stepchildren, and legally adopted children, under the age of 23 who live with the employees in a regular parent-child relationship, and depend on the employee for maintenance and support. Medical coverage shall only apply to those employees employed by the Authority on January 1, 2002 and who have retired thereafter from the Authority; this resolution is not retroactive. Once the retiree becomes eligible to receive benefits pursuant to Medicare, the health benefits conferred by this resolution shall become secondary to those benefits provided to the retiree under Medicare. The benefits conferred by this resolution shall be secondary to any other health benefits or coverage available to the retiree and/or their dependents from other sources.

Funding Policy

The required contribution is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. For the years 2009 and 2008, the Authority contributed \$137,780 and \$94,738 to the plan.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The Authority's annual other post-employment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the *annual* required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The following table shows the components of the Authority's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Authority's net OPEB obligation to the plan.

Annual Required Contribution	\$ 884,170
Interest on Net OPEB Obligation	47,366
Adjustment to Annual Required Contribution	
Annual OPEB Cost (Expense)	931,536
Contributions Made	 137,780
Increase in Net OPEB Obligation	793,756
Net OPEB Obligation - Beginning of Year	 789,432
Net OPEB Obligation - End of Year	\$ 1,583,188

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

B. Post Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation (Continued)

The Authority's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for the years 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

			Percentage of		Net
Year Ended		Annual	Annual OPEB		OPEB
December 31, OPEB Cost		Cost Contributed	Obligations		
2009	\$	931,536	14.8%	\$	1,583,188
2008		884,170	10.7%		789,432

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of December 31, 2009, the plan was unfunded. The accrued liability for benefits was \$10,484,865. The Authority has no plan assets resulting in an unfunded accrued liability (UAAL) of \$10,484,865. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$2,550,678, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 4.11 percent.

As of December 31, 2008, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was unfunded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$10,009,026. The Authority has no plan assets, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$10,009,026. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$2,578,862, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 3.88 percent.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

B. Post Retirement Medical Benefits (Continued)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions (Continued)

In the December 31, 2009, actuarial valuation, the entry age actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 6 percent investment rate of return (net of administrative expense) which is a blended rate of the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets and on the employer's own investments calculated based on the funded level of the plan at the valuation date, and an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 9 percent initially, reduced by 1% decrements to an ultimate rate of 5 percent after four years. The UAAL is being amortized as a level dollar amount on a 30 year open basis. The remaining amortization period at December 31, 2009 was 28 years.

C. Contingent Liabilities

In August of 2003, the Authority was issued two (2) Administrative Orders and Notices of Civil Administrative Penalty Assessment from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") for acute toxicity violations at the Woodcliff and Central Treatment Plants in the amounts of \$425,432 and \$86,400, respectively. These represent alleged acute toxicity permit violations from 1993 through 1999. In addition, the Orders require the Authority to discharge pollutants only in conformance with its permit. The Authority appealed both of these notices to the Office of Administrative Law for adjudication. The Authority recently settled the Central Treatment Plant Notice of Violations and subsequent violations by entering into an Administrative Consent Order and agreeing to a compliance schedule to decommission the Central Treatment Plant and convey its sewerage flow to the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission facility in Newark. The Authority is actively attempting to amicably resolve the remaining matter with the Department of Environmental Protection. During 2009 and 2008, the Authority paid \$30,000 and \$279,232 to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for central treatment plant violations. Therefore, the Authority has recorded a claim and judgment payable in the amount of \$10,360 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, related to this matter.

The Authority is also a party defendant in some lawsuits, none of a kind unusual for an Authority of its size and scope of operation. In the opinion of the Authority's Attorney the potential claims against the Authority not covered by insurance policies would not materially affect the financial condition of the Authority.

D. Risk Management

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to general liability, automobile coverage, damage and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; termination of employees and natural disasters. The Authority has obtained insurance coverage to guard against these events which will provide minimum exposure to the Authority should they occur.

The Authority is a member of the New Jersey Utilities Authority Joint Insurance Fund (NJUAJIF). The joint insurance fund is both an insured and self-administered group of authorities established for the purpose of insuring against property damage, general liability, motor vehicles and equipment liability and worker's compensation. The Fund is a risk-sharing public entity pool. The NJUAJIF coverage amounts are on file with the Authority.

NOTE 13 OTHER INFORMATION (Continued)

D. Risk Management (Continued)

The relationship between the Authority and the insurance fund is governed by a contract and by-laws that have been adopted by resolution of each unit's governing body. The Authority is contractually obligated to make all annual and supplementary contributions to the insurance fund, to report claims on a timely basis, to cooperate with the management of the Fund, its claims administrator and attorneys in claims investigation and settlement, and to follow risk management procedures as outlined by the insurance pools. Members have a contractual obligation to fund any deficit of the insurance funds attributable to a membership year during which the municipality was a member.

The funds provide its members with risk management services, including the defense of and settlement of claims, and established reasonable and necessary loss reduction and prevention procedures to be followed by the members. Complete financial statements of the funds can be obtained by contacting the respective fund's Treasurer.

There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the previous year nor have there been any settlements in excess of insurance coverage in any of the prior three years.

NOTE 14 DEFEASANCE OF DEBT

On October 15, 2003, the Authority issued \$33,760,000 in Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds having an interest rate ranging from 2.00% to 5.25%. These bonds were issued in order to currently refund certain principal maturities and interest payments of the Authority's Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1993. The total bond principal refunded was \$33,475,000. The net proceeds of \$34,984,844 (after payment of underwriting fees, insurance and other insurance costs) were used to purchase U.S. Government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to pay the principal and interest on the refunded bonds.

The current refunding resulted in the issuance of an additional \$285,000 in bonds and resulted in an increase of cash flows over the life of these bond issues in the amount \$3,662,294; however, the economic gain (difference between the present values of the old and new debt service payments) was \$2,572,122. The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$1,443,432. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the life of the new debt, which is same remaining life of the refunded debt.

NOTE 15 FEDERAL ARBITRAGE REGULATIONS

The Authority is subject to Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code as it pertains to the arbitrage rebate on all tax-exempt obligations, both long and short-term debt. Under the 1986 Tax Reform Act, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) required that all excess earnings from investment proceeds be rebated to the IRS. Arbitrage, for purposes of these regulations, is defined as the difference between the yield on the investment and the yield on the obligations issued. If there are excess earnings, this amount may be required to be rebated to the IRS. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Authority had no estimated arbitrage earnings due to the IRS.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (RSI)

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NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TRUST FUND

Actuarial <u>Valuation Date</u>	Actuarial Value of <u>Assets</u>	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Unfunded (UAAL)	Funded <u>Ratio</u>	Covered <u>Payroll</u>	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered <u>Payroll</u>
December 31, 2009		\$ 10,484,865	\$ 10,484,865	-	\$ 2,550,678	4.11%
December 31, 2008		10,009,026	10,009,026	•	2,578,862	3.88

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

Year Ended December 31,	Annual Required <u>Contribution</u>	Percentage Contributed
2009	\$ 931,536	14.8%
2008	884,170	10.7%

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009

ASSETS	Solid <u>Waste</u>	Waste <u>Water</u>	<u>Total</u>
UNRESTRICTED CURRENT ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments-Forward Delivery Agreement	\$ 938,522 \$	28,541,170 \$ 2,300,000	29,479,692 2,300,000
User Charges Receivable (Net of Allowance for Doubtful Accounts) Other Accounts Receivable	16,585	2,094,213 377,561	2,094,213 394,146
Total Unrestricted Current Assets	955,107	33,312,944	34,268,051
RESTRICTED CURRENT ASSETS			
Revenue Account Cash and Cash Equivalents Bond Reserve Account		863,735	863,735
Cash and Cash Equivalents Investments		1,543,523 4,404,493	1,543,523 4,404,493
Renewal and Replacement Account Cash and Cash Equivalents		1,826,001	1,826,001
Construction Account Cash and Cash Equivalents Accrued Interest Receivable		70,579 31,585	70,579 31,585 4,924,005
Environmental Infrastructure Loan Receivable		4,924,005 13,663,921	13,663,921
Total Restricted Current Assets Total Current Assets	955,107	46,976,865	47,931,972
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investments-Forward Delivery Agreement		7,491,138	7,491,138
Deferred Charges Debt Issuance Costs (Net of Amortization)		1,223,424	1,223,424
Capital Assets Land		2,500,000 35,875	2,500,000 35,875
Land Improvements Buildings and Building Improvements Sewerage Treatment Plants and Improvements	1,115,138	1,417,028 26,832,446 22,071,596	2,532,166 26,832,446 22,071,596
Pump Stations and Sewer Lines Vehicles and Equipment	1,224,153	1,998,854 45,817,460	3,223,007 45,817,460
Work in Progress Accumulated Depreciation	(1,618,694)	(33,703,675)	(35,322,369)
Total Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	720,597	66,969,584	67,690,181
Total Non-Current Assets	720,597	75,684,146	76,404,743
Total Assets	1,675,704	122,661,011	124,336,715
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NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS (CONT'D) AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	Solid <u>Waste</u>		Waste <u>Water</u>		<u>Total</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES (Payable from Unrestricted Assets)						
Accounts Payable	\$ 5	0,670	\$	379,576	¢	430,246
Claims and Judgments Payable	+ 0	,0,0,0	Ψ	10,360		10,360
Capital Lease Payable	5	0,380		10,500		50,380
Accrued Salaries and Wages		3,002		76,918		139,920
Accrued Interest on Bonds, Notes and Loans		5,410		223,414		238,824
Deferred Revenue		8,713		377,561		496,274
Intergovernmental Loans Payable		4,959		2,108,862	_	2,143,821
Total Current Liabilities Payable from						•
Unrestricted Assets	33	3,134		3,176,691		3,509,825
CURRENT LIABILITIES (Payable from Restricted Assets)						
Accounts Payable				71,950		71,950
Construction Contracts Payable				616,735		616,735
Accrued Interest on Bonds and Notes Revenue Bonds Payable				48,012		48,012
Revenue Donas Payable				2,205,000	_	2,205,000
Total Current Liabilities Payable from Restricted Assets		-		2,941,697		2,941,697
Total Current Liabilities	33:	3,134		6,118,388		6,451,522
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Accrued Compensated Absences	140	0,070		123,142		263,212
Post Retirement Benefits Payable		2,846		970,342		1,583,188
Capital Leases Payable),914		770,344		30,914
Revenue Bonds Payable (Net of Unamortized Loss)		,,,,,,		28,864,971		28,864,971
Intergovernmental Loans Payable	468	3,229		37,553,926		38,022,155
Total Non-Current Liabilities	1.050	0.60		(7.610.00)		60 864 446
Town tool Canoni Blackers	1,252	2,039		67,512,381		68,764,440
Total Liabilities	1,585	<u>,193</u>		73,630,769	_	75,215,962
NET ASSETS						
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	136	,115		5,617,204		5,753,319
Restricted For:						
Pre-Treatment Program				43,986		43,986
Renewals and Replacements Unrestricted				1,313,770		1,313,770
Onrestricted .	(45	,604)		42,055,282		42,009,678
Total Net Assets	\$ 90	,511	\$	49,030,242	<u>\$</u>	49,120,753

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

		Solid <u>Waste</u>		Waste <u>Water</u>		Total
OPERATING REVENUES						
User Charges			\$	11,269,160	\$	11,269,160
Service Charges	\$	233,251				233,251
Connection Fees				171,822		171,822
Interest on Delinquent Accounts				285,300		285,300
Contribution - Township of North Bergen		5,300,000		_		5,300,000
Total Operating Revenues		5,533,251		11,726,282		17,259,533
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Administration						
Salaries and Wages		180,565		566,921		747,486
Fringe Benefits		182,396		413,047		595,443
Other Expenses		126,168		686,381		812,549
Cost of Providing Services		1 100 006		1 700 540		2 222 276
Salaries and Wages		1,493,836		1,728,540		3,222,376
Fringe Benefits		926,287		1,263,530		2,189,817 4,996,603
Other Expenses		2,349,407		2,647,196 2,045,670		2,148,336
Depreciation	_	102,666		2,043,070	_	2,140,330
Total Operating Expenses		5,361,325		9,351,285		14,712,610
Operating Income		171,926		2,374,997		2,546,923
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)						
Interest on Investment Income				353,898		353,898
Miscellaneous Revenues		36,133		96,774		132,907
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs				(273,269)		(273,269)
Interest Expense		(27,144)	•	(1,884,487)		(1,911,631)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		8,989	_	(1,707,084)		(1,698,095)
Change in Net Assets		180,915		667,913		848,828
Total Net Assets, January 1, 2009		(90,404)		48,362,329		48,271,925
Total Net Assets, December 31, 2009	<u>\$</u>	90,511	\$_	49,030,242	<u>\$</u>	49,120,753

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NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Cash Received from Customers/Municipality Cash Paid for Goods and Services Cash Paid for Employees Salaries, Wages and Benefits	Solid <u>Waste</u> \$ 5,516,666 (2,491,881) 	Waste Water \$ 11,611,246 (3,325,937) (3,576,739)	Total \$ 17,127,912 (5,817,818) (6,162,912)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	438,612	4,708,570	5,147,182
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Operating Grants and Entitlements Miscellaneous Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	118,713 36,133 154,846	96,774	118,713 132,907
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING	134,640	96,774	251,620
ACTIVITIES Principal Payments on Revenue Bonds Principal Payments on Intergovernmental Loans Principal Payments on Capital Leases Proceeds of Intergovernmental Loans Payment of Debt Issuance Costs on Capital Appreciation Bonds Interest Paid Acquisition of Capital Assets	(33,215) (47,255) (28,161)	(2,050,000) (1,652,102) 16,536,292 (1,000) (1,595,942) (12,086,374)	(2,050,000) (1,685,317) (47,255) 16,536,292 (1,000) (1,624,103) (12,086,374)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Capital and Related Financing Activities	(108,631)	(849,126)	(957,757)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest Received Proceeds from Forward Delivery Agreement	-	291,523 2,300,000	291,523 2,300,000
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities		2,591,523	2,591,523
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	484,827	6,547,741	7,032,568
Cash and Cash Equivalents, January 1, 2009	453,695	26,297,267	26,750,962
Cash and Cash Equivalents, December 31, 2009	\$ 938,522	\$ 32,845,008	\$ 33,783,530
Analysis of Cash and Cash Equivalents, at December 31 Unrestricted Restricted	\$ 938,522 \$ 938,522	\$ 28,541,170 4,303,838 \$ 32,845,008	\$ 29,479,692 4,303,838 \$ 33,783,530

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CON'T) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

	Solid <u>Waste</u>	Waste <u>Water</u>	<u>Total</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities			
Operating Income	<u>\$ 171,926</u> <u>\$</u>	2,374,997 \$	2,546,923
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:			
Depreciation	102,666	2,045,670	2,148,336
(Increase)/Decrease in User Charges Receivable		(115,036)	(115,036)
(Increase)/Decrease in Other Accounts Receivable	(16,585)	116,428	99,843
Increase/(Decrease) in Deferred Revenue		(116,428)	(116,428)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	(16,306)	7,640	(8,666)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Salaries and Wages	(5,938)	(3,516)	(9,454)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued Compensated Absences	(104,411)	(87,681)	(192,092)
Increase/(Decrease) in Post Retirement Benefits Payable	307,260	486,496	793,756
Total Adjustments	266,686	2,333,573	2,600,259
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 438,612</u> <u>\$</u>	4,708,570 \$	5,147,182
NON-CASH INVESTING, CAPITAL AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Amortization of Bond Premium	\$	(60,693) \$	(60,693)
Amortization of Loss on Refunding		231,170	231,170
Amortization of Premium on Notes		(19,663)	(19,663)
Capital Assets on Account		688,685	688,685
Interest Expense/Accreted Value of Capital Appreciation			
Revenue Bonds		292,706	292,706
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs		122,455	122,455

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF REVENUES COMPARED TO BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 BUDGETARY BASIS

(With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended December 31, 2008)

SOLID WASTE	2009 Original Budget	2009 <u>Actual</u>	2008 <u>Actual</u>
ODED ATIMO DEVIENTINO			
OPERATING REVENUES Service Charges			
Contribution - Township of North Bergen	\$ 197,500 5,500,000	\$ 233,251 5,300,000	\$ 193,774 5,100,000
•	5,697,500	5,533,251	5,293,774
NON-OPERATING REVENUES			
Operating Grants and Entitlements	40,000		•
Miscellaneous Revenues	-	36,133	48,581
Total Non-Operating Revenues	40,000	36,133	48,581
Total Solid Waste Revenues	5,737,500	5,569,384	5,342,355
WASTE WATER			
OPERATING REVENUES			
User Charges	11,500,000	11,269,160	11,407,127
Connection Fees	350,000	171,822	491,299
Interest on Delinquent Accounts	240,000	285,300	271,301
Total Operating Revenues	12,090,000	11,726,282	12,169,727
NON-OPERATING REVENUES			
Interest and Investment Income	650,000	353,898	1.050.792
Operating Grants and Entitlements	050,000	333,070	1,959,682 98,133
Miscellaneous Revenues	350,000	96,774	47,335
Total Non-Operating Revenues	1,000,000	450,672	2,105,150
Total Waste Water Revenues	13,090,000	12,176,954	14,274,877
Grand Total	\$ 18,827,500	\$ 17,746,338	\$ 19,617,232

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES COMPARED TO BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 BUDGETARY BASIS

(With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended December 31, 2008)

	2009 <u>Original Budget</u>		2009 <u>Actual</u>		2008 Actual
SOLID WASTE					
OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS					
Administration					
Salaries and Wages		7,750 \$	•	\$	176,055
Fringe Benefits		3,250	182,396		179,021
Other Expenses	11:	5,900	126,168		132,205
Cost of Providing Services					
Salaries and Wages	. 1,563	-	1,493,836		1,528,770
Fringe Benefits		4,500	926,287		894,343
Other Expenses	2,662	2,679	2,349,407		2,363,428
Total Operating Appropriations	5,42	7,823	5,258,659		5,273,822
NON-OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS					
Principal Payments on Debt	13	0,469	80,469		115,994
Interest on Debt		0,907	27,144		39,390
Accumulated Deficit	13	8,301			
Total Non-Operating Appropriations	30	9,677	107,613		155,384
Total Solid Waste Appropriations	5,73	7,500	5,366,272	_	5,429,206
WASTE WATER					
OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS					
Administration					
Salaries and Wages		3,250	566,921		563,523
Fringe Benefits		0,500	413,047		410,080
Other Expenses	1,00	4,190	686,381		606,633
Cost of Providing Services					
Salaries and Wages		0,000	1,728,540		1,755,292
Fringe Benefits	-	4,250	1,263,530		1,212,457
Other Expenses	4,07	5,190	2,647,196	_	3,300,904
Total Operating Appropriations	8,84	7,380	7,305,615		7,848,889

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES COMPARED TO BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 BUDGETARY BASIS

(With Comparative Amounts for the Year Ended December 31, 2008)

WASTE WATER (continued)	2009 <u>Original Budget</u>	2009 <u>Actual</u>	2008 <u>Actual</u>
NON-OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS			
Principal on Payment of Debt Interest Expense Renewal and Replacement Reserves Municipal Contribution	\$ 3,702,102 1,840,119 350,000 200,000	\$ 3,702,102 1,591,781	\$ 2,237,109 1,718,626 - 200,000
Total Non-Operating Appropriations	6,092,221	5,293,883	4,155,735
Total Waste Water Appropriations	14,939,601	12,599,498	12,004,624
Grand Total	\$ 20,677,101	17,965,770	\$ 17,433,830
Reconciliation to GAAP Basis			
Increased by:			
Depreciation Expense - Solid Waste		102,666	
Depreciation Expense - Waste Water		2,045,670	
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs		273,269	
Interest Expense/Accreted Value of Capital		,	
Appreciation Revenue Bonds		292,706	
Decreased by:			
Principal Payments on Debt - Solid Waste Principal Payments on Debt - Waste Water		(80,469) (3,702,102)	
Total GAAP Basis Expenses		\$ 16,897,510	

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF REVENUE BONDS PAYABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

<u>Description</u>	Date <u>Issued</u>	Amount	Maturities of Bonds Date Amoun	of Bonds Amount	Interest Rate	Balance December 31, 2008	Increase	Decrease	Balance December 31, 2009
Waste Water Revenue Refunding	3/1/1993	\$ 47,485,000	12/15/2009 \$	\$ 1,960,000	7.875 %	\$ 1,960,000		\$ 1,960,000	
Waste Water Revenue Refunding	10/15/2003	33,760,000	12/15/2010 12/15/2011 12/15/2012 12/15/2014 12/15/2014 12/15/2016 12/15/2016 12/15/2016 12/15/2019	2,205,000 2,275,000 2,355,000 2,435,000 2,525,000 2,660,000 2,800,000 2,950,000 3,100,000 3,225,000	3.00-4.00 3.25-4.00 3.50 3.50 5.25 5.25 5.25 5.25 4.00 4.125	26,620,000		000*06	\$ 26,530,000
Sewer Revenue Subordinated Capital Appreciation Bonds	12/27/07	5,676,013	12/15/2020 12/15/2021 12/15/2022 12/15/2023 12/15/2023 12/15/2025 12/15/2028 12/15/2029 12/15/2039 12/15/2033 12/15/2033 12/15/2033	895,000 900,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000		5,945,889	\$ 292,706	90	6.238.595
Total Bonds Payable						\$ 34,525,889	\$ 292,706	06 \$ 2,050,000	32,768,595
		П	Less: Current Portion of Bonds Payable Waste Water Revenue Refunding Unamortized Loss on Refunding E Unamortized Bond Premium (Seri	ortion of Bond 'ater Revenue I zed Loss on Re zed Bond Prem	Current Portion of Bonds Payable Waste Water Revenue Refunding Bonds (Series 200 Unamortized Loss on Refunding Bond Issue (Note 9) Unamortized Bond Premium (Series 2003 - Note 9)	Unrent Portion of Bonds Payable Waste Water Revenue Refunding Bonds (Series 2003) Inamortized Loss on Refunding Bond Issue (Note 9) Inamortized Bond Premium (Series 2003 - Note 9)			2,205,000 2,292,901 (594,277)

Total Long-Term Portion of Bonds Payable (Net of Unamortized Loss on Refunding)

\$ 28,864,971

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NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITITES AUTHORITY ROSTER OF OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009

<u>Authority Board Members</u>

Position

John O'Dell

Chairman

Salvatore DeSantis

Vice Chairman

Felix Henriquez

Board Member

Richard Censullo

Board Member

Frank Piazza

Board Member

Authority Executive Staff

Frank Pestana

Executive Director

Patricia Bartoli

Chief Financial Officer

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

Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority North Bergen, New Jersey

We have audited the basic financial statements of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, and have issued our report thereon dated April 30, 2010. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting.

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 combination of deficiencies in internal control that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Authority's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's financial statements are free of 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>.

However, we noted certain other matters that we have reported to management of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority in the Section of our report of audit entitled "General Comments and Recommendations".

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority board members, management, the New Jersey State Department of Community Affairs and State awarding agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Fair Lawn, New Jersey April 30, 2010

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133 AND NEW JERSEY OMB CIRCULAR 04-04

Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority North Bergen, New Jersey

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority with the types of compliance requirements described in the "U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement" and the "New Jersey OMB Circular 04-04 State Aid/Grant Compliance Supplement" that are applicable to each of its major state programs for the year ended December 31, 2009. The North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major state programs is the responsibility of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; audit requirements as prescribed by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey; OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations" and New Jersey OMB Circular 04-04, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid". Those standards and circulars require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures, as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major state programs for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to state programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and New Jersey OMB Circular 04-04, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a State program will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority board members, management, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs and state awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

LERCH, VINCI & HICKINS, LLI Certified Public Accountants

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Fair Lawn, New Jersey April 30, 2010

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SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

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NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Cumulative Expenditures	200
Balance Secember 31, 2009	90000
De Expended	\$ 90 LO
Revenue	6 9
Grant Receipts	<i>ч</i> э
Grant	\$ 6,797,178 \$
Grant	2009
Federal CFDA Number	66.458
<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Program Title</u>	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Department of Environmental Protection Agency Capitalization Grants for Clean Water Sources

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Balance, December 31, Cumulative 2009 Expenditures		256 \$ 3,689,004 \$ 24,588,576 085 1,235,001 8,190,859 051 2,122,458	. 118,713	292 \$ 5,042,718 \$ 34,901,893
Expended		\$12,006,256		\$ 16,536,292
, <u>Revenue</u>			\$ 118,713	\$ 118,713
Balance, December 31, 2008		\$ 15,695,260 5,237,086 527,951	•	\$ 21,460,297
2009 Grant <u>Receipts</u>		\$ 12,006,256 4,002,085 527,951	118,713	
Grant <u>Award</u>		\$ 28,277,580 \$ 9,425,860 2,122,458	118,713	
Grant <u>Year</u>		2007 2007 2007	2009	
Grant Number		4860-150-093020-60 4860-150-093020-60 4860-150-093050-60	4900-752-001	
State Grant Program	Department of Environmental Protection	New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust - Fund Loan New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust - Trust Loan New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust - Grant	Recycling Tonnage Grant	

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results

NOT APPLICABLE

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONT'D) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Part I - Summary of Auditor's Results

te Awards					•
Dollar threshold used to distinguish type A and type B programs:	\$ 496,089	9			
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		yes _	Χ	no	
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unqualified				•
Internal Control over major programs:					
1) Material weakness (es) identified?		yes _	X	no	
2) Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?		yes	Х	none rep	orted
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with N.J. OMB Circular Letter 04-04?		yes _	X	no	
Identification of major programs:					
State Grant/Project Number(s)		<u>Nam</u>	e of State	Program	
4860-150-093020-60	NJ Environn	nental Infr	astructur	e Trust Loar	(NJ DEP)
4860-150-093050-60	NJ Departme	ent of Env	ironment	al Protection	ı:
	Wastewater	r Treatmer	nt Grant		

NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY GENERAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Our audit revealed that the Authority's capital asset ledger was not always updated on a current basis. The Authority has purchased the capital asset accounting module which interfaces with its financial accounting software and anticipates implementing this ledger during 2010. It is recommended that the capital asset accounting records be currently maintained and be reconciled with the capital purchases on a periodic basis.

Our audit of expenditures noted that in certain instances purchases were made prior to the issuance of a purchase order. It is recommended that purchase orders be issued prior to the ordering of any goods or services.

Appreciation

We desire to express our appreciation to the Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer and the other Authority staff who assisted us during the course of our audit.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- * 1. The capital asset accounting records be currently maintained and be reconciled with capital purchases on a periodic basis.
- * 2. Purchase orders be issued prior to the ordering of any goods or services.

A review was performed on all prior year's recommendations. Those requirements which have not been corrected and which are repeated in this audit are denoted with an asterisk (*).

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Should any questions arise as to our comments and recommendations, or should you desire assistance in implementing our recommendations, please do not hesitate to call us.

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