Kansas City Area Transportation Authority

Actuarial Valuation Report (GASB 75)

As of January 1, 2019 Prepared for the Year Ending December 31, 2019

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Overview of GASB 74 and 75

GASB - Acronym that stands for Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This is the accounting board that sets standards for governmental entities. Following GASB standards allows for the preparation of financial statements that are in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

Before Statements 74 and 75, GASB statement 45 established the reporting standards for Other Postemployment Benefit ("OPEB") plans. It was designed to recognize the Other Postemployment Benefits earned by employees throughout their working career vs. when they are paid in retirement - accrual accounting vs. "pay-as-you-go" accounting. Additionally, each eligible active employee earns benefits each year representing benefits to be paid in retirement or a "Service Cost". These amounts are reflected in the financial statement each year so that OPEB benefits for an eligible employee shall be fully charged to the financial statement when that eligible employee terminates employment.

In 2012 GASB issued GASB Statements 67 and 68 to update and standardize the financial reporting of pension liabilities. This increased the transparency of pension liabilities by moving them to the balance sheet and made financial statement disclosures of pension liabilities more comparable between municipal entities. GASB Statements 74 and 75 are designed to have the same effect on OPEB plans.

GASB 74 and 75 require retiree medical plans to disclose information about asset and liability levels and show historical contribution information. GASB 74 only applies in situations where a separate trust is established to prefund these benefits. GASB 75 requires employers to perform periodic actuarial valuations to determine annual accounting costs and to keep a running tally of the extent to which these amounts are over or under funded.

GASB 74 and 75 apply to those benefits provided after retirement, except for pension benefits, such as medical, dental and life insurance. The philosophy behind the accounting standard is that these postemployment benefits are part of the compensation earned by employees in return for their services, and the cost of these benefits should be recognized while employees are providing those services, rather than after they have retired. This philosophy has already been applied for years to defined benefit pensions; GASB 74 and 75 extend this practice to all other postemployment benefits.

The process of determining the liability for OPEB benefits is based on many assumptions about future events. The key actuarial assumptions are:

- Turnover and retirement rates: How likely is it that an employee will qualify for postemployment benefits and when will they start?
- Medical inflation and per capita cost assumptions: When an employee starts receiving postemployment benefits many years from now, how much will be paid each year for the benefits and how rapidly will the costs grow?
- Mortality assumption: How long is a retiree likely to receive benefits?
- Discount rate assumption: What is the present value of those future benefit payments in terms of today's dollars?

Since the liability is being recognized over the employee's whole career with the authority, the present value is divided into three pieces: the part that is attributed to past years (the "Total OPEB Liability" or "Past Service Liability"), the part that is being earned this year (the "Service Cost"), and the part that will be earned in future years (the "Future Service Liability").

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Actuarial Valuation Opinion

This report presents results of the actuarial valuation of the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority Retiree Health Benefit Program ("the Plan") as of January 1, 2019. In our opinion, this report is complete and accurate and represents fairly the actuarial position of the Plan for the purposes stated herein.

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority provided the participant data, financial information and plan descriptions used in this valuation. The actuary has analyzed the data and other information provided for reasonableness, but has not independently audited the data or other information provided. The actuary has no reason to believe the data or other information provided is not complete and accurate and knows of no further information that is essential to the preparation of the actuarial valuation.

Actuarial information under Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75 (GASB No. 75) is for purposes of fulfilling employer financial accounting requirements. The results have been prepared on a basis consistent with our understanding of GASB No. 75 and are based upon assumptions prescribed by the authority. Determinations for purposes other than meeting employer financial accounting requirements may be significantly different from the results reported herein.

In our opinion, all costs, liabilities, rates of interest, and other factors underlying these actuarial computations have been determined on the basis of actuarial assumptions and methods that are each reasonable (or consistent with authoritative guidance) for the purposes herein taking into account the experience of the Plan and future expectations.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operations of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the Plan's funded status); and changes in program provisions or applicable law.

Our scope for this actuarial valuation did not include analyzing the potential range of such future measurements, and we did not perform that analysis.

The undersigned with actuarial credentials collectively meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinions contained herein.

This report was prepared solely for the benefit and internal use of the plan sponsor. This report is not intended for the benefit of any other party and may not be relied upon by any third party for any purpose, and Jefferson Solutions, Inc. accepts no responsibility or liability with respect to any party other than the plan sponsor.

To the best of our knowledge, no employee of the Jefferson Solutions, Inc. is an officer or director of the employer. In addition, we are not aware of any relationship between the Jefferson Solutions, Inc. and the employer that may impair or appear to impair the objectivity of the work detailed in this report.

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Executive Summary

Governmental Accounting Requirements and Report Purposes

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board released the Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards No. 74 and No. 75 in June 2015. These statements require trusts (GASB No. 74) and employers (GASB No. 75) to accrue the cost of post-employment benefits other than pensions ("OPEB") while eligible employees are providing services to the employer.

The purposes of this actuarial valuation report are to provide the authority with:

- 1) Status of the retiree health benefit program's accrued liabilities (Total OPEB Liability) using the most recent census data and health plan rates;
- 2) Projected cash contributions (pay-as-you-go costs); and
- Projected GASB No. 75 expense for the current fiscal year. GASB No. 75 disclosure information to fulfill the authority's financial reporting requirements is provided in this valuation report.

Funding Policy

Currently, the authority does not pre-fund retiree health benefits and instead provides for benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis.

The key measures from the actuarial valuation of retiree health benefits with valuation date of January 1, 2019 and measurement date of December 31, 2019 are:

		January 1, 2019
Present Value of Future Benefits	\$	40,210,137
Total OPEB liability	\$	19,432,248

		December 31, 2019		
OPEB Expense	\$	2,829,719		
Projected cash and implicit contributions	\$	760,129		

OPEB Liability and Participant Information:

	January 1, 2019	Head Count
Active	\$ 16,110,662	651
Retired (Inactive)	3,321,586	358
Total OPEB liability	\$ 19,432,248	1,009



Executive Summary (Continued)

Significant Changes from the Previous Actuarial Valuation

- Decreasing the discount rate from 4.10% to 2.74%.
- Trend rate: The current year rate was adjusted to reflect actual experience.
- Mortality assumption changed from SOA RP-2014 Total Dataset Mortality with Scale MP-2017 to <u>Pub-2010 General</u> <u>Employees Headcount-Weighted Mortality (SOA Scale MP-2019)</u>.
- Morbidity factors were adjusted to reflect rates that better reflect expected underlying costs.

Key Assumptions:

Census Collection Date	January 1, 2019
Discount Rate	
Year 1 Inflation Rate	
Year 2 Inflation Rate	
Ultimate Inflation Rate	6.00%
Year Ultimate Inflation Rate is Reached	
Actuarial Cost Method	. Entry Age Normal (Percent of Salary)

Discount Rate Comment:

As prescribed by GASB No. 75, the discount rate will be based on the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bond index rate with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher as of the measurement date. To comply with this provision, the *Bond Buyer 20-Bond General Obligation Index* will be used. The discount rate of 2.74% is the December 31, 2019 value of this index.

Cash Costs vs. Implicit Rate Subsidy:

GASB No. 75 requires that employers recognize the expected claims of the retiree population less the expected contributions by those retirees. This is not necessarily the same determination as the expected cash payments of the employer for retiree health benefits. The difference is that many post-employment health plans (including the authority's program) charge the same premium rates for all participants in a non-Medicare plan regardless of their age. This single premium rate is called a blended premium rate because it blends the expected claims of both active and retired participants. Retirees are generally older than the average participant in a non-Medicare plan, which means they are expected to generate higher claims than the average participant of the plan; therefore, they are receiving a subsidy even if they pay 100% of the blended premium rate because they would be paying less in premiums than their claims costs. This subsidy is referred to as the "Implicit Rate Subsidy".

Another way of considering the Implicit Rate Subsidy is to assume the retirees were removed from a blended plan and, instead, separately rated. In this scenario, the premium rate for the remaining active population would be lower; therefore, the retirees' premium rate is being subsidized by the premiums for active employees. Since the employer generally pays a portion of the premiums for the active employees, this subsidy creates a liability for the employer.

By comparison, the cash costs are the actual dollars paid by the employer to cover a portion or all of the retirees' premium rates. This is sometimes referred to as the "Explicit Rate Subsidy". This is the benefit that is explicitly stated by the authority that will be paid on behalf of retirees.

GASB 75 reports are required to value both the Implicit Rate Subsidy and the Explicit Rate Subsidy. This report values both the Explicit Subsidy and the Implicit Rate Subsidy.



Overview of OPEB Plan

1. PLAN TYPES:

The authority provides medical, prescription drug, dental insurance and vision benefits to its eligible retirees. A Medicare stipend is paid to retirees that are enrolled in the Medicare Part B program. Pre and post-Medicare retiree experience is co-mingled with the experience of active employees. KCATA provides benefits through fully insured plan, and the same premium rate is charged to all eligible members.

Group Life Insurance Retirees also receive a group life benefit as follows:

- Union Retirees:\$1,000
- 2. ELIGIBILITY: Employees are required to reach age 55 and have 15 years of service to qualify for OPEB.
- 3. **BENEFIT COST SHARING RETIREE:** The retiree pays 10% of the medical premiums for the plan elected. Retirees do not contribute towards the cost for the life insurance coverage.

Dental and vision benefits provided are for access only. The retiree is required to pay 100% for dental and vision elected coverage. Dental and vision are not included in the actuarial study.

- 4. **BENEFIT COST SHARING SPOUSE:** Spouses and dependents of retired employees are provided with access (only) to the authority's medical, prescription and dental plans. Covered spouses and dependents are required to continue to pay 100% of the premium for their elected coverage.
- 5. **IMPLICIT OPEB:** In addition to the explicit liability described above for the employer paid portion of the retiree medical premiums, the OPEB liability includes the implicit subsidy based on the excess of the age-adjusted premium for pre-65 retirees and covered spouses and the actual premium.

Refer to Item 11 on page 20 for a further explanation of the implicit subsidy.

See examples for the calculation of the per capita cost on page 21.

- 6. **SURVIVING SPOUSE BENEFIT:** Spouses may continue coverage for up to 3 years following the death of the retired employee but are required to pay 100% of the premium.
- 7. **DURATION OF BENEFITS (MEDICAL, PRESCRIPTION DRUG AND DENTAL):** The medical benefits offered to retirees and spouses after age 65 are provided on an access only basis. Retirees over 65 pay 100% of the premium. However the plan provides a Medicare stipend starting at age 65 to retirees only.

Annual Gross Premiums:

	2019		202	.0
Plan	Single	Two Person	Single	Two Person
Rate Saver	\$9,740.64	\$20,457.96	\$11,181.60	\$23,484.36
Blue Care HMO	\$11,478.24	\$24,107.40	\$13,176.36	\$27,673.68
Preferred Care Blue PPO	\$12,132.00	\$25,515.72	\$13,926.72	\$29,290.32
Medical Reimbursement (Buy-Out)	\$1,200.00	NA	\$1,200.00	NA
Medicare Stipend	\$258.00	NA	\$258.00	NA



Principal Results

This section provides a summary of the actuarial valuation results. All information is provided as of the measurement date except for census data. The valuation results were based on January 1, 2019 census data. All liabilities are net of expected retiree contributions.

	_	January 1, 2019			
	_	Salary	_	Union	TOTAL
Present Value of Future Benefits					
Actives	\$	7,364,926	\$	29,523,625	\$ 36,888,551
Retired		753,710		2,567,876	3,321,586
Total	\$	8,118,636	\$	32,091,501	\$ 40,210,137
Total OPEB Liability (Individual Entry Age Normal)					
Active	\$	3,011,189	\$	13,099,473	\$ 16,110,662
Retired		753,710		2,567,876	3,321,586
Total	\$	3,764,899	\$	15,667,349	\$ 19,432,248
OPEB EXPENSE		Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019			
		Salary		Union	TOTAL
Service Cost	\$	312,641	\$	1,221,718	\$ 1,534,359
Interest		100,765		421,265	522,030
Deferred (Inflows)/Outflows from Expected & Actual Experience		94,859		396,270	491,129
Deferred (Inflows)/Outflows from Changes in Assumptions		54,505		227,696	282,201
Net OPEB Expense	\$	562,770	\$	2,266,949	\$ 2,829,719
Funded Ratio		NA		NA	NA
Annual Covered Payroll		\$10,341,883		\$26,576,342	\$36,918,225
Net OPEB Liability (Asset) as % of Covered Payroll		36.40%		58.95%	52.64%
Discount Rate		2.74%		2.74%	2.74%

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Summary of Assets

The plan Retiree Health Benefit Program is currently funded on a pay-as-you-go basis. Therefore at all times the net assets available for plan benefits is zero.



Development of Total OPEB Liability

	January 1, 2019	
Present Value of Future Benefits		
Active Participants	\$ 36,888,551	
Retired Participants	3,321,586	
Total Present Value of Future Benefits	\$ 40,210,137	
Less Total Present Value of Future Normal Costs	 20,777,889	
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 19,432,248	

Key Assumptions:

Census Collection Date	January 1, 2019
Discount Rate	
Year 1 Inflation Rate	
Year 2 Inflation Rate	
Ultimate Inflation Rate	
Year Ultimate Inflation Rate is Reached	
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Percent of Salary)



Actuarially Determined Contribution

		December 31, 2019
Service Cost	\$	1,534,359
30 year amortization of NOL		958,391
Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$	2,492,750
Actual Contribution		760,129
Contribution deficiency	\$	1,732,621
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Covered payroll		\$36,918,225
Actuarially determined contribution as a % of covered payroll		6.75%

Key Assumptions:

Census Collection Date	January 1, 2019
Discount Rate	
Year 1 Inflation Rate	
Year 2 Inflation Rate	
Ultimate Inflation Rate	6.00%
Year Ultimate Inflation Rate is Reached	
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Percent of Salary)



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Actuarial Gain / Loss

		Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019
Total OPEB Liability, December 31, 2018	\$	12,857,805
Fiduciary net Position, December 31, 2018	_	-
Net OPEB Liability, December 31, 2018	\$	12,857,805
Service Cost		1,534,359
Contributions		(760,129)
Interest @ 2.74%		522,030
Changes in Assumptions	_	2,843,634
Expected Net OPEB Obligation, December 31, 2019	\$	16,997,699
Loss attributable to experience	_	3,730,809
Total OPEB Liability, End of Year, December 31, 2019	\$	20,728,508

Key Assumptions:

Census Collection Date	January 1, 2019
Discount Rate	
Year 1 Inflation Rate	
Year 2 Inflation Rate	
Ultimate Inflation Rate	6.00%
Year Ultimate Inflation Rate is Reached	
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal (Percent of Salary)



Schedule of Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources

	Experience			Changes in Assumptions						
	December 31, 2018		December 31, 2019	Experience		December 31, 2018		December 31, 2019		Total Assumptions
Amortization Period 01/01/2019	6.4113		7.5800			6.4113		7.5800		
Deferred Charges as of 01/01/2019	\$ (6,809)	\$	3,730,809	\$ 3,724,000	\$	(595,925)	\$	2,843,634	\$	2,247,709
Amortized in fiscal year ending December 31, 2019	(1,062)		492,191	 491,129		(92,949)		375,150		282,201
Deferred Charges as of 01/01/2020	\$ (5,747)	\$	3,238,618	\$ 3,232,871	\$	(502,976)	\$	2,468,484	\$	1,965,508
Amortization Schedule										
December 31, 2019	\$ (1,062)	\$	492,191	\$ 491,129	\$	(92,949)	\$	375,150	\$	282,201
December 31, 2020	(1,062)		492,191	491,129		(92,949)		375,150		282,201
December 31, 2021	(1,062)		492,191	491,129		(92,949)		375,150		282,201
December 31, 2022	(1,062)		492,191	491,129		(92,949)		375,150		282,201
December 31, 2023	(1,062)		492,191	491,129		(92,949)		375,150		282,201
December 31, 2024	(1,062)		492,191	491,129		(92,949)		375,150		282,201
There After	(437)		777,663	777,226		(38,231)		592,734		554,503
Total Amortization	\$ (6,809)	\$	3,730,809	\$ 3,724,000	\$	(595,925)	\$	2,843,634	\$	2,247,709

Guidance on Amortization

Investment gains or losses: Straight-Line amortization over 5 years

Economic/demographic gains or losses (Experience): Straight-Line amortization over Expected Working Life (currently 7.5800)

Assumptions changes or inputs: Straight-Line amortization over Expected Working Life (currently 7.5800)



10-Year Projection of Employer Benefit Payments

Presented in this section are the projected employer benefit payments for the next ten years based on the program design effective in the 01/01/2019 - 12/31/2019 fiscal year. These projected benefit payments are based on the actuarial methods and assumptions are described in the section(s) Actuarial Methods on page 17 and Assumptions And Methodology beginning on page 18. If actual experience differs from those expected by the actuarial assumptions, the actual benefit payments will vary from those presented below.

Period	Explicit Subsidy	Implicit Subsidy	Total
12/31/2019	\$435,961	\$324,168	\$760,129
12/31/2020	\$447,907	\$333,050	\$780,957
12/31/2021	\$493,482	\$394,164	\$887,646
12/31/2022	\$496,099	\$417,258	\$913,357
12/31/2023	\$529,126	\$475,397	\$1,004,523
12/31/2024	\$560,465	\$527,551	\$1,088,016
12/31/2025	\$599,765	\$586,169	\$1,185,934
12/31/2026	\$659,480	\$672,853	\$1,332,333
12/31/2027	\$670,382	\$701,844	\$1,372,226
12/31/2028	\$695,908	\$717,831	\$1,413,739



Assumption Sensitivity

This section provides information about the sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to certain assumptions made in this actuarial valuation. The discount rate and benefit cost trend rate are the most significant assumptions used in this valuation. The table below shows the effect of increasing and decreasing those assumptions by 100 basis points above/below their projected levels in all future years.

Discount Rate Plus 1.00%

Current OPEB Liability, 12/31/2019	\$20,728,508
OPEB Liability - Discount Plus 1.00%	\$19,191,735
Decrease	(\$1,536,773)
Percent Decrease	(7.30%)

Discount Rate Minus 1.00%

Current OPEB Liability, 12/31/2019	\$20,728,508
OPEB Liability - Discount Minus 1.00%	\$22,324,133
Increase	\$1,595,625
Percent Increase	7.57%

Trend Plus 1.00%

Current OPEB Liability, 12/31/2019	\$20,728,508
OPEB Liability - Trend Plus 1.00%	\$23,667,879
Increase	\$2,939,371
Percent Increase	15.09%

Trend Minus 1.00%

Current OPEB Liability, 12/31/2019	\$20,728,508
OPEB Liability - Trend Minus 1.00%	\$18,191,731
Decrease	(\$2,536,777)
Percent Decrease	(12.94%)



Summary of Demographic Information

This section details the statistics related to the participants in the post-employment benefit plan. The census collection date is January 1, 2019.

The file that was used to prepare the GASB 75 valuation was provided by the authority. Our understanding is that this file represents the population of the authority's active and retired employees as of January 1, 2019, the census collection date.

CENSUS RECONCILIATION COMMENT: The census file contained 1,110 records. The GASB 75 valuation excluded 101 records because the employee may have been hired after the census collection date (January 1, 2019) or the records represented individuals that are not entitled to benefits.

All Active and Retired Employees:

	Actives	Retirees	Total		
Male	397	276	673		
Female	254	82	336		
Total	651	358	1,009		

Currently

Active Employees:

Average Service

Age	Not Currently Eligible to Retire	Eligible to Retire ¹	TOTAL
29 and Under	26	-	26
30 - 34	42	-	42
35 - 39	59	-	59
40 - 44	77	-	77
45 - 49	104	-	104
50 - 54	110	-	110
55 - 59	62	49	111
60 - 64	36	45	81
65 and Over	20	21	41
Total	536	115	651
Average Age	49.4		

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¹ These active employees have met the minimum age and service requirements needed to vest in an OPEB benefit upon retirement.

Summary of Demographic Information (Continued)

Current Retirees:

Age	Retirees	Spouses	TOTAL	
54 and Under	3	-	3	
55 - 59	5	-	5	
60 - 64	36	1	37	
65 - 69	107	-	107	
70 - 74	85	-	85	
75 - 79	60	-	60	
80 and Over	62	-	62	
Total	358	1	359	

Average Age for Retired Employees: 72.4



TOTAL

Years of Service								
Age	Under 5	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 Plus
<20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 to 24	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 to 29	17	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
30 to 34	19	20	3	-	-	-	-	-
35 to 39	24	13	18	4	-	-	-	-
40 to 44	27	17	16	11	6	-	-	-
45 to 49	21	34	18	15	15	-	1	-
50 to 54	30	21	21	20	14	3	1	-
55 to 59	19	23	17	13	20	5	10	4
60 to 64	9	14	13	12	5	8	13	7
65 Plus	11	4	5	6	5	1	1	8

Summary of Demographic Information (Continued)

Average Age 49.4

TOTAL

Average Service 11.2



Actuarial Methods

Actuarial Cost Method

The Actuarial Cost Method used to determine the Total OPEB Liability and the Annual Required Contribution is the Entry Age Normal (EAN) method as prescribed by GASB No. 75. This method is in the family of future benefit cost methods, which requires an estimate of the projected benefit payable at retirement to determine costs and liabilities.

The Normal Cost (or Service Cost) is the annual allocation required for each participant from entry date to the assumed retirement date so that the accumulated allocation at retirement is equal to the liability for the projected benefit. The projected benefits are based on estimates of future years of service and projected health benefit costs. The normal cost is developed as a level percent of compensation as prescribed by GASB No. 75.

The Present Value of Future Benefits is equal to the value of the projected benefit payable at retirement discounted back to the participant's current age. Discounts include such items as interest and mortality. The present value of future normal cost allocations is equal to the discounted value of the normal costs allocated from the member's current age to retirement age.

The difference between the Present Value of Future Benefits and the present value of future normal cost allocations represents the Total OPEB Liability at the participant's current age.

The Total OPEB Liability for participants currently receiving payments is calculated as the actuarial present value of future benefits expected to be paid. No normal cost is allocated for these participants.

Financial and Census Data

The authority provided the participant data, financial information and plan descriptions used in this valuation. The actuary has checked the data for reasonableness, but has not independently audited the data. The actuary has no reason to believe the data is not complete and accurate, and knows of no further information that is essential to the preparation of the actuarial valuation.

Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Market value of assets as of the measurement date is zero because the plan is funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Method Changes Since Last Year

None.



Assumptions and Methodology

Economic Assumptions

- 1. **DISCOUNT RATE:** An interest rate of 2.74% was used to calculate the December 31, 2019 net OPEB expense.
- 2. PAYROLL GROWTH: 2.50% per year.
- 3. **TREND:** It was assumed that health care costs would increase in accordance with the trend rates in the following table:

Period	Medical Trend
2019	14.79%
2020 to 2039	7.00%
2040 and Beyond	6.00%

Demographic Assumptions

- 4. **CENSUS COLLECTION DATE:** The census used in this report represents the eligible population as of January 1, 2019. The valuation date is January 1, 2019 and the measurement date is December 31, 2019.
- 5. MORTALITY: Pub-2010 General Employees Headcount-Weighted Mortality (SOA Scale MP-2019).
- 6. **RETIREMENT RATES:** The following are representative assumed retirement rates for eligible employees:

Age	Rate
55-59	0.03000
60	0.23000
61	0.05000
62	0.25000
63-64	0.10000
65	1.00000

7. **TERMINATION RATES:** These rates represent the percentage of employees who will terminate employment at the given age each year, for reasons other than death, or retirement:

Age	Rate
25	0.05270
30	0.04830
35	0.04470
40	0.03840
45	0.03210
50	0.01520
55	0.00000



Assumptions and Methodology (Continued)

Benefit Assumptions

8. **PARTICIPATION RATE:** The following assumptions have been made with respect to the percentages of currently active employees who will participate in the authority's OPEB plan upon retirement:

Pre	65	Post 65	Medical	Post 65 S	Stipend
Salaried	Union	Salaried	Union	Salaried	Union
90%	80%	10%	10%	100%	100%

- 9. **PERCENT MARRIED:** It was assumed that 35% of future retirees will be married, with male spouses assumed to be 3 years older than female spouses. For current retirees, actual census information was used.
- 10. PER CAPITA COSTS: The following rates were used in the development of per capita costs:

	201	.9	202	20
Plan	Single	Two Person	Single	Two Person
Rate Saver	\$9,740.64	\$20,457.96	\$11,181.60	\$23,484.36
Blue Care HMO	\$11,478.24	\$24,107.40	\$13,176.36	\$27,673.68
Preferred Care Blue PPO	\$12,132.00	\$25,515.72	\$13,926.72	\$29,290.32
Medical Reimbursement (Buy-Out)	\$1,200.00	NA	\$1,200.00	NA
Medicare Stipend	\$258.00	NA	\$258.00	NA



Assumptions and Methodology (Continued)

11. IMPLICIT SUBSIDY: GASB No. 75 requires that employers recognize the expected claims of the retiree population less the expected contributions by those retirees. This is not necessarily the same determination as the expected cash payments of the employer for retiree health benefits. The difference is that many post-employment health plans (including the authority's program) charge the same premium rates for all participants in a non-Medicare plan regardless of their age. This single premium rate is called a blended premium rate because it blends the expected claims of both active and retired participants. Retirees are generally older than the average participant in a non-Medicare plan, which means they are expected to generate higher claims than the average participant of the plan; therefore, they are receiving a subsidy even if they pay 100% of the blended premium rate because they would be paying less in premiums than their claims costs. This subsidy is referred to as the "Implicit Rate Subsidy".

The following age-based factors were used to adjust for the implicit subsidy and are based on an average age of 49. The following example is for the Rate Saver plan:

	Medical	Percent of	
Age	Premium	Premium	Age Factor
20	\$3,726.40	38.26%	3.30%
25	\$4,383.20	45.00%	3.30%
30	\$5,155.77	52.93%	3.30%
35	\$6,064.50	62.26%	3.30%
40	\$7,133.40	73.23%	3.30%
45	\$8,390.70	86.14%	3.80%
49	\$9,740.64	100.00%	3.80%
50	\$10,110.78	103.80%	4.30%
55	\$12,479.76	128.12%	4.40%
60	\$15,477.79	158.90%	3.80%

See example of how this implicit subsidy is applied on page 21.

Other Assumptions

- 12. ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS: None
- 13. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES: Included in the premiums used

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Calculation of Per Capita Costs

An example for a female electing the Rate Saver plan, assumed to be age 57 with a spouse assumed to be age 60

	2019				
	Retiree		Spouse		
	Pre 65	Post 65	Pre 65	Post 65	
1. Medical Premium (Rate Saver)	\$9,740.64	NA	\$20,457.96	NA	
2. Less Individual Premium (1)	-	NA	\$9,740.64	NA	
3. Age adjustment factor	1.3964	NA	1.5890	NA	
4. Age Adjusted Medical ([1 - 2] * 3)	\$13,602.14	NA	\$17,029.72	NA	
5. Contribution Percentage	10%	NA	100%	NA	
6. Retiree Contribution ([1-2] * 5)	\$974.06	NA	\$10,717.32	NA	
7. Medicare Stipend	-	\$258.00	-	NA	
Net Cost to authority (4 + 7 - 6)	\$12,628.08	\$258.00	\$6,312.40	NA	



Glossary

Brief explanations of terms used in this report:

Annual OPEB Expense

The amount recognized by an employer in each accounting period for contributions to a defined benefit OPEB plan on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB arising from certain changes in the collective net OPEB liability or collective total OPEB liability.

Covered Payroll

Annual compensation paid (or expected to be paid) to active employees covered by an OPEB plan, in aggregate.

Net OPEB liability (NOL)

The liability of employers and nonemployer contributing entities to plan members for benefits provided through a defined benefit OPEB plan that is administered through a trust that meets the criteria of the GASB Statements.

Normal Cost or Service Cost

The portion of the Total Present Value of Future Benefits attributed to employee service during the current fiscal year by the actuarial cost method. These terms are used interchangeably. Service cost appears as a component of the annual OPEB costs.

Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Retiree health care benefits and post-employment benefits provided separately from a pension plan (excluding termination offers and benefits).

Plan Fiduciary Net Position (FNP)

Set equal to the market value of assets as of the measurement date.

Present Value of Future Benefits (PVFB)

The value, as of the valuation date, of the projected benefits payable to all members for their accrued service and their expected future service, discounted to reflect the time value (present value) of money and adjusted for the probabilities of retirement, withdrawal, death and disability.

Total OPEB liability (TOL)

The portion of the actuarial present value of projected benefit payments that is attributed to past periods of member service in conformity with the GASB Statements. The TOL is the liability of employers and nonemployer contributing entities to plan members for benefits provided through a defined benefit OPEB plan that is not administered through a trust that meets the criteria of the GASB Statements.



Suggested Footnotes for OPEB

Plan description:

The authority's defined benefit OPEB plan, provides OPEB for all full-time employees of the authority. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 75. The Retiree Health Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report.

Benefits provided:

Employees who have attained age 55 and retire from active employment with 15 consecutive years of service are eligible for retiree benefits. Eligible retirees and their dependents receive medical and pharmacy benefits through a fully-insured plan. These are the same plans that are available for active employees. The Authority also provides a life insurance benefit of \$1,000 to each retiree.

Contributions:

The Authority establishes and amends contribution requirements. Currently, retirees less than age 65 pay 10 percent of active premium rates, while the Authority contributes 90 percent. Retirees equal to or greater than age 65 pay 100 percent of the premium rates paid by active employees. Spouses pay 100 percent of the active premium rates. The current funding policy of the Authority is to pay premiums as they occur on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Employees covered by benefit terms:

As of January 1, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	358
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	-
Active Employees	651
Total Participants covered by OPEB Plan	1,009

Total OPEB Liability:

The authority's total OPEB liability of \$20,728,508 was measured as of December 31, 2019, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2019.

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Discount Rate	2.74%
Healthcare Cost Trend Rates:	
2019 Current Year Trend	14.79%
Ultimate Trend	6.00%
Year Ultimate Trend is Reached	2040
Salary Increases	2.50%

The discount rate was based on the index provided by *Bond Buyer 20-Bond General Obligation Index* based on the 20 year AA municipal bond rate as of December 31, 2019.

Mortality rates: Pub-2010 General Employees Headcount-Weighted Mortality (SOA Scale MP-2019).

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Suggested Footnotes for OPEB (Continued)

Changes of assumptions

The discount rate was changed from 4.10% percent at the beginning of the year to 2.74% percent at the end of the year, the actuarial method changed from *Projected Unit Credit* to *Entry-Age-Normal as a Percentage of Salary*, mortality assumption changed from <u>RP-2000 Projected 10 Years using Projection Scale AA</u> to <u>Pub-2010 General</u> <u>Employees Headcount-Weighted Mortality (SOA Scale MP-2019)</u>. This resulted in a \$2,843,634 increase in the total OPEB liability.

Other Changes from the Previous Actuarial Valuation

- Decreasing the discount rate from 4.10% to 2.74%.
- Trend rate: The current year rate was adjusted to reflect actual experience.
- Mortality assumption changed from <u>RP-2000 Projected 10 Years using Projection Scale AA</u> to <u>Pub-2010 General Employees</u> <u>Headcount-Weighted Mortality (SOA Scale MP-2019)</u>.
- Morbidity factors were adjusted to reflect rates that better reflect expected underlying costs.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability:

	Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019				019	
		Salary	_	Union		TOTAL
OPEB Liability as of 01/01/2019	\$	2,267,675	\$	10,590,130	\$	12,857,805
Changes for the Year						
Service Cost		312,641		1,221,718		1,534,359
Interest		100,765		421,265		522,030
Assumption Changes		763,779		2,079,855		2,843,634
Difference Between Actual and Expected Experience		733,445		2,997,364		3,730,809
Difference Between Actual and Expected Experience						-
Change in Actuarial Cost Method						-
Benefit payments		(174,714)	_	(585,416)		(760,130)
OPEB Liability as of 12/31/2019	\$	4,003,591	\$	16,724,917	\$	20,728,508

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate:

The following presents the total OPEB Liability, calculated using the discount rate of 2.74%, as well as what the total OPEB Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

Total OPEB Liability	1% Decrease	Baseline	1% Increase
December 31, 2019	\$22,324,133	\$20,728,508	\$19,191,735

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates:

The following presents the total OPEB Liability, calculated using the trend rate of 14.79%, as well as what the total OPEB Liability would be if it were calculated using a trend rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

	H	ealthcare Cost Trend Rates	
Total OPEB Liability	1% Decrease	Baseline	1% Increase
December 31, 2019	\$23,667,879	\$20,728,508	\$18,191,731

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Suggested Footnotes for OPEB (Continued)

OPEB Expense:

	Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019					
	 Salary		Union		TOTAL	
Service Cost	\$ 312,641	\$	1,221,718	\$	1,534,359	
Interest	100,765		421,265		522,030	
Deferred (Inflows)/Outflows from Expected & Actual Experience	94,859		396,270		491,129	
Deferred (Inflows)/Outflows from Changes in Assumptions	54,505		227,696		282,201	
Net OPEB Expense	\$ 562,770	\$	2,266,949	\$	2,829,719	

Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB:

	Attributable to					
	Actual vs. Expected Assumption Experience Changes		Plan Changes	Expected Return on Investments		
Deferred Outflow	\$3,238,618	\$2,468,484	-	-		
Deferred Inflow	(\$5,747)	(\$502,976)	-	-		
Deferred Charges as of 01/01/2020	\$3,232,871	\$1,965,508	-	-		

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred (inflows) of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

		Amortization of						
Actual vs. Expected Period Experience		Assumption Changes	Plan Changes	Expected Return on Investments				
December 31, 2020	\$491,129	\$282,201	-	-				
December 31, 2021	\$491,129	\$282,201	-	-				
December 31, 2022	\$491,129	\$282,201	-	-				
December 31, 2023	\$491,129	\$282,201	-	-				
December 31, 2024	\$491,129	\$282,201	-	-				
There After	\$777,226	\$554,503	-	-				



Schedules of Required Supplementary Information

Schedule of Changes in the authority's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

	_	Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019				
	_	Salary		Union		TOTAL
OPEB Liability as of 01/01/2019	\$	2,267,675	\$	10,590,130	\$	12,857,805
Changes for the Year						
Service Cost		312,641		1,221,718		1,534,359
Interest		100,765		421,265		522,030
Assumption Changes		763,779		2,079,855		2,843,634
Difference Between Actual and Expected Experience		733,445		2,997,364		3,730,809
Difference Between Actual and Expected Experience						-
Change in Actuarial Cost Method						-
Benefit payments		(174,714)		(585,416)		(760,130)
OPEB Liability as of 12/31/2019	\$	4,003,591	\$	16,724,917	\$	20,728,508
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Annual Covered Payroll		\$10,341,883		\$26,576,342		\$36,918,225
Net OPEB Liability (Asset) as % of Covered Payroll		36.40%		58.95%		52.64%

