FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPONENT UNIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Commissioners
St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission
Hollywood, Maryland

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission (MetCom), a component unit of the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, which comprise the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions 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 <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission as of June 30, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof 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 September 24, 2009, on our consideration of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission'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 important for assessing the results of our audits.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3-9 and the Schedule of funding progress and Schedule of employer contributions on page 38 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 audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that comprise the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information presented on pages 39-43 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits 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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La Plata, Maryland September 24, 2009

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's (MetCom's) annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of MetCom's financial performance during the fiscal years that ended June 30, 2009 and 2008. Please read it in conjunction with MetCom's financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- MetCom's net assets increased by \$7.5 million and \$4.99 million, or 12.68% and 9.31%, as a result of operations in fiscal years 2009 and 2008, respectively.
- During the current year, MetCom's revenue from operations was \$10.3 million, representing an increase of 1.8% over the prior year. The increase in operating revenue is due to an increase in the number of customers served. In fiscal year 2008, revenue from operations was \$10.1 million, or 17.62% over the prior year. This increase in operating revenue was due to an increase in rates of approximately 19% for sewer services and 28% for water services. The increase in revenues was also affected by a drought and a reduction in engineering services.
- In fiscal year 2009 the overage rates for water and sewer increased 9% and 3%, respectively; all other service charge rates were unchanged. New service charges rates were implemented effective 7/1/07.
- MetCom's operating expenses excluding depreciation were \$9.46 million during the current year and \$8.67 million during the prior year.
- MetCom's nonoperating revenue was \$9.16 million during the current year and \$5.82 million in fiscal year 2008, representing an increase of 58% and 9%, respectively. Most of the increase is due to the large amount of capital contributions received in FY09, \$5.4 million. In addition, there was a \$717 thousand increase as the result of the new rate structure for financing capital construction that was implemented on October 1, 2007 and increases in the debt service rates in FY09.
- House Bill 969 was approved in the 2007 Legislative session that changed the
 way MetCom finances capital construction. New System Improvement Charges
 became effective October 1, 2007 for all customers with allocations on our water
 and/or sewer lines, and all new customers after that date pay a Capital
 Contribution Charge at time of connection. These charges replace the Benefit
 Assessment Charges that were used by the Commission for almost 40 years to
 finance new water and sewer improvements. Capital Contribution Charge rates
 increased in fiscal year 2009.
- The slowdown in the construction industry has negatively impacted Engineering Revenues in both fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

- In FY 2008 MetCom established a trust fund for the management of assets and accounting for financial transactions associated with the provision of retiree health insurance coverage. The balance in the trust was \$1.2 million as of 6/30/09 and \$758 thousand as of 6/30/08. MetCom has funded the full OPEB cost for both years.
- MetCom did not issue any bonds in fiscal year 2009.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and supplemental information. The basic financial statements consist of:

- Statements of net assets
- · Statements of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets
- Statements of cash flows
- Statements of fiduciary net assets
- · Statements of changes in fiduciary net assets
- Notes to financial statements

The Statements of Net Assets provide a snapshot of MetCom's financial position at both June 30, 2009 and 2008. Amounts on the Statements of Net Assets are cumulative from inception. Both current and long-term assets and liabilities, as well as net assets, are presented.

The Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets provide information about the activities of MetCom as a whole and reflect activity for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008. These statements measure operating revenues and expenses as well as non-operating revenues and expenses. The statements also present capital contributions as well as changes in net assets.

The Statements of Cash Flows present the sources and uses of MetCom's cash. Metcom uses the direct method for presenting the cash flows statements.

The Notes to the financial statements provide information and more detailed data about the financial statements. The Supplementary departmental financial statements report MetCom's activities in more detail by providing information about MetCom's most financially significant funds.

MetCom operates as an enterprise fund, which is one type of proprietary fund. All of MetCom's basic services are reported here, including water, sewer, engineering services and general administration, as well as other nonoperating revenues and expenses. MetCom charges customers fees to cover all of the costs of the services it provides. MetCom's financial statements are presented using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus. All assets and liabilities are included in the financial statements. Revenue is recognized when water or other services are delivered, and expenses are recognized when goods and services are received, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

MetCom has one fiduciary fund, the Retiree Health Benefit Fund, which is used to account for resources held for the benefit of MetCom employees and retirees. These funds are not available to support MetCom's operations. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

The supplementary departmental financial statements provide details about MetCom's most significant funds – not MetCom as a whole. The Board of Commissioners of MetCom establishes funds to help it manage and control monies for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain grants and other money.

METCOM AS A WHOLE

Statements of Net Assets

MetCom's net assets increased by approximately \$7.5 million in FY 2009 and approximately \$5.0 million in FY08. The majority of the increase is attributable to the change in net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt. During fiscal year 2009, developers completed construction of \$5.2 million of capital assets and donated them to MetCom. In fiscal year 2008, developers contributed \$2.4 million of capital assets. The following condensed statements show the changes in assets, liabilities and net assets for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

MetCom's Net Assets (in millions of dollars) Business-type activities

	June 30,			
	2009	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	
Current and other assets Capital assets	\$ 10.10 	\$ 8.40 71.50	\$ 5.80 68.90	
Total assets	<u>\$ 88.90</u>	<u>\$ 79.90</u>	<u>\$ 74.70</u>	
Long-term debt outstanding Other liabilities	\$ 18.90 <u>3.90</u>	\$ 17.80 <u>3.50</u>	\$ 17.70 <u>3.40</u>	
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 22.80</u>	<u>\$ 21.30</u>	<u>\$ 21.10</u>	
Net assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	\$ 58.30 3.10 <u>4.70</u>	\$ 52.20 3.80 <u>2.60</u>	\$ 49.80 2.00 <u>1.80</u>	
Total net assets	<u>\$ 66.10</u>	<u>\$ 58.60</u>	<u>\$ 53.60</u>	

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets

Changes in MetCom's net assets can be determined by reviewing the following condensed Statements of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets:

MetCom's Changes in Net Assets (in millions of dollars) Business-type activities

	Years ended June 30,			
	2009	<u>2008</u>	2007	
Operating revenues Operating expenses Depreciation expense	\$ 10.3	\$ 10.1	\$ 8.6	
	9.4	8.6	7.9	
	2.6	2.3	2.1	
Operating loss Net nonoperating revenues	(1.7)	(0.8)	(1.4)	
			5.3	
Change in net assets	7.5	5.0	3.9	
Net assets at beginning of year, as restated	_ 58.6	<u>53.6</u>	_49.7	
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 66.1</u>	<u>\$ 58.6</u>	<u>\$ 53.6</u>	

MetCom's operating revenues totaled \$10.3 million during the current year. Total operating revenues increased by 1.82% over the prior year, compared to operating revenue of the prior year of \$10.1 million, which was an increase of 17.62% over fiscal year 2007. The current year increase is due to customer growth; the prior year increase was due to rate increases of approximately 28% in water and 19% in sewer effective 7/1/07, the drought which caused water overage to increase by 78 million gallons or 25% over the previous year, and customer growth.

Expenses from MetCom's operating activities excluding depreciation totaled \$9.4 million during the current year and \$8.6 million in the prior year. All of these expenses are considered related to providing water, sewer and engineering services to the residents/businesses of St. Mary's County. Salaries and benefits comprised \$6.2 million, or 65.61% of operating expenses. Power for plant operations was \$1.1 million, or 11.67%. The remaining \$2.1 million, or 22.72%, related to administrative and direct costs

Net nonoperating revenue increased 58% to \$9.2 million during the current year and 8.8% to \$5.8 million in fiscal year 2008. Capital contributions made up \$5.4 million and \$2.4 million of the net nonoperating revenue in fiscal years 2009 and 2008, respectively.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets

At June 30, 2009, MetCom had \$115.2 million prior to depreciation invested in capital assets. This represents an increase of 9% over the previous year. As of June 30, 2008, MetCom had \$105.6 million prior to depreciation invested in capital assets. MetCom owns utility and water plants in addition to numerous vehicles, furniture, equipment and computer equipment and a building. The following table summarizes MetCom's capital assets (in millions):

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Utility plants	\$ 79.8	\$ 75.8
Water plants	19.8	17.9
Equipment	6.2	5.7
Capitalized interest	0.8	0.8
Buildings	1.5	1.5
Land	0.6	0.6
Construction in process	<u>6.5</u>	3.3
	115.2	105.6
Accumulated depreciation	<u>36.4</u>	<u>34.1</u>
Net capital assets	<u>\$ 78.8</u>	<u>\$ 71.5</u>

This year's major capital asset additions included:

Laurel Ridge Well built with loan proceeds, \$170 thousand.

Evergreen Park sewer project, relining the lines and installing new manholes built with grant proceeds, \$223 thousand.

Patuxent Park Sewer project on Essex Drive, relining sewer mains and installing new sewer pipes and taps, built with loan proceeds, \$247 thousand.

Sewer lines, force mains, manholes, grinder pumps and a sewer pump station and water mains, valves, and fire hydrants constructed and contributed by developers, \$5.2 million.

MetCom's FY10 Capital Improvement Budget for water is \$13.4 million, which includes \$3.1 million for water lines, \$7.4 million for water storage tanks, \$2.7 million for wells and \$0.2 million for miscellaneous projects.

The FY10 Capital Improvement Budget for sewer is \$41.2 million, which includes \$6.6 million for replacement projects, \$.1 million for pump stations and \$34.5 million for upgrades/expansions. The largest project is \$30.5 million for the Enhanced Nutrient Removal, ENR, project at the Marlay-Taylor Wastewater Reclamation Facility, which is in the design phase. This project is required to meet the requirements of the Chesapeake Bay 2000 agreement and achieves 3mg/l total nitrogen and 0.3mg/l total phosphorous in the effluent. The state is expected to pay for the ENR portion of this project estimated to be \$13 million, and the Navy is expected to pay \$6 million for this project.

In FY 09 MetCom received a grant from the Maryland Department of the Environment, MDE, in the amount of \$204 thousand to fund 100% of the construction of the Evergreen Park Sewer Upgrade. In addition, MDE provided a grant in the amount of \$282 thousand during FY08 and FY 09 to cover part of the costs of the Andover Estates Sewer Project.

MetCom has also been approved for a \$3 million grant from the ARRA 2009 Stimulus Funds to build the Methane Powered Co-Generator, including the cost of the Digester Covers needed to make the methane recoverable.

Debt administration

At the end of FY 2009 and FY 2008, MetCom had a total of \$20.5 million and \$19.3 million, respectively in debt outstanding,

On November 14, 2007, MetCom issued \$10.9 million of Infrastructure Financing Bonds in conjunction with the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. During FY09, MetCom received \$3.3 million in draws on various loans. During FY08, draws totaled \$1.8 million.

The following table summarizes MetCom's debt (in millions):

	<u>June 30,</u>			% change% cha			
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	FY09	FY08		
Bonds payable Notes, leases and loans payable	\$ 10.4 	\$ 9.2 	\$ 9.5 <u>9.6</u>	13.1 .0	(3.2) 5.2		
Total debt	<u>\$ 20.5</u>	<u>\$ 19.3</u>	<u>\$ 19.1</u>	6.4	1.0		

The primary sources of revenue available for repayment of debt are System Improvement Charges that are paid by all customers with allocations on our system and Capital Contribution Charges which are paid by all new customers.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

MetCom anticipates about an 8% increase in the total operating revenues for next year. This increase is mostly attributable to the service rate increases effective July 1, 2009.

The total operating expenses in MetCom's Operating Budget for FY10 are \$11 million, about \$783 thousand more than the FY09 Amended Budget. Salaries are the largest component of MetCom's expenses; in FY10 salaries are \$4.6 million, with a \$178 thousand increase over the FY09 Amended Operating Budget. Health insurance is \$1.2 million, which includes \$413 thousand to fully fund the Annual Required Contribution, ARC, to the Other Post-Employment Benefit Trust, OPEB. Electricity to operate the water and sewer systems is over \$1.2 million in the FY10 Operating Budget.

MetCom intends to pursue financing of approximately \$12.5 million from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Local Government Infrastructure Program and about \$700,000 from the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Water Quality Financing Administration to fund construction projects.

In 2009 the State Legislature passed House Bill 1559 which established a Task Force to study the governance and structure of MetCom. By July 1, 2010, the Task Force is to make recommendations regarding the structure and governance of MetCom and how best to continue the provision of water and sewer services to the citizens of St. Mary's County.

CONTACTING METCOM'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of MetCom's finances and show MetCom's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about the report or need additional financial information, contact the MetCom Administrative office at 43990 Commerce Avenue, Hollywood, Maryland 20636.

ST. MARY'S COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS

<u>ASSETS</u>

	<u>June 30,</u>			
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>		
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,119,670	\$ 6,397,782		
Accounts receivable	1,090,559	1,102,000		
Inventory	128,555	31,423		
Prepaid expenses	300,224	299,352		
Total current assets	9,639,008	7,830,557		
Noncurrent assets:				
Capital assets, net	78,787,257	71,508,447		
Deferred bond issue costs	445,125	484,054		
Unamortized bond discount	70,487	<u>76,044</u>		
Total noncurrent assets	79,302,869	72,068,545		
Total assets	<u>\$ 88,941,877</u>	<u>\$ 79,899,102</u>		

ST. MARY'S COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS (CONTINUED)

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	<u>June 30,</u>				
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>			
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 762,855	\$ 856,079			
Accrued interest payable	265,475	232,473			
Accrued expenses	941,020	472,646			
Deferred income	334,023	358,130			
Bond premiums	37,239	41,405			
Bonds payable	796,849	715,061			
Notes, leases and loans payable	810,641	<u>767,163</u>			
Total current liabilities	3,948,102	3,442,957			
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Bonds payable	9,665,494	8,533,075			
Notes, leases and loans payable	9,251,420	9,283,199			
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Total noncurrent liabilities	18,916,914	17,816,274			
Total liabilities	22,865,016	21,259,231			
Net assets:		•			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	58,262,853	52,209,949			
Restricted	3,151,341	3,801,845			
Unrestricted	4,662,667	2,628,077			
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Total net assets	66,076,861	58,639,871			
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 88,941,877	\$ 79,899,102			

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS

	Years ended June 30,			
		<u>2009</u>		<u>2008</u>
Operating revenue:				
Service charges	\$	10,118,110	\$	9,937,238
Miscellaneous		205,939		202,085
Total operating revenue		10,324,049	_	10,139,323
Operating expenses:				
Direct operating expenses		5,950,589		5,717,744
Administrative expenses		3,505,591		2,955,526
Total operating expenses		9,456,180	_	8,673,270
Operating income before depreciation		867,869		1,466,053
Depreciation		(2,595,661)		(2,286,655)
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Operating loss		(1,727,792)	_	(820,602)
Nonoperating revenue (expenses):				
Interest income		78,573		206,370
Benefit assessment charges				452,878
Debt service charges		4,090,607		2,555,360
House connection charges- net		157,820		406,356
Water supply fees		61,200		193,933
Water storage fees		167,940		309,090
Interest expense		(980,219)		(869,004)
Other fees	_	152,236	_	169,448
Total nonoperating revenue, net		3,728,157		3,424,431
Income before contributions		2,000,365		2,603,829
Capital contributions		5,436,625		2,391,659
Change in fund net assets		7,436,990		4,995,488
Total net assets- beginning		58,639,871		53,644,383
Total net assets- ending	\$	66,076,861	\$	58,639,871

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Years ende	d June 30, 2008
Cash flows from operating activities: Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees Other receipts	\$ 10,105,444 (5,179,670) (3,911,749) 205,939	(4,728,330) (4,301,924)
Net cash provided by operating activities	 1,219,964	1,005,582
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Proceeds from capital debt Purchases of capital assets Principal paid on capital debt Interest paid on capital debt Other receipts and payments	3,298,543 (4,525,461) (2,072,637) (906,897) 4,629,803	(2,541,190) (1,823,672)
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities	423,351	769,506
Cash flows from investing activities: Interest received	 78,573	206,370
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,721,888	1,981,458
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	 6,397,782	4,416,324
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 8,119,670	\$ 6,397,782

ST. MARY'S COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

	Years ende	d Ju	ne 30, 2008
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities: Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss	\$ (1,727,792)	\$	(820,602)
to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities: (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	2,683,276 11,441	2	2,343,474 (104,151)
Increase in prepaid expense Increase in inventory Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(872) (97,132) (93,224)		(275,198) (3,066) 148,558
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses Increase in deferred income	468,374 (24,107)		(284,097) 664
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 1,219,964	\$ 1	1,005,582

SCHEDULE OF NONCASH CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES

	Years ended June 30,		
		<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Increase in capital assets	\$		\$ 4,932,849
Capital contribution		(5,436,625)	(2,391,659)
Purchase of capital assets	\$	4,525,461	\$ 2,541,190
Additions to capital debt	\$	3,298,543	\$ 2,062,857
Deferred bond issue costs		M	(227,600)
Proceeds from capital debt	\$	3,298,543	\$ 1,835,257

ST. MARY'S COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

ASSETS

	Years ended June 30,		
	2009	2008	
Restricted investments	<u>\$ 1,222,517</u>	\$ 757,828	
Total assets	\$ 1,222,517	\$ 757,828	

NET ASSETS

		Years ende	ed Jι	<u>ıne 30,</u>
		<u>2009</u>		2008
Held in trust for other post employment benefits	\$	1,222,517	\$	757,828
Total net assets	<u>\$</u>	1,222,517	<u>\$</u>	757,828

ST. MARY'S COUNTY METROPOLITAN COMMISSION STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

	<u>Years ended June 30,</u> <u>2009</u> <u>2008</u>
ADDITIONS:	
Contributions Interest income	\$ 514,000 \$ 801,984 10,976 -
Net additions	<u>\$ 524,976</u> <u>\$ 801,984</u>
DEDUCTIONS: Benefits paid Administrative expenses	\$ (55,287) \$ (44,156) (5,000)
Net deductions	(60,287) (44,156)
Change in net assets	<u>\$ 464,689</u> <u>\$ 757,828</u>
NET ASSETS: Beginning of year	<u>\$ 757,828</u> <u>\$ -</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 1,222,517</u> <u>\$ 757,828</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

Financial reporting entity

The St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission (MetCom) is responsible for providing water and wastewater facilities and services within the jurisdiction of St. Mary's County, Maryland. MetCom's commissioners are appointed by the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County. MetCom is a component unit of the St. Mary's County Government.

The financial statements of MetCom have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The significant accounting policies are described below.

Fund accounting and basis of accounting

MetCom maintains its accounting system as an enterprise fund to report its nonfiduciary activities. An enterprise fund is used to account for operations that are primarily financed by user charges. Separate financial statements are provided for its fiduciary fund.

MetCom applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid in financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. An enterprise fund is used to account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of net income is necessary or useful to sound financial administration.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Both enterprise and fiduciary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the statement of net assets. Fund equity (i.e., net assets) is segregated into invested in capital assets and restricted and unrestricted components. Enterprise fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenue) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net assets.

Net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net assets use are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants),

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Fund accounting and basis of accounting (continued)

grantors, contributions, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through legislation.

Use of estimates

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

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of demand deposits and any highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less.

Inventory

Inventory is valued at the average cost method. The consumption method of recording inventory is used, which means that the acquisition of materials and supplies is recorded initially in inventory accounts and charged as expenses when used.

Receivables

Receivables consist of all revenues earned at year-end and not yet received. Major receivables include inspection fees and water and sewer billings receivable.

Capital assets

All purchased capital assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. Depreciation expense is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, as follows:

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Capital assets (continued)

Asset Class	Estimated Life
Utility plants	18 to 50 years
Water plant systems	18 to 50 years
Equipment	3 to 10 years
Capitalized interest	50 years
Buildings	25 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. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

Capital contributions

Capital grants and contributions from federal and state governments are reported as capital contributions in the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets.

Donated assets consist principally of capital assets constructed by developers and subsequently donated to MetCom and reported as capital contributions. They are recorded at estimated fair value using developers' estimated costs to construct the assets. The capital assets and related capital contributions are recognized upon completion of construction.

Compensated absences

Compensated absences are accrued as incurred and recognized as a current liability in the financial statements. These absences represent vacation leave earned but not taken. The total leave earned but not taken was \$323,090 and \$291,702 at June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Deferred bond issue costs

Deferred bond issue costs include legal fees, advertising, rating fees and other costs incurred when bonds were issued. The costs are being amortized over the

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1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Deferred bond issue costs (continued)

maturity of the bond issues using the bonds-outstanding method, which approximates the effective interest method.

2. Deposits and investments

June 30, 2009

Deposits

The carrying amount of MetCom's deposits was \$3,863,157 at June 30, 2009, and the bank balances were \$3,771,506. Of the bank balances, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance at June 30, 2009, with the remaining \$3,521,506 adequately covered by collateral. State statutes authorize secured time deposits in Maryland banks and require uninsured deposits to be fully collateralized.

Cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

Investments	\$ 4,256,063
Cash	3,863,157
Petty cash	<u>450</u>
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<u>\$ 8,119,670</u>

<u>Investments</u>

State statutes authorize MetCom to invest in obligations of the United States government, federal government agency obligations, and repurchase agreements secured by direct government or agency obligations. All of the funds were invested in the Maryland Local Government Investment Pool (MLGIP), which qualifies under the statutes. The MLGIP is rated "AAAm" by Standard and Poor's (their highest rating). Investments in the Maryland Local Government Investment Pool, an external investment pool, are not evidenced by securities. The investment pool, not the participating governments, faces the custodial credit risk. None of MetCom's investments are subject to concentration of credit risk, interest rate risk or foreign currency risk.

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2. <u>Deposits and investments</u> (continued)

Carrying Amount

Market Value

MLGIP

\$ 4,256,063

\$4,256,063

<u>June 30, 2008</u>

Deposits

The carrying amount of MetCom's deposits was \$2,258,135 at June 30, 2008, and the bank balances were \$2,437,448. Of the bank balances, \$100,000 was covered by federal depository insurance at June 30, 2008, with the remaining \$2,337,448 adequately covered by collateral. State statutes authorize secured time deposits in Maryland banks and require uninsured deposits to be fully collateralized.

Cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

 Investments
 \$ 4,139,197

 Cash
 2,258,135

 Petty cash
 450

<u>\$ 6,397,782</u>

<u>Investments</u>

State statutes authorize MetCom to invest in obligations of the United States government, federal government agency obligations, and repurchase agreements secured by direct government or agency obligations. All of the funds were invested in the Maryland Local Government Investment Pool (MLGIP), which qualifies under the statutes. The MLGIP is rated "AAAm" by Standard and Poor's (their highest rating). Investments in the Maryland Local Government Investment Pool, an external investment pool, are not evidenced by securities. The investment pool, not the participating governments, faces the custodial credit risk. None of MetCom's investments are subject to concentration of credit risk, interest rate risk or foreign currency risk.

Carrying Amount

Market Value

MLGIP

\$ 4,139,197

<u>\$4,139,197</u>

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3. Capital assets and depreciation

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2009 was as follows:

Conital acceta	Balance July 1, 2008		<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>June 30, 2009</u>
Capital assets: Utility plants Water plant systems Equipment Capitalized interest Buildings	\$ 75,771,536 17,881,970 5,730,349 818,201 1,461,505	\$ _	4,027,139 1,907,887 836,926 0	\$	0 0 321,404 0 0	\$ 79,798,675 19,789,857 6,245,871 818,201 1,461,505
Subtotal	101,663,561		6,771,952		321,404	108,114,109
Not being depreciated Utility plant constructi						
in process Water plant construct	2,311,778 tion		1,751,185		481,523	3,581,440
in process	1,030,256		2,201,168		283,696	2,947,728
Land and land rights	595,037	_	3,000		0	598,037
	105,600,632		10,727,305		1,086,623	115,241,314
Accumulated deprecia	tion:					
Utility plants	25,496,815		1,634,564		0	27,131,379
Water plant systems	4,645,569		490,463		0	5,136,032
Equipment	3,113,108		486,576		321,404	3,278,280
Capitalized interest	220,914		16,364		0	237,278
Buildings	<u>615,779</u>	-	55,309		0	<u>671,088</u>
	34,092,185	-	2,683,276		321,404	36,454,057
Net capital assets	<u>\$ 71,508,447</u>	<u>(</u>	\$ 8,044,029	<u>\$</u>	<u>765,219</u>	<u>\$ 78,787,257</u>

Depreciation expense of \$2,683,276 was charged to activities as follows:

Sewer activities Water activities Engineering activities Administrative	\$ 1,877,835 666,204 51,622 <u>87,615</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,683,276</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

3. <u>Capital assets and depreciation</u> (continued)

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2008 was as follows:

Capital assets:	Balance July 1, 2007		<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>	Balance June 30, 2008
Utility plants Water plant systems Equipment Capitalized interest Buildings	\$ 67,787,669 15,156,119 5,066,502 818,201 1,461,505	\$	7,983,867 2,725,851 848,340 0 0	\$	0 0 184,493 0 0	\$ 75,771,536 17,881,970 5,730,349 818,201 1,461,505
Subtotal	90,289,996		11,558,058		184,493	101,663,561
Not being depreciated. Utility plant constructi						
in process Water plant construct	8,354,506 tion		1,358,156		7,400,884	2,311,778
in process	1,614,237		564,964		1,148,945	1,030,256
Land and land rights	593,537		1,500		0	595,037
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	100,852,276		13,482,678	_	8,734,322	105,600,632
Accumulated deprecia	tion:					
Utility plants	24,011,595		1,485,220		0	25,496,815
Water plant systems	4,239,182		406,387		0	4,645,569
Equipment	2,917,406		380,195		184,493	3,113,108
Capitalized interest	204,550		16,364		0	220,914
Buildings	<u>560,471</u>		<u>55,308</u>	_	0	<u>615,779</u>
	31,933,204		2,343,474	_	184,493	34,092,185
Net capital assets	\$ 68,919,072	<u>\$</u>	11,139,204	<u>\$</u>	8,549,829	<u>\$ 71,508,447</u>

Depreciation expense of \$2,343,474 was charged to activities as follows:

Sewer activities	\$ 1,693,519
Water activities	552,081
Engineering activities	41,055
Administrative	<u>56,819</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,343,474</u>

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4. Long-term debt

Long-term bonds payable as of June 30, 2009, are as follows:

Bonds Payable				
<u>Description</u>	Due	Rate	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Twelfth Issue	1996-2013	3.9% -5.25%	\$ 870,000	\$ 115,918
Fourteenth Issue	2001-2029	4.125%-5%	1,471,300	886,090
Seventeenth Issue	2006-2019	2.75%-4.40%	4,654,969	1,062,859
Twenty-first Issue	2007-2021	3.65%-4.275%	968,200	267,984
Twenty-third Issue	2008-2027	3.5%-4.25%	2,497,874	1,040,614
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			10,462,343	3,373,465
Less current portion	า		796,849	436,599
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Total			\$ 9,665,494	\$ 2,936,866

The annual requirements to amortize principal and interest payments of all bonds outstanding as of June 30, 2009 are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2010 (current) 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 - 2019 2020 - 2024 2025 - 2029	\$ 796,849 819,671 863,703 902,203 696,858 3,978,086 1,335,636 	\$ 436,599 404,714 370,378 333,007 292,866 999,958 409,522 126,421
	<u>\$ 10,462,343</u>	\$ 3,373,465

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JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

4. <u>Long-term debt</u> (continued)

Long-term bonds payable as of June 30, 2008 are as follows:

Bonds Payable <u>Description</u>	Due	Rate	<u>Principal</u>	Interest
Tenth Issue	1995-2015	5.56% - 6.08%	\$ 170,000	\$ 43,790
Twelfth Issue	1996-2013	3.9% -5.25%	1,060,000	170,416
Fourteenth Issue	2001-2029	4.125%-5%	1,514,300	959,832
Seventeenth Issue	2006-2019	2.75%-4.40%	5,026,077	1,260,631
Twenty-first Issue	2007-2021	3.65%-4.275%	1,034,200	309,909
Twenty-third Issue	2008-2027	3.5%-4.25%	443,559	200,032
			9,248,136	2,944,610
Less current portion)		<u>715,061</u>	<u>395,577</u>
Total			<u>\$ 8,533,075</u>	<u>\$ 2,549,033</u>

Redemption - Tenth Issue - DHCD Loan

Bonds in the amount of \$170,000 were redeemed in full at 100% on March 8, 2009.

Redemption - Twelfth Issue

Optional redemption

Bonds that mature on or before June 1, 2006 are not subject to redemption prior to their maturities. Bonds that mature on or after June 1, 2006 are subject to redemption beginning June 1, 2006, as a whole at any time or in part on any interest payment date, in order of maturities, at the option of MetCom, at the following redemption prices expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of bonds to be redeemed plus accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption:

Period During Which Redeemable (Both Dates Inclusive)	Redemption Price
June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007	101%
June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008	100-1/2%
June 1, 2008 and thereafter	100%

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4. <u>Long-term debt</u> (continued)

Fourteenth Issue

On May 18, 1999, the Commission issued \$1,830,900 of Infrastructure Financing Bonds in conjunction with the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA).

Principal payments are due from 2001-2029. The average interest cost is 4.86%.

The bonds may be prepaid at the following premiums:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Price</u>
June 1, 2009 through May 31, 2010	101%
June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011	100-1/2%
After June 1, 2011	100%

Seventeenth Issue

On September 4, 2003, MetCom issued Refunding Bonds of 2003 in the principal amount of \$6,105,000. The bonds mature on November 1, in 14 annual installments, beginning in 2005 and ending in 2018. Interest rates on the bonds range from 2.75% to 4.4%. Interest is payable on May 1, 2004 and semiannually thereafter on each May 1 and November 1 to maturity.

The bonds may be prepaid at the following premiums:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Price</u>
November 1, 2013 through October 31, 2014 November 1, 2014 through October 31, 2015	101% 100-1/2%
After November 1, 2015	100%

The bonds were issued to refund all the outstanding maturities of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission Refunding Bonds of 1993 (Ninth issue).

The outstanding amount of refunding bond issue number seventeen is shown net of a deferred loss on the advance refunding of \$80,031.

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4. <u>Long-term debt</u> (continued)

Twenty-first Issue

In fiscal year 2006, the Commission issued Refunding Bonds on April 5, 2006 in the principal amount of \$1,158,700. The bonds mature on May 1, in 15 annual installments, beginning in 2007 and ending in 2021. Interest rates on the bonds range from 3.65% to 4.275%. Interest is payable on November 1, 2006 and semiannually thereafter on each May 1 and November 1 to maturity.

This bond is not subject to prepayment by the Issuer prior to May 1, 2016. On or after May 1, 2017, this bond is subject to prepayment by the Issuer at 100%.

The bonds were issued to refund outstanding maturities of Financing Bonds in conjunction with the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA). The Thirteenth Issue was fully refunded and \$500,000 of the Tenth Issue was fully refunded.

These bonds were issued with a true interest cost ranging from 3.65% to 4.275% to refund certain maturities of \$620,000 in outstanding 1996 series A bonds with a coupon rate of 5.579% and \$500,000 in outstanding 1995 series A bonds with an average interest rate of 6.24%. These bonds were issued to take advantage of a favorable interest rate environment. The net proceeds (including interest and premium) of \$1,131,200 were deposited with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments of the refunded bonds.

MetCom refunded these bonds at a premium to reduce its total debt service payments by \$152,325 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$110,445.

Twenty-Third Issue

On November 14, 2007, the Commission issued \$10,889,100 of Infrastructure Financing Bonds in conjunction with the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA). As of June 30, 2009 and 2008, MetCom had drawn only \$3,018,073 and \$582,759 of the proceeds, respectively. The cost of issuance was \$227,600, which is included in fiscal year 2008 additions.

The bonds mature on May 1, in 20 annual installments, beginning in 2008 and ending in 2027. Interest rates on the bonds range from 3.5%-4.25%. Interest is payable on May 1, 2008 and semiannually thereafter on each November 1 and May 1 to maturity. The bonds may be prepaid, in whole or in part, at any time after June 1, 2017. Any partial prepayment shall not be less than the outstanding balance or \$50,000, whichever is less.

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4. Long-term debt (continued)

Notes, leases and loans payable

Notes, leases and loans payable as of June 30, 2009 are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	Due	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Leonardtown	2010-2020	6.10% - 10%	\$ 119,571	\$ 88,601
MD Bank and Trust	2010	4.80%	18,885	919
Sixth Issue	2017	6.682%	108,655	35,125
MD Water Quality Loan #8	2012	3.45%	287,677	20,105
MD Water Quality Loan #1	1 2017	4.26%	2,084,048	418,920
MD Water Quality Loan #1	5 2020	2.70%	513,504	84,284
MD Water Quality Loan #10		1.20%	397,148	32,430
MD Water Quality Loan #18	8 2025	1.10%	3,850,387	369,850
MD Water Quality Loan #19		1.10%	648,687	58,541
MD Water Quality Loan #20	0 2024	1.10%	983,355	88,745
MD Water Quality Loan #2	2 2027	1.10% _	1,050,144	<u>102,903</u>
			10,062,061	1,300,423
Less current portion			<u>810,641</u>	208,655
Total			<u>\$ 9,251,420</u>	<u>\$ 1,091,768</u>

The annual requirements to amortize principal and interest payments on all notes, leases and loans outstanding as of June 30, 2009, are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2010 (current) 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 - 2019 2020 - 2024 2025 - 2028	\$ 810,641 812,707 824,657 742,804 761,036 3,399,705 2,332,900 377,611	\$ 208,655 184,528 166,297 142,997 127,036 354,989 110,382 5,539
	\$ 10,062,061	\$ 1,300,423

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

4. <u>Long-term debt</u> (continued)

Notes, leases and loans payable as of June 30, 2008 are as follows:

Description	Due	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Leonardtown	2010-2020	6.10% - 10%	\$ 132,606	\$ 100,436
MD Bank and Trust	2009	4.15%	28,502	1,202
MD Bank and Trust	2010	4.80%	36,889	2,719
Sixth Issue	2017	6.682%	118,696	43,056
MD Water Quality Loan #8	2012	3.45%	375,809	33,070
MD Water Quality Loan #1	1 2017	4.26%	2,298,982	516,856
MD Water Quality Loan #1	5 2020	2.70%	553,149	99,219
MD Water Quality Loan #1	6 2023	1.20%	426,967	37,552
MD Water Quality Loan #1	8 2025	1.10%	4,069,388	414,616
MD Water Quality Loan #1	9 2024	1.10%	236,060	22,675
MD Water Quality Loan #2	0 2024	1.10%	826,802	79,419
MD Water Quality Loan #2	2 2027	1.10%	946,512	107,882
			10,050,362	1,458,702
Less current portion			<u>767,163</u>	220,874
Total			<u>\$ 9,283,199</u>	<u>\$ 1,237,828</u>

As of June 30, 2009, MetCom has eight loans from the Maryland Water Quality Financing Administration. Proceeds from loan number eight amounting to \$1,326,045 were used to finance the Marley-Taylor WRF Interim Expansion. Proceeds from loan number eleven of \$4,177,116 were used to finance the Marley-Taylor WRF Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade and Expansion Project. Loan number fifteen for \$835,000 was drawn during the year ended June 30, 2000 for the purpose of financing an office building for the administrative use of MetCom. Loan number sixteen for \$567,680 was used to upgrade the Leonardtown wastewater treatment plant. Loan number eighteen for \$4,712,200 was used to upgrade the Marley-Taylor WRF. Loan number nineteen for \$976,700 is to be used to replace the wastewater pumping station. Proceeds drawn at June 30, 2009 and 2008 were \$838,591 and \$377, 962, respectively. Loan number twenty is to be used for water meter installations. As of June 30, 2009 and 2008, amounts drawn on the loan were \$1,393,960 and \$1,153,479, respectively. Loan number twenty-two is to be used for the Andover Road/Estates sewer projects and for arsenic remediation wells. As of June 30, 2009 and 2008, amounts drawn on the loan were \$1,136,984 and \$974,866. respectively.

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JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

4. Long-term debt (continued)

Changes in long-term debt

The changes in long-term debt payable for the year ended June 30, 2009 were as follows:

ao ionorro.	Balance July 01, 2008	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2009	Amounts Due Within One Year
Bonds payable Notes, leases and	\$ 9,248,136 \$	2,435,314	\$ 1,221,107	\$ 10,462,343	\$ 796,849
loans payable	10,050,362	863,229	<u>851,530</u>	10,062,061	<u>810,641</u>
Total long-term debt	<u>\$19,298,498</u> <u>\$</u>	3,298,543	\$ 2,072,637	<u>\$ 20,524,404</u>	<u>\$ 1,607,490</u>

The changes in long-term debt payable for the year ended June 30, 2008 were as follows:

40 101101101	Balance July 01, 2007	Additions	<u>Deductions</u>	Balance June 30, 2008	Amounts Due Within One Year
Bonds payable Notes, leases and	\$ 9,470,386	\$ 810,359	\$ 1,032,609	\$ 9,248,136	\$ 715,061
loans payable	9,588,927	1,252,498	791,063	10,050,362	<u>767,163</u>
Total long-term debt	<u>\$ 19,059,313</u>	<u>\$ 2,062,857</u>	<u>\$ 1,823,672</u>	<u>\$ 19,298,498</u>	<u>\$ 1,482,224</u>

5. Restricted net assets

Net assets are restricted for the repayment of the following:

- a. Special assessments are restricted in net assets for the future replacement of sewer systems that were built with Environmental Protection Agency grants awarded after February 1984. The amount restricted at June 30, 2009 and 2008 is \$1,410,023 and \$1,410,023, respectively.
- b. Collection of fees for a sinking fund to upgrade the capacity of the main sewage treatment plant at Marley-Taylor WRF are restricted for that purpose. The amount restricted June 30, 2009 and 2008 is \$687,123 and \$707,104, respectively.

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5. Restricted net assets (continued)

- c. The Board has restricted net assets per agreement with customers for upgrades and replacements to their water and sewer systems. The amount restricted June 30, 2009 and 2008 is \$130,894 and \$130,894, respectively.
- d. Effective October 1, 2007, MetCom started collecting System Improvement Charges for the replacement and upgrade of water and sewer facilities. These funds are restricted by law for that purpose. The balance as of June 30, 2009 and 2008 was \$848,882 and \$1,372,319, respectively.
- e. Effective October 1, 2007, MetCom started collecting Capital Contribution Charges for the construction of facilities to serve new customers. These funds are restricted by law for that purpose. The balance at June 30, 2009 and 2008 was \$74,419 and \$181,505, respectively.

6. Retirement and pension plan

On March 18, 2004, MetCom adopted a Section 457 plan. Under the terms of the plan, employees may contribute up to 25% of their salary, up to the contribution limits, to the plan. No employer contributions are made to this plan.

Effective July 1, 2004, MetCom joined the Maryland State Retirement and Pension System. Under the terms of entry into the system, MetCom will grant 100% credit for prior service of eligible employees. The actuarial cost of entry into the Maryland State Retirement and Pension System for service prior to June 30, 2004 was \$3,392,774.

Description

All qualified career employees of MetCom are required to join the Maryland State Employees' Pension Plan. The plans have provisions for early retirement, death and disability benefits. Participants become eligible for a vested retirement allowance after 5 years' service. The Plans are an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system. The State Retirement and Pension System of Maryland is the administrator of the Systems. The System was established and benefits are provided by the State Personnel and Pensions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The separately issued financial statements of the System may be obtained by contacting the administrator.

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6. Retirement and pension plan (continued)

Maryland State Pension Systems

Participants in the Pension Systems contribute a percentage of their earnings. Pensions normally start at age 62 or after 30 years' service, but with 15 or more years of service an employee can elect to have a reduced pension begin at age 55. Pensions are based upon the average of the employees' highest three years' pay. Cost of living increases are limited to 3% per annum.

On July 13, 2006, MetCom passed a resolution to join the Alternate Contributory Pension Selection Plan (ACPS). The plan increases the employee multiplier from 1.4% to 1.8% for service credits earned after July 1, 1998. Employee contributions are 3% for FY07, 4% for FY08 and 5% thereafter. The ACPS surcharge for FY09 is 1.11% of salaries.

Funding policy

The State Retirement and Pensions Article requires contributions by active members and their employees. Rates for required contributions by active members are established by law. Members of the Retirement Systems are required to contribute from 5% to 7% of compensation. Members of the Pension Systems were required to contribute 5% and 4% of compensation for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The rate will remain at 5%.

Contribution rates are established by annual actuarial valuations. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) is being amortized, as a level percentage of payroll, in two distinct pieces. The UAAL which existed as the June 30, 2000 actuarial valuation is being amortized over the remaining 12-year period to June 30, 2020. Each new layer of UAAL arising subsequent to the year ended June 30, 2000 is being amortized in separate annual layers over a 25-year period. The equivalent single amortization period is 30 years. The State of Maryland, the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund, the Injured Workers' Insurance Fund and 135 participating governmental units make all of the employer and other contributions to the System.

MetCom provides pension contributions for normal cost and accrued actuarial liability. For the year ended June 30, 2009, MetCom's total payroll and payroll for covered employees were \$4,563,777 and \$3,724,636, respectively. MetCom's contribution to the System was \$250,958 and \$284,731 for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

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6. Retirement and pension plan (continued)

Funding policy (continued)

Actuarial assumptions

- a) Return on investment of 7.75% compounded annually (adopted June 30, 2003).
- b) Projected salary increases of 3.5% compounded annually due to inflation (adopted June 30, 2007).
- c) Salary increases due to seniority and merit are projected at 0.00-8.5% per annum (adopted June 30, 2007).
- d) Postretirement benefit increases are projected at 3-4% per annum depending on the system (adopted June 30, 2003).
- e) Rates of mortality, termination, disablement and retirement are based on actual experience from 2003 through 2006 (adopted June 30, 2007).
- f) Member payroll assumed to increase 3.5% annually (adopted June 30, 2007).

Trend information

		June 30,		
	2008	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	
Annual required contributions				
(in thousands)	\$1,183,765	\$ 1,025,972	\$ 874,079	
Percentage contributed	89%	81%	82%	

7. Other post-employment benefits

MetCom adopted the requirements of GASB Statement No. 45 during the year ended June 30, 2008. In adopting GASB 45, MetCom recognizes the cost of post-employment health care in the year when the employee services are received, reports the accumulated liability from the prior years and provides information useful in

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7. Other post-employment benefits (continued)

assessing potential demands on MetCom's future cash flows. Recognition of the liability accumulated from prior years will be phased in over 30 years, commencing with the 2008 liability.

During FY08 MetCom established a trust fund, the Retiree Benefit Trust of St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission, to fund certain retiree health benefits.

Plan Description

MetCom provides health, prescription, dental and vision care insurance benefits to eligible retirees, retirees' family members and the family members of deceased employees. Eligible persons include employees with a minimum of ten years of eligible MetCom service entering an immediate retirement, family members of retirees and family members of deceased employees. MetCom pays a percentage of premiums based on the date of hire and number of years of service. For employees hired prior to May 10, 2007, the percentage ranges from 53.13% with ten years of service to 85% with 16 or more years of service. The percentages for employees hired on or after May 10, 2007 range from 21.25% with 15 years service to 85% with 30 years service. There is no statutory or contractual requirement to provide these benefits, and they may be changed or modified by MetCom's Board of Commissioners.

<u>Membership</u>

At June 30 membership consisted of:		
Retirees and Beneficiaries Currently	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Receiving Benefits	6	5
Active Employees	<u>62</u>	<u>61</u>
Total	68	<u>66</u>

Funding Policy

It is MetCom's intention to fully fund the OPEB cost each year. MetCom's Board determines the amount of the OPEB cost to be funded annually, and has funded the OPEB cost in both FY09 and FY08. The FY10 Operating Budget includes fully funding the OPEB cost.

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7. Other post-employment benefits (continued)

Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation

MetCom's annual other post-employment benefit (OPEB) cost 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 of thirty years. As of June 30, 2009, the net OPEB obligation (NOPEBO) was calculated as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Annual Required Contribution Interest on NOPEBO	\$ 519,000 17,000	\$ 518,000 0
Adjustment to ARC Annual OPEB Cost	<u>(22,000)</u> 514,000	<u> </u>
Contributions Made Net OPEB Obligation, (Prepaid) Beginning of Year	514,000 <u>\$ (283,984)</u>	801,984 0
Net OPEB Obligation, (Prepaid) End of Year	<u>\$ (283,984)</u>	\$ (283,984)

The funded status of the plan as of June 30, 2009, was as follows:

Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) Value of Plan Assets	•	5,462,000 1,222,517
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	<u>\$</u>	4,239,483
Funded Ratio (Value of Plan Assets/AAL) Covered Payroll (Active Plan Members) UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	\$	22.38% 3,724,636 113.82%

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 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 member to that

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7. Other post-employment benefits (continued)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions (continued)

point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the July 1, 2007 actuarial valuation, the liabilities were computed using the project unit credit, with proration to benefit eligibility method. The actuarial assumptions included a 7.75% annual rate of return and an initial annual healthcare cost trend rate of 9.5%, decreasing 1% per year to an ultimate rate of 5.5%. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll over 30 years, starting with the 2008 fiscal year.

8. Rate setting

MetCom is required by law to set rates which are sufficient to cover both operating expenses and debt service. Depreciation of the plant and collection systems is not an allowable cost for purposes of setting rates.

A reconciliation of the results of operations for financial reporting and ratesetting purposes is as follows:

	<u>Years end</u> 2009	ded June 30, <u>2008</u>
Change in net assets – per financial statements	\$ 7,436,990	\$ 4,995,488
Add: Depreciation – facilities Amortization	2,189,974 49,213	1,907,971 46,220
Less: Principal payment on capital debt Repayment of internal pension loan Meter costs Capital contributions	(2,081,441) (113,092) (79,174) (5,436,625)	(1,823,672) (113,092) - (2,391,659)
Excess or (deficiency) of revenue over expenses – rate-setting method	<u>\$ 1,965,845</u>	<u>\$ 2,621,256</u>

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9. Risk management

MetCom is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and related disasters. MetCom is a member of the Local Government Insurance Trust (LGIT) sponsored by the Maryland Municipal League (MML), and the Maryland Association of Counties. LGIT is a self-insured public entity risk pool offering general liability, excess liability, business auto liability, police legal liability, public official liability, environmental liability, and property coverage.

LGIT is capitalized at an actuarially determined level to provide financial stability for its local government members and to reduce the possibility of assessments. The trust is owned by the participating counties and cities and managed by a Board of Trustees elected by the members. Annual premiums are assessed for the various policy coverages. During fiscal years 2009 and 2008, MetCom paid premiums of \$112,666 and \$135,558, respectively, to the trust. The agreement for the formation of LGIT provides that the trust will be self-sustaining through member premiums and will reinsure through commercial companies for claims in excess of annual premiums. Settled claims, if any, resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial coverage in the past fiscal year.

10. Commitments and contingencies

There are several pending lawsuits in which MetCom is involved. MetCom's attorney estimates that the potential claims against MetCom not covered by insurance resulting from such litigation would not materially affect MetCom's financial statements.

In 2009 the State Legislature passed House Bill 1559 which established a Task Force to study the governance and structure of MetCom. By July 1, 2010, the Task Force is to make recommendations regarding the structure and governance of MetCom and how best to continue the provision of water and sewer services to the citizens of St. Mary's County.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN

JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

MetCom's Other Postemployment Benefit Plan (OPEB Plan) is administered through the Retiree Benefit Trust of St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission as an irrevocable trust. Assets of the trust are dedicated to providing post-retirement health, prescription, dental and vision coverage to current and eligible future retirees.

The following schedules present MetCom's actuarially determined funding progress and required contributions for the Retiree Benefit Trust of St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission.

Schedule of Funding Progress for the MetCom Retiree Health Plan

	Actuarial		Accrued Liability	Unfunded					UAAL as a Percentage of
Actuarial	Value of		(AAL) -	AAL	Fund	ed	Covere	d	Covered
Valuation	Assets		Entry Age	(UAAL)	Rati	0	Payrol	I	Payroli
<u>Date</u>	(a)		(b)	 (b-a)	(a/b)	(c)		([b-a]/c)
7/1/2007	\$	- \$	4,331,000	\$ 4,331,000	0.00	%	\$ 3,400,	838	127.35%

Schedule of Employer Contributions

Fiscal Year Ended	nployer tributions	 Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage Contributed		
6/30/2008 6/30/2009	\$ 801,984 514,000	\$ 518,000 514,000	155% 100%		

MetCom implemented GASB Statement No. 45 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. Information for prior years is not available.

See Independent Auditor's Report.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL ALLOCABLE OPERATING AND NONOPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES

Operating various		<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Water</u>	E	ngineering		Total
Operating revenue: Service charges Miscellaneous	\$	6,064,997 20,165	\$ 3,685,067 154,709	\$	368,046 31,065	\$	10,118,110 205,939
Total operating revenue	_	6,085,162	 3,839,776		399,111		10,324,049
Operating expenses: Direct operating expenses Administrative expenses		3,265,781 1,893,019	 2,015,566 1,226,957		669,242 385,615	,	5,950,589 3,505,591
Total operating expenses		5,158,800	 3,242,523	<u> </u>	1,054,857		9,456,180
Operating income (loss) before depreciation Depreciation		926,362 (1,877,835)	 597,253 (666,204)		(655,746) (51,622)		867,869 (2,595,661)
Operating loss		(951,473)	 (68,951)		(707,368)		(1,727,792)
Allocable nonoperating revenue (expense): Interest income Debt service charges House connection charges - net Water supply fees Water storage fees Debt service - interest and finance charges Total allocable nonoperating revenue		14,116 2,630,560 163,251 - (576,596) 2,231,331	 3,529 1,460,047 (5,431) 61,200 167,940 (403,623)		- - - - -		17,645 4,090,607 157,820 61,200 167,940 (980,219)
, -	_		 1,283,662				3,514,993
Debt service net income (loss)		1,279,858	 1,214,711	_	(707,368)		1,787,201
Nonallocable revenue: Interest income Other fees							60,928 152,236
Total nonallocable revenue							213,164
Capital contribution							5,436,625
Change in fund net assets						\$	7,436,990

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL ALLOCABLE OPERATING AND NONOPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES

		<u>Sewer</u>		<u>Water</u>	<u>En</u>	gineering		<u>Total</u>
Operating revenue: Service charges	\$	5,695,725	\$	3,657,837	\$	583,676	\$	9,937,238
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>	40,678	Ψ 	134,162	Ψ	27,245	Ψ	202,085
Total operating revenue		5,736,403		3,791,999		610,921		10,139,323
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Operating expenses:								
Direct operating expenses		3,125,338		1,798,409		793,997		5,717,744
Administrative expenses		1,595,984		916,213		443,329		2,955,526
Total operating expenses		4,721,322		2,714,622		1,237,326		8,673,270
Operating income (loss) before depreciation		1,015,081		1,077,377		(606 40E)		1 466 059
Depreciation		(1,693,519)		(552,081)		(626,405) (41,055)		1,466,053 (2,286,655)
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Operating income (loss)		(678,438)		525,296		(667,460)		(820,602)
Allocable nonoperating revenue (expense):								
Interest income		61,166		19,173		_		80,339
Benefit assessment charges		409,783		43,095		-		452,878
Debt service charges		1,960,442		594,918		-		2,555,360
House connection charges - net		416,575		(10,219)		-		406,356
Water supply fees		-		193,933		-		193,933
Water storage fees		(550.007)		309,090		-		309,090
Debt service - interest and finance charges		(558,287)	_	(310,717)				(869,004)
Total allocable nonoperating revenue		2,289,679		839,273				3,128,952
Debt service net income (loss)	1	1,611,241		1,364,569		(667,460)		2,308,350
Nonaliocable revenue:								
Interest income								126,031
Other fees								169,448
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Total nonallocable revenue								295,479
Capital contribution								2,391,659
Change in fund net assets							<u>\$</u>	4,995,488

SCHEDULE OF SERVICE CHARGES AND DIRECT OPERATING EXPENSES

Service charges:		<u>Sewer</u>		<u>Water</u>	<u>E</u>	ngineering		<u>Total</u>
Service charge - metered	\$	1,037,634	\$	3,248,939	\$	_	\$	4,286,573
Service charge - nonmetered	Ψ	4,834,218	Ψ	319,422	Ψ	_	Ψ	5,153,640
Service charge - ready-to-serve		.,,		63,814				63,814
Energy surcharge		_		-		_		-
Septage haul revenue		159,724		-		-		159,724
Remote area surcharge		33,421		520		_		33,941
Review fees		•		-		89,965		89,965
Inspection fees		-		_		276,831		276,831
Residential tap fee sewer		-		-		1,250		1,250
Cut-on cut-off fees				52,372		-		52,372
Total service charges	\$	6,064,997	\$	3,685,067	\$	368,046	\$	

Direct operating expenses:								
Salaries	\$	1,663,896	\$	858,136	\$	763,185	\$	3,285,217
Chemicals		141,799		88,331		-		230,130
Employee training		6,569		2,372		3,679		12,620
Employee physicals/uniforms		9,957		5,470		1,794		17,221
Oil and gas		75,126		7,057		829		83,012
Lab/soil testing		12,051		-		-		12,051
Vehicle operating and mileage		105,337		51,751		23,806		180,894
Safety supplies		5,691		3,079		-		8,770
Water testing		٠ ـ		15,092		-		15,092
Tools purchased		5,516		5,679		-		11,195
Maintenance		237,858		113,447		665		351,970
Materials and supplies		83,016		56,864		11,828		151,708
Miscellaneous		14,820		18,564		805		34,189
Leonardtown - treatment plant		146,132		-		-		146,132
Power		555,681		547,666		3,964		1,107,311
Telephone		38,823		20,994		11,847		71,664
Sludge removal		133,254		-		-		133,254
Major system repair cost		52,461		139,934		-		192,395
Casual/contracted labor		2,806		2,806		-		5,612
Meter reading expense		-		78,324		-		78,324
Recovery of costs		(25,012)		₩.		(158,551)		(183,563)
Professional fees		-		-		5,391		5,391
Total direct operating expenses	\$	3,265,781	\$	2,015,566	\$	669,242	\$	5,950,589

SCHEDULE OF SERVICE CHARGES AND DIRECT OPERATING EXPENSES

Service charges:		<u>Sewer</u>		Water		Engineering		<u>Total</u>
Service charges. Service charge - metered	\$	952,763	\$	3,242,887	\$		\$	4,195,650
Service charge - nonmetered	Ψ	4,631,660	Ψ	324,527	Ψ		φ	4,195,050
Service charge - ready-to-serve		1,001,000		61,987		_		61,987
Energy surcharge		185		151				336
Septage haul revenue		83,249		-		_		83,249
Remote area surcharge		27,868		520				28,388
Review fees		,		-		135,105		135,105
Inspection fees		-		-		447,071		447,071
Residential tap fee sewer		-		_		1,500		1,500
Cut-on cut-off fees		-		27,765		-		27,765
Total service charges	\$	5,695,725	\$	3,657,837	\$	583,676	\$	9,937,238
Direct operating expenses:								
Salaries	\$	1,509,996	\$	763,420	\$	835,545	\$	3,108,961
Chemicals		132,851		85,483				218,334
Employee training		8,773		4,134		3,501		16,408
Employee physicals/uniforms		7,619		4,023		1,915		13,557
Oil and gas		88,489		13,085		655		102,229
Lab/soil testing		7,349		-		-		7,349
Vehicle operating and mileage		106,254		61,109		41,636		208,999
Safety supplies		5,345		2,028		-		7,373
Water testing		-		14,069		-		14,069
Tools purchased		3,285		2,543		-		5,828
Maintenance		303,066		111,004		553		414,623
Materials and supplies		68,858		48,829		11,165		128,852
Miscellaneous		13,308		8,337		1,317		22,962
Leonardtown - treatment plant		150,750				-		150,750
Power		489,001		543,954		3,671		1,036,626
Telephone		39,086		22,963		12,499		74,548
Sludge removal		161,120				•		161,120
Major system repair cost Casual/contracted labor		30,222		37,226		4 700		67,448
		4,314		4,314		1,700		10,328
Meter reading expense Recovery of costs		(4.040)		71,888		(4.40.705)		71,888
Professional fees		(4,348)		-		(142,765)		(147,113)
i ioigaaioilai leea						22,605		22,605
Total direct operating expenses	\$	3,125,338	\$	1,798,409	<u>\$</u>	793,997	\$	5,717,744

SCHEDULE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

		June 30, 2008		
Administrative expenses:				
Advertising	\$	22,060	\$	32,565
Accounting	Ψ	11,900	Ψ	14,625
Bond fees		1,500		1,550
Casual labor		969		1,766
Commissioners' salaries		14,500		13,672
Computer services		30,146		40,021
Consulting		508		4,192
Depreciation		87,615		56,819
Dues and subscriptions		5,554		4,985
Electric		9,167		8,488
Employee training		17,842		5,432
Hospitalization and disability		1,221,125		820,680
Insurance		192,545		187,218
Interest		-		18,691
Legal		44,354		59,592
Mileage and travel		3,838		3,982
Miscellaneous		5,840		5,919
Office and administrative salaries		1,080,406		895,194
Office supplies and expenses		60,936		78,485
Payroll taxes		333,991		304,527
Postage expense		92,720		93,627
Retirement		250,958		284,731
Telephone and fax		23,998		23,250
Trailer rent expense		3,135		4,925
Tuition reimbursement		17,791		2,662
Recovery of costs	_	(27,807)	_	(12,072)
Total administrative expenses	<u>\$</u>	3,505,591	<u>\$</u>	2,955,526
Allocated to constant or fallows.				
Allocated to services as follows:	ሐ	1 000 010	φ.	4 505 00 4
Sewer 54% Water 35%	Ф	1,893,019	\$	1,595,984
		1,226,957		916,213
Engineering 11%	_	385,615		443,329
	<u>\$</u>	3,505,591	<u>\$</u>	2,955,526



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

The Commissioners
St. Mary's County Metropolitan
Commission
Hollywood, Maryland

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission as of and for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, which comprise the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 24, 2009. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be 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 St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission'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 *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Commissioners, management, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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La Plata, Maryland September 24, 2009