

Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation Annual Report

March 31, 2013



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Management Discussion and Analysis

The following Discussion and Analysis is intended to provide a historical and prospective analysis of Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation's (NT Hydro) fiscal 2013 financial performance. Management assumes full responsibility for the information provided in this Discussion and Analysis and confirms that appropriate information systems, procedures and controls are in place to ensure that the information provided is both complete and reliable. These comments should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

NT Hydro (the Corporation) Operations

NT Hydro is a public agency, established in 2007 under the *Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation Act*, and owned 100% by the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT/Shareholder). NT Hydro owns 100% of the Northwest Territories Power Corporation (NTPC), which is also a public agency established under the *Northwest Territories Power Corporation Act*.

NT Hydro, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, NTPC, operates hydroelectric, diesel, natural gas and solar power generation facilities to provide utility services in the Northwest Territories. NTPC activities are regulated by the Northwest Territories Public Utilities Board (PUB).

NTPC has two wholly-owned subsidiaries, the NWT Energy Corporation Ltd. (NTEC) and 5383 N.W.T Ltd. (inactive). NTEC, under the authority of the *Northwest Territories Power Corporation Act*, financed the Dogrib Power Corporation in 1996 for the construction of a 4.3 MW hydro facility. NTEC is also responsible for the operation, management and shared ownership (50%) of one residual heat project in Fort McPherson.

NTPC Description of Operations

NTPC distributes electricity to the end-use consumers in 26 of the 33 communities in the NWT and supplies electricity on a wholesale basis to two distributing utilities which, in turn, retail electricity to customers in Yellowknife and the Hay River area. NTPC's facilities include hydroelectric, diesel, and natural gas generation plants, transmission systems and numerous isolated electrical distribution systems. NTPC also owns and operates alternative energy assets used for the supply of residual heat, solar power and co-generation.

The Corporation's systems serve a population of approximately 43,000 located in an area of 1.3 million square kilometres. The insert map (reference Figure 1) illustrates the operating area of NTPC and highlights the isolation of many of the communities that NTPC serves – some accessible only by air, barge or winter road.

The peak electrical load is approximately 62 MW, with isolated power systems with generating capacities ranging from 64 MW at Snare/Yellowknife to 230 kW at Jean Marie River and Nahanni Butte. With the exception of two grids, in the North and South Great Slave areas these systems are unconnected and each must be planned for and operated independently.

Figure 1 – NTPC Operating Area



In addition to NTPC, NT Hydro owns NWT Energy Corporation (03) Ltd. (NT Energy) and Sahdae Energy Ltd. (SEL), both of which are incorporated under the *NWT Business Corporations Act*. SEL was inactive in fiscal 2013 and there are no current plans for activity in that subsidiary.

During fiscal 2013, NTPC and NT Energy were the two active subsidiaries of NT Hydro (reference Figure 2) with NTPC focussing on the core business of providing electricity services and NT Energy focussing on an NWT power system plan and alternative energy (including liquefied natural gas (LNG)).

Figure 2 – NT Hydro Operating Subsidiaries



NTPC Mission, Vision, Values and Goals

Mission

NTPC's mission is to generate, transmit and distribute electricity in a safe, reliable, efficient and environmentally sound manner; striving to reduce reliance on fossil fuels. NTPC exists to provide value to its shareholder and customers through the efforts of a highly dedicated, skilled, and productive workforce.

Vision

Our vision is to be the provider of choice to our customers, a valuable partner to industry and Aboriginal groups in the NWT, as well as a performance leader in the utility industry. As a performance leader, NTPC will develop a highly innovative team that achieves operational excellence, provides industry-leading customer satisfaction and delivers superior financial performance by demonstrating fiscal responsibility, and pursuing growth opportunities. NTPC will also work with stakeholders to support development of the tremendous resource potential of the NWT in a sustainable and responsible manner creating long term benefits for its customers and residents alike.

Values

While achieving the Corporation's Vision and Mission, NTPC will uphold its core values of:

- Putting the safety of our employees and the general public first
- Protecting the environment and working towards a sustainable existence
- Complying with all applicable legislation and regulations

NTPC will act ethically and honestly; treating employees, customers and all other stakeholders with *Respect, Integrity and Professionalism.*

Goals

- 1. Realize zero injuries through superior safety performance and practices
- 2. Accomplish environmental sustainability through increased use of renewable energy
- 3. Achieve high levels of reliability while maintaining affordably priced electricity
- 4. Meet or exceed all customer commitments
- 5. Develop and retain a highly skilled workforce that reflects the demographics of the NWT
- 6. Support economic development and growth throughout the NWT
- 7. Be efficient and effective in our daily operations through continuous improvement
- 8. Support communities and encourage employee involvement
- 9. Educate customers and youth about conservation
- 10. Meet the future energy needs of NWT residents through proactive planning and consultation.

NT Energy (inclusive of NTEC(03) Ltd.) Mission, Vision, Values and Guiding Principles

Mission

To plan and develop safe and environmentally responsible energy projects to serve existing and new energy requirements in the NT.

Vision

NT Energy (is) aspires to be a centre of excellence, leading in the development of local and renewable energy sources in the NT for the benefit all residents, communities and Aboriginal governments.

Values and Guiding Principles

In achieving our Vision and Mission, we will:

- Act ethically and honestly, treating employees, partners, and others with fairness, dignity and respect;
- Respect and protect the environment in all our activities to ensure a sustainable environment for the NT and northerners; and
- Operate in an economically efficient manner.
- Communicate in an open and timely manner;
- Work in partnership with communities and Aboriginal governments to assess and develop local and renewable energy sources in the NT;
- ➤ Be a source of expertise in project management, environment, engineering and economics in relation to hydro and renewable energy development:
- Work to develop hydro and renewable energy resources in an environmentally responsible manner; and
- Prioritize developments that aid in extending NT transmission to link more NT communities.

Long-term Objectives

NT Hydro is a holding company for both the primary regulated business of NTPC as well as NT Energy, the primary unregulated business. Other regulated companies may exist as subsidiaries of NTPC and other non-regulated companies may exist as subsidiaries of NT Energy, should that be warranted. Other regulated and non-regulated companies may also fall beneath NT Hydro as sister companies to NTPC and NT Energy, as the situation may dictate.

NT Hydro, NTPC and NT Energy exist because they provide value to customers and thus the shareholder, the GNWT. NTPC endeavours to provide its shareholder value indirectly by supplying cost-effective and reliable power to its customers, the residents of the NWT.

NT Energy exists because it provides value to customers and its shareholder (GNWT) by carrying out GNWT energy initiatives and programs and leading and supporting energy projects. NT Energy will work to clarify the path forward by proposing options, engaging with residents, communities and governments and proposing what the NWT power system should look like, now and in the future.

NT Hydro Board of Director's Goals

- The Corporation will put public and worker safety first.
- Our customers will have the tools and knowledge they need to understand energy consumption, drivers of consumption and how to conserve energy.
- ➤ The Corporation will provide energy on a timely and competitive basis to serve new energy demand.
- Customers will benefit from our continued commitment to exploring and implementing operational efficiencies.
- ➤ The Corporation will be a recognized leader in partnering on energy projects with aboriginal organizations and communities.
- Stakeholders will notice an increase in communication by the Corporation and affirm the messaging is current and relevant.
- The Corporation will make a major contribution to development of new energy sources in the NT.
- ➤ Employees will see us as a great place to work innovative, proactive and driven to meet the expectations of our shareholder, customers and communities.
- ➤ The Corporation will be proactive in investigating renewable energy technologies that are cost-effective and technically feasible.
- Northwest Territories residents will acknowledge the Corporation as environmentally responsible.
- ➤ The Corporation will be capable of managing and delivering large scale energy generation and transmission projects.
- Communities will see us as preferred partners, contributing to the future energy plan for the Northwest Territories and partners will join with us to be major contributors to the development and operation of new energy resources in ways that meet the North's unique environmental needs.
- ➤ The Corporation will pursue opportunities and development that is consistent with an integrated power grid in the NT.

- Our customers will benefit from our socio-economic development activities
- ➤ The Corporation will be an exporter of energy where the benefits of such export primarily accrue to the NT.
- Our shareholder will benefit from the economic returns of our profitable and financially strong company.

Strategies and Objectives for fiscal 2013

NTPC

The current strategy for NTPC is one of supporting economic development while focusing on the core business and three fundamental concepts that are referred to as our pillars and inherent to the business NTPC operates as well as its customers' needs. These pillars are:

- 1. Reliability
- Cost Effectiveness
- 3. Meeting Commitments.

By focusing on these three fundamental needs of our customers, not only will NTPC bring value to its customers but also its shareholder.

The Board of Director's goals will be met through achievement of excellence in the core strategic elements of Employee Excellence, Operational Excellence, Customer Service Excellence and Financial Excellence. Obtaining excellence in any one element relies to a large extent on excellence achieved in the preceding element.

NTPC's strategy elements are summarized below:

Employee Excellence

Strengthen the Corporation by emphasizing employee development and safety while encouraging and supporting a workplace where employees are engaged, aligned, collaborative, and feel valued and recognized for their efforts.

Operational Excellence

Strengthen the Corporation by emphasizing effective and efficient use of our assets while using well thought-out planning and execution. Industry-leading practices are to be utilized to achieve top quartile performance.

Customer Service Excellence

Providing excellent value and service to our customers, while delivering reliable service and ensuring public safety.

Financial Excellence

Efficient use of our resources and information so as to ensure the financial health of the Corporation is maintained.

NT ENERGY (includes NTEC(03) Ltd.)

NT Energy's five-year plan builds on the principles of the NWT Hydro Strategy, NWT Energy Plan, NWT Water Stewardship Strategy and the Greenhouse Gas Strategy. This plan proposes to continue important exploratory work and to identify a host of potential energy options for the NWT as part of an energy road map for the future. The long-term vision is to harness cost-effective, local energy supply sources and, where possible, to integrate this energy supply into an expanded grid system in the NWT.

The presented strategy for NT Energy focuses on four strategic goals:

- 1. Local and Renewable Community Power Supply (Electricity)
- 2. NWT Power System Plan (Long Term, large scale Planning)
- 3. Alternative Energy Solutions (Power and Heat)
- 4. Partnerships with Industry and Aboriginal Government

Achieving these goals will require working closely with all governments and the development of partnerships with Aboriginal corporations and industry.

The initiatives undertaken by NT Energy this past year include:

NWT Community Renewable Energy Potential

NT Energy completed a compilation of available information on renewable energy sources and a comparative analysis tool of energy technologies for communities. Wind, solar and hydro can now be evaluated as part of the first phase of proven technologies with others being considered in future phases of work. This comparative ranking will continue to evolve as new information is received but will help to support the development of a long term approach to targeted energy investments for communities within a long term plan for the NWT.

Water Monitoring / Ulukhaktok Hydro and Wind Potential

Meetings were held with local councils, Community Corporations and Hunters and Trappers Committees to discuss renewable energy and associated issues. In 2013, NT Energy conducted a regional hydro assessment of the Inuvialuit Settlement Region and further work will take place to learn more about local conditions (e.g. flow patterns, fish use and habitat, freezing patterns, etc).

The GNWT provided funding to conduct water monitoring programs which help to understand hydrology and hydro potential of particular water bodies. NT Energy participated in this program in fiscal 2013 and has plans to continue its work in fiscal 2014.

NWT Power System Plan

NT Energy developed a long term vision for power development in the NWT. The vision was developed to present short (0-5 years) and long term (6-20 years) options for the NWT to reduce dependency on diesel generation. The vision evaluated a variety of options to develop a 5 and 20 year outlook to develop the necessary resources and systems to provide reliable, clean and socially acceptable electric power for the NWT.

The draft long term vision will be presented to the shareholder for incorporation into the overall energy planning priorities of the GNWT.

Fort Providence to Hay River Interconnection Study

The Fort Providence to Hay River Interconnection Project is a potential project within the framework of the 2013 Energy Plan. NT Energy completed a study and report to develop a preliminary design to interconnect the communities of Fort Providence, Kakisa and Hay River to the existing electrical grid at Hay River. Further work on this project will be linked to the integration of the Energy Plan and Vision for the NWT Power System and presented to decision makers for consideration.

Whati Transmission Line Project

NT Energy and the Tlicho Investment Corporation (TIC) were working to investigate the feasibility of developing a low voltage transmission line between the Snare system and Whati. The project was scheduled to commence in 2013 but was delayed until 2014.

NWT Energy Charette

NT Energy worked in partnership with ITI in planning and executing the NWT Energy Charette which was held on November 20-23, 2012. The Charette brought together energy stakeholders and experts together to discuss opportunities and challenges for the NWT's energy sector. A key aspect of the Charette was to get input from a variety of stakeholders for ITI to develop its 2013 Energy Plan and develop a long term vision for energy development in the NWT.

Fiscal 2013 Performance

In addition to profitability, the Corporation sets a number of performance indicators designed to measure and manage certain aspects of corporate performance and financial position. Following is a summary of those indicators:

Performance Indicator	Entity	2013 Results	2012 Results
Current Ratio	NT Hydro	.99	.74
Capitalization ratio (debt is net of sinking fund balances)	NT Hydro	63/37	61/39
Plant Efficiency (kWh per litre fuel)	NTPC	3.51	3.56
Operating Expenses/MWh sold (\$)	NTPC	\$266	\$252
Operating Expenses (excluding fuel and amortization)/MWh sold (\$)	NTPC	\$113	\$114
Safety – Average lost workdays per 200,000 hours worked	NTPC	9	25
System Availability Outage hours/customer Average outage time (minutes)	NTPC	6.58 40	4.08 25

Our current ratio improved significantly as a result of converting short term to long term debt and a decrease in accounts payable due to the completion of the Bluefish project. The capitalization ratio changed because of the issuance of new long term debt (discussed further below). Operating expense per MWh sold was higher due to increased fuel and amortization expense arising from a general rate application in 2013 (discussed further below). Our safety indicator improved with lower work-related accidents due in part to our increased safety awareness campaigns and diligence.

System availability declined in 2013 because of higher than expected line faults in the Snare transmission system and the flood in Nahanni Butte.

The remaining indicators have marginal year-over-year changes as expected.

Consolidated Financial Results

Significant changes in year over year operating results were recorded in fiscal 2013 because of NTPC filing a general rate application (GRA). This process involved updating fuel prices and bringing capital additions into rates among other adjustments. Areas of expenditure more controllable in nature such as salaries and wages, supplies and services and travel saw increases in line with inflation since the last GRA. New rates were approved to address these additional costs.

Operations

Net income for fiscal 2013 was \$6.5 million compared with \$3.8 million in fiscal 2012.

NT Hydro had electricity sales of \$98.5 million in 2013 – (2012 - \$81.7 million). The GRA refundable riders accounted for approximately \$5.2 million of the increase. The GNWT power revenue contribution of \$11.6 million brought our total revenue in line with the revenue requirement sought for in the GRA.

Operating expenses for 2013 were \$84.7 million compared to \$81.3 million in 2012. Increased fuel prices and increasing the allowable amortization on regulated assets through the GRA process were the main reasons for the increase. NT Hydro also concluded Collective Agreement negotiations in fiscal 2013 and the new agreement, which provides wage increases in line with current inflation rates, will be in effect until December 2014.

Interest expense in 2013 was \$10.2 million compared to \$9.2 million in 2012. Lower capitalized interest during construction (IDC) accounted for the majority of the increase in net interest expense. IDC was lower because of the completion of many capital projects including the Bluefish dam replacement project during the year.

Financing Activities

In 2013, NT Hydro borrowed \$25 million in long term debt at a rate of 3.818% and retired \$20 million of 10.75% sinking fund debentures, bringing down the average cost of debt.

Capital Expenditures

Each year, NT Hydro makes an investment in its capital infrastructure to replace assets that have reached the end of their useful lives. Capital investment levels in 2013 were \$23.6 million compared to \$29.1 million in 2012. The majority of projects were to maintain or improve reliability. The Bluefish dam construction project concluded on budget and on target in 2013. This project was the largest capital project in NTPC history with a total budget of \$37.4 million.

Status of Transition to International Reporting Standards (IFRS)

Publically accountable enterprises were required to transition from Canadian GAAP to IFRS for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. In February 2013, the CICA Accounting Standards Board (AcSB) extended the existing deferral of the mandatory adoption of IFRS for entities with qualifying rate-regulated activities by an additional year to January 1, 2015.

The extension is due to the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)'s decision to restart its project on rate-regulated activities. The IASB is also planning to issue an interim IFRS standard on rate-regulated activities by the end of 2013 and the extension will provide first-time adopters of IFRS adequate time to prepare comparative figures based on a new interim IFRS standard.

Although Canadian GAAP and IFRS are based on a similar conceptual framework, there are a number of differences with respect to recognition, measurement and disclosure. The areas with the highest potential to impact NTPC include property, plant and equipment, regulatory assets and liabilities, employee benefits and the transitional requirements upon the adoption of IFRS under the provisions of IFRS 1, First-Time Adoption of IFRS.

NTPC and NT Hydro qualify for the deferral and intend to adopt IFRS for fiscal year ending March 31, 2016. NT Hydro also continues to monitor and evaluate the impact of the adoption of IFRS on its accounting policies and systems and financial statements. To facilitate the conversion process, NT Hydro has assembled a project team and engaged external advisors. Regular reporting of the project's status is provided to the Audit and Efficiency Committee.

Outlook for 2014 and Beyond

NT Hydro, through its subsidiaries NTPC and NT Energy will continue to support the GNWT's energy priorities by providing reliable power while keeping costs at or below inflation and by continuing to advance the long-term vision to harness cost-effective, local energy supply sources and, where possible, to integrate this energy supply into an expanded grid system in the NWT.

NTPC

In 2014 NTPC will continue to focus on initiatives that support the strategic plan.

Safety will be a strong emphasis with material changes to our safety program elements, training on the program and resources focused on achieving a Certificate of Recognition (COR).

To achieve top quartile performance among electric utilities we will be emphasizing skills upgrading and promoting a culture of continuous improvement. A number of initiatives will support further development of our employees and management team

Reliable service is critical for success in the electricity business. The condition of our assets is fundamental to providing reliable power to customers and NTPC has taken steps to update the processes and procedures it uses for administering and maintaining its varied and wide-spread assets. Work will continue in this area in fiscal 2014 and beyond to ensure that we get the most out of our assets and that plans are in place for orderly replacement of assets as they age.

Cost containment is equally important as reliability. By the end of fiscal 2014, NTPC expects to be using liquefied natural gas (LNG) to generate electricity in Inuvik. This project is the first of its kind in the NWT and is an important response to the loss of natural gas in this community. Other communities that are currently supplied by diesel generation will be investigated for LNG potential. Currently, diesel fuel is our largest expense and proving the viability of lower-cost LNG will go a long way to containing the cost of producing electricity in the NWT.

In 2014 customers can expect to see improvements in our services starting with a new website that is currently under development and will emphasize information and tools for our customers to use to effectively manage their electricity accounts and consumption.

NT Energy

NT Energy will complete the next steps in assessing the transmission grid feasibility, continue to investigate local renewable and alternative energy solutions and work with its sister company NTPC to bring an LNG energy solution to the community of Inuvik.

NT Hydro

Looking out beyond 2014, NT Hydro will work with the Shareholder to further its Energy Plan through alignment with an NWT power system plan.

While still early in development, in theory, a network grid in the NWT that connects to southern Canada would facilitate increased output from existing hydro and provide a source of electricity from other jurisdictions. This combination would open doors to economic development in the NWT and has significant potential to lower electricity costs for all customers. In the long term a transmission grid could also open doors to future hydro development in the NWT and potential for export revenues.

In summary, NT Hydro continues to focus on improving its performance by developing a strong workforce, improving operational process and procedures, delivering quality customer service and actively managing costs. Looking out beyond fiscal 2014, NT Hydro will be working with the Shareholder to achieve long term energy sustainability in the NWT through a transmission grid that could be transformational to the future economic development of the NWT and greatly improve the viability of new renewable energy projects.

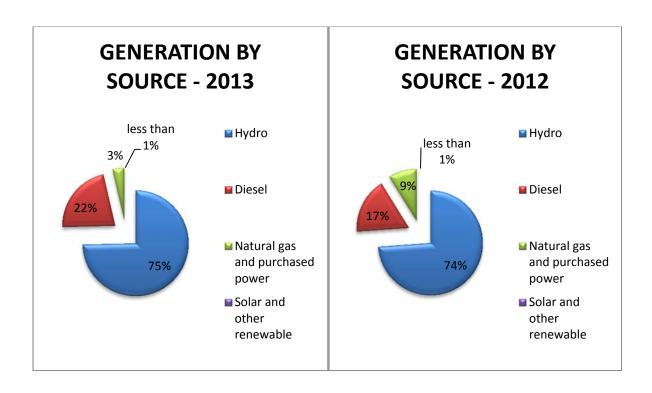
Respectfully submitted

Judith Goucher Chief Financial Officer

Power Generation Statistics For two years ended March 31, 2013 Unaudited

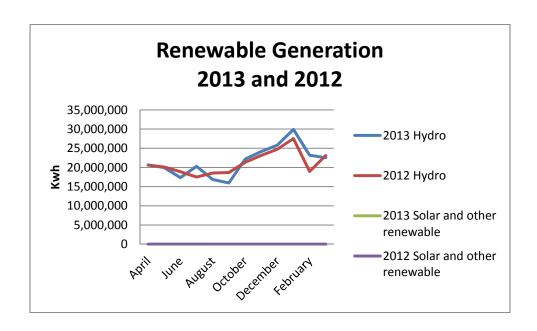
Power generation from renewable sources (primarily hydro) represents approximately 75% of the Corporation's generation activities. Approximately 25% of power is generated using diesel and natural gas. Solar and other renewable generation sources represent less than 1% of total generation.

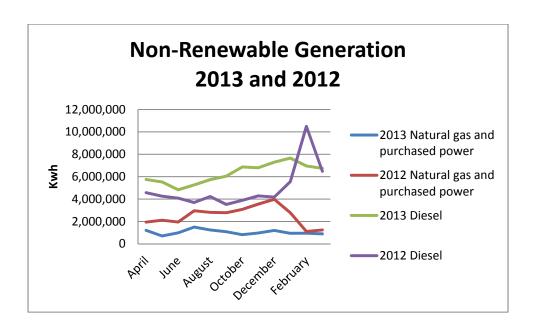
The following graphs represent power generation by source for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2013 and 2012:



Power Generation Statistics For two years ended March 31, 2013 Unaudited

The following graphs represent month-by-month power generation from renewable and non-renewable sources.





NORTHWEST TERRITORIES HYDRO CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2013

Management's Responsibility for Financial Reporting

The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Where GAAP permits alternative accounting methods, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances. The Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation (NT Hydro) undertakes activities that are regulated by the Public Utilities Board of the Northwest Territories, which also examines and approves its accounting policies and practices with respect to recovery of assets and expenses. Financial statements include certain amounts based on estimates and judgments. Management has determined such amounts on a reasonable basis in order to ensure that the consolidated financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects. Management has prepared financial information presented elsewhere in the annual report and has ensured that it is consistent with that in the consolidated financial statements.

NT Hydro maintains financial and management systems and practices which are designed to provide reasonable assurance that reliable financial and non-financial information is available on a timely basis, that assets are acquired economically, are used to further NT Hydro's objectives, are protected from loss or unauthorized use and that NT Hydro acts in accordance with the laws of the Northwest Territories and Canada. Management recognizes its responsibility for conducting NT Hydro's affairs in accordance with the requirements of applicable laws and sound business principles, and for maintaining standards of conduct that are appropriate to an Agent of the territorial government. An internal auditor reviews the operation of financial and management systems to promote compliance and to identify changing requirements or needed improvements.

The Auditor General of Canada provides an independent, objective audit for the purpose of expressing his opinion on the consolidated financial statements. He also considers whether the transactions that come to his notice in the course of the audit are, in all significant respects, in accordance with the specified legislation.

The Board of Directors appoints certain members to serve on the Audit and Efficiency Committee. This Committee oversees management's responsibilities for financial reporting and reviews and recommends approval of the consolidated financial statements. The internal and external auditors have full and free access to the Audit and Efficiency Committee.

The consolidated financial statements have been approved by the Board of Directors.

Emanuel DaRosa

President & CEO

Judith Goucher

Chief Financial Officer

Hay River, NT July 31, 2013



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation

Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements

I have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 March 2013, and the consolidated statement of operations, consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of shareholder's equity and consolidated statement of cash flow for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

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Opinion

In my opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation as at 31 March 2013, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by the *Financial Administration Act* of the Northwest Territories, I report that, in my opinion, Canadian generally accepted accounting principles have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Further, in my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries and the consolidated financial statements are in agreement therewith. In addition, the transactions of the Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries that have come to my notice during my audit of the consolidated financial statements have, in all significant respects, been in accordance with Part IX of the *Financial Administration Act* of the Northwest Territories and regulations, the *Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation Act* and regulations, the *Public Utilities Act* and the by-laws of the Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

Terrance DeJong, CA Assistant Auditor General

for the Auditor General of Canada

31 July 2013

Edmonton, Canada

Consolidated Balance Sheet As at March 31 (\$000's)

		2013		2012
Assets Current assets				
Cash	\$	2,015	\$	1,368
Accounts receivable (Note 5)	φ	14,904	φ	18,834
Inventories (Note 6)		5,511		4,162
Prepaid expenses		590		661
Current portion of sinking fund investments (Note 8)		-		20,000
		23,020		45,025
Property, plant and equipment, net (Note 7)		325,363		312,021
Other non-current assets		10.404		10 100
Regulatory assets (Note 3) Sinking fund investments (Notes 8, 11)		19,494 5,676		18,428 5,052
Intangible assets (Note 9)		1,150		1,016
mangible assets (Note 5)		26,320		24,496
		20,020		21,100
	\$	374,703	\$	381,542
Liabilities and Shareholder's Equity Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	15,071	\$	22,179
Short-term debt (Note 10)	Ψ	5,979	Ψ	16,351
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 11)		2,298		22,184
Current portion of long term dest (Note 11)		23,348		60,714
Long-term debt				
Long-term debt, net of sinking fund investments (Note 11)		180,404		138,379
Sinking fund investments presented as assets (Note 8)		5,676		25,052
Net lease obligation (Note 12)		2,306		2,028
		188,386		165,459
Other non-current liabilities		00.450		00.507
Regulatory liabilities (Note 3) Asset retirement obligations (Notes 13, 14)		36,153 12,224		39,537 7,388
Deferred government contributions (Note 15)		2,678		7,366 2,852
Employee future benefits (Note 16)		1,357		1,525
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Shareholder's equity		110,557		104,067
Character of oquity	\$	374,703	\$	381,542

Commitments and contingencies (Note 23)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Approved on behalf of the Board:

Brendan Bell, Chairman of the Board

David Tucker, Vice-Chairman

Consolidated Statement of Operations For the year ended March 31 (\$000's)

		2013		2012
Revenues				
Sale of power	\$	81,723	\$	81,690
GNWT power sales contributions (Note 17)		11,600		-
Refundable rider revenues (Note 2)		5,224		<u>-</u>
Government contribution in lieu of fuel riders (Note 3)		-		8,957
Other government contributions (Note 21)		1,312		2,312
Other revenues (Note 18)		1,312		1,468
		101,171		94,427
Expenses				
Fuels and lubricants (including offsetting fuel				
expenses of \$8,957 (Note 3))		29,379		28,112
Salaries and wages		22,438		21,786
Amortization (Note 19)		18,486		15,225
Supplies and services		12,442		14,101
Travel and accommodation		1,953		2,070
		84,698	-	81,294
Earnings from operations		16,473		13,133
Snare transmission line damages		-		(1,739)
Cost recovery		-		1,739
Interest income		221_		233
Earnings before interest expense		16,694		13,366
Interest expense (Note 20)		10,204		9,174
Income before impairment provision		6,490		4,192
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Impairment provision (Note 7)				14,625
Government contributions associated with impairment provision (Note 7)				1/1105
Net expense		<u> </u>		14,185 440
Not expense				440
Net income	\$	6,490	\$	3,752
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income For the year ended March 31 (\$000's)

	 2013	 2012
Net income	\$ 6,490	\$ 3,752
Other comprehensive income (loss) Reclassification adjustment for realized gains on sale of available-for-sale financial assets included in net income		(633)
Unrealized (losses) / gains on available-for-sale financial assets arising during the year	-	112
Other comprehensive loss	 -	 (521)
Comprehensive income	\$ 6,490	\$ 3,231

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Shareholder's Equity For the year ended March 31 (\$000's)

		2013	 2012
Share capital (Note 22)	\$	43,129	\$ 43,129
Retained earnings			
Retained earnings at beginning of year		60,938	57,186
Net income		6,490	3,752
Retained earnings at end of year	\$	67,428	\$ 60,938
Accumulated other comprehensive income Accumulated other			
comprehensive income at beginning of year	\$	-	\$ 521
Other comprehensive loss		<u>-</u>	 (521)
Accumulated other comprehensive income at end of year	_ \$	<u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Shareholder's equity at end of year	\$	110,557	\$ 104,067

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow For the year ended March 31 (\$000's)

	 2013	 2012
Operating activities: Cash receipts from customers Government assistance (Notes 3, 21) Cash paid to suppliers and employees Interest received Interest paid Cash flows provided by operating activities	\$ 90,175 16,635 (83,017) 221 (11,559) 12,455	\$ 81,953 8,198 (64,517) 233 (12,634) 13,233
Investing activities: Property, plant and equipment constructed or purchased Cash flows used in investing activities	(23,636) (23,636)	 (29,131) (29,131)
Financing activities: Proceeds from long-term debt (net of debt issue costs) Repayment of long-term debt Proceeds from sinking fund redemption Net (repayments of) proceeds from short-term debt Government contributions (Note 15) Sinking fund instalments Receipts from net lease obligation Cash flows provided by financing activities	24,847 (22,184) 20,031 (10,372) (116) (656) 278 11,828	(16,316) 15,751 10,886 6,079 (1,964) 216 14,652
Net increase (decrease) in cash	647	(1,246)
Cash at beginning of year Cash at end of year	\$ 1,368 2,015	\$ 2,614 1,368

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

1. Authority and operation

The Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation (NT Hydro) is established under the *Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation Act.* NT Hydro is a public agency under Schedule B of the *Financial Administration Act* of the Northwest Territories and is exempt from income tax. The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) owns all shares of NT Hydro. NT Hydro controls three wholly-owned subsidiary companies: the Northwest Territories Power Corporation (NTPC), the Northwest Territories Energy Corporation (03) Ltd. (NTEC(03)) and Sahdae Energy Ltd. (SEL).

NT Hydro, through its wholly-owned subsidiary NTPC, operates hydroelectric, diesel and natural gas generation facilities on a self-sustaining basis to provide utility services in the Northwest Territories. NTPC is a regulated company, established under the *Northwest Territories Power Corporation Act* and controls two wholly-owned subsidiaries: the Northwest Territories Energy Corporation Ltd. (NTEC) and 5383 NWT Ltd. NTEC, under the authority of the *Northwest Territories Power Corporation Act*, financed the Dogrib Power Corporation in 1996 for the construction of a 4.3 MW hydro facility (Note 12). NTEC is also responsible for the operation, management and shared ownership (50%) in one residual heat project in Fort McPherson (Note 26). 5383 NWT Ltd. is an inactive company.

NT Hydro is also involved in other energy related projects through its subsidiaries NTEC(03) and SEL. NTEC(03) is wholly-owned by NT Hydro and undertakes projects in support of the Shareholder's Energy Plan. Sahdae is wholly-owned by NT Hydro and its mandate is to pursue a hydro development project on the Great Bear River to provide power to the potential Mackenzie Valley gas pipeline however with the delays in the pipeline project SEL has been inactive in the past year.

Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of NT Hydro and its wholly-owned subsidiaries: NTPC, NTEC(03), SEL, as well as NTPC's wholly-owned subsidiaries: NTEC and 5383 NWT Ltd. NT Hydro and its subsidiaries account for interests in jointly controlled entities using the proportionate consolidation method. All intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated upon consolidation.

2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes

(a) Significant accounting policies

These consolidated financial statements were prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Rate regulation

NTPC is regulated by the Public Utilities Board (PUB) of the Northwest Territories pursuant to the *Public Utilities Act*. The PUB regulates matters covering rates, financing, accounting, construction, operation and service area. As the PUB is a board appointed by the GNWT, and NTPC is a public agency of the GNWT, NTPC and the PUB are related parties. Although the PUB and NTPC are related parties, the GNWT only provides administrative guidance to the PUB and does not give specific direction to the PUB on a case before them.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes (continued)

The PUB is required by the *Public Utilities Act* to review the affairs, earnings and accounts of NTPC a minimum of every three years. The regulatory hearing process used to establish or change rates typically begins when NTPC makes a General Rate Application (GRA) for its proposed electricity rate changes. Normally, NTPC applies for rates in advance of the applicable fiscal years (Test Years) to which the new rates will apply. In addition to GRAs, interim applications may be used between GRAs to deal with circumstances which could result in the use of interim rates or riders until the next rate application, when rates are reviewed and set as final.

On March 23, 2012 NTPC filed a GRA with the PUB for the Test Years 2012/13 and 2013/14. Within this application, NTPC requested the PUB set rates based on a proposed revenue requirement of \$102,500 in fiscal 2013 and \$107,500 in fiscal 2014. The proposed revenue requirement includes a return on equity of 8.5% for the Test Years 2012/13 and 2013/14.

The allowed rate of return and all other aspects of the GRA were reviewed and tested by the PUB in fiscal 2013. On January 21, 2013, the PUB issued Decision 1-2013 which was the initial approval of NTPC's 2012/14 GRA. Decision 1-2013 approved a number of changes to the revenue requirement and normalized costs. The details of these changes to NTPC's normalized costs and treatment of capitalized interest during construction are disclosed in Note 3. The PUB uses cost of service regulation to regulate NTPC's earnings on a return on equity basis. Decision 1-2013 approved a return on equity for fiscal 2013 and fiscal 2014 of 8.5% on assets outside the thermal zone and 0% for thermal zone assets. The approved return on equity will remain in effect until it is reassessed at the time of the next GRA. As actual operating conditions will vary from forecast, actual returns achieved may differ from approved returns.

As part of the GRA and Decision 1-2013, NTPC signed a contribution agreement with the GNWT to cover anticipated revenue shortfalls related to its General Rate Application. Contributions will be provided by the GNWT to NTPC to mitigate the impact of rate increases on customers over a three year period. The agreement specifies maximum contributions as follows:

2013 - \$17,600 (including \$2,000 of foregone dividends) 2014 - \$11,400 (including \$2,000 of foregone dividends) 2015 - \$ 4,800 (including \$2,000 of foregone dividends)

NTPC also filed an interim rate application (IRA) with the PUB on March 23, 2012. Since GRAs can take many months to complete, IRAs are designed to implement rates on a temporary and refundable basis while a GRA is reviewed. If the PUB's final decision indicates final rates should be higher or lower than interim rates, a refund or surcharge is applied to customers accordingly. NTPC's IRA proposed rate increases for all customer groups in all communities by 7.0%. On May 7, 2012 the PUB approved the IRA for the fiscal 2013, with interim rates effective for May 1, 2012.

Decision 1-2013 also directed NTPC to file a Compliance Filing Application reflecting the findings, directions and clarification requested in Decision 1-2013. NTPC filed the Compliance Filing on March 4, 2013 and a final decision from the PUB was received on July 9, 2013. See Note 27 for additional details.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes (continued)

Revenues

All revenues for energy sales, including wholesale power, are recognized in the period earned. Revenue from the sale of power is recognized based on cyclical meter readings. Sales of power include an accrual for electricity sales not yet billed. Interest, contract, contribution and other revenues are recognized on the accrual basis.

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are recorded at original cost less accumulated amortization and unamortized contributions by utility customers to aid in the construction and acquisition of property, plant and equipment. Costs include materials, direct labour and a proportionate share of directly attributable overhead costs.

Certain regulated property, plant and equipment additions are made with the assistance of cash contributions from customers when the estimated revenue is less than the cost of providing service. These contributions are amortized on the same basis as the assets to which they relate and offset against amortization expense. NT Hydro retains ownership of these assets.

As a result of using the average group useful life method of accounting for amortization, when an asset is retired or disposed of, the retirement of these assets is charged to accumulated amortization with no gains or losses reflected in operations. Gains or losses arising from exceptional circumstances are included in earnings.

NT Hydro evaluates its tangible and intangible assets for impairment whenever conditions indicate that estimated undiscounted future net cash flows may be less than the carrying amount of assets. In cases where the undiscounted expected future cash flows are less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognized equal to the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the fair value. Fair value is determined using expected discounted cash flows when quoted market prices are not available.

Amortization

Amortization of property, plant and equipment is taken on the straight-line average group useful life basis, at rates which are approved by the PUB, a portion of which is accounted for as a reserve for future removal and site restoration costs (Note 3). Amortization is suspended when assets are removed from service for an extended period of time. Assets held for future use (critical spare parts) are not amortized until these assets are placed into service, at which time they are reallocated to the appropriate asset group and amortized according to the amortization rates for that group.

The reserve for future removal and site restoration account will be applied to mitigate the impact of asset dismantling and disposal costs and site restoration costs that are not otherwise related to an asset retirement obligation and environmental liabilities as described in Notes 13 and 14.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes (continued)

Amortization rates are as follows:

	%
Electric power plants	1.16 - 5.25
Transmission and distribution systems	1.09 - 4.66
Electric power plant under capital lease	1.16 - 1.54
Warehouse, equipment, motor vehicles and general facilities	1.76 - 9.76
Other utility assets	2.50 - 20.0
Other	20.0

Amortization of intangible assets is taken on the straight-line average group life basis at an annual rate of 9.76%.

Amortization rates are reviewed by NTPC and by the PUB every three years as required by legislation. NTPC uses amortization studies and other information and/or testimony to substantiate amortization rate changes. The PUB can direct amortization rate changes and these changes are done on a prospective basis. Cumulative excess or deficient amortization calculated at the time of the review is recognized over a period as prescribed by the PUB. The last general rate application was in the 2008 fiscal year and the last amortization study was in fiscal 2002. NTPC filed a GRA in March 2012 and an amortization study was included as part of that filing. As per Decision 1-2013, rates resulting from that filing and the associated amortization rates are to be effective starting April 1, 2013.

Inventories

Inventories are recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average cost method. Previous write-downs to net realizable value are reversed if there is a subsequent increase in the value of the related inventories.

Public Service Pension Plan

The employees of NT Hydro are covered by the Public Service Pension Plan (the "Plan"), a contributory defined benefit plan established through legislation and sponsored by the Government of Canada. Contributions are required by both the employees and NT Hydro to cover current service cost. Pursuant to legislation currently in place, NT Hydro has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions with respect to any past service or funding deficiencies of the Plan. Consequently, contributions are recognized as an expense in the year when employees have rendered service and represent the total pension obligation of NT Hydro.

Employee future benefits

Under the terms and conditions of employment, employees may earn non-pension benefits for resignation, retirement and ultimate removal costs based on employee start dates, years of service, final salary and point of hire. The benefits are paid upon resignation, retirement or death of an employee. The expected cost of providing these benefits is recognized as employees render service.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes (continued)

The cost of the benefits reflects management's best estimates using expected compensation levels and employee leave credits. This benefit plan is not pre-funded and thus has no assets, resulting in a plan deficit equal to the accrued benefit obligation.

Asset retirement obligations

On an annual basis, NT Hydro identifies legal obligations associated with the retirement of its property, plant and equipment. The fair value of the future expenditures required to settle the legal obligations are recognized to the extent that they are reasonably estimable and are calculated based on the estimated future cash flows necessary to discharge the legal obligations and discounted using NT Hydro's credit-adjusted risk-free rate.

The fair value of the estimated asset retirement obligations is recorded as a liability under other non-current liabilities with an offsetting charge recorded against the regulatory liabilities — reserve for future removal and site restoration as described in Note 3. The liability for asset retirement obligations is increased annually for the passage of time by calculating accretion (interest) on the liability using NT Hydro's credit-adjusted risk-free rate.

NT Hydro has identified some asset retirement obligations for its hydro, thermal transmission and distribution assets where NT Hydro expects to maintain and operate these assets indefinitely. Therefore, no removal date can be determined and consequently a reasonable estimate of the fair value of any related asset retirement obligations for these assets cannot be made at this time.

Environmental liabilities

Environmental liabilities consist of the estimated costs related to the management and remediation of environmentally contaminated sites. NT Hydro recognizes environmental liabilities when it is obligated or likely to be obligated to incur such costs and the costs of remediation can be reasonably estimated. Environmental liabilities are discounted for the time value of money and included in asset retirement obligations. NT Hydro reviews its estimates of future environmental liabilities on an on-going basis.

Government contributions

The contributions approved for purchasing property, plant and equipment are recognized as a deferred government contributions on the balance sheet. Deferred government contributions are amortized into income on the same basis as the amortization of the related property, plant and equipment. Amortization of deferred government contributions are netted against amortization expense in the statement of operations. See Note 15 for additional details.

Restricted GNWT contributions for repayment of stabilization funds are recorded as a credit to the stabilization funds. As a result of these contributions, revenues have been recorded as government contributions in lieu of fuel rider revenues and an offsetting fuel rider expense has also been recorded on the statement of operations. See Note 3 for additional details.

All other government contributions are recognized as revenue in the year the contributions are spent. See Note 21 for additional details.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes (continued)

Measurement uncertainty

To prepare these financial statements in accordance with GAAP management has made a number of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities and the cost to complete capital projects in progress. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Significant estimates include amortization of assets, employee future benefits, fair values of financial instruments, regulatory assets and liabilities, asset retirement obligations and environmental liabilities.

Management's estimates and assumptions regarding regulatory assets and liabilities, and the timing of NTPC's ability to recover the cost of these assets through future rates, are subject to decisions of the PUB as described in Note 3.

Financial instruments

The financial instruments of NT Hydro include financial assets classified as held for trading or loans and receivables and financial liabilities classified other financial liabilities.

Held for trading

A financial instrument that is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term is required to be classified as held for trading. NT Hydro classifies cash, cash and short-term investments held in the sinking fund, derivatives and embedded derivatives as held for trading. These items are recorded at their fair value with gains and losses recorded in interest income (or interest expense if related to sinking funds).

Loans and receivables

Financial assets that are not actively traded are required to be classified as loans and receivables and accounted for at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. NT Hydro classifies its accounts receivable and net receivable from related parties as loans and receivables. These items are recorded at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Due to the short-term nature of receivables, their carrying value approximates their fair value.

Other financial liabilities

NT Hydro classifies its accounts payable, short-term debt, long-term debt and net lease obligation as other financial liabilities, which are accounted for at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Due to the short-term nature of accounts payable and short-term debt, their carrying value approximates their fair value.

Other policy decisions:

NT Hydro recognizes its regular-way purchases or sales (those which require actual delivery of financial assets or financial liabilities) on the trade date.

Transaction costs, other than in respect of held for trading items, are added to the initial fair value of the acquired financial asset or financial liability. Transactions costs for held for trading assets or liabilities are expensed as incurred.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 2. Significant accounting policies and future accounting changes (continued)

Hedging relationships and derivative financial instruments

NT Hydro may enter into interest rate and commodity swaps to reduce its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates and commodity prices. NT Hydro does not enter into any derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. As NT Hydro does not account for these contracts using hedge accounting, these instruments are measured at fair value. Depending on the type of derivative, changes in fair value are recognized in either net income or to regulatory deferral accounts. There are no derivative contracts outstanding at the end of the year (2012 - nil).

(b) Future accounting changes

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

Publically accountable enterprises were required to transition from Canadian GAAP to IFRS for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. In February 2013, the CICA Accounting Standards Board (AcSB) extended the existing deferral of the mandatory adoption of IFRS for entities with qualifying rate-regulated activities by an additional year to January 1, 2015.

The extension is due to the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)'s decision to restart its project on rate-regulated activities. The IASB is also planning to issue an interim IFRS standard on rate-regulated activities by the end of 2013 and the extension will provide first-time adopters of IFRS adequate time to prepare comparative figures based on a new interim IFRS standard.

Although Canadian GAAP and IFRS are based on a similar conceptual framework, there are a number of differences with respect to recognition, measurement and disclosure. The areas with the highest potential to impact NTPC include property, plant and equipment, regulatory assets and liabilities, employee benefits and the transitional requirements upon the adoption of IFRS under the provisions of IFRS 1, First-Time Adoption of IFRS.

NT Hydro qualifies for the deferral and intends to adopt IFRS for its fiscal year ending March 31, 2016. NT Hydro also continues to monitor and evaluate the impact of the adoption of IFRS on its accounting policies and systems and financial statements.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation

NTPC is currently the only NT Hydro subsidiary undertaking activities that are regulated by the PUB. As a result of rate regulation, the regulatory accounting policies adopted by NTPC differ from the accounting policies typically followed by unregulated entities. Specifically, policies in relation to regulatory assets and liabilities and amortization policies are different. A description and summary of the financial statement effects of rate regulation follows. The PUB has approved the accounting treatments described below.

Regulatory assets and liabilities

Regulatory assets and liabilities in these consolidated financial statements are accounted for differently than they would be in the absence of rate regulation.

Where regulatory decisions dictate, NTPC defers certain costs or revenues as assets or liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet and records them as expenses or revenues in the consolidated statement of operations in order to match these expenses and revenues against the amounts collected or refunded through future customer rates. Any adjustments to these deferred amounts are recognized in net income in the period that the PUB renders a subsequent decision.

Regulatory assets represent future revenues associated with certain costs, incurred in the current period or in prior periods, which are expected to be recovered from customers in future periods through the rate-setting process. Regulatory liabilities represent future reductions or limitations of increases in revenues associated with amounts that are expected to be refunded to customers as a result of the rate-setting process. These liabilities reduce the future rate impact of disposal and remediation costs to customers.

Regulatory assets

	 2013	 2012	Remaining recovery period
Water licensing deferral account	\$ 5,320	\$ 5,262	Determined by PUB
Normalized overhaul costs	4,634	5,487	Determined by PUB
Regulated employee future benefits	4,498	4,172	Determined by PUB
Reserve for injuries and damages	1,898	2,423	Determined by PUB
Other regulatory assets	1,513	634	Determined by PUB
Regulatory costs	1,170	450	Determined by PUB
Rate stabilization funds	 461	 	Determined by PUB
	\$ 19,494	\$ 18,428	

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation (continued)

The total increase to net income resulting from rate regulation resulting from changes to the following accounts is as follows:

	2013	2012
Water licensing deferral account	\$ 58	\$ 3,865
Normalized overhaul costs	(1,294)	1,653
Regulated employee future benefits	326	385
Reserve for injuries and damages	(525)	(439)
Other regulatory assets	879	237
Regulatory costs	720	(65)
Rate stabilization funds	461	(3,685)
Reserve for future removal and site restoration	4,973	1,551
Deferred revenues	(1,664)	(586)
Capitalized fuel	(39)	(39)
Equity component of AFUDC	-	1,014
Net increase in net income due to rate regulation	\$ 3,895	\$ 3,891

Revenues approved by the PUB to recover deferred amounts are not reflected in the above analysis.

Water licensing deferral account

The water licensing deferral account was established in PUB Decision 13-2007. This account is set up to mitigate the uncertainty around the costs to acquire and maintain water licenses associated with the Taltson hydro plant, Bluefish hydro plant and the Snare Hydro system. In Decision 1-2013, the PUB approved \$751 (2012 from 2006/08 GRA - \$137) to be included in annual expenses for this fund. Costs allocated to this account in fiscal 2013 totalled \$809 (2012 - \$4,002). In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that the cost of these events be expensed or capitalized in the year in which they were incurred. The net effect of rate regulation on net income was an increase of \$58 (2012 – increase of \$3,865).

Normalized overhaul costs

Normalized overhaul costs include costs over the life of the assets to overhaul hydro, diesel and natural gas units. In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that major overhauls be capitalized in the year in which they were incurred and amortized to expense over the useful life of the asset while all other overhaul costs are expensed in the year in which they were incurred. In the absence of rate regulation, operational expenses would increase by \$1,137 (2012 - \$2,860) and annual amortization expense would increase by \$505 (2012 - \$486) as a result of an increase in the balance of property, plant and equipment of \$947 (2012 - \$796). In Decision 1-2013, the PUB approved \$2,936 (2012 - \$1,693) to be included in annual expenses for this fund. The balance in the account will depend on the frequency and the cost of overhauls and therefore the recovery period is considered to be indeterminate. In fiscal 2013 actual costs deferred to this account totalled \$2,084 (2012 - \$3,656). The net effect of rate regulation on net income was a decrease of \$1,294(2012 - increase of \$1,653).

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation (continued)

Regulated employee future benefits

Regulated employee future benefits represent benefits accrued under employment agreements since April 1, 2001. The remaining recovery period is indeterminate as the amounts deferred to the account depend on the rate at which hires, retirements, terminations and new employment agreements contribute to Employee Future Benefits (see Note 16). In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that the actual cost of these employee future benefits be expensed in the year in which they were incurred. In fiscal 2013 actual costs deferred to this account totalled \$674 (2012 - \$385). In Decision 1-2013, the PUB initiated amortization of this fund for the first time since its inception and approved \$348 (2012 - \$nil) to be included in annual expenses for this fund. The net effect of rate regulation on net income was an increase of \$326 (2012 - increase of \$385).

Reserve for injuries and damages

The reserve for injuries and damages includes costs for uninsured and uninsurable losses and insurance deductibles. The remaining recovery period is indeterminate as the amounts deferred to the account depend on the types and size of emergencies during a given year. In Decision 1-2013, the PUB approved \$670 (2012 - \$670) to be included in annual expenses for this fund. In fiscal 2013 actual costs deferred to this account totalled \$145 (2012 - \$231). In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that the actual cost of these events be expensed in the year they were incurred. The net effect of rate regulation on net income was a decrease of \$525 (2012 – decrease of \$439).

Other regulatory assets

Other regulatory assets include costs incurred that create a long-term benefit to customers. These costs are subject to recovery from the customers through PUB decisions. In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that the actual cost of these events be expensed as they occurred. The remaining recovery period is indeterminate as the amounts deferred to the various accounts depend on what issues arise during the year. The amortization of the various accounts to deferred charges is done on a straight-line basis over periods ranging from 5 to 10 years. Consequently, in the absence of rate regulation, operational expenses would increase by \$1,036 (2012 - \$264) and annual amortization expense would decrease by \$157 (2012 - \$27). The net effect of rate regulation on net income was an increase of \$879 (2012 - increase of \$237).

Regulatory costs

Regulatory costs include all third party costs and staff overtime, supplies, services and travel NTPC incurs directly related to general rate applications and related regulatory proceedings. In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that the actual regulatory costs be expensed as they were incurred. The remaining recovery period is indeterminate as the amounts deferred to the account depend on the actual regulatory costs NTPC incurs and this will vary from year to year as regulatory issues arise. In Decision 1-2013, the PUB approved \$243 (2012 - \$600) to be included in annual expenses for this fund. In fiscal 2013 actual costs deferred to this account totalled \$963 (2012 - \$535). The net effect of rate regulation on net income was an increase of \$720 (2012 – decrease of \$65).

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation (continued)

Rate stabilization funds

The rate stabilization funds were originally established by the PUB in fiscal 1998 through Decision 1-97 and updated through subsequent decisions. The funds mitigate the impact on utility rates from changes in diesel and natural gas fuel prices as well as fluctuations in hydro generation caused by water levels. The impact of any increases or decreases in fuel prices or hydro generation over the PUB-approved amounts is deferred. The deferred amounts are accumulated until the consolidated balance in the funds reaches +/- \$2,500 and management's judgement deems the recovery (refund) appropriate, at which time rate-riders are applied, with PUB approval, to recover or refund the amounts necessary to bring the funds back to a balance of \$0. The remaining recovery period is indeterminate as the amounts deferred in the account depend on the market price of fuel and water levels on the Snare and Yellowknife river systems. Traditionally, once the PUB-specified trigger limits are reached, the recovery period of the balance of the rate stabilization fund receivable (payable) has been approximately 12 to 24 months.

In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that actual fuel expenses be included in the operating results of the year in which they were incurred. In fiscal 2013 fuel expenses were deferred and consequently higher due to the differences in fuel prices of \$290 (2012 – lower by \$4,830) and lower due to the volume of available water generation of \$739 (2012 – lower by \$383). The net interest revenues accrued on the balance of the funds also decreased interest expense by \$12 (2012 - \$59).

In fiscal 2012 the GNWT made specified contributions of \$8,957 to pay down the balance of the stabilization funds instead of NTPC applying a rate rider to recover the outstanding balance in the funds directly from customers. At the end of fiscal 2012, \$3,856 of this balance was recorded in accounts receivable. In addition to offsetting the balances accumulated in the stabilization funds, these contributions were reported as rider revenue with an offsetting and equal charge to fuel expense in fiscal 2012. There were no similar contributions from the GNWT in fiscal 2013.

The net effect of rate regulation on net income was an increase of \$461 (2012 – decrease of \$3,685).

Fuel rider revenues

Fuel rider revenues with offsetting fuel expense:

	2013				2012			
		Rider revenues		Associated fuel expense		Rider venues		sociated fuel cpense
GNWT contribution	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,957	\$	8,957
Rate stabilization fund riders		-		-		-		-
	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,957	\$	8,957

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Note 3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation (continued)

Regulatory liabilities

5	 2013	 2012	Remaining settlement period
Reserve for future removal and site restoration	\$ 29,628	\$ 34,601	Determined by PUB
Deferred revenues	 6,525	 4,936	Determined by PUB
	\$ 36,153	\$ 39,537	•

Reserve for future removal and site restoration

The reserve for future removal and site restoration is a deferral account that records the funds collected from customers for the future removal of assets and the restoration of NTPC's operating sites that are not otherwise related to an asset retirement obligation or environmental liabilities. The balance of the reserve increases annually using PUB-approved amortization rates applied over the estimated useful lives of the related assets on a straight-line average group useful life basis. Due to the long-term nature of the assumptions made in deriving these estimates, the amortization rates applied are periodically revised and updated for current information. Actual costs incurred in a given year for asset removals and site clean-up are charged to this account.

The remaining recovery period is indeterminate due to the amounts added to the fund and the amounts drawing down the balance of the fund each year. The amount by which the fund is drawn down each year depends on which assets are removed from service in that year, the cost of disposal, the site restoration projects undertaken in the year and the costs associated with those projects.

The fund is built up each year based on the following rates and the balance in property, plant and equipment of those asset categories:

	%
Electric power plants	0.00 – 2.11
Transmission and distribution systems	0.00 - 1.88
Electric power plant under capital lease	0.00 - 0.26
Warehouse, equipment, motor vehicles and general facilities	(0.74) - 0.35

In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that future removal and site restoration costs would be limited to asset retirement obligations and environmental liabilities and the removal and site restoration costs would be expensed in the year incurred if they did not relate to an asset retirement obligation or environmental liabilities and the remaining balance in the reserve would be taken into equity. In the absence of rate regulation, NTPC's fiscal 2013 expenses would have been \$1,842 (2012 - \$725) higher by the amount of the removal and site restoration costs deferred. Amortization expenses were \$1,961 (2012 - \$1,889) higher than they would be in the absence of rate regulation.

In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would also require the net change in the balance of asset retirement obligations (Note 13) to be booked to net income rather than to the reserve for future removal and site restoration. The net change in the reserve for future removal and site restoration account balance as a result of changes in the asset retirement obligations and environmental liabilities (Note 14) account balances recorded against the reserve for future removal and site restoration was a

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the year ended March 31, 2013 (\$000's)

Note 3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation (continued)

decrease in the account balance of \$5,092 (2012 – decrease of \$2,715). The net effect of rate regulation on net income is an increase of \$4,973 (2012 – increase of \$1,551).

Deferred revenues

Deferred revenues reflect contributions to aid in the construction and acquisition of property, plant and equipment. Deferred revenues are amortized on the same basis as the related property, plant and equipment, and the resulting credit is offset against the corresponding provision for amortization of property, plant and equipment (Notes 7 and 19). In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that the contributions received in a given year be recorded in revenues for that year and amortization expense would not be offset by the amortization of the deferred revenues. The remaining recovery period is indeterminate as the account is increased each year by new contributions received from customers and drawn down by the straight-line amortization of the account balance. The amortization rates for deferred revenues are the same as those found in Note 2 under Amortization. In fiscal 2013 revenues were \$2,175 (2012 - \$1,104) lower than they would have been and amortization on property, plant, and equipment was \$511 (2012 - \$518) lower than it would have been in the absence of rate regulation. The net effect of rate regulation on net income is a decrease of \$1,664 (2012 – decrease of \$586).

Gains and losses on disposal of property plant and equipment

As approved by the PUB, the gains or losses on disposal of property, plant and equipment are deferred. In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require the gain or loss on the disposal or retirement of all property, plant and equipment to be included in income in the period of disposal or retirement.

Capitalized fuel

As per PUB Decision 27-2008, NTPC capitalized fuel associated with the new intake structure capital project at NTPC's Bluefish dam. In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP would require that fuel costs be expensed in the year incurred. There was no fuel used in fiscal 2013 (or 2012) in association with this project. Therefore fuel expense in fiscal 2013 (and 2012) was the same as it would have been in absence of rate regulation. Amortization expense was \$39 (2012 - \$39) higher than it would have been in the absence of rate regulation. The net effect of rate regulation on net income is a decrease of \$39 (2012 – decrease of \$39).

Capitalized allowance for funds used during construction

In Decision 1-2013, the PUB approved NTPC to capitalize costs incurred for interest during construction (IDC) based on the most recent PUB-approved IDC which is 6.540% for fiscal 2013. In fiscal 2012 NTPC capitalized an allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) instead of an IDC based on the most recent PUB-approved cost of capital which was 9.674% for fiscal 2008 and future years until the next GRA. The AFUDC rate includes a component for the return on equity. In the absence of rate regulation, GAAP allows interest during construction (IDC) be capitalized based on the related cost of debt instead of an AFUDC. Therefore, the AFUDC as recorded by NTPC in fiscal 2012 was higher than it would have been in a non-regulated operation, as is the subsequent amortization of the capitalized equity component. Capitalized AFUDC and IDC is recorded as an

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Note 3. Financial statement effects of rate regulation (continued)

offset to interest expense (Note 20). Due to the complexities in the calculation, it is not possible to make a reasonable estimate of the carrying value of the equity component of AFUDC in fiscal 2012 to determine the impact of amortization on net income.

In fiscal 2013 approximately \$nil (2012 - \$1,014) was capitalized as the return on equity component of the capitalized AFUDC based on NTPC's 2006/08 PUB-approved cost of capital structure. The net effect of rate regulation on net income is an increase of \$nil (2012 – increase of \$883).

4. Capital management

NT Hydro's capital structure as at March 31, 2013 and March 31, 2012 was as follows:

	2013	2012
		\$
Long-term debt	\$ 189,819	187,004
Less: Sinking funds	5,676	25,052
Less: Unamortized premium, discount and issuance costs	1,441	1,389
Net long-term debt	182,702	160,563
Net lease obligation	2,306	2,028
Shareholder's equity	110,556	104,067
Less: AOCI	-	-
Adjusted shareholder's equity	110,556	104,067
		\$
Total capital	\$ 295,564	266,658

NT Hydro's capital structure consists of its financing sources for capital projects: adjusted shareholder's equity, capital lease obligation, net long-term debt and short-term debt not used to finance regulatory assets. NT Hydro's opportunity to earn income is based on the amount of shareholder's equity it has invested in its rate base. The amount of debt for NTPC is limited to no more than three times shareholder's equity by the *Northwest Territories Power Corporation Act*. The amount of NT Hydro debt is also subject to the federally imposed borrowing cap on total GNWT debt of \$800,000 under which NT Hydro is required to comply. Both NT Hydro and NTPC comply with these external restrictions on their debt limits.

NT Hydro's objectives with respect to managing its capital structure are to maintain effective access to capital on a long-term basis at reasonable rates and within the limitations set by the *Northwest Territories Power Corporation Act* and the debt cap limitations of the federal government on the GNWT while striving to deliver targeted financial returns as set by the PUB. NT Hydro manages its capital through regular monitoring of cash and currency requirements by preparing short-term and long-term cash flow forecasts and reviewing quarterly financial results. NT Hydro has set a long-term debt capitalization target of 50/50. The debt capitalization ratio for fiscal 2013 is 63/37 (2012 – 61/39).

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Note 4. Capital management (continued)

NTPC's capital structure is approved by the PUB as part of NTPC's GRA process. NTPC's long-term debt requires the approval of the GNWT and the PUB and to date has been subject to a guarantee by the GNWT. These objectives are consistent with previous years.

5. Accounts receivable

The aging of accounts receivable was:

	2013							 2012	
	(le	Current ess than 28 days)		29-90 days		Over 90 days		Total	Total
Utility	\$	10,916	\$	937	\$	1,054	\$	12,907	\$ 11,686
Non-utility		2,373		8		822		3,203	7,876
Allowance for doubtful accounts		-		-		(1,206)		(1,206)	(728)
	\$	13,289	\$	945	\$	670	\$	14,904	\$ 18,834

The changes in the allowance for doubtful accounts were as follows:

	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of the year	\$ (728)	\$ (361)
Receivables written off	85	93
Increase to allowance	(563)	(460)
Balance, end of the year	\$ (1,206)	\$ (728)

Accounts receivable are reviewed for indicators of impairment. An allowance for doubtful accounts is included in accounts receivable. Additional disclosures on NT Hydro's exposure and management of risk associated with accounts receivable can be found in Note 25.

6. Inventories

	2013	2012
Materials, supplies and lubricants	\$ 5,206	\$ 3,981
Fuel	305	181
	\$ 5,511	\$ 4,162

Inventories are comprised of fuel and materials, supplies and lubricants used in the production of electricity in NT Hydro. Production fuel inventory is only held by NT Hydro in four of its operating plants. The fuel requirements for NT Hydro's remaining plants are all managed under the fuel management services agreement described in Note 23. Fuel held as inventory and then expensed in fiscal 2013 totalled \$1,516 (2012 - \$1,540).

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Note 6. Inventories (continued)

The supplies and services expenses reported in fiscal 2013 includes \$1,112 (2012 - \$1,099) of materials, supplies and lubricants held as inventory throughout the year. The majority of materials, supplies and lubricants are used by NT Hydro to make repairs, complete overhauls or generate electricity.

7. Property, plant and equipment

		2013		2012
	Cost	Accumulated amortization	Net book value	Net book value
Electric power plants	\$ 264,794	\$ (68,081)	\$ 196,713	\$ 162,998
Transmission and distribution systems	78,383	(21,965)	56,418	57,534
Electric power plant under capital lease Warehouse, equipment,	26,455	(6,753)	19,702	20,002
motor vehicles and general facilities	40,692	(14,315)	26,377	25,122
Other	7,636	(5,276)	2,360	1,662
Other utility assets Assets held for	7,062	(1,776)	5,286	5,608
future use (critical spare parts)	3,274		3,274	3,648
	\$ 428,296	\$ (118,166)	\$ 310,130	\$ 276,574
Construction work in progress	30,470	-	30,470	50,072
Impairment provision	(15,237)		(15,237)	(14,625)
	\$ 443,529	\$ (118,166)	\$ 325,363	\$ 312,021

Engineering and other direct overhead expenses allocated to assets placed in service during the year amounted to \$3,444 (2012 - \$3,565).

Impairment provision

In Decision 1-2013, the PUB determined that a group of distribution assets were not recoverable from customers through rates starting in fiscal 2013. As a result, an impairment provision of \$612 has been recognized and included in amortization.

8. Sinking fund investments

Sinking fund investments are held by the Trustee for the redemption of long-term debt. As the sinking funds exist to fund the payout of long-term debt, sinking fund income is treated as a reduction of finance charges and is reflected in interest expense (Note 20).

The sinking fund agreements require annual installments to retire debt at maturity. Fair value information for sinking funds is included in Note 25. NT Hydro realized a mark-to-market return of 0.96% (2012 – 5.20%) on the general portfolio of sinking fund investments.

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Note 8. Sinking fund investments (continued)

In May 2012 \$20,000 of the sinking fund balance was retired to offset the repayment of the May 2012 debenture and only two smaller sinking fund debentures remain. In anticipation of this reduced balance, in February 2012 the sinking fund policy was revised to reduce the investment risk of the portfolio and reduce administrative costs. The policy allows only Canadian fixed-income and short-term investments. Cash and short-term investments include cash and fixed-income investments with a term to maturity not exceeding one year. Fixed-income securities have investment grade credit.

	2013			2013 2012		
	Clas	ss value	Weighted average effective rate of return (1)	Cla	ss value	Weighted average effective rate of return (1)
Held for trading (fair value) Cash and short-term investments Less: current portion	\$ \$	5,676 - 5,676	0.96%	\$ \$	25,052 20,000 5,052	0.90%

¹ Rate of return is calculated on market yield for cash and fixed-income securities.

9. Intangible assets

	2013					2012			
			Accumulated amortization				et book Value	N	let Book Value
Enterprise software	\$	3,129	\$	(1,979)	\$ 1,150	\$	1,016		

10. Short-term debt

NT Hydro has a \$20,000 unsecured line of credit with its bank and on a temporary basis the bank will increase the operating line. NT Hydro also has access on occasion to short-term funds from its shareholder, the GNWT.

	2013	2012
Bankers acceptances and bank overdraft	\$ 5,979	\$ 16,351

In fiscal 2013 short-term debt at March 31, 2013 is only comprised of a bank overdraft balance. The short-term debt outstanding at March 31, 2012 had a weighted average 30 day term and a 2.25% weighted average annual interest rate.

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11. Long-term debt, net of sinking fund investments

	2013	2012
5.16% amortizing debenture, due September 13, 2040	\$ 49,201	\$ 50,000
5.443% debenture, due August 1, 2028	25,000	25,000
5.995% debenture, due December 15, 2034	25,000	25,000
3.818% debenture, due November 25, 2052	25,000	-
5% debenture, due July 11, 2025	15,000	15,000
6.83% amortizing debenture, due December 18, 2032	13,333	14,000
6.33% sinking fund debentures, due October 27, 2018	10,000	10,000
8.41% sinking fund debentures, due February 27, 2026	8,700	8,700
9.11% debenture series 3,		
due September 1, 2026 repayable in equal monthly payments of \$73 9.75% debentures series 2,	6,774	7,021
due October 1, 2025 repayable in equal monthly payments of \$69 10% debenture series 1,	5,932	6,165
due May 1, 2025 repayable in equal monthly payments of \$70	5,879	6,118
10.75% sinking fund debentures, due May 28, 2012	_	20,000
	\$ 189,819	\$ 187,004
Less: Unamortized premium, discount and issuance costs	1,441	1,389
	188,378	185,615
Less: Current portion	2,298	22,184
	186,080	163,431
Less: Sinking fund investments (Note 8)	5,676	25,052
Long-term debt, net of sinking fund investments	\$ 180,404	\$ 138,379

Principal repayments and estimated sinking fund investment requirements for the next five years are as follows:

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Principal repayments	\$2,298	\$2,414	\$2,544	\$2,691	\$2,847
Sinking fund investment contributions	\$ 780	\$ 780	\$ 780	\$ 780	\$780

12. Net lease obligation

NTEC loaned funds to the Dogrib Power Corporation to finance the construction of a hydroelectric generating plant on the Snare River in the Northwest Territories from 1994 to 1996. The balance of the loan receivable is \$17,570 (2012 - \$18,191). The loan bears interest at an annual rate of 9.6%, which is the average rate of interest on NTEC's long-term debt issued to finance the loan. It is due July 2026 and is repayable in equal monthly payments of \$195. The loan is secured by a charge against the plant and the lease agreement.

NTPC has an initial 65-year lease for the plant at an imputed interest rate of 9.6% from the Dogrib Power Corporation until 2061. The value of the capital lease obligation is \$19,598 (2012 - \$20,003). To

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Note 12. Net lease obligation (continued)

reflect the effective acquisition and financing nature of the lease, the plant is included in electric power plants in property, plant and equipment. (Note 7)

Upon consolidation, the loan receivable held by NTEC is offset with the capital lease obligation of NTPC resulting in a net lease obligation of \$2,028 (2012 - \$1,812). The current portion of the net lease obligation is a receipt of \$278 (2012 - \$216) and is recorded in accounts receivable. As a result, upon consolidation, in the early years there will be a net payment and in later years there will be a net receipt until such time as the loan receivable is fully repaid in 2026 when only the capital lease obligation payments continue until 2061.

Subsequent to March 31, 2013 there was a security change in the net lease obligation arrangement. See Note 27 for additional details. The change in the security does not impact the financial results of the net lease obligation arrangement.

Fair value information for the net lease obligation is included in Note 25.

The net lease obligation receipts due over the next five years are:

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
\$347	\$423	\$506	\$597	\$698

13. Asset retirement obligations

	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 7,388	\$ 4,674
Liabilities settled	(815)	(576)
Accretion expense	322	174
Valuation adjustment	4,991	2,695
Additions	 338	 421
Balance, end of the year	\$ 12,224	\$ 7,388

Following is a summary of the key assumptions upon which the carrying amount of the asset retirement obligations is based:

- Total expected future cash flows \$28,306 (2012 \$21,380)
- Expected timing of payments of the cash flows majority of expenditures expected to occur after fiscal 2030
- The weighted average discount rate is the credit-adjusted risk-free rate of 5.50% for those obligations identified prior to fiscal 2013 and 3.90% for those obligations identified in fiscal 2013

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14. Environmental liabilities

NT Hydro estimates that it would cost approximately \$20,891 (2012 - \$14,802) to clean up the environmentally contaminated soil at its 27 sites in the NWT. The discounted present value of these obligations is \$8,632 (2012 - \$4,144) and is included in asset retirement obligations.

Management estimates that over 75% of the contamination occurred prior to May 5, 1988 when the Government of Canada controlled NCPC. There is no provision recorded in these financial statements for a potential recovery from the Government of Canada.

15. Deferred government contributions

Following is a summary of net deferred government contributions:

	2013		2012
Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 2,852	\$	12,009
Eligible funding	 288		5,229
	 3,140	'	17,238
Amortization for the year	(206)		(201)
Contributions related to asset disposals	(256)		(14,185)
Balance, end of the year	\$ 2,678	\$	2,852

In fiscal 2013 the GNWT signed a one-year capital contribution agreement for \$250 with NTPC for capital project funding assistance for the expansion of the photovoltaic generation system in Ft. Simpson. As of March 31, 2013, eligible costs incurred were \$331. There is \$50 owing to NTPC by the GNWT under this agreement at the end of the year. Total project costs of \$331 were capitalized during the year.

There was also \$38 of funding additions related to eligible spending in fiscal 2012 for fiscal 2012 contribution agreements that was received and recorded by NTPC in fiscal 2013.

16. Employee future benefits

a) Public Service Pension Plan:

The employees of NT Hydro are covered by the Public Service Pension Plan (the "Plan"), a contributory defined benefit plan established through legislation and sponsored by the Government of Canada. Contributions are required by both the employees and NT Hydro. The President of the Treasury Board of Canada sets the required employer contributions based on a multiple of the employees' required contribution. The employer contribution rate effective at the end of the year was 1.64 times employees' contributions (2012 – 1.74 times). Total contributions of \$2,737 (2012 - \$2,833) were recognized as expense in the current year.

The Government of Canada holds a statutory obligation for the payment of benefits relating to the Plan. Pension benefits generally accrue up to a maximum period of 35 years at an annual rate of 2

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2012

Note 16. Employee future benefits (continued)

percent of pensionable service times the average of the best five consecutive years of earnings. The benefits are coordinated with Canada/Québec Pension Plan benefits and they are indexed to inflation.

b) Liability for severance and ultimate removal benefits is as follows:

		2013	2012
Accrued benefit obligation, beginning of the year	\$	1,938	\$ 2,120
Net increase in obligation for the year		1,650	385
Benefits paid during the year		(646)	 (567)
Accrued benefit obligation		1,942	1,938
Less: current portion	<u> </u>	(585)	 (413)
Accrued benefit obligation, end of the year	\$	1,357	\$ 1,525

17. GNWT power sales contributions

In fiscal 2013, NTPC signed a contribution agreement with the GNWT to provide a direct operating subsidy (cash contribution) to retire the balance in NTPC's Consolidated Fuel Stabilization Fund at March 31, 2012 to mitigate the impact of the revenue requirement changes on customers and to ensure a transition from current rates to final approved rates, over a 3 year period from fiscal 2013 to fiscal 2015. Under the agreement the GNWT provided \$15,600 to NTPC in fiscal 2013. \$4,000 paid down the receivable set up by NTPC as at March 31, 2012 to retire the Consolidated Fuel Stabilization Fund. The remaining \$11,600 was recorded as revenues. All of the funding for fiscal 2013 was received in fiscal 2013. See *Rate regulation* under Note 2 for additional details.

18. Other revenues

	2013	2012
Connection fees	\$ 350	\$ 349
Contract work	305	570
Pole rental	272	247
Heat revenues	222	214
Miscellaneous	163	 88
	\$ 1,312	\$ 1,468

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19. Amortization

	2013	2012
Property, plant and equipment	\$ 13,837	\$ 12,329
Regulatory assets	5,104	3,127
Intangible assets	267	287
Deferred revenues (Note 3)	(722)	(518)
	\$ 18,486	\$ 15,225

20. Interest expense

2013		2012
\$ 13,178	\$	14,859
328		435
(76)		(1,561)
(1,719)		(1,776)
(1,507)		-
 		(2,783)
\$ 10,204	\$	9,174
\$	\$ 13,178 328 (76) (1,719) (1,507)	\$ 13,178 \$ 328 (76) (1,719) (1,507)

21. Other government contributions

The GNWT provided \$1,312 (2011 - \$2,312) to NT Hydro and its subsidiaries for operating costs related to furthering the NWT Hydro Strategy and water monitoring activities, consideration of renewable energy options and energy options in Inuvik, support of the 2012 NWT Energy Charette, transmission line options from Fort Providence and a program related to rate review. Any funding provided under the contributions agreements and not expended during the current fiscal year is repayable to the GNWT. As at March 31, 2013, a net receivable of \$130 (2012 - \$35) of funding under these agreements was still receivable from the GNWT and is recorded in accounts receivable.

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22. Share capital

	Number of shares	2013	Number of shares	2012
Preferred shares Authorized: One preferred share, non-cumulative, without par value Issued and outstanding: Issued on incorporation (one dollar)	1	\$ <u>-</u>	1	\$ -
Common shares Authorized: One common share without par value Issued and outstanding: Issued on incorporation	1	\$ 43,129	1	\$ 43,129

NT Hydro may only issue its shares to the Government of the Northwest Territories.

23. Commitments and contingencies

Capital projects

In March 2013, the Board of Directors approved a capital plan for fiscal 2014 of \$28,384 (2012 - \$22,860) which includes the costs to complete projects already in progress at March 31, 2013.

Natural gas purchase commitment

NT Hydro has an agreement to purchase natural gas to produce electricity in Inuvik. In September 2011 NT Hydro received a letter from the gas supplier, which is a partnership of IKHIL Resources Ltd., Altagas Marketing Inc. and IPL Holdings Inc., providing notice that the gas supply in the Inuvik Gas Reservoir was limited and unlikely to last to the end of the contract period. NT Hydro reduced its consumption of natural gas in a good faith attempt to extend the supply of gas to the residents of Inuvik so that alternative gas supplies could be pursued.

NT Hydro also agreed to forgo its legal remedies for the partnership's inability to supply its full obligations as outlined in the agreement on the basis that the partnership agreed to not enforce the minimum purchase clause within that agreement or any damages against NT Hydro for not consuming gas.

Since January 2012 gas generation has been significantly curtailed – running approximately 18% the first six months and 2% the last six months of 2013. The remainder of the generation is produced by the diesel plant. In fiscal 2013, gas represented 9% of the fuel used for power generation in Inuvik.

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Note 23. Commitments and contingencies (continued)

Fuel management services agreement

NTPC has a fuel management services agreement with the Petroleum Products Division (PPD) of the GNWT. This agreement transferred the fuel inventory and maintenance of fuel tank farms of 20 communities served by NTPC to PPD, consistent with NTPC's operational requirements. The price of fuel under this agreement changes with the change in market price, the cost of freight, the GNWT fuel tax rate and the amount of fuel purchased by NTPC from PPD in a given year.

Other

Refer to Notes 11, 12, 13, and 14 for other commitments and contingencies disclosed elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements.

24. Related party transactions

NT Hydro is a Territorial public agency and consequently is related to the GNWT and its agencies and corporations.

NT Hydro provides utility services to, and purchases fuel and other services from, these related parties. These transactions are in the normal course of operations and are at the same rates and terms as those with similar unrelated customers. Transactions with related parties and balances at year-end not disclosed elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements are as follows:

	 2013	 2012
Transactions during the year:		
Sale of power and other	\$ 21,990	\$ 20,197
Purchase of fuel from PPD	26,090	16,398
Other purchases and payments	1,198	1,544
Fuel tax paid to GNWT	-	155
GNWT refunded deposit for purchase of land and building	-	2,043
Balances at year-end:		
Accounts payable to PPD	2,191	7,298
Accounts receivable	1,611	5,606
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and derivatives	29	62

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25. Financial Instruments

Risks – overview

NT Hydro's financial instruments and the nature of risks which they may be subject to are set out in the following table:

		Risks				
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Financial instrument	Classification	Credit	Liquidity	Currency	Interest rate	Other price
Measured at cost or amo	rtized cost					
Accounts receivable	Loans and receivables	Χ				
Accounts payable	Other financial liabilities		X	X		
Long-term debt	Other financial liabilities		X		Χ	
Net lease obligation	Other financial liabilities	Χ	Χ		Χ	
Short-term debt	Other financial liabilities		Χ		X	
Measured at fair value						
Cash	Held for trading	Χ				
Short-term investments	Held for trading	Χ		Χ	Χ	

a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a third party will cause a financial loss for NT Hydro by failing to discharge its obligation. The following table sets out NT Hydro's maximum exposure to credit risk under a worst case scenario and does not reflect results expected.

	 2013	 2012
Snare Cascades Ioan receivable	\$ 17,570	\$ 18,192
Accounts receivable	14,904	18,834
Sinking fund short-term investments	5,676	25,052
Cash	2,015	1,368
	\$ 40,165	\$ 63,446

Snare Cascades Ioan receivable

The credit risk for the loan receivable for the Snare Cascades hydro project was minimized by an assignment of lease payments and the security of the hydro facility itself.

Accounts receivable

The majority of NT Hydro's accounts receivable are held by NTPC. NTPC minimizes accounts receivable credit risk by having a collections policy and terms and conditions of service consistent with industry standards. Credit risk is minimized by NTPC's large customer base. Thirty seven percent (2012 - 36%) of NTPC's sales are to two other utilities. Eleven percent (2012 - 11%) of sales are to the GNWT, through the Territorial Power Support Program and Housing Support Program. Note 5 analyzes the age of customer accounts receivable.

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Note 25. Financial instruments (continued)

Cash and sinking fund investments

NT Hydro minimizes the credit risk of cash and sinking fund investments by dealing with only reputable financial institutions and investing in securities that meet minimum credit ratings as stipulated by its investment policy and limiting exposure to any one security or asset class. An ongoing review is performed to evaluate changes in the status of counterparties.

b) Liquidity risk

Debt liquidity risk is managed by the use of sinking fund and amortization provisions on eight of the twelve debentures. NT Hydro arranges its financing in such a manner that the total amount of debt maturing in any given year does not exceed its ability to borrow in any given year. This practice gives NT Hydro the maximum flexibility over the use of its cash flow such that both its existing capital expenditure program and its ability to consider any future investment opportunities will not be constrained.

Liquidity risk is also managed by continuously monitoring actual and forecast cash flows, having the opportunity to borrow on a short-term basis from the shareholder and by maintaining a \$20,000 operating line with a reputable financial institution. The operating line can be temporarily increased on a short-term basis if required.

The following table shows the maturities of the NT Hydro's short and long-term debt (excluding bank overdraft) as at March 31, 2013:

<u>Timeframe</u>	<u>Dollar value</u>				
		2013		2012	
Less than 1 year	\$	2,293	\$	35,678	
Greater than 1 year and not later than 6 years		23,516		12,791	
Greater than 6 years and not later than 20 years		93,346		103,484	
Greater than 20 years		70,732		48,612	
	\$	189,887	\$	200,565	

c) Currency risk

Accounts payable

NT Hydro is exposed to currency risk by purchasing supplies and property, plant and equipment in U.S. dollars. NT Hydro does not hedge the risk related to fluctuations in the exchange rate between the U.S. and Canadian dollar due to the short-term and relatively small dollar value of the exposure.

d) Interest rate risk

Changes in market interest rates will cause fluctuations in the fair value or future cash flows of loans receivable, the net lease obligation, long-term debt, short-term debt, interest rate derivatives, and fixed-income investments.

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Note 25. Financial instruments (continued)

NT Hydro's short-term debt instruments have short maturities and fixed rates, thus their fair value will fluctuate as the funds borrowed at current market interest rates.

All of NT Hydro's outstanding long-term debt is fixed rate debt and the fair value of fixed rate debt fluctuates with changes in market interest rates but absent early redemption, cash flows do not.

Similar to long-term debt, if NT Hydro holds a derivative instrument in the form of an interest rate swap, the fair value fluctuates with changes in market interest rates but absent early redemption, as the fixed rate payer, cash flows do not.

e) Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of NT Hydro's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market.

When NT Hydro holds a derivative instrument in the form of a fuel commodity swap, the fair value fluctuates with changes in market commodity prices but absent early redemption, as the fixed price payer, cash flows do not.

f) Sensitivity analysis for market risks

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of NT Hydro's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

Net income and other comprehensive income could have been different if the variables impacting the financial instruments subject to market risk had varied by reasonably possible amounts from their actual balance sheet date values.

The sensitivity analysis of NT Hydro's exposure to currency risk at the reporting date has been determined based upon the hypothetical change taking place at the current balance sheet date. The U.S. dollar denominated sinking fund investments as at the balance sheet date has been used in the calculations. Purchases of U.S. dollar denominated goods throughout the year have not been included in this analysis due to the small dollar value of these purchases.

The sensitivity analysis of NT Hydro's exposure to interest rate risk at the reporting date has been determined based upon the hypothetical change taking place at the beginning of the fiscal year and being held constant through to the current balance sheet date. For fiscal 2012 and 2013, all of NT Hydro's gains and losses have been realized. Short-term interest expense and revenue will vary throughout the year.

These sensitivities are hypothetical and should be used with caution. Favourable hypothetical changes in the assumptions result in an increased amount, and unfavourable hypothetical changes in the assumptions result in a decreased amount, of net income and/or other comprehensive income. Changes in net income and/or other comprehensive income generally cannot be extrapolated

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Note 25. Financial instruments (continued)

because the relationship of the change in assumption to the change in net income and/or other comprehensive income may not be linear.

In the table, the effect of a variation in a particular assumption on the amount of net income and/or other comprehensive income is calculated without change to any other assumption. In reality, changes in one factor may result in changes in another (for example, increases in market interest rates may result in more favourable foreign exchange rates as a result of the increased strength in the Canadian dollar), which might magnify or counteract the sensitivities.

	Reasonable possible changes in market variables								
	Currency risk 10%			rate risk is points	Other price risk 10%				
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012			
Net income	\$129	\$25	\$21	\$531	\$-	\$60			
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-			

g) Fair value determination

The carrying value of cash, accounts receivables, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and short-term debt approximates their fair value due to the immediate or short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

The fair value of sinking fund investments were determined by using published price quotes. The fair value determination for long-term debt and the net lease obligation was estimated based on quoted market prices for Federal government bonds with the same or similar maturities adjusted for the credit spread at the point of issue.

As at March 31, 2013, the fair value and carrying value of NT Hydro's financial instruments are:

	<u>Level</u>	Fair value			Carryi			ing value	
			2013		2012		2013		2012
Held for trading financial asset	S								
Cash	Level 1	\$	2,015	\$	1,368	9	2,015	\$	1,368
Short-term investments	Level 1		5,676		25,052		5,676		25,052
		\$	7,691	\$	26,420	3	7,691	\$	26,420
Other financial liabilities									
Long-term debt	Level 2	\$	241,788	\$	237,792	9	241,788	\$	185,615
Net lease obligation	Level 2		6,574		6,024		6,574		1,812
		\$	248,362	\$	243,816	3	248,362	\$	187,427

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Note 25. Financial instruments (continued)

h) Impairment

NT Hydro assesses the decline in the value of the individual investments for impairment to determine whether the decline is other than temporary. NT Hydro makes this assessment by considering available evidence, including changes in general market conditions, specific industry and individual company data, the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition and the near-term prospects of the individual investment.

As at March 31, 2013, NT Hydro provided an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,206 (2012 - \$728) for some of its accounts receivable accounts with amounts outstanding longer than 90 days. NT Hydro does not consider any other financial instruments to be impaired (2012 - \$nil).

26. Investments in joint ventures

Included in NT Hydro's consolidated financial statements, through its subsidiary NTEC, is the shared ownership (50%) in one residual heat project in Fort McPherson. The impact of this investment is as follows:

	2013	2012
Other revenues	\$ 119	\$ 98
Operating expenses including amortization	51	34
Net income	\$ 68	\$ 64
Current assets	\$ 250	\$ 145
Non-current assets	455	479
	\$ 705	\$ 624
Current liabilities	\$ 27	\$ 14
Shareholder's equity	678	610
	\$ 705	\$ 624
Cash flows provided by operating activities Cash flows provided by investing activities	\$ 13 -	\$ 88
Cash flows used in financing activities	-	-

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27. Subsequent events

Following are significant events occurring after March 31, 2013:

Net lease obligation

Subsequent to March 31, 2013, there was a security change made in the lease/loan agreement between DPC and NTEC. In 1996 when the lease/loan agreement was signed, DPC granted first charge to NTEC over the lands, all buildings and all improvements pledging the assets as collateral for the loan. DPC also established a Sinking Fund Trust Agreement. Under this agreement, DPC deposited a portion of the monthly lease payments received by DPC from NTPC, into a sinking fund. This sinking fund was used as collateral and to assist with the loan payments made to NTEC from 2014 to 2026. The fund was invested in a Government of Canada Treasury Bill. The Terms of the Sinking Fund Agreement allowed DPC to replace the sinking fund with another form of security if all the parties agreed.

After March 31, 2013 DPC, with the approval of NTEC, withdrew the funds from the sinking fund. A \$4 million guarantee from DPC's parent company, the Tlicho Investment Corporation ("TIC") was provided as replacement collateral for the loan from NTEC to DPC. A blocked account agreement was also established as collateral for the loan. The blocked account agreement assigns certain cash flows to be deposited into a bank account each month. This account is used as additional collateral for the NTEC loan to DPC. NTEC has signing authority and full control over the blocked account. At the beginning of each fiscal year, the balance in the blocked account must be equal to the top up payments required for the next 12 months. The top up payment is the difference between the loan payment made by DPC to NTEC and the lease payment received by DPC from NTPC.

Rate regulation

On July 9, 2013 the PUB issued Decision 9-2013, the PUB ruling on NTPC's Compliance Filing related to the 2012/14 GRA. There were no significant changes to NT Hydro's financial statements as a result of this Decision. Decision 9-2013 confirmed the assumptions made by management in preparing these financial statements.

28. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

Summary Consolidated Financial Information For the five years ended March 31, 2013 Unaudited (\$000's)

	2013		2012		2011		2010		2009	
Summary Income Statements:										
Sale of power GNWT power sale	\$	86,947	\$	81,690	\$	81,700	\$	81,572	\$	82,768
contributions		11,600		8,957		-		-		-
Other revenues		2,624		3,780		3,464		3,225		2,011
		101,171		94,427		85,164		84,797		84,779
Fuel and lubricants		29,379		28,112		18,852		19,054		19,598
Salaries and wages		22,438		21,786		21,930		20,279		19,222
Supplies and services		12,442		14,101		14,987		15,291		13,441
Amortization		18,486		15,225		14,719		14,146		13,304
Travel and accommodation		1,953		2,070		2,529		2,185		2,635
		84,698		81,294		73,017		70,955		68,200
Earnings from operations		16,473		13,133		12,147		13,842		16,579
Interest income Impairment and other		221		233		275		289		197
expenses		-	-	440		-		-		-
Earnings before interest		16 604		10.006		10 100		14 101		16 776
expense		16,694		12,926		12,422		14,131		16,776
Interest Expense		10,204		9,174		9,250		8,858		10,959
Net income	\$	6,490	\$	3,752	\$	3,172	\$	5,273	\$	5,817

Summary Consolidated Financial Information For the five years ended March 31, 2013 Unaudited (\$000's)

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Summary Balance Sheets:					
Property, plant and equipment	\$ 310,130	\$ 276,574	\$ 273,289	\$ 261,857	\$ 254,665
Capital work in process	 15,233	35,447	33,778	27,612	18,021
	325,363	312,021	307,067	289,469	272,686
Current assets	23,020	45,025	39,961	23,174	31,690
Other long term assets	 26,320	24,496	41,220	56,355	51,953
	\$ 374,703	\$ 381,542	\$ 388,248	\$ 368,998	\$ 356,329
Current liabilities	\$ 23,348	\$ 60,714	\$ 40,787	\$ 60,675	\$ 54,885
Long term debt	188,386	165,459	187,320	153,653	154,674
Other long term liabilities	 52,412	51,302	59,305	56,605	52,525
Total Liabilities	 264,146	277,475	287,412	270,933	262,084
Shareholder's Equity	110,557	104,067	100,836	98,065	94,245
	\$ 374,703	\$ 381,542	\$ 388,248	\$ 368,998	\$ 356,329
Capital Expenditures	\$ 23,636	\$ 29,131	\$ 25,232	\$ 24,355	\$ 18,963

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES HYDRO CORPORATION Schedule of Write Offs

Accounts Over \$500

For the year ended March 31, 2013

Customer Name	Amount
Utility accounts over \$500	
ANDY SR CARPENTER (ESTATE OF)	\$ 676.35
NUNI YE CONSTRUCTION	891.57
TO GO'S RESTAURANT LTD	999.08
LEONARD ALEEKUK	1,099.01
GREG WHITE	1,107.51
FRANCIS(estate of) NANDE	1,376.73
NUNI YE CONSTRUCTION	2,013.05
DELINE DELI PIZZA	2,059.05
WEITZEL'S CONSTRUCTION Weitzels Construction	2,229.94
WEITZEL'S CONSTRUCTION	3,658.25
WEITZEL'S CONSTRUCTION	4,827.40
WEITZEL'S CONSTRUCTION	5,859.33
WEITZEL'S CONSTRUCTION LTD	6,667.47
HOTEL TUK INN LTD	19,317.70
PERRY BUILDING LIMITED	 27,535.32
	 80,317.76
Non-utility accounts over \$500	
WRANGLING RIVER SUPPLY	1,177.12
Total Write-offs Over \$500	\$ 81,494.88