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### **About This Material**

The Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly provides pension benefits to its elected members under the Legislative Assembly Retiring Allowances Act (RAA) and the Supplementary Retiring Allowances Act (SRAA). Section 21 of the RAA and section 11.1 of the SRAA require that a report on the administration of each Act be presented to the Assembly by the Board of Management each fiscal year.

This report summarizes the current active membership, inactive members and plan assets. An appendix to this report summarizes all of the positions held, past and present, of the current 19 members.

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## **Membership Information**

#### Overview

There are several categories of membership under the Act:

- Active members are the current elected Members of the Assembly;
- Deferred non-vested members are former Members of the Assembly who left prior to becoming eligible for a pension (vested). If they return to the Assembly and become vested, they will be eligible for their full pensions;
- Deferred vested pensioners are former active members who are entitled to a pension, but have not yet commenced receiving it.
- Pensioners are former members or survivors of former members who are currently in receipt of a pension.

# $Membership\ Information\ ({\tt continued})$

The following table provides a reconciliation of the RAA Plan membership from April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007:

### RAA

	Active	Deferred Non–Vested Members	Deferred Vested Pensioners	Pensioners
Members as at April 1, 2006	19	13	0	33
New Members				
Retirements				
Terminations  • Elected lump sum payment  • Elected deferred pension  • Non-Vested				
Deaths  No continuation of benefit  Child benefit stopped  With survivor  Survivor entitled to benefit				
Members as at March 31, 2007	19	13	0	33

# $Membership\ Information\ ({\tt continued})$

The following table provides a reconciliation of the SRAA Plan membership from April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007:

### **SRAA**

	Active	Deferred Vested Pensioners	Pensioners
Members as at April 1, 2006	18	1	33
New Members			
Retirements			
Terminations  • Elected lump sum payment  • Elected deferred pension  • Non-Vested			
Deaths <ul><li>No continuation of benefit</li><li>Child benefit stopped</li><li>With survivor</li><li>Survivor entitled to benefit</li></ul>			(1) 1
Members as at March 31, 2007	18	1	33

#### **Actives**

There are 19 Members at March 31, 2007. The 19 Members held the following position(s) at March 31, 2007:

Name	Position(s)
D-11 D1 D	MI A Minister
Bell, Brendan R.	MLA, Minister
Braden, William A.	MLA, Chairperson
Delorey, Paul A.	MLA, Speaker
Dent, Charles A.	MLA, Minister
Groenewegen, Jane M.	MLA, Deputy Speaker, Chairperson
Handley, Joseph L.	MLA, Premier
Hawkins, Robert M.	MLA
Krutko, David M.	MLA, Minister
Lafferty, Jackson	MLA, Chairperson
Lee, Sandy	MLA, Chairperson
McLeod, Michael V.	MLA, Minister
McLeod, Robert C.	MLA
Menicoche, Kevin A.	MLA, Minister
Miltenberger, J. Michael	MLA
Pokiak, Calvin P.	MLA, Deputy Chairperson
Ramsay, Yazmarr D.	MLA, Chairperson
Roland, Floyd K.	MLA, Minister
Villeneuve, Robert J.	MLA
Yakeleya, Norman S.	MLA

A number of Members are entitled to a deferred pension for positions (such as Minister or Chairperson) which they held in the past, but no longer hold. Appendix A summarizes these positions for each of the current Members.

Members who have held a position for less than one year are not vested in a pension for these positions. However, if they resume a position and complete, in aggregate, one year of service in the position, they will be entitled to a deferred pension. Therefore, Appendix A also tracks these non-vested positions.

### **Pensioners**

On March 31, 2007 there were thirty-three (33) prior members or survivors of prior members receiving monthly pensions from the RAA and thirty-three (33) from the SRAA, as outlined in Table 1.

On January 1 each year, pensions are increased to reflect changes in the cost of living as measured by the average Consumer Price Index to September 30 of the previous year. The January 1, 2007 increase was 2.23%.

Pages six (6) and seven (7) show the pensions payable as at April 1, 2007 to each Member under both the RAA and the SRAA. The table also shows the amount of pension each Member received in the twelve months from April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007.

Appendix B provides a history of annual pension increases.

# $Membership\ Information\ ({\tt continued})$

		FOR PRE -1992 RAA BENEFIT AND PRE- 4/1/1996 SRAA BENEFIT			FOR POST-1991 RAA BENEFIT AND POST- 4/1/1996 SRAA BENEFIT		
Pensioner	Date of Retirement	Form of Pension	G'tee	% to Spouse	Form of Pension	G'tee	% to Spouse
Allen, Roger	1-Nov-2004	n/a	n/a	n/a	J	5	66.7
Allooloo, Titus S.	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Antoine, James L.	1-Dec-2003	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Appaqaq, Moses <sup>2</sup>	1-Jan-1995	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Arlooktoo, Joe	1-Nov-1991	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ballantyne, Michael Allan	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Butters, Thomas H.	1-Nov-1991	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cournoyea, Nellie Joy	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Curley, Tagak <sup>2</sup>	1-Oct-1993	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Elias, Betty M. (spouse)	01-Dec-03	n/a	n/a	n/a	S	0	0
Fraser, Ellen (spouse)	1-Dec-1983	S	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Gargan, Samuel	1-Jan-2000	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Irniq, Peter	1-Dec-1991	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Kakfwi, Stephen	1-Dec-2003	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Kilabuk, Nellie A. (spouse)	1-Nov-1991	S	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lafferty, Leon	1-Dec-2003	n/a	n/a	n/a	J	5	66.7
Lewis, Brian W.	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
MacQuarrie, Robert H.	1-May-1990	S	15	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Marie-Jewell, Jeannie	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
McCallum, Arnold J.	1-Nov-1987	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
McLaughlin, Bruce A.	1-Nov-1991	S	10	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Morin, Donald A.	1-Jan-2000	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nerysoo, Richard William	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Ng, Kelvin	1-Apr-1999	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Ningark, John	1-Aug-1999	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Ootes, Jake J.	1-Dec-2003	n/a	n/a	n/a	J	5	66.7
Patterson, Dennis G.	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Pedersen, Asger Rye	1-Nov-1991	S	10	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pollard, John D.	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Pudluk, Ludy Kalluk	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
Rabesca, James <sup>2</sup>	1-Jan-2000	n/a	n/a	n/a	J	5	66.7
Searle, David H. <sup>2</sup>	1-Nov-1992	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Sibbeston, Nick G.	1-Nov-1992 1-Nov-1991	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a n/a
Steen, Vince R. 3	1-Nov-1991 1-Dec-2003	n/a	n/a	n/a	J J	n/a5	66.7
Todd, John H.		J J	11/a 0	75	J	<u>5</u>	66.7
,	1-Apr-1999						<del> </del>
Wah-Shee, James J. <sup>1, 2</sup>	1-Mar-1995	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Whitford, Anthony W. J.	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	S	10	0
Wray, Gordon Leslie	1-Feb-1992	J	0	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Zoe, Henry	1-Nov-1995	J	0	75	J	5	66.7
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These members have dependants but no spouse.
<sup>2</sup> These members are not entitled to a pension under the SRAA Plan.
<sup>3</sup> These members are no longer receiving a pension at March 31, 2007

#### **Deferred Vested Members**

The following member has left the Assembly and is entitled to a pension from the SRAA:

Name	Date of Termination	Monthly Unreduced Pension	Earliest Unreduced Retirement Date
Nitah, Steven	November 24, 2003	\$ 497.05	May 1, 2027

### **Non-Vested Terminated Members (Deferred Non-Vested)**

There are thirteen (13) former Members in total who left the Assembly before becoming eligible for a pension. They have not been re–elected for more than two Assemblies; therefore we have not shown details for these former Members. Such former Members who are re–elected must pay back to the RAA pension fund their contributions that were refunded when they left with interest in order to be reinstated in their previous service.

#### **Additional SRAA Payment**

Section 10.1 of the SRAA provides for a payment equal to 6.50% of a member's remuneration from the date they were first elected to March 31, 1996 plus interest for members who:

- a) Were first elected in the Thirteenth Assembly, or
- b) Were first elected in the Twelfth Assembly but had less then two years of service in the Twelfth Assembly.

The payment is payable when the member ceases to be a member. The accumulated entitlements at March 31, 2007 of the remaining four (4) members are summarized in the following table:

Name	Contribution Balance at March 31, 2007
Groenewegen, Jane M.	\$3,842.52
Krutko, David M.	\$4,313.46
Miltenberger, J. Michael	\$4,219.26
Roland, Floyd K.	\$3,895.72

#### **Maximum Benefit**

Section 20.1 of the Act states that the combined allowance payable under the RAA and the SRAA must not exceed, in total, 75% of the best average earnings of a member at retirement. There are currently no member(s) who will reach the 75% maximum in the next five years.

## **Asset Information**

#### **Retiring Allowances Act**

#### 1. Details of the Fund

The funds are currently held by CIBC Mellon and invested by UBS Global Asset Management and McLean Budden Investment Managers. The details of the fund between April 1, 2006 and March 31, 2007 are summarized below.

	\$
Market Value at April 1, 2006	19,929,779
Contributions	
Members' Regular Contributions	148,366
Assembly Contributions	0
Investment Income	1,928,728
Benefits	
• Pension Payments	(548,742)
• Lump Sum Payments	0
Fees	
• Investment Management Fees	(55,667)
• Administration Expenses	(24,399)
Actuarial Consulting Fees	(21,125)
Market Value at March 31, 2007	21,356,940
Amounts Payable and Receivable:	
Amounts Receivable	15,237
Amounts Payable	(16,555)
Adjusted Market Value at March 31, 2007	21,355,622

#### 2. Rate of Return

The fund earned a rate of return of 9.26% (net of all fees and expenses) during the fiscal year.

#### 3. Interest Credited on Contributions

The interest credited on required contributions by Members was 2.91% for the period April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007.

A history of interest rates credited on contributions appears in Appendix B.

## Asset Information (continued)

### **Supplementary Retiring Allowances Act**

#### 1. Details of the Fund

The assets of the SRAA form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and are held by CIBC Mellon and invested by UBS Global Asset Management and McLean Budden Investment Managers. They constitute assets of the Government, not the Assembly. The details of the fund between April 1, 2006 and March 31, 2007 are summarized below:

	\$
Market Value at April 1, 2006	26,564,044
Contributions	
Members' Regular Contributions	0
Assembly Contributions	0
Investment Income	2,387,310
Benefits	
• Pension Payments	(808,494)
• Lump Sum Payments	0
Fees	
• Investment Management Fees	(71,461)
Administration Expenses	(29,438)
Actuarial Consulting Fees	(21,409)
Market Value at March 31, 2007	28,020,553
Amounts Payable and Receivable:	
Amounts Receivable:	0
• Amounts Payable:	(13,251)
Adjusted Market Value at March 31, 2007	28,007,302

#### 2. Rate of Return

The fund earned a rate of return of 8.66% (net of all fees and expenses) during the fiscal year.

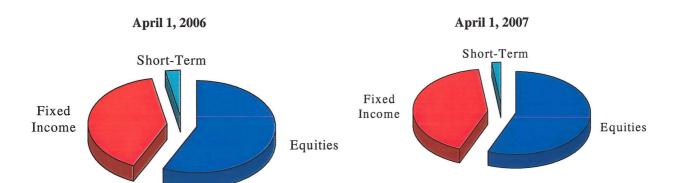
## Asset Information (continued)

### **Asset Mix**

The following is a summary of the asset mix of the RAA at April 1, 2006 and April 1, 2007

### **Retiring Allowances Act**

Assets	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2007
Equities	57%	56%
Fixed Income	40%	42%
Short-Term	<u>3%</u>	<u>2%</u>
Total	100%	100%



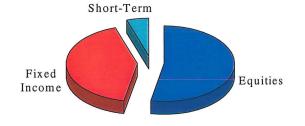
## Asset Information (continued)

The following is summary of the asset mix of the SRAA at April 1, 2006 and April 1, 2007

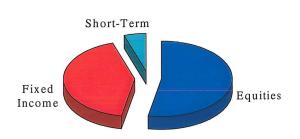
### **Supplementary Retiring Allowances Act**

Assets	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2007
Equities	55%	53%
Fixed Income	40%	42%
Short-Term	5%	<u>5%</u>
Total	100%	100%

April 1, 2006



**April 1, 2007** 



# **Appendix A — Summary of Positions**

Below is a history of the positions which the 19 Members have held and/or are currently holding.

Name	Position	Date in Position
Bell, Brendan R.	MLA	December 7, 1999 – present
•	Chairperson	January 23, 2000 – October 24, 2003
	Chairperson	November 5, 2001 – October 24, 2003
	Minister	December 12, 2003 – present
Braden, William A.	MLA	December 7, 1999 – present
Braden, William 11.	Chairperson	January 20, 2004 – present
Delorey, Paul A.	MLA	December 7, 1999 – present
Belorey, rum 71.	Deputy Chairperson	February 23, 2000 – October 24, 2003
	Chairperson	January 20, 2004 – June 4, 2004
	Speaker	June 5, 2004 – present
Dent, Charles A.	MLA	October 15, 1991 – present
Dent, Charles A.	Minister	November 23, 1995 – January 17, 2000
	Chairperson	January 23, 2000 – October 24, 2003
	Minister	December 12, 2003 – present
Groenewegen, Jane M.	MLA	October 16, 1995 – present
	Minister	January 18, 2000 – October 26, 2001
	Deputy Chairperson	December 13, 1995 – October 21, 1999
	Deputy Speaker	December 12, 2003 – present
	Chairperson	June 19, 2004 – present
Handley, Joseph L.	MILA	December 7, 1999 – present
	Minister	January 18, 2000 – December 10, 2003
	Premier	December 11, 2003 – present
Hawkins, Robert M.	MLA	November 25, 2003 – present
Krutko, David M.	MLA	October 16, 1995 – present
	Deputy Speaker	April 1, 1999 – October 21, 1999
	Chairperson	November 25, 1995 – October 21, 1999
	Deputy Speaker	February 23, 2000 – October 24, 2003
	Speaker	December 11, 2003 – June 4, 2004
	Minister	June 5, 2004 – present
Lafferty, Jackson	MLA	July 18, 2005 present
<b>3</b> .	Chairperson	October 24, 2006 – present
Lee, Sandy	MLA	December 7, 1999 – present
	Chairperson	January 20, 2004 – present
McLeod, Michael V.	MLA	December 7, 1999 – present
Wieleda, Wiellach V.	Minister	December 12, 2003 – present
McLeod, Robert C.	MLA	November 24, 2004 – present
Menicoche, Kevin A.	MLA	November 25, 2003 – present
Welledene, Revill A.	Chairperson	April 10, 2004 – October 23, 2006
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N M*14 1 N M* -11	Minister	October 24, 2006 – present
Miltenberger, J. Michael	MLA Chairmaraan	October 16, 1995 – present
	Chairperson	November 22, 1995 – March 29, 1999
	Minister	March 30, 1999 – January 17, 2000
	Chairperson	January 23, 2000 – November 2, 2001
	Minister	November 5, 2001 – October 19, 2006
Pokiak, Calvin P.	MLA	November 25, 2003 – present
	Deputy Chairperson	April 10, 2004 – present

# Appendix A — Summary of Positions (continued)

Name	Position	Date in Position	
Ramsay, Yazmarr D.	MLA	November 25, 2003 – present	
•	Chairperson	April 10, 2004 – present	
Roland, Floyd K.	MLA	October 16, 1995 – present	
·	Minister	December 14, 1998 – January 17, 2000	
	Chairperson	January 23, 2000 – October 24, 2003	
	Minister	December 12, 2003 – present	
Villeneuve, Robert J.	MLA	November 25, 2003 – present	
Yakeleya, Norman S.	MLA	November 25, 2003 – present	

# **Appendix B** — **Historical Interest Rates**

Below is a history of interest rates credited on required contributions and a history of cost-of-living increases that have been applied to pensions in payment.

Year Ending March 31	Interest on Required Contributions %	Pension Increase %
2007	2.91	2.23
2006	2.48	2.24
2005	2.78	1.69
2004	2.75	3.29
2003	3.71	1.57
2002	3.73	3.03
2001	4.92	2.55
2000	5.03	1.42
1999	4.22	0.96
1998	4.43	1.87
1997	5.17	1.57
1996	6.09	1.65
1995	7.51	0.64
1994	5.06	1.84
1993	6.25	2.07
1992	6.58	5.83
1991	8.10	4.83
1990	10.33	4.71
1989	<del>-</del>	4.06
1988	_	4.39
1987	_	4.14
1986	_	3.85
1985	_	4.56
1984	_	7.07
1983	_	11.45