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### INTRODUCTION VOLUME IV

The Public Accounts of the Province of New Brunswick are presented in five volumes.

Volume I contains the audited financial statements of the Provincial Reporting Entity as described in note 1 to the financial statements. They include a Statement of Financial Position, a Statement of Revenue and Expenditure, a Statement of Cash Flow and a Statement of Net Debt. This volume also contains the Auditor's Report, Statement of Responsibility and a variance analysis.

Volume II contains unaudited supplementary information to the Financial Statements presented in Volume I. It presents summary statements for revenue and expenditure as well as five-year comparative statements. This volume also contains detailed information on Supplementary Appropriations, Funded Debt, statements of the General Sinking Fund, Securities Held, and revenue and expenditure by government department (this includes salary, travel, vendor, grant and contribution, and loan disbursement listings).

Volume III contains the financial statements of those corporations, boards and commissions which are accountable for the administration of their financial affairs and resources to the Government or the Legislature of the Province. The Government or Legislature also has the power to control these organizations either through ownership or through legislative provisions.

This volume contains the financial statements of various trust funds which the Province administers as Trustee.

Volume V contains salary listings of certain government organizations, including Regional Health Authorities, New Brunswick Power Corporation and New Brunswick Liquor Corporation. The salary listings are for employees who received earnings during the year ended 31 December 2002 in excess of \$40,000.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

### Public Service Superannuation Plan

31 MARCH 2003

Office of the Auditor General Bureau du vérificateur général



### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Honourable Jeannot Volpé Minister of Finance Province of New Brunswick

I have audited the statement of net assets available for benefits of the Public Service Superannuation Plan as at 31 March 2003 and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's trustee. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plan's trustee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plan as at 31 March 2003 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Daryl C. Wilson, FCA Auditor General

Fredericton, N. B. 27 November 2003

# TRUST FUND NO. 4 PUBLIC SERVICE SUPERANNUATION PLAN STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS 31 MARCH 2003

	 Thousands			
	2003		2002	
ASSETS Investments (note 3)	\$ 2,753,510	\$	3,008,263	
Receivables Employee contributions Employer contributions	4,587 5,548		7,154 16,770	
	 10,135		23,924	
Total assets	 2,763,645		3,032,187	
LIABILITIES Accounts payable	970		960	
Total liabilities	 970		960	
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	 2,762,675	\$	3,031,227	

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

John Mallory

Deputy Minister of Finance

## TRUST FUND NO. 4 PUBLIC SERVICE SUPERANNUATION PLAN STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

		Thou	sands	
		2003		2002
INCREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment income (note 4)	\$	-	\$	98,987
Securities lending		101		98
Pension contributions				
Employee		50,631		47,300
Employer (note 5)		58,216		54,653
Transfers under reciprocal agreements		1,631		2,979
Total increase in assets		110,579		204,017
DECREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment loss (note 4)		220,234		-
Pensions		146,151		128,801
Refunds		5,371		3,914
Transfers under reciprocal agreements		577		2,074
Administrative expenses	,	2,179		2,074
Investment management fees		4,619		3,704
Harmonized Sales Tax (note 6)		-	<del></del>	869
Total decrease in assets	4,500	379,131		141,437
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		(268,552)		62,580
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		3,031,227		2,968,647
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR	\$	2,762,675	\$	3,031,227

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

### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Public Service Superannuation Plan is a summary only. For more information, reference should be made to the Public Service Superannuation Act.

### (a) General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan covering certain government employees and employees of certain boards, commissions, corporations and educational institutions as defined by the Act and its regulations. The Office of Human Resources administers the Plan.

### (b) Funding Policy

Under the Plan, the Plan members and the Plan sponsor make contributions. The determination of the value of benefits owed by the Plan is made on the basis of a triennial actuarial valuation (see note 7).

### (c) Service Pensions

For pensionable service after 31 August 1966, the basic pension benefit is 1.3% of the average annual salary during the highest paid continuous 5 year period up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) and 2% of the average annual salary above the YMPE multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service. Pension benefits are integrated in accordance with the average YMPE when the member attains age 65 regardless of when pension benefits commenced being paid. For pensionable service before 1 September 1966, the pension benefit is 2% of the average annual salary multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service. Pension benefits are indexed annually to a maximum of 5%.

Normal retirement age is 65. Unreduced pension benefits are available upon reaching age 60 with 5 years of pensionable service. Reduced benefits are available at age 55 with 5 years of pensionable service. The early reduction factor of 3% per year pro-rated is applied if retirement occurs at age 55 and before age 60.

### (d) Death Benefits

On the death of a member prior to completing 5 years of pensionable service, the benefit payable is a refund of the member's contributions with interest. An immediate pension equal to 50% of the member's pension, had they attained age 65, is payable to the surviving spouse or dependent children in the event of death of a member who has completed at least 5 years of pensionable service.

### (e) Benefits on Termination

In the event of termination of employment for reasons other than retirement, death or disability a member may receive either a refund of his/her own contributions to the Plan with interest or a deferred annuity commencing when the member attains retirement age. To be eligible for a deferred annuity the member must have 5 or more years of pensionable service to his/her credit at his/her date of termination of employment.

### (f) Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to income taxes.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) Basis of Presentation

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and present the aggregate financial position of the Plan as a financial reporting entity independent of the plan sponsors and plan members. These statements are prepared to assist plan members and others in reviewing the activities of the Plan for the fiscal period, but they do not portray the funding requirements of the Plan or the benefit security of individual plan members.

### (b) Investments

On 1 April 1998, the assets of the Public Service Superannuation Fund were transferred to unit trust funds established by the New Brunswick Investment Management Corporation (NBIMC).

All investments of the Plan are represented by holdings of units of the unit trust funds. The total value is based on the calculated net asset value multiplied by the number of units held.

Investments are valued at their fair value as of the date of the financial statements. For securities listed on an exchange, fair value is the closing price listed on the exchange. If no closing price is available, the average of the latest bid and ask prices is used. Securities not listed on an exchange are valued based on a quotation service from a recognized dealer. Investments in money market instruments are reported at cost, which approximates market value. Investments denominated in a foreign currency are translated into their Canadian dollar equivalents at the year-end exchange rate.

### (c) Revenue Recognition

All investment transactions are recognized as of their trade date. Interest income and dividend income have been accrued at year-end. Transactions denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate prevailing at the time of the transaction.

Derivative products such as foreign exchange contracts, futures and swaps are recorded at the value the unit trust funds would have paid or received had the contract been terminated at the year-end date. The resulting gain or loss is included in investment income.

Both realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in investment income.

### 3. Investments

### (a) Trustee

The assets of the Public Service Superannuation Plan are held in trust by NBIMC. NBIMC was appointed as trustee on 11 March 1996 by an Act of the New Brunswick Legislature which bears its name (NBIMC Act) and assumed responsibility for the management of the Plan's assets effective 1 April 1996.

### 3. Investments (continued)

### (b) Investments

There are currently 13 unit trust funds, each with a specific investment mandate. The unit trust funds are established pursuant to a Unit Trust Declaration made by the NBIMC on 1 April 1998. Each fund is an openend, unincorporated trust, governed by the laws of the Province of New Brunswick.

Following is a description of each unit trust fund in existence during the year ended March 31, 2003:

### Nominal Bond:

Invests primarily in investment grade bonds (a minimum of triple-B rated by a major rating agency) of G-7 countries and Canadian provinces paying a nominal rate of interest. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital All Government Index, over a four-year moving average.

New Brunswick Fixed Income Opportunity:

Invests primarily in fixed income issues to finance economic activity in New Brunswick. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital All Government Index, over a four-year moving average.

### Inflation Linked Securities:

Invests primarily in fixed income instruments of G-7 countries that are adjusted for inflation. The return objective is to add 10 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital Real Return Bond Index, over a four-year moving average.

### Money Market:

Invests primarily in fixed income securities having a maturity of less than one year. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, which is calculated as 80% of the Scotia Capital 91-Day Treasury Bill Index and 20% of the Call Loan Rate.

### Allocation Equity International:

This fund is used to implement asset allocation decisions and diversify equity investments by participating in the equity markets of U.S., Japan and developed European countries. It gains exposure to these markets by using derivative products such as futures, options and swaps, as well as investing in pooled funds of index products managed by an external manager. Leverage on derivative products is avoided by ensuring each derivative product is supported by an appropriate value of short-term investments. This fund is also used to implement quantitative long-short strategies on the U.S. equity markets.

### Allocation Equity Domestic:

This fund is used to implement asset allocation decisions by investing in the Canadian equity market. Its primary investments are derivative products such as futures, options and swaps. Leverage is avoided by ensuring each derivative product is supported by an appropriate value of short-term investments.

### 3. Investments (continued)

New Brunswick and Atlantic Canada Equity Opportunity:

This fund invests in public and private equities or instruments convertible into equities of New Brunswick and Atlantic Canada companies. The return objective is to add 80 basis points to its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite, over a four-year moving average.

### Canadian Equity:

Investments are selected primarily from the top 120 companies on the Toronto Stock Exchange. The return objective is to add 80 basis points to its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite, over a four-year moving average.

### TSE Small-Cap:

Managed by an external manager, this fund invests primarily in the bottom 180 companies of the S&P/TSX Composite. The return objective is to exceed the performance of its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Small-Cap Index, by 100 basis points.

### Private Equity:

This fund is managed by external managers that invest primarily in non-publicly traded securities of U.S. and European companies. The return objective is to exceed the performance of its benchmark, a blend of the S&P 500, FTSE-100, DAX, CAC-40 and MIB-30 total return indices, by 300 basis points over a four-year moving average.

### U.S. Real Estate:

This fund is managed by an external manager that invests primarily in publicly traded securities of U.S. Real Estate Investment Trusts. The return objective is to add 150 basis points to the NAREIT® Equity Index.

### Public Equity:

This fund is managed by external managers. As of March 31, 2002 two managers were in place, with each having a 50% allocation of total assets. One manager, whose mandate remains in place, invests primarily in U.S. publicly-traded companies and has a return objective of 200 basis points above the S&P 500 Total Return index. The mandate of the second manager had been to invest primarily in European publicly-traded companies and had a return objective of 200 basis points above its benchmark, an equal blend of the total return indices for the FTSE-100, DAX, CAC-40 and MIB-30 indices. On January 7, 2003, this mandate was terminated.

### Student Investment:

This fund is managed by students at the University of New Brunswick who are registered in the Student Investment Fund Program. Its initial base was \$1 million and is to be invested using the same philosophy as that used by NBIMC. The overall benchmark for this fund is composed of 50% S&P/TSX 60, 45% Scotia Capital All Government Index and 5% Scotia Capital 91-Day Treasury Bill Index. The activities of this fund are closely monitored by NBIMC staff who execute and process all transactions on behalf of the students.

### 3. Investments (continued)

The following table reflects the holdings of the Public Service Superannuation Plan in the unit trust funds for which NBIMC is trustee.

		Thousands		
	Units	Unit Value	2003 Amount	2002 Amount
Fixed Income:				
Nominal Bond	643,652 \$	1,276 \$	821,053 \$	893,811
New Brunswick				
Fixed Income Opportunity _	18,629	1,392	25,933	21,480
			846,986	915,291
Inflation Linked Securities	208,635	1,529	319,076	349,727
Money Market	86,575	1,199	103,774	147,040
	4		1,269,836	1,412,058
Equities:				
Allocation Equity International	609,694	747	455,531	427,924
Allocation Equity Domestic	64,259	1,140	73,267	43,784
New Brunswick and Atlantic				
Canada Equity Opportunity	24,778	1,114	27,597	30,411
Canadian Equity	757,470	905	685,742	773,646
TSE Small-Cap	67,977	1,003	68,168	85,710
Private Equity	138,513	590	81,737	90,378
U.S. Real Estate	45,386	1,202	54,562	62,875
Public Equity	53,571	681	36,474	80,850
			1,483,078	1,595,578
Balanced:				
Student Investment	485	1,227	596	627
· •		\$	2,753,510 \$	3,008,263

### (c) Risk Management

Rates of return vary based on the degree of uncertainty. The fundamental sources of uncertainty to which investments are exposed are credit risk and price risk. Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Price risk is comprised of currency risk, interest rate risk and market risk. Currency risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate due to future changes in foreign exchange rates. Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate due to future changes in market interest rates. Market risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of future changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual security or its issuer or factors affecting all securities traded in the market.

### 3. Investments (continued)

Risk is reduced through asset class diversification, diversification within each asset class, quality constraints on fixed income instruments and restrictions by limiting most investments to G-7 countries. Borrowing or leveraging is not allowed. Controls are in place respecting the use of derivatives. Forward foreign exchange contracts are used to manage currency exposure in connection with securities purchased in foreign currency.

### 4. Investment Income

The following table reflects the investment income of the Public Service Superannuation Fund in each of the unit trust funds for which NBIMC is trustee for the year ended 31 March 2003.

	Thousands							
		Interest		Dividends	(0	rrent Period Increase/ Decrease) in arket Value		Total
Fixed Income:								
Nominal Bond	\$	50,753	\$	-	\$	29,930	\$	80,683
New Brunswick								
Fixed Income Opportunity		1,737		<b>1</b>		1,144	\$	2,881
		52,490		-		31,074	\$	83,564
Inflation Linked Securities		11,847		-		50,242	\$	62,089
Money Market		3,953		-		(251)	\$	3,702
•		68,290		-		81,065	\$	149,355
Equities:								
Allocation Equity International		12,167		(30)		(168,426)	\$	(156,289)
Allocation Equity Domestic		1,746		- '		(11,187)	\$	(9,441)
New Brunswick and Atlantic		,		5.		, , ,		, ,
Canada Equity Opportunity		229		502		(4,498)	\$	(3,767)
Canadian Equity		3,244		29		(140,192)	\$	(136,919)
TSE Small-Cap		12		1,051		(14,728)	\$	(13,665)
Private Equity		2,046		-		(30,100)	\$	(28,054)
U.S. Real Estate		15		3,585		(2,556)	\$	1,044
Public Equity		28		702		(23,197)	\$	(22,467)
·		19,487		5,839		(394,884)	\$	(369,558)
Balanced:				-,		(,,	•	(,,
Student Investment		18		6		(55)	\$	(31)
Total - 2003	\$	87,795	\$	5,845	\$	(313,874)	\$	(220,234)
Total - 2002	\$	97,592	\$	7,219	\$	(5,824)	\$	98,987

### 5. Pension Contributions from Employers

Pension contributions from employers are as follows:

	Thousands			
		2003		2002
Province of New Brunswick	\$	32,776	\$	31,442
New Brunswick Power Corporation		11,914		10,579
University of New Brunswick		2,681		2,466
Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission		1,493		1,305
New Brunswick Liquor Corporation		978		928
Other		8,374		7,933
	\$	58,216	\$	54,653

### 6. Harmonized Sales Tax

After extensive discussions between NBIMC and the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency, it was determined that NBIMC was obligated to collect and remit Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) on the fees it charges to the pension funds under its trusteeship. As a result, NBIMC voluntarily collected and remitted HST to Canada Customs and Revenue Agency for the years 1996 to 2001 during 2002. This amount is reported as a separate item on the statement of changes in net assets for 2002. HST related to the fiscal years ending March 31, 2002 and March 31, 2003 has been included under the caption "Investment management fees" on the statement of changes in net assets.

### 7. Funding Policy

Employees are required to contribute 5.8% of their earnings, up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) under the Canada Pension Plan Act, plus 7.5% on earnings above the YMPE. The employer is required to contribute an amount necessary in the opinion of an actuary, which when combined with employee contributions will fund current service costs.

The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was prepared by Morneau Sobeco, a firm of consulting actuaries, as of 1 April 2002. This valuation disclosed an unfunded liability of \$281,602,000. As a result, the Consolidated Fund and certain government agencies will resume making special payments into the Public Service Superannuation Fund in the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004.

These special payments are pursuant to the Public Service Superannuation Act, which states that the Consolidated Fund and certain government agencies are to pay an amount into the Public Service Superannuation Fund that is in addition to the employer contribution for current service costs. The special payment amounts are to be paid in each fiscal year until the benefits under the Act are fully funded as determined by an actuarial valuation. Since the April 1, 2000 actuarial valuation disclosed a surplus of \$330 million, the Consolidated Fund and certain government agencies ceased making special payments as of April 1, 2000.

### 7. Funding Policy (continued)

The estimated amount of special payments to be made in the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004 is approximately \$47.4 million.

### 8. Obligation for Pension Benefits

The present value of accrued benefits was determined using the projected unit credit method pro-rated on service and actuarial assumptions which reflect management's best estimate for the future. An actuarial valuation was made as of 1 April 2003 by Morneau Sobeco.

Significant long-term assumptions and the range of short-term assumptions used in the valuation are:

	Long-term Assumptions	Short-term Assumptions
Rate of return on assets	7.9%	7.9%
Annual wage and salary increase	4.0% plus promotional increase between 0.2% and 1.0%	2.0% to 4.0%
Inflation Rate of pension escalation after retirement (Actives and pensioners who retired on or	3.5%	3.5%
after May 1, 1995) (Pensioners who retired prior to May 1, 1995	3.3%	2.0% to 3.3%
and for UNB faculty)	3.4%	2.0% to 3.4%

The actuarial present value of benefits as at 31 March and the principal components of changes in actuarial present values during the year were as follows:

		(in mi	llions)	
		2003	-	2002
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits				
at beginning of year	\$	3,066.13	\$	2,830.89
Interest accrued on benefits		240.33		222.16
Benefits accrued		104.10		97.37
Benefits paid		(152.10)		(134.79)
Experience loss (gain)	·	39.15		50.50
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits at end of year	\$	3,297.61	\$	3,066.13
Net assets available for benefits	\$	2,762.67	\$	3,031.20

### 9. Investments in Plan Sponsor

As at 31 March 2003, the Public Service Superannuation Plan held:

- 51% of the total nominal bond unit trust fund of \$1,598,461,388. Of this total, \$41,633,475 consisted
  of Province of New Brunswick and Province of New Brunswick guaranteed securities.
- 52% of the total \$198,190,000 in the Money Market Fund. Of this total, \$9,884,000 consisted of short term Province of New Brunswick guaranteed securities.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN

31 MARCH 2003

Office of the Auditor General Bureau du vérificateur général



### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Honourable Jeannot Volpé Minister of Finance Province of New Brunswick

I have audited the statement of net assets available for benefits of the Teachers' Pension Plan as at 31 March 2003 and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's trustee. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plan's trustee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plan as at 31 March 2003 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Daryl C. Wilson, FCA Auditor General

Fredericton, N. B. 27 November 2003

# TRUST FUND NO. 7 TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS 31 MARCH 2003

	 Thousands			
	2003		2002	
ASSETS Investments (note 3)	\$ 2,506,691	\$	2,791,760	
Receivables Employee contributions Employer contributions	3,860 2,991		4,791 781	
	 6,851		5,572	
Total assets	 2,513,542		2,797,332	
LIABILITIES Accounts payable	650		985	
Total liabilities	 650		985	
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 2,512,892	\$	2,796,347	

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

John Mallory

Deputy Minister of Finance

## TRUST FUND NO. 7 TEACHERS' PENSION PLAN STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

		Thou	sands	
		2003		2002
INCREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment income (note 4)	\$	-	\$	94,797
Securities lending		93		92
Pension contributions				
Employee		35,186		35,772
Employer		30,935		29,913
Transfers under reciprocal agreements		992		, 933
Total increase in assets		67,206		161,507
DECREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment loss (note 4)		180,912		-
Pensions		161,952		148,931
Refunds		1,252		1,927
Transfers under reciprocal agreements		1,064		168
Administrative expenses		1,234		1,177
Investment management fees		4,247		3,481
Harmonized Sales Tax (note 5)		-		834
Total decrease in assets	<del></del>	350,661		156,518
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		(283,455)		4,989
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		2,796,347		2,791,358
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR	\$	2,512,892	\$	2,796,347

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

### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Teachers' Pension Plan is a summary only. For more information, reference should be made to the Teachers' Pension Act.

### (a) General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan covering teachers as defined by the Act and its regulations. The Office of Human Resources administers the Plan.

### (b) Funding Policy

Under the Plan, the Plan members and the Plan sponsor make contributions. The determination of the value of benefits owed by the Plan is made on the basis of a triennial actuarial valuation (see note 6).

### (c) Service Pensions

For pensionable service after 31 August 1966, the basic pension benefit is 1.3% of the average annual salary during the highest paid continuous 5 year period up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) and 2% of the average annual salary above the YMPE multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service. Pension benefits are integrated in accordance with the average YMPE when the member attains age 65 regardless of when pension benefits commenced being paid. Pension benefits are indexed annually to a maximum of 4.75%.

For pensionable service before 1 September 1966, the pension benefit is 2.14% of the average annual salary during the highest paid continuous 5 year period multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service.

Employees are eligible for pension benefits when the sum of their age and completed years of pensionable service is 87 or more, they have a minimum of 35 years of pensionable service, or at age 65 with 5 years of pensionable service, or at age 60 with 20 years of pensionable service. Reduced benefits are available when the age and service total is 80, or at age 60 with 5 years of service.

### (d) Disability Pensions

A member who has at least 5 years of pensionable service at the date of becoming disabled is entitled to an immediate pension on retirement because of disability.

### (e) Death Benefits

On the death of an active member prior to completing 5 years of pensionable service, the benefit payable is a refund of the member's contributions with interest. In the event of death of an active member who has completed at least 5 years of pensionable service, the normal form of pension, equal to 50% of what the member would have received had they attained age 65, is payable to the surviving spouse. If there is no spouse but there is a child, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 19. If the child is in full-time attendance at an educational institution, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 25 or when the child ceases to be in full-time attendance at the educational institution, whichever occurs first.

### 1. Description of Plan (continued)

If a member dies after retirement, and the member had a surviving spouse at the time of retirement and elected a higher spousal benefit, the amount payable is in accordance with the option chosen at retirement (e.g. 60%, 66 2/3%, 75% or 100%). These options are only available to the spouse who is a spouse at the date the annual pension commences to be paid at the time of the members' retirement. If there is no spouse but there is a child, the normal form of survivor pension (50% of benefit payable at members age 65) is paid in respect of the child until age 19. If the child is in full-time attendance at an educational institution, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 25 or when the child ceases to be in full-time attendance at the educational institution, whichever occurs first.

### (f) Benefits on Termination

In the event of termination of employment for reasons other than retirement, death or disability, a member may receive either a refund of his/her own contributions to the Plan with interest or a deferred pension if vested.

### (g) Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to income taxes.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) Basis of Presentation

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and present the aggregate financial position of the Plan as a financial reporting entity independent of the plan sponsors and plan members. These statements are prepared to assist plan members and others in reviewing the activities of the Plan for the fiscal period, but they do not portray the funding requirements of the Plan or the benefit security of individual plan members.

### (b) Investments

On 1 April 1998, the assets of the Teachers' Pension Fund were transferred to unit trust funds established by the New Brunswick Investment Management Corporation (NBIMC).

All investments of the Plan are represented by holdings of units of the unit trust funds. The total value is based on the calculated net asset value multiplied by the number of units held.

Investments are valued at their fair value as of the date of the financial statements. For securities listed on an exchange, fair value is the closing price listed on the exchange. If no closing price is available, the average of the latest bid and ask prices is used. Securities not listed on an exchange are valued based on a quotation service from a recognized dealer. Investments in money market instruments are reported at cost, which approximates market value. Investments denominated in a foreign currency are translated into their Canadian dollar equivalents at the year-end exchange rate.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (c) Revenue Recognition

All investment transactions are recognized as of their trade date. Interest income and dividend income have been accrued at year-end. Transactions denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate prevailing at the time of the transaction.

Derivative products such as foreign exchange contracts, futures and swaps are recorded at the value the unit trust funds would have paid or received had the contract been terminated at the year-end date. The resulting gain or loss is included in investment income.

Both realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in investment income.

### 3. Investments

### (a) Trustee

The assets of the Teachers' Pension Plan are held in trust by NBIMC. NBIMC was appointed as trustee on 11 March 1996 by an Act of the New Brunswick Legislature which bears its name (NBIMC Act) and assumed responsibility for the management of the Plan's assets effective 1 April 1996.

### (b) Investments

There are currently 13 unit trust funds, each with a specific investment mandate. The unit trust funds are established pursuant to a Unit Trust Declaration made by the NBIMC on 1 April 1998. Each fund is an openend, unincorporated trust, governed by the laws of the Province of New Brunswick.

Following is a description of each unit trust fund in existence during the year ended March 31, 2003:

### Nominal Bond:

Invests primarily in investment grade bonds (a minimum of triple-B rated by a major rating agency) of G-7 countries and Canadian provinces paying a nominal rate of interest. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital All Government Index, over a four-year moving average.

New Brunswick Fixed Income Opportunity:

Invests primarily in fixed income issues to finance economic activity in New Brunswick. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital All Government Index, over a four-year moving average.

### Inflation Linked Securities:

Invests primarily in fixed income instruments of G-7 countries that are adjusted for inflation. The return objective is to add 10 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital Real Return Bond Index, over a four-year moving average.

### 3. Investments (continued)

### Money Market:

Invests primarily in fixed income securities having a maturity of less than one year. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, which is calculated as 80% of the Scotia Capital 91-Day Treasury Bill Index and 20% of the Call Loan Rate.

### Allocation Equity International:

This fund is used to implement asset allocation decisions and diversify equity investments by participating in the equity markets of U.S., Japan and developed European countries. It gains exposure to these markets by using derivative products such as futures, options and swaps, as well as investing in pooled funds of index products managed by an external manager. Leverage on derivative products is avoided by ensuring each derivative product is supported by an appropriate value of short-term investments. This fund is also used to implement quantitative long-short strategies on the U.S. equity markets.

### Allocation Equity Domestic:

This fund is used to implement asset allocation decisions by investing in the Canadian equity market. Its primary investments are derivative products such as futures, options and swaps. Leverage is avoided by ensuring each derivative product is supported by an appropriate value of short-term investments.

New Brunswick and Atlantic Canada Equity Opportunity:

This fund invests in public and private equities or instruments convertible into equities of New Brunswick and Atlantic Canada companies. The return objective is to add 80 basis points to its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite, over a four-year moving average.

### Canadian Equity:

Investments are selected primarily from the top 120 companies on the Toronto Stock Exchange. The return objective is to add 80 basis points to its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite, over a four-year moving average.

### TSE Small-Cap:

Managed by an external manager, this fund invests primarily in the bottom 180 companies of the S&P/TSX Composite. The return objective is to exceed the performance of its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Small-Cap Index, by 100 basis points.

### Private Equity:

This fund is managed by external managers that invest primarily in non-publicly traded securities of U.S. and European companies. The return objective is to exceed the performance of its benchmark, a blend of the S&P 500, FTSE-100, DAX, CAC-40 and MIB-30 total return indices, by 300 basis points over a four-year moving average.

### 3. Investments (continued)

### U.S. Real Estate:

This fund is managed by an external manager that invests primarily in publicly traded securities of U.S. Real Estate Investment Trusts. The return objective is to add 150 basis points to the NAREIT® Equity Index.

### Public Equity:

This fund is managed by external managers. As of March 31, 2002 two managers were in place, with each having a 50% allocation of total assets. One manager, whose mandate remains in place, invests primarily in U.S. publicly-traded companies and has a return objective of 200 basis points above the S&P 500 Total Return index. The mandate of the second manager had been to invest primarily in European publicly-traded companies and had a return objective of 200 basis points above its benchmark, an equal blend of the total return indices for the FTSE-100, DAX, CAC-40 and MIB-30 indices. On January 7, 2003, this mandate was terminated.

### Student Investment:

This fund is managed by students at the University of New Brunswick who are registered in the Student Investment Fund Program. Its initial base was \$1 million and is to be invested using the same philosophy as that used by NBIMC. The overall benchmark for this fund is composed of 50% S&P/TSX 60, 45% Scotia Capital All Government Index and 5% Scotia Capital 91-Day Treasury Bill Index. The activities of this fund are closely monitored by NBIMC staff who execute and process all transactions on behalf of the students.

### 3. Investments (continued)

The following table reflects the holdings of the Teachers' Pension Plan in the unit trust funds for which NBIMC is trustee.

			Thousands			
	Units	Unit Value		2003 Amount		2002 Amount
Fixed Income:						
Nominal Bond	605,750	\$1,276	\$	772,704	\$	857,671
New Brunswick						
Fixed Income Opportunity	16,961	1,392		23,611		19,944
				796,315		877,615
Inflation Linked Securities	206,552	1,529		315,891		352,587
Money Market	78,173	1,199		93,702		135,400
•				1,205,908		1,365,602
Equities:						
Allocation Equity International	521,699	747		389,786		369,434
Allocation Equity Domestic	58,505	1,140		66,706		40,658
New Brunswick and Atlantic						
Canada Equity Opportunity	22,559	1,114		25,126		28,236
Canadian Equity	664,112	905		601,224		693,248
TSE Small-Cap	59,826	1,003		59,995		76,546
Private Equity	126,102	590		74,413		83,907
U.S. Real Estate	41,322	1,202		49,676		58,379
Public Equity	48,774	681		33,208		75,068
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				1,300,134		1,425,476
Balanced:						
Student Investment	528	1,227		649		682
			\$	2,506,691	\$	2,791,760

### (c) Risk Management

Rates of return vary based on the degree of uncertainty. The fundamental sources of uncertainty to which investments are exposed are credit risk and price risk. Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Price risk is comprised of currency risk, interest rate risk and market risk. Currency risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate due to future changes in foreign exchange rates. Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate due to future changes in market interest rates. Market risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of future changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual security or its issuer or factors affecting all securities traded in the market. Risk is reduced through asset class diversification, diversification within each asset class, quality constraints on fixed income instruments and restrictions by limiting most investments to G-7 countries.

### 3. Investments (continued)

Borrowing or leveraging is not allowed. Controls are in place respecting the use of derivatives. Forward foreign exchange contracts are used to manage currency exposure in connection with securities purchased in foreign currency.

### 4. Investment Income

The following table reflects the investment income of the Teachers' Pension Plan in each of the unit trust funds for which NBIMC is trustee for the year ended 31 March 2003.

		Thousands						
	Interest		Dividends (D			rent Period Increase/ ecrease) in arket Value	Total	
Fixed Income:								
Nominal Bond	\$	47,764	\$		\$	29,098 \$	76,862	
New Brunswick								
Fixed Income Opportunity		1,581		-		1,073	2,654	
		49,345		-		30,171	79,516	
Inflation Linked Securities		11,728		-		50,245	61,973	
Money Market		3,569		-		(179)	3,390	
•	•	64,642		-		80,237	144,879	
Equities:								
Allocation Equity International		10,411		(26)		(144,332)	(133,947)	
Allocation Equity Domestic		1,590		-		(10,308)	(8,718)	
New Brunswick and Atlantic								
Canada Equity Opportunity		208		457		(4,153)	(3,488)	
Canadian Equity		2,845		26		(124,704)	(121,833)	
TSE Small-Cap		10		925		(13,047)	(12,112)	
Private Equity		1,863		-		(27,753)	(25,890)	
U.S. Real Estate		13		3,264		(2,324)	953	
Public Equity		25		639		(21,387)	(20,723)	
		16,965		5,285		(348,008)	(325,758)	
Balanced:							4>	
Student Investment		20		7		(60)	(33)	
Total - 2003	\$	81,627	\$	5,292	\$	(267,831) \$	(180,912)	
Total - 2002	\$	91,670	\$	6,641	\$	(3,514) \$	94,797	

### 5. Harmonized Sales Tax

After extensive discussions between NBIMC and the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency, it was determined that NBIMC was obligated to collect and remit Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) on the fees it charges to the pension funds under its trusteeship. As a result, NBIMC voluntarily collected and remitted HST to Canada Customs and Revenue Agency for the years 1996 to 2001 during 2002. This amount is reported as a separate item on the statement of changes in net assets for 2002. HST related to the fiscal years ending March 31, 2002 and March 31, 2003 has been included under the caption "Investment management fees" on the statement of changes in net assets.

### 6. Funding Policy

Employees are required to contribute 7.3% of their earnings to YMPE plus 9% of earnings above the YMPE. The employer makes contributions equal to the employee contributions.

The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was prepared by Morneau Sobeco, a firm of consulting actuaries, as of 1 April 2000. This valuation disclosed a surplus of \$221,127,000.

### 7. Obligation for Pension Benefits

The present value of accrued benefits was determined using the projected unit credit method pro-rated on service and actuarial assumptions which reflect management's best estimate for the future. An actuarial valuation was made as of 1 April 2003 by Morneau Sobeco.

Significant long-term assumptions and the range of short-term assumptions used in the valuation are:

	Long-term Assumptions	Short-term Assumptions
Rate of return on assets	7.9%	7.9%
Annual wage and salary increase	4.0% plus promotional increase between 0.25% and 1.5%	2.0% to 4.0%
Inflation	3.5%	3.5%
Rate of pension escalation after retirement (Actives and pensioners who retired on or		
after May 1, 1995)	3.2%	2.0% to 3.2%
(Pensioners who retired prior to May 1, 1995)	3.4%	2.0% to 3.4%

The actuarial present value of benefits as at 31 March and the principal components of changes in actuarial present values during the year were as follows:

### 7. Obligation for Pension Benefits (continued)

	(in millions)			
		2003	2002	
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits				
at beginning of year	\$	2,932.18	\$	2,759.63
Interest accrued on benefits		227.82		214.81
Benefits accrued		67.44		69.95
Benefits paid		(164.27)		(151.03)
Change in assumptions		28.70		-
Experience loss (gain)		26.86		38.82
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits at end of year	\$	3,118.73	\$	2,932.18
Net assets available for benefits	_\$_	2,512.89	\$	2,796.35

### 8. Investments in Plan Sponsor

As at 31 March 2003, the Teachers' Pension Plan held:

- 48% of the total nominal bond unit trust fund of \$1,598,461,388. Of this total, \$41,633,475 consisted
  of Province of New Brunswick and Province of New Brunswick guaranteed securities.
- 47% of the total \$198,190,000 in the Money Market Fund. Of this total, \$9,884,000 consisted of short term Province of New Brunswick guaranteed securities.

# TRUST FUND NO. 8 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 8 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

ASSETS		2003		2002
Current:				
Cash	\$		\$	31,561
Short term investments				900,000
Receivable from Assumption Mutual Life				
Insurance Company				345,561
Accrued interest receivable		350		2,754
		350		1,279,876
Investments				150,000
Deferred Charges:				
Unamortized premiums less discounts	_	250	_	(161)
	\$	350	\$	1,429,715
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	350	\$	
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Fund equity				1,429,715
	\$	350	\$	1,429,715
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.  STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY				
(unaudited)				
for the year ended 31 March 2003				
		2003		2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$	1,429,715	\$	2,784,992
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Add:		1 422		1 206
Bank interest		1,433		1,386
		38,573 5,659		47,220
Net gain on disposal of investments.				(726)
Amortization of premiums less discounts		119		(726)
Group Insurance refund (deficiency)		15 701		(1,403,157) (1,255,277)
Deduct:		45,784		(1,355,277)
Rate stabilization expenditures		1,475,499		
Fund equity at end of year	\$		\$	1,429,715

### TRUST FUND NO. 8 GROUP INSURANCE TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The Group Insurance Trust Fund is held in trust by the Minister of Finance. The Fund is used as a rate stabilization fund by charging or crediting annual plan deficits or surpluses to the Fund. The Fund is also used for special purpose expenditures.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### a) Basis of Accounting

Bank interest and interest earned on investments are reported on the statement of activity on the accrual basis.

### b) Investments

Investments in bonds and debentures are reported on the statement of financial position at par value. Unamortized discounts are reported separately on the statement as deferred credits. Short term deposits are recorded on the statement of financial position at cost.

### c) Discounts

Discounts are deferred and amortized to income on a constant yield basis over the remaining life of the related security.

# TRUST FUND NO. 9 MENTAL HEALTH TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 9 MENTAL HEALTH TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

ASSETS	2003		2002
Current:			
Cash	\$ 93,452	\$	28,896
Short term deposits	, -	•	300,000
Accrued interest receivable	12,468		9,103
	 105,920		337,999
Investments (market value \$703,771) (Note 3)	663,000		418,000
Unamortized premiums less discounts	24,477		2,488
	\$ 793,397	\$	758,487
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Fund equity	\$ 793,397	\$	758,487
	\$ 793,397	\$	758,487
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.			
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY			
(unaudited)			
for the year ended 31 March 2003			
	2003		2002
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	2003	2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 758,487	\$ 717,679
Add:		
Bank interest	1,406	6,870
Interest earned on investments	33,828	34,779
	35,234	41,649
Deduct:		
Amortization of premiums less discounts	324	841
Fund equity at end of year	\$ 793,397	\$ 758,487

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO.9 MENTAL HEALTH TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

Treasury Board Minute 77-140 directed that the bequest to the Province from the Estate of Caroline deLancy Torrie be held in a Trust Fund to be administered by the Department of Finance. As stipulated in the will, the funds are to be used for the treatment, by psychoanalysis, of deserving New Brunswickers.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### a) Basis of Accounting

Bank interest and interest earned on investments are reported on the statement of activity on the accrual basis.

### b) Investments

Investments in bonds and debentures are reported on the statement of financial position at par value. Unamortized premiums less discounts are reported separately on the statement as deferred charges. Short term deposits are recorded on the statement of financial position at cost.

### c) Discounts and Premiums

Discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized to income on a constant yield basis over the remaining life of the related security.

### 3. Investments

Value of the investments at 31 March 2003 is as follows:

	Par	Net Book	Market
	Value	Value	Value
Bonds and debentures issued or guaranteed by New Brunswick	\$203,000	\$201,491	\$212,353
	460,000	485,986	491,418
	\$663,000	\$687,477	\$703,771



### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

### Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans

31 MARCH 2003

Office of the Auditor General Bureau du vérificateur général



### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Honourable Jeannot Volpé Minister of Finance Province of New Brunswick

I have audited the statement of net assets available for benefits of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans as at 31 March 2003 and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plans' trustee. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plans' trustee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plans as at 31 March 2003 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Daryl C. Wilson, FCA Auditor General

Fredericton, N. B. 27 November 2003

## TRUST FUND NO. 10 PROVINCIAL COURT JUDGES' PENSION PLANS STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS 31 MARCH 2003

	Thousands				
,		2003		2002	
ASSETS Investments (note 3) Employee contributions receivable	\$	19,350 2	\$	22,342 18	
Total assets		19,352		22,360	
LIABILITIES  Accounts payable Deferred employer contributions		33 1,021		48 1,177	
Total liabilities		1,054		1,225	
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$	18,298	\$	21,135	

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

John Mallory Deputy Minister of Finance

## TRUST FUND NO. 10 PROVINCIAL COURT JUDGES' PENSION PLANS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2003

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		Thou	sands	
		2003		2002
INCREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment income (note 4)	\$	-	\$	690
Securities lending		1		1
Pension contributions				
Employee		223		243
Province of New Brunswick	····	156		156
Total increase in assets	************	380		1,090
DECREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment loss (note 4)	•	1,973		-
Pensions		1,196		1,171
Administrative expenses		15		35
Investment management fees		33		27
Harmonized Sales Tax (note 5)		-		6
Total decrease in assets		3,217		1,239
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		(2,837)		(150)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		21,135		21,285
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR	\$	18,298	\$	21,135

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

### 1. Description of Plans

Judges appointed prior to 18 February 2000 may choose a pension plan under either the Provincial Court Act (PCA) or the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Act (PCJPA). Judges appointed on or after that date fall under the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Act.

All transactions related to these plans are made through this Trust Fund except those related to the Supplementary benefits available under the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Act. These Supplementary benefits exceed the maximum benefits allowed under the Income Tax Act. The Consolidated Fund of the Province pays these Supplementary benefits.

The following description of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans is a summary only. For more information, reference should be made to the Provincial Court Act or the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Act.

### (a) Judges' Pension Plan under the Provincial Court Act (PCA)

### i. General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan covering Provincial Court Judges appointed prior to 18 February 2000 who did not elect a pension under the PCJPA. The plan is established under the authority of the Provincial Court Act and its regulations.

### ii. Funding Policy

Under the Plan, the Plan members and the Plan sponsor make contributions. The determination of the value of benefits owed by the Plan is made on the basis of an actuarial valuation (see note 6).

### iii. Service Pensions

Pension benefits are equal to 60% of the final salary less 0.7% of the 3 year average of the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) for each year of pensionable service after 31 August 1966. Pension benefits are integrated with the Canada Pension Plan at age 65 and are indexed annually to a maximum of 6%.

Normal retirement is at age 65. Mandatory retirement is at age 75. Unreduced benefits are available at age 60 with 25 years of service or at age 65 with 10 years of service.

### iv. Disability Benefits

A disability pension is available in the amount of 60% of the salary being paid on the date on which the judge becomes entitled to be paid a disability benefit with a minimum of 2 years of pensionable service.

### 1. Description of Plans (continued)

### v. Death Benefits

In the event of death in service and if less than 2 years of service, the member's contributions with interest to the date of death will be refunded to the spouse or estate. However, if the member was entitled to a vested pension, a spousal pension of 50% of the pension benefit is payable, and if there is no spouse but there is a child, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 18.

If a member dies after retirement, payments will be continued to the member's spouse for the balance of his/her lifetime at 50% of the amount payable to the member.

### vi. Benefits on Termination

On termination of employment, with less than 10 years of pensionable service, a member will receive a refund of his/her own contributions, accumulated with interest, to the date of termination. A judge who is not eligible for an unreduced pension because he/she has not attained the age of 65 years or does not have 25 years of service may be eligible for a reduced annuity.

### vii. Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to income taxes.

### (b) Judges' Pension Plan under the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Act (PCJPA)

### i. General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan covering all Provincial Court Judges appointed on or after 18 February 2000. Judges appointed prior to 18 February 2000 may choose a pension under the PCA or the PCJPA. The plan is established under the authority of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Act and its regulations.

### ii. Funding Policy

Under the Plan, the Plan members and the Plan sponsor make contributions. The determination of the value of benefits owed by the Plan is made on the basis of an actuarial valuation (see note 6).

### iii. Service Pensions

Pension benefits are 2.75% per year of service up to a maximum pension of 65% calculated on average salary. Average salary is the highest average annual salary of an active judge for any period of 36 successive months. Maximum pension credits to be accumulated equals 23.63 years of service.

### 1. Description of Plans (continued)

There is no integration and pension benefits are indexed annually to a maximum of 5%. A judge with 2 years on the bench can retire without reduction at age 60. A judge with 2 years of pensionable service can retire early with a 3% reduction for each year before the age 60. There are options for judges to choose alternate survivor pensions and guarantee periods.

There is no mandatory retirement age although contributions are to cease when the maximum pension benefit of 65% is reached or after the day following the last day of the year in which the member attains age 69. Payment of pension benefits must commence on the day following the last day of the year in which the member attains age 69.

### iv. Disability Benefits

A disability benefit is available in the amount of 60% of the salary being paid at the date of disability and is payable to age 65. At age 65, the disability benefit ceases and the judge must retire and be paid a disability pension equal to 2.75% times the number of years projected to age 65 times the average salary at the date of disability.

### v. Death Benefits

In the event of death in service where the judge had at least two years of pensionable service and was under age 65, a spousal pension is payable in the amount of 50% of the annual pension that would have been payable if the judge had continued in service as a judge to the age of 65 based on the average salary at the time of death. If there is no spouse but there is a child, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 19. If the child is in full-time attendance at an educational institution, a pension is paid in respect of the child until the age of 25 or when the child ceases to be in full-time attendance at the educational institution, whichever occurs first.

In the event of death in service where the judge had at least two years of pensionable service and was age 65 but not yet 69, a spousal pension is payable in the amount of 50% of the annual pension that would have been payable to the judge if the judge had retired on the date of his/her death. If there is no spouse but there is a child, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 19. If the child is in full-time attendance at an educational institution, a pension is paid in respect of the child until the age of 25 or when the child ceases to be in full-time attendance at the educational institution, whichever occurs first.

The normal form of pension for a surviving spouse if the member dies after retirement is payable in the amount of 50% of the annual pension being paid to the judge on the date of the judges' death. If there is no spouse but there is a child, a pension is paid in respect of the child until age 19. If the child is in full-time attendance at an educational institution, a pension is paid in respect of the child until the age of 25 or when the child ceases to be in full-time attendance at the educational institution, whichever occurs first.

### 1. Description of Plans (continued)

### Alternate provisions include:

If a member dies after retirement, and the judge had a surviving spouse at the time of retirement and elected a higher spousal benefit in exchange for a reduced pension, the spousal benefit is payable in accordance with the option chosen at retirement (e.g. 60%, 66 2/3%, 75% or 100%). A member may also elect at the same time to have guaranteed payments made to the surviving spouse and estate for a period of 5, 10, or 15 years after pension benefits have commenced being paid to the member. These options are only available to the spouse who is a spouse at the date the annual pension commences to be paid at the time of the judges' retirement.

A judge with no spouse or dependent child may elect to be paid a reduced pension with guaranteed payment to the judge's estate for the period of 5, 10, or 15 years.

### vi. Benefits on Termination

On termination of employment, with less than 2 years of pensionable service, prior to entitlement to a pension, a member will receive a refund of his/her own contributions, accumulated with interest, to the date of termination. On termination of employment, with 2 years of pensionable service and who is less than 60 years of age, the member is eligible for a deferred pension at age 60 or reduced benefits prior to age 60.

### vii. Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to income taxes.

### Transitional Provisions (Judges appointed prior to 18 February 2000)

A judge who ceases to make contributions when the maximum pension has been reached or when reaching 69 years, or has elected a reduced pension, guaranteed payments, early retirement, or deferred pension under the PCJPA, shall be deemed to have elected to be paid benefits only under the PCJPA and the election is irrevocable.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) Basis of Presentation

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and present the aggregate financial position of the Plans as a financial reporting entity independent of the plan sponsors and plan members. These statements are prepared to assist plan members and others in reviewing the activities of the Plans for the fiscal period, but they do not portray the funding requirements of the Plans or the benefit security of individual plan members.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (b) Investments

On 1 April 1998, the assets of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans were transferred to unit trust funds established by the New Brunswick Investment Management Corporation (NBIMC).

All investments of the Plans are represented by holdings of units of the unit trust funds. The total value is based on the calculated net asset value multiplied by the number of units held.

Investments are valued at their fair value as of the date of the financial statements. For securities listed on an exchange, fair value is the closing price listed on the exchange. If no closing price is available, the average of the latest bid and ask prices is used. Securities not listed on an exchange are valued based on a quotation service from a recognized dealer. Investments in money market instruments are reported at cost, which approximates market value. Investments denominated in a foreign currency are translated into their Canadian dollar equivalents at the year-end exchange rate.

### (c) Revenue Recognition

All investment transactions are recognized as of their trade date. Interest income and dividend income have been accrued at year-end. Transactions denominated in a foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate prevailing at the time of the transaction.

Derivative products such as foreign exchange contracts, futures and swaps are recorded at the value the unit trust funds would have paid or received had the contract been terminated at the year-end date. The resulting gain or loss is included in investment income.

Both realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in investment income.

### 3. Investments

### (a) Trustee

The assets of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans are held in trust by NBIMC. NBIMC was appointed as trustee on 11 March 1996 by an Act of the New Brunswick Legislature which bears its name (NBIMC Act) and assumed responsibility for the management of the Fund's assets effective 1 April 1996.

### (b) Investments

There are currently 13 unit trust funds, each with a specific investment mandate. The unit trust funds are established pursuant to a Unit Trust Declaration made by the NBIMC on 1 April 1998. Each fund is an openend, unincorporated trust, governed by the laws of the Province of New Brunswick.

### 3. Investments (continued)

Following is a description of each unit trust fund in existence during the year ended March 31, 2003:

### Nominal Bond:

Invests primarily in investment grade bonds (a minimum of triple-B rated by a major rating agency) of G-7 countries and Canadian provinces paying a nominal rate of interest. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital All Government Index, over a four-year moving average.

New Brunswick Fixed Income Opportunity:

Invests primarily in fixed income issues to finance economic activity in New Brunswick. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital All Government Index, over a four-year moving average.

### Inflation Linked Securities:

Invests primarily in fixed income instruments of G-7 countries that are adjusted for inflation. The return objective is to add 10 basis points to its benchmark, the Scotia Capital Real Return Bond Index, over a four-year moving average.

### Money Market:

Invests primarily in fixed income securities having a maturity of less than one year. The return objective is to add 20 basis points to its benchmark, which is calculated as 80% of the Scotia Capital 91-Day Treasury Bill Index and 20% of the Call Loan Rate.

### Allocation Equity International:

This fund is used to implement asset allocation decisions and diversify equity investments by participating in the equity markets of U.S., Japan and developed European countries. It gains exposure to these markets by using derivative products such as futures, options and swaps, as well as investing in pooled funds of index products managed by an external manager. Leverage on derivative products is avoided by ensuring each derivative product is supported by an appropriate value of short-term investments. This fund is also used to implement quantitative long-short strategies on the U.S. equity markets.

### Allocation Equity Domestic:

This fund is used to implement asset allocation decisions by investing in the Canadian equity market. Its primary investments are derivative products such as futures, options and swaps. Leverage is avoided by ensuring each derivative product is supported by an appropriate value of short-term investments.

New Brunswick and Atlantic Canada Equity Opportunity:

This fund invests in public and private equities or instruments convertible into equities of New Brunswick and Atlantic Canada companies. The return objective is to add 80 basis points to its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite, over a four-year moving average.

### 3. Investments (continued)

### Canadian Equity:

Investments are selected primarily from the top 120 companies on the Toronto Stock Exchange. The return objective is to add 80 basis points to its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite, over a four-year moving average.

### TSE Small-Cap:

Managed by an external manager, this fund invests primarily in the bottom 180 companies of the S&P/TSX Composite. The return objective is to exceed the performance of its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Small-Cap Index, by 100 basis points.

### Private Equity:

This fund is managed by external managers that invest primarily in non-publicly traded securities of U.S. and European companies. The return objective is to exceed the performance of its benchmark, a blend of the S&P 500, FTSE-100, DAX, CAC-40 and MIB-30 total return indices, by 300 basis points over a four-year moving average.

### U.S. Real Estate:

This fund is managed by an external manager that invests primarily in publicly traded securities of U.S. Real Estate Investment Trusts. The return objective is to add 150 basis points to the NAREIT® Equity Index.

### Public Equity:

This fund is managed by external managers. As of March 31, 2002 two managers were in place, with each having a 50% allocation of total assets. One manager, whose mandate remains in place, invests primarily in U.S. publicly-traded companies and has a return objective of 200 basis points above the S&P 500 Total Return index. The mandate of the second manager had been to invest primarily in European publicly-traded companies and had a return objective of 200 basis points above its benchmark, an equal blend of the total return indices for the FTSE-100, DAX, CAC-40 and MIB-30 indices. On January 7, 2003, this mandate was terminated.

### Student Investment:

This fund is managed by students at the University of New Brunswick who are registered in the Student Investment Fund Program. Its initial base was \$1 million and is to be invested using the same philosophy as that used by NBIMC. The overall benchmark for this fund is composed of 50% S&P/TSX 60, 45% Scotia Capital All Government Index and 5% Scotia Capital 91-Day Treasury Bill Index. The activities of this fund are closely monitored by NBIMC staff who execute and process all transactions on behalf of the students.

### 3. Investments (continued)

The following table reflects the holdings of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans in the unit trust funds for which NBIMC is trustee.

			Thousands			
	Units	Unit Value		2003 Amount		2002 Amount
Fixed Income:						
Nominal Bond	3,688	\$ 1,276	\$	4,703	\$	5,416
New Brunswick						
Fixed Income Opportunity	131	 1,392		183		159_
				4,886		5,575
Inflation Linked Securities	1,532	1,529		2,344		2,709
Money Market	596	1,199		714		1,083
•				7,944		9,367
Equities:						
Allocation Equity International	4,801	747		3,587		3,624
Allocation Equity Domestic	452	1,140		516		325
New Brunswick and Atlantic						
Canada Equity Opportunity	174	1,114		194		226
Canadian Equity	5,923	905		5,361		6,347
TSE Small-Cap	526	1,003		528		709
Private Equity	974	590		575		671
U.S. Real Estate	319	1,202		384		467
Public Equity	377	681		257		601
• ,		 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		11,402		12,970
Balanced:				•		•
Student Investment	4	1,227		4		5
		 	\$	19,350	\$	22,342

### (c) Risk Management

Rates of return vary based on the degree of uncertainty. The fundamental sources of uncertainty to which investments are exposed are credit risk and price risk. Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Price risk is comprised of currency risk, interest rate risk and market risk. Currency risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate due to future changes in foreign exchange rates. Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate due to future changes in market interest rates. Market risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of future changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual security or its issuer or factors affecting all securities traded in the market.

### 3. Investments (continued)

Risk is reduced through asset class diversification, diversification within each asset class, quality constraints on fixed income instruments and restrictions by limiting most investments to G-7 countries. Borrowing or leveraging is not allowed. Controls are in place respecting the use of derivatives. Forward foreign exchange contracts are used to manage currency exposure in connection with securities purchased in foreign currency.

### 4. Investment Income

The following table reflects the investment income of the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans in each of the unit trust plans for which NBIMC is trustee for the year ended 31 March 2003.

	Thousands									
		Interest		Divid	ends	(D	rent Po Increas ecreas arket V	se/ e) in		Total
Fixed Income:									_	
Nominal Bond	\$	291	\$			\$		189	\$	480
New Brunswick								_		•
Fixed Income Opportunity		12						9		21
		303			-			198		501
Inflation Linked Securities		87			_			381		468
Money Market		27			-			(1)		26
		417			-			578		995
Equities:										
Allocation Equity International		96			-		(	1,382)		(1,286)
Allocation Equity Domestic		12			-			(82)		(70)
New Brunswick and Atlantic										,
Canada Equity Opportunity		2			4			(33)		(27)
Canadian Equity		25					. (	1,137)		(1,112)
TSE Small-Cap		-			8			(118)		(110)
Private Equity		14			-			(219)		(205)
U.S. Real Estate		-			25			(18)		7
Public Equity		-			5		·	(170)	_	(165)
		149			42		(;	3,159)		(2,968)
Balanced:										
Student Investment					-			-		-
Total - 2003	\$	566	\$		42	\$	(2	2,581)	\$	(1,973)
Total - 2002	\$	686	\$		55	\$		(51)	\$	690

### 5. Harmonized Sales Tax

After extensive discussions between NBIMC and the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency, it was determined that NBIMC was obligated to collect and remit Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) on the fees it charges to the pension funds under its trusteeship. As a result, NBIMC voluntarily collected and remitted HST to Canada Customs and Revenue Agency for the years 1996 to 2001 during 2002. This amount is reported as a separate item on the statement of changes in net assets for 2002. HST related to the fiscal years ending March 31, 2002 and March 31, 2003 has been included under the caption "Investment management fees" on the statement of changes in net assets.

### 6. Funding Policy

Effective February 18, 2000 members are required to contribute 7% of salary. The employer contributes an amount determined by an actuarial valuation that together with judges' contributions is necessary to cover current service cost under the registered portion of the plan. Contributions must cease when the maximum pension benefit amount (65% of average salary) is reached or age 69 whichever occurs earlier.

If additional amounts are required to amortize any unfunded liability in relation to benefits payable under the registered portion of the plan as determined by an actuarial valuation, the Minister of Finance shall, at the request of Board of Management, pay equal annual installments over a period determined by the Minister out of the Consolidated Fund into the Trust Fund.

The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was prepared by Morneau Sobeco, a firm of consulting actuaries, as of 1 April 2001. This valuation disclosed an unfunded liability at 1 April 2001.

### 7. Obligation for Pension Benefits

The present value of accrued pension benefits was determined using the accrued benefit actuarial cost method, prorated on service and actuarial assumptions which reflect management's best estimate for the future. An actuarial valuation was made as of 1 April 2003 by Morneau Sobeco.

Significant long-term assumptions used in the valuation are:

Rate of return on assets 7.9% Annual wage and salary increase 4.5% Inflation 3.5%

Rate of pension escalation after retirement Subject to 5% maximum-

3.3%

Subject to 6% maximum-

3.4%

### 7. Obligation for Pension Benefits (continued)

The actuarial present value of the total benefits as at 31 March and the principal components of changes in actuarial present values during the year were as follows:

	2003 in millions)		
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits at beginning of year Interest accrued on benefits Benefits accrued Benefits paid	\$	24.57 1.93 0.89 (1.24)	
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits at end of year	\$	26.15	
Net assets available for benefits	_\$	18.30	

Any benefits exceeding those allowed under the Income Tax Act are paid by the Consolidated Fund and not Trust Fund 10. For fiscal year ending 31 March 2003:

Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits to be paid through the

Consolidated Fund \$ 3,823,000

Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits to be paid by this Fund \$22,330,500

### 8. Investments in Plan Sponsor

As at 31 March 2003, the Provincial Court Judges' Pension Plans held:

- 0.3% of the total nominal bond unit trust fund of \$1,598,461,388. Of this total, \$41,633,475 consisted of Province of New Brunswick and Province of New Brunswick guaranteed securities.
- 0.4% of the total \$198,190,000 in the Money Market Fund. Of this total, \$9,884,000 consisted of short term Province of New Brunswick guaranteed securities.

# TRUST FUND NO. 16 MARGARET R. LYNDS BEQUEST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 16 MARGARET R. LYNDS BEQUEST STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

Current:   Cash	ASSETS	2003	2002
Accrued interest receivable         1,622         2,098           Investments (market value \$119,767) (Note 3)         116,000         110,000           Deferred Charges:         1,210         (27)           Unamortized premiums less discounts         1,210         (27)           \$ 121,452         \$ 122,585           LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY           Fund equity         \$ 121,452         \$ 122,585           The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.           STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY (unaudited)           for the year ended 31 March 2003           2003         2002           Fund equity at beginning of year         \$ 122,585         \$ 123,587           Add:           Bank interest         445         1,186           Interest earned on investments         445         1,186           Interest earned on investments         6,264         6,489           Deduct:         7,675           Payment of E. Belle Lynds Scholarships         7,503         8,505           Amortization of premiums less discounts         339         172           4,50         7,842         8,677			
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Investments (market value \$119,767) (Note 3)	Accrued interest receivable	 	
Deferred Charges: Unamortized premiums less discounts	Investments (market value \$119 767) (Note 3)	•	
Unamortized premiums less discounts         1,210         (27)           \$ 121,452         \$ 122,585           LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY           Fund equity         \$ 121,452         \$ 122,585           \$ 121,452         \$ 122,585           The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.         STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY (unaudited)           for the year ended 31 March 2003         2002           Fund equity at beginning of year         \$ 122,585         \$ 123,587           Add:         \$ 122,585         \$ 123,587           Add:         \$ 445         1,186           Interest earned on investments         \$ 6,264         6,489           10 dot:         \$ 6,709         7,675           Deduct:         \$ 7,503         8,505           Amortization of premiums less discounts         339         172           7,842         8,677	·	,	
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Amortization of premiums less discounts         339         172           7,842         8,677	<del> </del>	7,503	8,505
7,842 8,677			
Fund equity at end of year			
	Fund equity at end of year	\$ 121.452	\$ 122 585

### TRUST FUND NO. 16 MARGARET R. LYNDS BEQUEST NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The Margaret R. Lynds Bequest Fund is held in trust by the Minister of Finance under the authority of the Last Will and Testament of Margaret R. Lynds, and a Decree Varying Trust issued by the Court of Queen's Bench of New Brunswick. Investment income from the Fund is used to award a maximum of three annual scholarships, of equal value, to students pursuing the study of communications at specified Universities. For the year ending 31 March 2003, three scholarships were awarded.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### a) Basis of Accounting

Bank interest and interest earned on investments are reported on the statement of activity on the accrual basis.

### b) Investments

Investments in bonds and debentures are reported on the statement of financial position at par value. Unamortized premiums less discounts are reported separately on the statement as deferred charges.

### c) Discounts and Premiums

Discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized to income on a constant yield basis over the remaining life of the related security.

### 3. Investments

Value of the investments at 31 March 2003 is as follows:

	Par	Net Book	Market
	Value	Value	Value
Bonds and debentures issued or guaranteed by New Brunswick	\$ 51,000	\$ 50,719	\$ 52,935
	65,000	66,491	66,832
	\$116,000	<u>\$117,210</u>	\$119,767

# TRUST FUND NO. 19 THE NEW BRUNSWICK POWER CORPORATION SINKING FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 19 THE NEW BRUNSWICK POWER CORPORATION SINKING FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

ASSETS	2003		2002
Current:			
Cash	\$ 96,834	\$	2,100
Accrued interest receivable	 848,468		848,468
	945,302		850,568
Investments (market value \$37,841,721) (Note 2)  Deferred charges:	38,306,000		34,170,000
Unamortized premiums less discounts	 (3,520,525)		(2,825,840)
	\$ 35,730,777	\$	32,194,728
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Fund equity	\$ 35,730,777	_\$	32,194,728
	\$ 35,730,777		32,194,728

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO. 19 THE NEW BRUNSWICK POWER CORPORATION SINKING FUND STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

### (unaudited)

### for the year ended 31 March 2003

	2003	2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 32,194,728	\$ 28,849,080
Add: Bank interest	824 1,824,705 1,250,000 460,520 3,536,049	1,460 1,835,848 1,250,000 258,340 3,345,648
Deduct: Funds provided for redemption of debentures		
Fund equity at end of year	\$ 35,730,777	\$ 32,194,728

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO. 19 THE NEW BRUNSWICK POWER CORPORATION SINKING FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### a) The Accounting Entity

The New Brunswick Power Corporation Sinking Fund is held in trust by the Minister of Finance under the authority of Section 15 of the Electric Power Act. The Act provides that the Corporation shall pay to the Minister such payments for sinking fund purposes as may be required by the terms of any bond or debenture issue and such funds shall be retained and invested for the account of the Corporation to make payment at the maturity of any such bonds or debentures.

### b) Accrual Accounting

Interest earned on investments is reported on the statement of activity on the accrual basis.

### c) Foreign Currency Translation

Investments and accrued interest receivable on securities held in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the statement of financial position date. Unrealized gains and losses arising on translation of long-term investments are deferred and amortized to income on a straight-line basis over the remaining life of the related security.

### d) Valuation of Investments

Investments in bonds and debentures are reported on the statement of financial position at par value. Unamortized discounts less premiums and the unamortized balance of unrealized foreign exchange gains or losses are reported separately on the statement as deferred credits or charges. Short term deposits are reported on the statement of financial position at cost.

### e) Discounts and Premiums

Discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized to income on a constant yield basis over the remaining life of the related security.

For investments in bonds and debentures in foreign currencies, the cost of investments is amortized to Canadian dollar par value, calculated as foreign currency par value at the exchange rate at the date the fund purchased the investment.

### 2. Investments

Value of the investments at 31 March 2003 is as follows:

	Par Value	Carrying Value	Market Value
Bonds and debentures issued or guaranteed by New Brunswick	\$ 38,306,000	<u>\$ 34.785,475</u>	\$ 37,841,721
	\$ 38,306,000	<u>\$ 34,785,475</u>	<u>\$ 37,841,721</u>

# TRUST FUND NO. 20 VISCOUNT BENNETT BEQUEST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 20 VISCOUNT BENNETT BEQUEST STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(unaudited) as at March 31, 2003

ASSETS		2003		2002
Current:	\$	15,394	\$	16,354
Accrued interest receivable	Φ	3,020	Ψ	4,243
Investments (market value \$216,774) (Note 3)		18,414 202,000	•	20,597 212,000
Deferred Charges: Unamortized premiums less discounts		5,721		925
	\$	226,135	\$	233,522
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Unexpended trust income (Note 4)	\$	8,105	\$	30,492
Fund equity		218,030		203,030
	\$	226,135	\$	233,522

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

(unaudited)

### for the Year Ended 31 March 2003

	2003	2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 203,030	\$ 203,030
Add: Bank interest Interest earned on investments	1,073 13,426 14,499	 1,768 14,462 16,230
Deduct: Amortization of premiums less discounts Trust income available for expenditure (Note 4).	262 (763) (501)	 320 15,910 16,230
Fund equity at end of year	\$ 218,030	\$ 203,030

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO. 20 VISCOUNT BENNETT BEQUEST NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The Viscount Bennett Bequest is held in trust by the Minister of Finance under the authority of Board of Management Minute 88-0051. The income from the fund is used for the development of the Province's historic resources.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### a) Basis of Accounting

Bank interest and interest earned on investments are reported on the statement of activity on the accrual basis.

### b) Investments

Investments in bonds and debentures are reported on the statement of financial position at par value. Unamortized premiums less discounts are reported separately on the statement as deferred charges.

### c) Discounts and Premiums

Discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized to income on a constant yield basis over the remaining life of the related security.

### 3. Investments

Value of the investments at 31 March 2003 is as follows:

	Par	Net Book	Market
	Value	Value	Value
Bonds and debentures issued or guaranteed by New Brunswick Other bonds and debentures	\$127,000	\$127,755	\$134,182
	<u>75,000</u>	<u>79,965</u>	<u>82,592</u>
	<u>\$202.000</u>	<u>\$207,720</u>	<u>\$216.774</u>

### 4. Unexpended Trust Income

Unexpended trust income from the date of inception of the fund is recorded on the balance sheet as a current liability. This represents the amount available for expenditure for the purposes of the trust.

Changes in the balance of unexpended trust income during the year were as follows:

Unexpended trust income at beginning of year	\$30,492
Add: Trust income for the year	14.237 44,729
Less: Amount transferred to Fund Equity	
Unexpended trust income at end of year	<u>\$8.105</u>

# TRUST FUND NO. 23 ARTS DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 23 ARTS DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

ASSETS	2003	2002
Current: Cash	 71,944  7,324 153	\$ 5,120 1,000,000  232
	\$ 79,421	\$ 1,005,352
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Current liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ 	\$ 490,000
Fund equity	 79,421	 515,352
	 79,421	\$ 1,005,352

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY (unaudited) for the Year Ended 31 March 2003

	2003		2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 515,352	_\$_	1,031,583
Add: Lottery revenues Investment income Bank interest	 700,000 10,195 874 711,069		700,000 31,759 2,010 733,769
Deduct: Arts development expenditures  Fund equity at end of year	\$ 1,147,000 79,421	\$	1,250,000 515,352

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO. 23 ARTS DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The Arts Development Trust Fund is established under the authority of the Arts Development Trust Fund Act. The Act provides that the net profits of the Lotteries Commission of New Brunswick from the lottery scheme designated under paragraph 11.1(a) of the Lotteries Act shall be paid into the Fund. In the event that the amount paid pursuant to paragraph 11.1(a) does not total seven hundred thousand dollars, an amount sufficient to ensure that the total amount paid equals seven hundred thousand dollars shall be paid into the Fund. The Fund is held in trust by the Minister of Finance and assets of the Fund are used to provide grants to individuals and arts organizations so as to promote artistic creation and excellence in the Arts.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Accounting

Revenues and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis.

b) Short Term Deposits

Short term deposits are reported on the statement of financial position at cost.

# TRUST FUND NO. 24 SPORT DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 24 SPORT DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

ASSETS	2003		2002
Current: Cash Lottery revenue receivable Accrued interest receivable	\$ 28,410 194,164 233	\$	235,687  227
	\$ 222,807	_\$_	235,914
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Current liabilities: Accounts payable	\$ 146,641	\$	144,887
Fund equity	 76,166		91,027
	\$ 222,807	\$	235,914

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY (unaudited) for the Year Ended 31 March 2003

	2003	<u>.</u>	2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 91,027	\$	101,461
Add: Lottery revenues Investment income Bank interest	 500,000  1,593 501,593		500,000 219 3,351 503,570
Deduct: Sport development expenditures  Fund equity at end of year	\$ 516,454 76,166	\$	514,004 91,027

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO.24 SPORT DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The Sport Development Trust Fund is established under the authority of the Sport Development Trust Fund Act. The Act provides that the net profits of the Lotteries Commission of New Brunswick from the lottery scheme designated under paragraph 11.1(b) of the Lotteries Act shall be paid into the Fund. In the event that the amount paid pursuant to paragraph 11.1(b) does not total five hundred thousand dollars, an amount sufficient to ensure that the total amount paid equals five hundred thousand dollars shall be paid into the Fund. The Fund is held in trust by the Minister of Finance and assets of the Fund are used to provide grants to individual athletes and sport organizations to promote leadership and excellence in sport.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Accounting

Revenues and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis.

b) Short Term Deposits

Short-term deposits are reported on the statement of financial position at cost.

# TRUST FUND NO. 25 NEW BRUNSWICK PUBLIC LIBRARIES TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 25 NEW BRUNSWICK PUBLIC LIBRARIES TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### (unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

ASSETS	2003	2002
Current:		
Cash	\$ 118,764	\$ 116,077
Accrued interest receivable	252	173
	\$ 119,016	\$ 116,250
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Fund equity	\$ 119,016	\$ 116,250
	\$ 119,016	\$ 116,250
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.		

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY

(unaudited)

for the year ended 31 March 2003

	2003	2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 116,250	\$ 112,345
Add: Bank interest	2,766	3,905
Fund equity at end of year	\$ 119,016	\$ 116,250

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

### TRUST FUND NO. 25 NEW BRUNSWICK PUBLIC LIBRARIES TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The New Brunswick Public Libraries Trust Fund is established under the authority of the New Brunswick Public Libraries Foundation Act. The Fund is held in trust by the Minister of Finance. The purpose of the Foundation includes receiving gifts of real and personal property to support public libraries and public library services in the Province.

- 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
- a) Basis of Accounting

Revenues and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis.

# TRUST FUND NO. 29 ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(unaudited)

31 MARCH 2003

### TRUST FUND NO. 29 ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(unaudited) as at 31 March 2003

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

ASSETS	2003	2002
Current:		
Cash	\$ 98,161	\$ 69,675
Short term deposits (par value \$ 4,300,000)	4,300,000	3,500,000
Environmental fees receivable	833,042	850,851
Accrued interest receivable	245	673
Accounts receivable	 259,642	
	\$ 5,491,090	\$ 4,421,199
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,373,234	\$ 2,675,787
Fund equity	3,117,856	1,745,412
i dia oquity	\$ 5,491,090	\$ 4,421,199
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY (unaudited) for the year ended 31 March 2003		
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	2003	2002
Fund equity at beginning of year	\$ 1,745,412	\$ 1,411,852
Add:		
Environmental fees	5,118,305	4,943,860
Interest earned on investments	92,489	84,716
Bank interest	2,624	4,259
	 5,213,418	 5,032,835
Deduct:		
Expenditures (Note 3)	3,840,974	4,699,275
Fund equity at end of year	\$ 3,117,856	\$ 1,745,412

### TRUST FUND NO. 29 ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited) 31 MARCH 2003

### 1. General

The Environmental Trust Fund is established under the authority of the Environmental Trust Fund Act. The Beverage Containers Act provides that fifty per cent of the environmental fees shall be paid into the Fund.

Under the Environmental Trust Fund Act, the Minister of Finance is the custodian and trustee of the Fund. The assets of the Fund are to be used to pay for costs incurred to provide for environmental protection and restoration, and to promote the sustainable development of natural resources within the Province.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Accounting

Revenues and expenditures are recorded on the accrual basis.

b) Short Term Deposits

Short term deposits are reported on the statement of financial position at cost.

### 3. 2003 Expenditures

The expenditures presented in the financial statements for 2003 have been reduced by \$282,886 due to a recovery of prior year expenditures.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### PENSION PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS

**31 DECEMBER 2002** 

Office of the Auditor General Bureau du vérificateur général



### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Minister of Finance Province of New Brunswick

I have audited the statement of net assets available for benefits of the Pension Plan for Management Employees of New Brunswick School Districts as at 31 December 2002 and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's trustee. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plan's trustee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plan as at 31 December 2002 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Daryl C. Wilson, FCA Auditor General

Fredericton, N. B. 4 April 2003

## TRUST FUND NO. 30 PENSION PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS 31 DECEMBER 2002

	2002	2001
ASSETS Investments	2002	2001
Money market instruments Bonds and debentures Canadian common stocks	\$ 372,528 6,275,857 3,815,402	\$ 1,053,985 6,960,740 3,898,754
Foreign pooled equities	1,869,627	1,378,180
Receivables	12,333,414	13,291,659
Accrued interest and dividends	60,832	80,419
Cash	33,163	2,335
Total assets	12,427,409	13,374,413
LIABILITIES Accounts payable	13,021	11,163
Total liabilities	13,021	11,163
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 12,414,388	\$ 13,363,250

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

John Mallory Deputy Minister of Finance

## TRUST FUND NO. 30 PENSION PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

INCREASE IN ASSETS Investment income		2002		2001
Interest	\$	369,255	\$	420,412
Dividends	Ψ	101,268	Ψ	322,070
Pension contributions - employee	<u> </u>	-		3,160
Total increase in assets		470,523	· <del></del>	745,642
DECREASE IN ASSETS				,
Current period decrease in market value of investments		570,852		1,092,719
Pensions		766,354		703,067
Refunds		19,039		5,340
Investment management fees		39,368		40,271
Custodial fees		9,226		12,460
Administrative expenses		14,546		6,725
Total decrease in assets	•	1,419,385		1,860,582
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		(948,862)		(1,114,940)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		13,363,250		14,478,190
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR	\$	12,414,388	\$	13,363,250

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

### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Pension Plan for Management Employees of New Brunswick School Districts is a summary only. For more information, reference should be made to the Plan Document.

### (a) General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan which provides retirement benefits for Management Employees of New Brunswick School Districts and their dependents. The Plan is administered by the Office of Human Resources, with investment matters being advised on by the Department of Finance.

### (b) Funding Policy

Prior to 1 September 1996, plan members contributed a percentage of their salaries and the employer was required to contribute the balance of the cost of providing accrued benefits under the Plan. The determination of the value of benefits is made on the basis of an actuarial valuation (see note 3).

Effective 1 September 1996, all active contributors to the plan ceased and those individuals still employed commenced membership in the Public Service Superannuation Plan.

### (c) Service Pensions

Effective January 1996, normal retirement pension equals 2.0% (for service before 1990) and 1.5% (for service after 1989) of average annual salary during the highest paid consecutive 5 years up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) and 2% of the average salary above the YMPE multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service. The pension continues for the lifetime of the pensioner. Pension benefits are indexed annually according to the consumer price index increase to a maximum of 3%.

Normal retirement age is 65. Unreduced pension is available at age 60 with 5 years of pensionable service. Reduced benefits are available at age 55 with 5 years pensionable service.

A past service grant was provided for services rendered between 1 January 1967 and 1 March 1974 for individuals hired as management employees of NB School Boards prior to 1 March 1974 who have been continuously employed by a School Board and who were active contributors to the plan at 1 January 1996.

Individuals had until 31 December 1996 to decide on the following options with respect to accrued benefits under the said plan:

- a) take advantage of the intra-provincial reciprocal pension transfer agreement,
- b) transfer the value of their pension to the Public Service plan, or
- c) obtain a refund of contributions with interest, which was only permitted if the individual was not successful in obtaining employment covered by the Public Service Superannuation Act.

### 1. Description of Plan (Continued)

### (d) Death Benefits

If a vested member dies after retirement and has a spouse or dependent children then an immediate 50% spouse's or dependent's pension is payable. If a member dies prior to retirement a refund of the member's required contributions with interest is payable to the deceased member's beneficiary.

### (e) Benefits on Termination

Upon termination of employment, a member who has less than 5 years of pensionable service is entitled to a refund of contributions made to the Plan with accumulated interest. A member with more than 5 years pensionable service may elect to receive an annual pension payable commencing on his normal retirement date or a refund of contributions made to the Plan with accumulated interest.

### (f) Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to taxes on income.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) Basis of Presentation

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and present the aggregate financial position of the Plan as a financial reporting entity independent of the plan sponsors and plan members. These statements are prepared to assist plan members and others in reviewing the activities of the Plan for the fiscal period but they do not portray the funding requirements of the Plan or the benefit security of individual plan members.

### (b) Investments

All investments are recorded as of settlement date. Investments are carried at market value except for money market instruments, which are carried at cost.

### (c) Foreign Currency Translation

Investments in equities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to Canadian dollars at the rate of exchange in effect at the date of the statement of net assets available for benefits.

### 3. Funding Policy

This Plan is being curtailed. All former members have been given the option to transfer their benefits to the Public Service plan or to take a deferred pension from this Plan. There are no current contributors to the Plan.

### 3. Funding Policy (Continued)

The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was prepared by Morneau Sobeco as of 1 January 2002. This valuation disclosed an unfunded liability of \$1,639,200 as of 1 January 2002.

### 4. Obligation for Pension Benefits

The present value of accrued pension benefits was determined using the projected unit credit method prorated on service and actuarial assumptions which reflect management's best estimate for the future. An actuarial valuation was made as of 1 January 2002 by Morneau Sobeco, a firm of consulting actuaries, and was then extrapolated to 31 December 2002.

Significant long-term assumptions and the range of short-term assumptions used in the valuation are:

	Long-term Assumptions	Short-term Assumptions
Rate of return on assets	7.9%	7.9%
Annual wage and salary increase	4.0%	2.0% to 4.0%
Inflation	3.5%	3.5%
Rate of pension escalation after retirement	2.75%	1.7% to 2.75%

The actuarial present value of benefits as at 31 December and the principal components of changes in actuarial present values during the year are presented below. As prior year figures are based on an extrapolation from 1 January 1993, they have not been included.

	(in r	nillions) 2002
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits at beginning of year Interest accrued on benefits Benefits paid	\$	13.60 1.04 (0.79)
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits at end of year	\$	13.85
Net assets available for benefits	\$	12.41

### 5. Investments in Plan Sponsor

As at December 31, 2002, the Plan held no securities issued or guaranteed by the Province of New Brunswick.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Pension Plan for General Labour, Trades and Services Employees of New Brunswick School Districts

**31 DECEMBER 2002** 

Office of the Auditor General

Bureau du vérificateur général



### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Minister of Finance Province of New Brunswick

I have audited the statement of net assets available for benefits of the Pension Plan for General Labour, Trades and Services Employees of New Brunswick School Districts as at 31 December 2002 and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's trustee. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plan's trustee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plan as at 31 December 2002 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Daryl C. Wilson, FCA Auditor General

Fredericton, N. B. 4 April 2003

## TRUST FUND NO. 31 PENSION PLAN FOR GENERAL LABOUR, TRADES AND SERVICES EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS 31 DECEMBER 2002

	2002	2001
ASSETS		
Investments		
Money market instruments	\$ 6,928,583	\$ 10,678,947
Bonds and debentures	69,770,732	67,717,216
Canadian equities	64,093,544	64,447,239
Foreign equities	30,777,678	36,662,652
	171 E70 E27	179,506,054
Receivables	171,570,537	173,000,004
Employee contributions	73,814	151,871
Employee contributions	417,229	189,217
Accrued interest and dividends	638,325	659,425
Accounts receivable	390	390
	1,129,758	1,000,903
Cash	282,630	77,842
Total assets	172,982,925	180,584,799
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	188,579	300,547
Total liabilities	188,579	300,547
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 172,794,346	\$ 180,284,252

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

John Mallory Deputy Minister of Finance

## TRUST FUND NO. 31 PENSION PLAN FOR GENERAL LABOUR, TRADES AND SERVICES EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	2002	2001
INCREASE IN ASSETS	•	
Investment income		
Interest	\$ 4,108,863	\$ 4,488,545
Dividends	1,745,400	2,352,947
Current period increase (decrease) in market value of investments	(8,021,094)	5,516,388
Pension contributions		
Employee	2,416,872	2,183,882
Employer	2,278,976	2,088,834
Total increase in assets	2,529,017	16,630,596
DECREASE IN ASSETS		
Pensions	6,721,289	6,074,567
Refunds	2,437,424	2,508,456
Administrative expenses	383,635	340,079
Investment management fees	434,602	426,699
Custodial fees	19,263	23,666
Performance measurement fees	22,710	20,580
Total decrease in assets	10,018,923	9,394,047
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(7,489,906)	7,236,549
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	180,284,252	173,047,703
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 172,794,346	\$ 180,284,252

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

### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Pension Plan for General Labour, Trades and Services Employees of New Brunswick School Districts is a summary only. For more information, reference should be made to the Collective Agreement and Plan Document.

### (a) General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan covering General Labour, Trades and Services Employees of New Brunswick School Districts. The Plan is administered by Morneau Sobeco, under the direction and with the assistance of the Office of Human Resources, with investment matters being advised on by the Department of Finance.

### (b) Funding Policy

Contributions are made by the Plan members and the Plan sponsor to fund the benefits determined under the Plan. The determination of the value of benefits is made on the basis of an actuarial valuation (see note 3).

### (c) Service Pensions

Effective 1 January 2001, normal retirement pension equals 1.9% (for service before 2000) of average annual salary during the highest paid consecutive 5 years up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) and 2% (for service before 2000) of the average salary above the YMPE multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service plus 1.4% (for service after 1999) of average annual salary during the highest paid consecutive 5 years multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service. Pension benefits are indexed annually according to the consumer price index increase to a maximum of 2%.

A member may elect from one of three optional forms of pensions being: 1) life pension with no guarantee period; 2) life pension with guarantee period of 5 or 10 years or 3) joint life and last survivor pension. There are also supplementary pension benefits available when the normal retirement pension is less than \$1,500 per year.

Normal retirement age is 65. Unreduced pension benefits are available at age 60 with 5 years continuous employment. Reduced benefits are available on retirement as early as age 55 with 5 years of continuous employment. Bridging benefits are available for retirement commencing between the ages of 55 to 65 on an unreduced basis.

### (d) Death Benefits

If a member dies prior to retirement and before completing 5 years continuous employment, the benefit payable to his beneficiary or estate is a refund of all contributions made by the member with accumulated interest.

### 1. Description of Plan (Continued)

If a member dies after 31 December 1997 and prior to retirement and has completed 5 or more years of continuous employment, the beneficiary or estate shall be paid the Commuted Value of the deferred pension as at the date of the member's death. The Commuted Value is the deferred pension to which the member would have been entitled had the member's continuous employment terminated just prior to their death. In addition, excess contributions (if applicable) to which the member would have been entitled would be refunded to the designated beneficiary or estate.

If the member dies after 31 December 1997 and after retirement and was in receipt of a pension benefit, the death benefit payable is determined in accordance with the provisions of the form of pension selected by the member.

### (e) Benefits on Termination

A member who has less than 5 years of continuous employment and is terminated is entitled to a refund of their contributions made to the Plan with accumulated interest.

A member with more than 5 years continuous employment who has terminated may elect to receive a deferred pension commencing on his normal retirement date or an amount equal to the Commuted Value. The Commuted Value is, as at the date of the member's termination, the deferred pension to which the member would have been entitled. The Commuted Value of the deferred pension is to be transferred on a locked-in basis to any registered retirement savings arrangement where the transfer is allowed under the Pension Benefits Act.

### (f) Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to taxes on income.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) Basis of Presentation

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and present the aggregate financial position of the Plan as a financial reporting entity independent of the plan sponsors and plan members. These statements are prepared to assist plan members and others in reviewing the activities of the Plan for the fiscal period but they do not portray the funding requirements of the Plan or the benefit security of individual plan members.

### b) investments

All investments are recorded as of settlement date. Investments are carried at market value except for money market instruments, which are carried at cost.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

### (c) Foreign Currency Translation

Investments in equities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to Canadian dollars at the rate of exchange in effect at the date of the statement of net assets available for benefits.

### (d) Pension Contributions

Contributions are recorded in the period that the payroll deductions are made.

### 3. Funding Policy

In accordance with the Plan Agreement, employees are required to contribute 4.5% of their earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE) plus 6% of earnings above the YMPE. The employer is required to contribute an amount necessary in the opinion of an actuary based on an actuarial valuation, which when combined with employee contributions will provide for the benefits stipulated under the Plan. In no event shall employer-required contributions be less than 95% of employee contributions.

The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was prepared by Morneau Sobeco as of 1 January 2000. This valuation disclosed that accrued benefits are fully funded.

### 4. Obligation for Pension Benefits

The present value of accrued benefits was determined using the projected unit credit method pro-rated on service and actuarial assumptions which reflect management's best estimate for the future. An actuarial valuation was made as of 1 January 2000 by Morneau Sobeco, a firm of consulting actuaries, and was then extrapolated to 31 December 2002.

Significant long-term assumptions and the range of short-term assumptions used in the valuation are:

	Long-term Assumptions	Short-term Assumptions	
Rate of return on assets	7.9%	7.9%	
Annual wage and salary increase	4.0%	2.0% to 4.0%	
Inflation	2.0%	2.0%	
Rate of pension escalation after retirement	2.0%	2.0%	

### 4. Obligation for Pension Benefits (Continued)

The actuarial present value of benefits as at 31 December and the principal components of changes in actuarial present values during the year, were as follows:

	(in millions)				
		2002		2001	
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits					
at beginning of year	\$	148.21	\$	140.75	
Interest accrued on benefits		11.57		10.98	
Benefits accrued		5.66		5.06	
Benefits paid		(9.16)		(8.58)	
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits					
at end of year	\$	156.28	\$	148.21	
Net assets available for benefits	.\$	172.79	\$	180.28	

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Pension Plan for Full-Time CUPE 2745 Employees of New Brunswick School Districts

**31 DECEMBER 2002** 

Office of the Auditor General Bureau du vérificateur général



### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Minister of Finance Province of New Brunswick

I have audited the statement of net assets available for benefits of the Pension Plan for Full Time CUPE 2745 Employees of New Brunswick School Districts as at 31 December 2002 and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's trustee. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plan's trustee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plan as at 31 December 2002 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

Daryl C. Wilson, FCA Auditor General

Fredericton, N. B. 4 April 2003

## TRUST FUND NO. 32 PENSION PLAN FOR FULL-TIME CUPE 2745 EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS 31 DECEMBER 2002

	2002	2001
ASSETS		
Investments		."
Money market instruments	\$ 2,356,429	\$ 3,163,623
Bonds and debentures	12,994,143	12,262,105
Canadian equities	13,043,504	12,850,225
Foreign equities	4,991,425	6,689,825
	33,385,501	34,965,778
Receivables		
Employee contributions	35,227	43,636
Employer contributions	24,004	69,886
Accrued interest and dividends	139,191	132,681
	198,422	246,203
Cash	37,139	5,302
Total assets	33,621,062	35,217,283
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Accounts payable	30,407	22,163
Total liabilities	30,407	22,163
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 33,590,655	\$ 35,195,120

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

John Mallory

Deputy Minister of Finance

## TRUST FUND NO. 32 PENSION PLAN FOR FULL-TIME CUPE 2745 EMPLOYEES OF NEW BRUNSWICK SCHOOL DISTRICTS STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

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INCREASE IN ASSETS				
Investment income Interest	æ	000 000	•	000 000
Dividends	\$	803,393	. \$	886,026
		288,249		312,523
Current period increase (decrease) in market value of investments Pension contributions		(2,723,969)		157,442
Employee		558,963		477,429
Employer		455,940		467,933
Total increase (decrease) in assets		(617,424)		2,301,353
DECREASE IN ASSETS				
Pensions		555,307		447,036
Refunds		232,711		462,552
Administrative expenses		135,066		104,400
Investment management fees		56,844		56,031
Custodial fees		7,113		9,747
Total decrease in assets		987,041		1,079,766
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		(1,604,465)		1,221,587
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		35,195,120		33,973,533
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT END OF YEAR	\$	33,590,655	\$	35,195,120

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

### Description of Plan

The following description of the Pension Plan for Full-Time CUPE 2745 Employees of New Brunswick School Districts is a summary only. For more information, reference should be made to the Collective Agreement and Plan Document.

### (a) General

The Plan is a contributory defined benefit pension plan covering Full-Time CUPE 2745 Employees of New Brunswick School Districts. The Plan is administered by Morneau Sobeco, under the direction and with the assistance of the Office of Human Resources, with investment matters being advised on by the Department of Finance.

### (b) Funding Policy

Contributions are made by the Plan members and the Plan sponsor to fund the benefits determined under the Plan. The determination of the value of benefits is made on the basis of an actuarial valuation (see note 3).

### (c) Service Pensions

Effective 8 October 1998, normal retirement pension equals 2% (for service before January 1997) of average annual salary during the highest paid consecutive 5 years multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service plus 1.45% (for service between 1 January 1997 and 31 August 1997) of average annual salary during the highest paid consecutive 5 years multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service plus 1.3% (for service after 31 August 1997) of average annual salary during the highest paid consecutive 5 years multiplied by the number of years of pensionable service. Pension benefits are indexed annually according to the consumer price index increase to a maximum of 2%.

A member may elect from one of three optional forms of pensions being: 1) life pension with no guarantee period; 2) life pension with guarantee period of 10 years or 3) joint life and last survivor pension. There are also supplementary pension benefits available when the normal retirement pension is less than \$1,500 per year.

Normal retirement age is 65. Unreduced pension benefits are available at age 60 with 5 years continuous employment. Reduced benefits are available on retirement at age 55 with 5 years continuous employment.

### (d) Death Benefits

If a member dies prior to retirement and before completing 5 years continuous employment, the benefit payable to his beneficiary or estate is a refund of all contributions made by the member with accumulated interest.

### 1. Description of Plan (Continued)

If a member dies after 31 December 1997 and prior to retirement and has completed 5 or more years of continuous employment, the beneficiary or estate shall be paid an amount equal to the Commuted Value. The Commuted Value is, as at the date of the member's death, the deferred pension to which the member would have been entitled had the member's continuous employment terminated just prior to their death. In addition, excess contributions (if applicable) to which the member would have been entitled would be refunded to the designated beneficiary or estate.

If the member dies after 31 December 1997 and after retirement and was in receipt of a pension benefit, the death benefit payable is determined in accordance with the provisions of the form of pension selected by the member.

### (e) Benefits on Termination

A member who has less than 5 years of continuous employment and is terminated is entitled to a refund of their contributions made to the Plan with accumulated interest.

A member with more than 5 years continuous employment who has terminated may elect to receive a deferred pension commencing on his normal retirement date or an amount equal to the Commuted Value. The Commuted Value is, as at the date of the member's termination, the deferred pension to which the member would have been entitled. The Commuted Value of the deferred pension is to be transferred on a locked-in basis to any registered retirement savings arrangement where the transfer is allowed under the Pension Benefits Act.

### (f) Income Taxes

The Plan is a Registered Pension Plan as defined in the Income Tax Act and is not subject to taxes on income.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) Basis of Presentation

These financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis and present the aggregate financial position of the Plan as a financial reporting entity independent of the plan sponsor and plan members. These statements are prepared to assist plan members and others in reviewing the activities of the Plan for the fiscal period but they do not portray the funding requirements of the Plan or the benefit security of individual plan members.

### (b) Investments

All investments are recorded as of settlement date. Investments are carried at market value except for money market instruments which are carried at cost.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

### (c) Foreign Currency Translation

Investments in equities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to Canadian dollars at the rate of exchange in effect at the date of the statement of net assets available for benefits.

### (d) Pension Contributions

Contributions are recorded in the period that the payroll deductions are made.

### 3. Funding Policy

In accordance with the Plan Agreement, employees are required to contribute 4.5% of their earnings up to the year's maximum pensionable earnings (YMPE), plus 6% of earnings above YMPE. The employer is required to contribute an amount necessary, in the opinion of an actuary based on an actuarial valuation, which when combined with employee contributions will provide for the benefits stipulated under the Plan.

The most recent actuarial valuation for funding purposes was prepared by Morneau Sobeco as of 1 January 2000. This valuation disclosed that accrued benefits are fully funded.

### 4. Obligation for Pension Benefits

The present value of accrued benefits was determined using the projected unit credit method pro-rated on service and actuarial assumptions which reflect management's best estimate for the future. An actuarial valuation was made as of 1 January 2000 by Morneau Sobeco, a firm of consulting actuaries, and was then extrapolated to 31 December 2002.

Significant long-term assumptions and the range of short-term assumptions used in the valuation are:

	Long-term Assumptions	Short-term Assumptions	
Rate of return on assets	7.9%	7:9%	
Annual wage and salary increase	4.0%	2.0% to 4.0%	
Inflation	2.0%	2.0%	
Rate of pension escalation after retirement	2.0%	2.0%	

### 4. Obligation for Pension Benefits (Continued)

The actuarial present value of benefits as at 31 December and the principal components of changes in actuarial present values during the year, were as follows:

	(in millions)			
		2002		2001
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits				
at beginning of year	\$	26.39	\$	24.47
Interest accrued on benefits		2.10		1.93
Benefits accrued		1.07		0.90
Benefits paid		(0.79)		(0.91)
Actuarial present value of accrued pension benefits				
at end of year	\$	28.77	\$	26.39
Net assets available for benefits	\$	33.59	\$	35.20