

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Financial Statements

December 31, 2000 and 1999

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)



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We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority, Montgomery County, prepared by KPMG LLP, for the audit period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

**JIM PETRO**  
Auditor of State

May 17, 2001

# MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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## Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Trustees of  
Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority and  
Mr. Jim Petro, Auditor of State:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority (the Authority) as of December 31, 2000, and the related statements of revenues and expenses, changes in equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of the Authority as of December 31, 1999, were audited by other auditors whose report dated April 3, 2000, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements, before the restatement as described in note 2(p) to the financial statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements, referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Authority at December 31, 2000, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also audited the adjustments described in note 2(p) that were applied to restate the 1999 financial statements. In our opinion, such adjustments are appropriate and have been properly applied.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 24, 2001, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and our test of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

**KPMG LLP**

April 24, 2001

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Balance Sheets

December 31, 2000 and 1999

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>(as restated) 1999</b>
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents (note 3)	\$ 4,575,024	6,372,145
Short-term investments - Board designated for capital acquisition (note 3)	19,275,740	13,855,426
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$87,948 in 2000 and \$91,498 in 1999:		
Sales tax	8,276,096	8,692,660
Federal operating and preventative maintenance assistance	3,631,861	1,246,705
State operating and preventative maintenance assistance	670,356	1,220,427
Federal capital assistance	1,857,291	1,612,353
State capital assistance	1,052,161	635,474
Interest	651,108	681,696
Other	591,803	701,806
Total accounts receivable	16,730,676	14,791,121
Materials and supplies	3,687,623	3,299,890
Prepaid expenses and deposits	286,488	239,140
Total current assets	44,555,551	38,557,722
Non-current assets:		
Long-term investments (note3):		
Non-Board designated	7,030,503	—
Board designated:		
Capital acquisitions	5,852,641	16,436,524
Self-insurance (note 8)	2,592,453	2,592,453
Working capital	9,498,331	8,792,970
Other	3,000,000	3,000,000
Total long-term investments	27,973,928	30,821,947
Property and equipment (note 8):		
Revenue producing and service equipment	81,972,181	80,629,332
Land	4,562,819	4,562,819
Buildings and structures	68,244,254	60,136,051
Office furnishings, shop equipment and other	14,979,219	9,512,197
Job orders in process	14,831,512	8,569,729
Total property and equipment	184,589,985	163,410,128
Less accumulated depreciation	62,838,996	56,246,234
Property and equipment, net	121,750,989	107,163,894
Total assets	\$ 194,280,468	176,543,563

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Balance Sheets, Continued

December 31, 2000 and 1999

<b>Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>(as restated) 1999</b>
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable (includes outstanding checks of \$2,531,768 at December 31, 2000)	\$ 7,536,532	3,980,733
Accrued payroll and related benefits	5,315,704	5,709,372
Accrued self-insurance (note 7)	2,631,968	2,592,453
Unredeemed fares	506,417	459,003
Other accrued expenses	327,557	274,393
Current maturities of bonds and notes payable (note 4)	1,745,000	1,650,000
Total current liabilities	18,063,178	14,665,954
Bonds and notes payable (note 4)	14,725,000	16,470,000
Total liabilities	32,788,178	31,135,954
Equity:		
Capital grants:		
Federal	90,533,023	78,144,813
State of Ohio	5,867,525	5,251,667
	96,400,548	83,396,480
Retained earnings	65,091,742	62,011,129
Total equity	161,492,290	145,407,609
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 194,280,468	176,543,563

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Statements of Revenues and Expenses

Years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999

	<u>2000</u>	<u>(as restated) 1999</u>
Operating revenues:		
Passenger fares	\$ 5,665,256	5,796,667
Special transit fares and charter service:		
Board of Education (student transportation)	1,193,625	1,287,127
Charter service	110,590	118,797
Contract service	19,417	80,994
Total operating revenues	<u>6,988,888</u>	<u>7,283,585</u>
Operating expenses:		
Labor	24,914,162	24,605,100
Fringe benefits	11,856,346	12,143,814
Contractual services	3,125,835	3,072,214
Materials and supplies	5,176,190	3,756,671
Utilities and propulsion power	1,481,549	1,263,482
Claims and insurance	670,040	777,457
Other	729,118	786,085
Total operating expenses excluding depreciation	<u>47,953,240</u>	<u>46,404,823</u>
Operating loss before depreciation expense	<u>(40,964,352)</u>	<u>(39,121,238)</u>
Depreciation expense:		
Acquired with Authority funds	2,310,930	2,316,391
Acquired with capital grant funds	6,773,026	6,321,459
Total depreciation expense	<u>9,083,956</u>	<u>8,637,850</u>
Operating loss	<u>(50,048,308)</u>	<u>(47,759,088)</u>
Nonoperating revenues (expenses):		
Sales tax proceeds	32,268,771	32,070,015
Federal operating and preventative maintenance assistance	7,439,889	3,548,609
Federal capital grants (passed through to sub-recipient)	1,964,004	1,062,499
Capital grants to sub-recipient	(1,964,004)	(1,062,499)
State operating and preventative maintenance assistance	1,811,061	2,440,854
State special fare assistance	249,092	243,225
Interest on investments	3,262,260	3,307,985
Interest expense	(935,243)	(1,008,948)
Net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments	1,098,722	(2,163,367)
Other	1,161,343	421,740
Total nonoperating revenues, net	<u>46,355,895</u>	<u>38,860,113</u>
Net loss	<u>\$ (3,692,413)</u>	<u>(8,898,975)</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statements of Changes in Equity

Years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999

	<u>Capital Grants</u>		<u>Retained earnings</u>	<u>Total equity</u>
	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>		
Balance at December 31, 1998, as restated (note 2(p))	\$ 69,133,285	3,021,326	64,588,645	136,743,256
Net loss	—	—	(8,898,975)	(8,898,975)
Grants received and earned for capital additions	15,051,014	2,512,314	—	17,563,328
Depreciation of assets acquired with capital grant funds (note 2)	<u>(6,039,486)</u>	<u>(281,973)</u>	<u>6,321,459</u>	<u>—</u>
Balance at December 31, 1999, as restated (note 2(p))	78,144,813	5,251,667	62,011,129	145,407,609
Net loss	—	—	(3,692,413)	(3,692,413)
Grants received and earned for capital additions	18,919,105	857,989	—	19,777,094
Depreciation of assets acquired with capital grant funds (note 2)	<u>(6,530,895)</u>	<u>(242,131)</u>	<u>6,773,026</u>	<u>—</u>
Balance at December 31, 2000	<u>\$ 90,533,023</u>	<u>5,867,525</u>	<u>65,091,742</u>	<u>161,492,290</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999

	<u>2000</u>	<u>(as restated) 1999</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Operating loss	\$ (50,048,308)	(47,759,088)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation	9,083,956	8,637,850
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable – other	110,003	(1,806,263)
Materials and supplies	(387,733)	(609,667)
Prepaid expenses and deposits	(47,348)	(119,277)
Accounts payable	3,555,799	(363,358)
Accrued expenses and unredeemed fares	(253,575)	729,974
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(37,987,206)</u>	<u>(41,289,829)</u>
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:		
Sales tax	32,685,335	31,394,063
Federal operating and preventive maintenance assistance grants	5,054,733	2,334,742
Federal capital grants (passed through to sub-recipient)	1,964,004	1,062,499
Capital grants to sub-recipient	(1,964,004)	(1,062,499)
State operating and preventive maintenance and special fare assistance grants	2,610,224	2,684,079
Oth Other	1,161,343	421,740
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	<u>41,511,635</u>	<u>36,834,624</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Capital grants received	21,079,473	18,625,827
Additions to property and equipment	(25,698,959)	(23,974,264)
Proceeds from sales of property and equipment	63,904	8,714
Interest paid on bonds and notes payable	(935,243)	(1,008,948)
Payments of bonds payable	(1,650,000)	(1,575,000)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	<u>(7,140,825)</u>	<u>(7,923,671)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of investment securities	(23,922,901)	(37,516,089)
Proceeds from sale or maturity of investment securities	22,449,328	48,250,000
Interest received	3,292,848	3,270,609
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>1,819,275</u>	<u>14,004,520</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,797,121)	1,625,644
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>6,372,145</u>	<u>4,746,501</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 4,575,024</u>	<u>6,372,145</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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## (1) The Authority and Reporting Entity

### (a) *The Authority*

Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority (the Authority) provides virtually all public mass transportation within Montgomery County. The Authority is governed by a nine member Board of Trustees and is an independent political subdivision of the State of Ohio organized pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 306.30 through 306.71, inclusive, as amended, and as such, is not subject to state or federal income taxes. The Authority was created on July 6, 1971, pursuant to the Revised Code, by ordinances of the Councils of the City of Dayton and City of Oakwood. After completing the purchase of the assets of City Transit, which was the major privately-owned public transportation system in the area, the Authority became operational on November 5, 1972. In July 1980, after the approval in the preceding April by the voters of the county of a one-half percent sales and use tax of unlimited duration for all purposes of the Authority, the boundaries of the Authority were extended to be coextensive with boundaries of Montgomery County, Ohio.

### (b) *Reporting Entity*

The accompanying financial statements include only the accounts and transactions of the Authority. Under the criteria specified in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, the Authority has no component units nor is it considered a component unit of any other governmental authority. The conclusions regarding the financial reporting entity are based on the concept of financial accountability. The Authority is not financially accountable for any other organization. This is evidenced by the fact that the Authority is a legally and fiscally separate and distinct organization under the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code.

## (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### (a) *Basis of Accounting*

The accounting policies of the Authority conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental entities. The accounts of the Authority, which are organized as an enterprise fund, are used to account for the Authority's activities that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise. Accordingly, the Authority maintains its records on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues from operations, investments, and other sources are recorded when earned. Expenses (including depreciation and amortization) of providing services to the public are accrued when incurred.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 20, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, the Authority follows GASB guidance as applicable to proprietary funds and Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins issued on or before November 30, 1989, that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

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**(b) Budgetary Accounting and Control**

The Authority's annual budget, as provided by law, is prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The Authority maintains budgetary control by not permitting expenditures to exceed appropriations without approval of the Board of Trustees.

**(c) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents consists of cash on hand, demand deposits, short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition, and deposits in the State Treasurer's Asset Reserve investment pool (STAR Ohio).

**(d) Investments**

Investments are reported at fair value, based on quoted market prices, except for repurchase agreements which are reported at amortized cost.

**(e) Board Designated Investments**

Investments are designated annually by the Board of Trustees and shall be required for each of the following items:

*Capital acquisitions* – to provide local match funds for approved or projected Federal grants, projects not eligible for grant participation, or local match for transit related projects that would assist community development efforts.

*Self insurance* – the value of the estimated potential claim liability.

*Working capital* – the value of an average two months of budgeted operating expenses.

*Other* – to provide flexibility in funding operations when an economic downturn affects major revenue sources or when a major, unforeseen crisis requires extraordinary expenditures.

**(f) Materials and Supplies**

Materials and supplies are recorded at average cost and consist principally of maintenance supplies and repair parts.

**(g) Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment is stated at historical cost and includes expenditures which substantially increase the useful lives of existing assets. Repair and maintenance costs are directly expensed as incurred. Public domain assets such as electrical overhead systems and shelters are capitalized.

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**(h) Depreciation**

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of the respective assets as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated useful life</u>
Revenue producing and service equipment	3 to 18 years
Buildings and structures	6 to 45 years
Office furnishings, shop equipment and other	5 to 8 years
Operating rights	20 years

Depreciation on assets acquired with federal and state contributions is reflected as a transfer to the related state and federal capital grant equity accounts.

**(i) Compensated Absences**

The Authority accrues vacation benefits as earned by its employees and the vested and nonvested portion of accumulated sick leave benefits payable upon retirement.

**(j) Passenger Fares**

Passenger fares are recorded as revenue at the time services are performed.

**(k) Sales Taxes**

The Authority receives the proceeds of a one-half percent sales tax as approved by the residents of Montgomery County. The sales tax is collected by vendors within Montgomery County and remitted to the Ohio Department of Taxation, which charges a one percent administrative fee for its service. Sales tax revenue is recognized in the month collected by the vendors.

**(l) Federal and State Operating and Preventative Maintenance Assistance Funds**

Federal and State operating and preventative maintenance assistance funds to be received by the Authority under the Urban Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1964, as amended, and under the Ohio Public Mass Transportation Grant Program are recorded and reflected in income in the period to which they are applicable.

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**(m) Capital Grants**

Federal and state capital grants for the acquisition of property and equipment are recorded as the costs are incurred. Capital acquisitions for which grant funds have not been received from Federal Transit Authority (FTA) or Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) are recorded as capital grants receivable.

When assets acquired with capital grant funds are disposed, the Authority is required to notify the granting federal agency. A proportional amount of the proceeds or fair market value, if any, of such property may be used to acquire like-kind replacement vehicles or remitted to the granting federal agency.

**(n) Estimates**

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

**(o) Reclassifications**

Certain amounts from the prior year have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

**(p) Accounting Change**

During 2000, the Authority changed its accounting for certain capital grants passed through to sub-recipients for transit-related improvements. Previously, the Authority recorded the receipt of such capital grants as contributed capital within equity and capitalized amounts passed through to sub-recipients as operating rights within property and equipment. After further consideration of the Authority's related contracts with sub-recipients, the Authority determined it should not capitalize amounts because the Authority does not retain ownership of the transit-related improvements. Capital grants received for such projects are currently recorded as "Federal capital grants (passed through to sub-recipient)" offset by "capital grants to sub-recipient" in the Statements of Revenues and Expenses. Prior year amounts have been restated. As a result of the change, contributed capital at December 31, 1999 and 1998, decreased \$3,183,232 and \$2,285,988, respectively; retained earnings at December 31, 1999 and 1998, decreased \$479,757 and \$516,587, respectively; property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation, at December 31, 1999, decreased \$3,662,989; and the net loss for the year ended December 31, 1999, decreased \$202,082.

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#### **(q) *New Accounting Pronouncements***

GASB recently issued Statements No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions*, No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments*, and No. 36, *Recipient Reporting for Certain Shared Non-exchange Revenues* (an amendment of GASB Statement No. 33). The Authority intends to implement GASB Statement No. 33 and No. 36 for the year ended December 2001 and GASB Statement No. 34 for the year ended December 31, 2003. Management is currently evaluating the impact of these statements on the results of operations and financial condition.

#### **(3) Cash and Investments**

The investment and deposit of Authority monies are governed by the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. In accordance with these statutes, only banks located in Ohio and domestic building and loan associations are eligible to hold public deposits. The statutes also permit the Authority to invest its monies in certificates of deposit, commercial paper, savings accounts, money market accounts, the State Treasurer's Asset Reserve investment pool (STAR Ohio) and obligations of the United States government or certain agencies thereof. The Authority may also enter into repurchase agreements with any eligible depository or any eligible dealer who is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers for a period not exceeding thirty days. The Authority is prohibited from investing in any financial instrument, contract, or obligation whose value or return is based upon or linked to another asset or index, or both, separate from the financial instrument, contract, or obligation itself (commonly known as a "derivative"). The Authority is also prohibited from investing in reverse repurchase agreements.

Public depositories must give security for all public funds on deposit. These institutions may either specifically collateralize individual accounts in lieu of amounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or may pledge a pool of government securities valued at least 110% of the total value of public monies on deposit at the institution. Repurchase agreements must be secured by the specific government securities upon which the repurchase agreements are based. These securities must be obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and must mature or be redeemable within five years of the date of the related repurchase agreement. The market value of the securities, subject to a repurchase agreement, must exceed the value of the principal by 2% and be marked to market daily.

#### **(a) *Deposits***

At December 31, 2000 and 1999, the carrying amount of the Authority's deposits was \$143,990 and \$184,743, respectively, as compared to bank balances of \$209,621 and \$834,714, respectively. Of the bank balances at December 31, 2000 and 1999, \$157,621 and \$171,104, respectively, was on deposit and covered by federal depository insurance and \$52,000 and \$663,610, respectively was collateralized by a pool of securities maintained by the Authority's financial institutions but not in the Authority's name.

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**(b) Investments**

The following table presents a summary of the fair values of the Authority's investments at December 31, 2000 and 1999. All categorized investments are insured or registered and are held by the Authority's custodian (agent) in the Authority's name. The deposits in Star Ohio (pooled funds) are not categorized because the relationship between the Authority and the investment agent is a direct contractual relationship, and the investments are not supported by a transferable instrument that evidences ownership or creditorship. These deposits are valued at the pool's share price which is the price for which the investment could be sold as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

	<b>Fair Value</b>	
	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
Categorized:		
U.S. government and agencies securities	\$ 43,164,093	44,677,373
Certificates of Deposit	3,097,346	—
Commercial paper	988,229	—
Noncategorized -		
Star Ohio (investment pool)	4,431,034	6,183,300
Total investments	\$ 51,680,702	50,860,673

Although the Star Ohio deposits are included with investments above for risk categorization, these deposits are classified as cash and cash equivalents for financial reporting purposes.

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**(4) Bonds and Notes Payable**

Bonds and notes payable consist of capital facilities bonds issued for the purpose of purchasing, acquiring, constructing, replacing, improving, extending and enlarging transit facilities. The bonds and notes were authorized to be issued and sold under resolutions passed by the Board of Trustees. The bonds and notes are general obligations of the Authority and consist of the following:

	<u>Interest rates</u>	<u>December 31,</u>	
		<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
General obligation capital facilities bonds and notes:			
Series 1992	4.00% to 5.50%	\$ 1,190,000	1,740,000
Series 1993	3.10% to 5.10%	3,340,000	3,635,000
Series 1994	3.50% to 6.00%	3,430,000	3,720,000
Series 1997	4.15% to 5.55%	<u>8,510,000</u>	<u>9,025,000</u>
Total payable		16,470,000	18,120,000
Less current portion		<u>1,745,000</u>	<u>1,650,000</u>
Current maturities of bonds and notes payable		<u>\$ 14,725,000</u>	<u>16,470,000</u>

The annual requirements to pay principal and interest on the bonds and notes outstanding at December 31, 2000 are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2001	\$ 1,745,000	860,295	2,605,295
2002	1,845,000	774,350	2,619,350
2003	1,300,000	681,208	1,981,208
2004	1,370,000	617,518	1,987,518
2005	1,445,000	548,583	1,993,583
Thereafter	<u>8,765,000</u>	<u>1,686,855</u>	<u>10,451,855</u>
	<u>\$ 16,470,000</u>	<u>5,168,809</u>	<u>21,638,809</u>



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### (5) Pension Plan

#### (a) Plan Description

The Authority contributes to the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (PERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code assigns the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the PERS Board of Trustees (Board). PERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes the financial statements. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642, or by calling 614-466-2085 or 1-800-222-PERS (7377).

#### (b) Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute 8.5% of their annual covered salary, and the Authority is required to contribute an actuarially determined rate. The Board instituted a temporary employer contribution rate rollback for calendar year 2000. The rate rollback was 20% for state and local government divisions. The 2000 employer contribution rate for local government employer units was 10.84% of covered payroll. The 1999 and 1998 rate was 13.55% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Authority are established and may be amended by the Board. The Authority's contributions to PERS for the years ending December 31, 2000, 1999, and 1998 were \$3,195,188, \$3,880,899, and \$3,665,387, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year. Required employer contributions are equal to 100% of the dollar amount billed to each employer.

### (6) Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

PERS also provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirees with 10 or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 12. As required by state statute, a portion of each employer's contribution to PERS (see note 5) is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employer contributions. The employer contribution rate was rolled back for the year 2000. For local government employer units, the 2000 rate was 10.84% (13.55% in 1999) of covered payroll; 4.30% (4.2% in 1999) was the portion that was used to fund health care for the year. The Authority's contributions actually made to fund postemployment benefits was approximately \$1,267,531 in 2000 and \$1,202,303 in 1999.

The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postretirement health care through their contributions to PERS.

Summary of assumptions:

*Actuarial Review* – The assumptions and calculations below were based on the System's latest Actuarial Review performed as of December 31, 1999.

*Funding Method* – An entry age normal actuarial cost method of valuation is used in determining the present value of OPEB. The difference between assumed and actual experience (actuarial gains and losses) becomes part of unfunded actuarial accrued liability.

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*Assets Valuation Method* – All investments are carried at market value. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Under this approach assets are adjusted annually to reflect 25% of the unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets.

*Investment Return* – The investment assumption rate for 1999 was 7.75%.

*Active Employee Total Payroll* – An annual increase of 4.75% compounded annually, is the base portion of the individual pay increase assumption. This assumes no change in the number of active employees. Additionally, annual pay increases, over and above the 4.75% base increase, were assumed to range from 0.54% to 5.1%.

*Health Care* – Health care costs were assumed to increase 4.75% annually.

OPEBs are advanced funded on an actuarially determined basis. The number of active participating participants at December 31, 2000 was 401,339. \$10,805.5 million represents the actuarial value of the Retirement System's net assets available for OPEB at December 31, 1999 (the latest date information is available). The actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability at December 31, 1999 (the latest date information is available), based on the actuarial cost method used, were \$12,473.6 million and \$1,668.1 million, respectively.

The Board enacted a temporary employer contribution rollback for calendar year 2000. The decision to rollback rates was based on the December 31, 1998 actuarial study, which indicated that actuarial assets exceeded actuarial liabilities. The temporary rate rollback was 20% for local government divisions. The Board reallocated employer contributions from 4.20% to 4.30% at the beginning of 2000 to improve health care financing. The proportion of contributions dedicated to funding OPEB increased during the year for those reasons.

#### (7) Risk Management

The Authority is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Effective December 31, 1994, the Authority commenced participation in the Ohio Transit Insurance Pool, Inc. (OTIP) related to its risk of property and casualty loss. Under this plan, the Authority receives property and casualty loss coverage in exchange for premiums paid. OTIP self-insures the first \$100,000 of any qualified property loss and the first \$250,000 of any qualified casualty loss subject to a \$1,000 per loss deductible (\$25,000 for revenue vehicles). Per occurrence, excess insurance coverage is maintained by OTIP equal to \$269,559,059 for qualified property losses and \$25,000,000 for qualified casualty losses. The annual aggregate stop-loss limit for casualty is \$1,600,000 and for property is \$300,000.

Any underfunding of the plans liabilities is shared by the members on a pro rata basis based on pool contribution factors comprised of: population, full-time employees, vehicles, property values, budget, claims history times two and net operating expenses.

The Authority is also self-insured for worker's compensation claims up to a limit of \$300,000 per claim at which point stop-loss insurance becomes effective. A reserve has been provided at December 31, 2000 and 1999 for the estimated potential claim liability based upon an actuary's estimate. This liability is classified as current although some portion may not be paid within one year. Management believes, based on prior experience, that the estimated reserve for claims is adequate to satisfy all claims filed or to be filed for incidents which occurred through December 31, 2000.

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The following is a reconciliation of the Authority’s claims liability:

	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
Accrued self-insurance – beginning of year	\$ 2,592,453	2,390,296
Claims and other expenses incurred– during year	636,535	671,493
Claims paid– during year	(597,020)	(469,336)
Accrued self-insurance – end of year	\$ 2,631,968	2,592,453

**(8) Capital and Other Grants**

The Authority has a capital improvement program which is primarily funded through capital grants. The purpose of this program is to provide various improvements to the transit system. The total amount approved under the capital improvement program is to be provided by grants and Authority equity, which includes participation by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) (approximately 80%), the Authority’s funds (between 10% and 20% depending upon ODOT participation) and to a lesser extent ODOT.

The Authority participates in community based transit improvement projects where management deems there to be a public transit related benefit. The Authority serves as a funding conduit for specific Federal/State funding, and/or provides Federal/State/Local funding out of its annual allocation. In exchange for its participation, the Authority receives benefits which may include operating rights, exclusive use agreements, or other forms of consideration. Capital grants received for such projects are recorded as “Federal capital grants (passed through to sub-recipient)” offset by “capital grants to sub-recipient” in the Statements of Revenues and Expenses.

In 1998, the Authority entered into contracts with ODOT for two downtown Dayton projects, which will include Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and FTA funds. The process for receiving these Federal funds requires the Authority to enter into a contract with ODOT for each project in the amount of \$3.303 million for the Baseball Stadium project and \$3.675 million for the RiverScape project. The Authority also entered into agreements with the City of Dayton, which will be responsible for all contracts associated with the transit-related portions of the Baseball Stadium project and Montgomery County, which will be responsible for all contracts associated with the transit-related portions of the RiverScape project.

The Authority remitted approximately \$2.0 million and \$1.0 million of FTA and FHWA funds during 2000 and 1999, respectively, to the City of Dayton for the Baseball Stadium project and related transit enhancements. At December 31, 2000, no amounts had been remitted to Montgomery County for the RiverScape project.

The Authority has an obligation to ensure that the benefits received from such projects continue for a time period deemed appropriate to ensure Federal/State funds have fully vested in the project and that no Federal/State payback would be required by the sub-recipient. At December 31, 2000, the Authority continues to monitor the Baseball Stadium project (as described above), completed in May of 2000 with \$3,026,504 in Federal funding, as well as the Main Street Project, completed in November of 1992 with \$3,184,806 in Federal funding. Both of these projects have a 20 year vesting period and would require a partial payback of funding, based on straight line amortization, if the benefits received by the Authority are discontinued before the vesting period ends.

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### (9) Contingencies and Commitments

#### (a) Contingencies

Federally assisted capital grant programs are subject to audit by the granting agency. Management believes that no liability will arise, as a result of audits previously performed or to be performed, which might adversely affect the financial position of the Authority.

FTA grant stipulations also require the grantee to retain assets acquired by FTA funds for the full estimated asset useful life (as determined by FTA). If this provision is not met, the grantee must refund FTA's un-depreciated basis in assets disposed.

In 1994, the Authority entered into a \$32 million contract with Electric Transit Inc. (ETI) to purchase a new fleet of Electric Trolley buses. The ETI fleet consists of three prototype buses and 54 production models. In November 2000, two structural problems were discovered and 50 of the production buses were removed from revenue service. ETI is currently completing a full analysis including testing and development of final repair actions and retrofit of the fleet with proven modifications. The Authority expects a plan of resolution by May 2001. The Authority is able to maintain service by using its contingency fleet, re-assigning certain fleets, and utilizing buses reserved for the 2003 Celebration of the Centennial of Flight. While the 50 production buses represent approximately \$28 million in capital investment, the risk is offset by the following: 1) the affected buses are still under warranty; 2) the Authority holds approximately \$850,000 in retainage money; and 3) the Authority holds a \$16.3 million ETI performance bond. At the date of this report, management believes it is not possible to determine if there will be any future loss related to this matter.

#### (b) Commitments

At December 31, 2000, the Authority had outstanding purchase commitments for contracts of approximately \$8.2 million, of which approximately \$4.2 million is for new project mobility and diesel vehicles and \$4.0 million for construction and equipment for the American Building.

#### (c) Litigation

The Authority is involved in a dispute with a tenant operating a daycare facility in the building that houses the Authority's Northwest hub operation. The plaintiff filed suit against the Authority claiming breach of provisions in the lease contract and delay of occupancy, and the Authority has filed a counterclaim against the plaintiff, also claiming breach of contract. The Authority has chosen to vigorously contest this matter based on its strong belief that it abided by the letter and spirit of the lease agreement. In the opinion of the Authority's management, the Authority has adequate legal defense for this action and does not believe that this action will materially affect the Authority's operations or financial position.

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OMB Circular A-133 Report

Year Ended December 31, 2000

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

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**Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance and on Internal Control  
Over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Financial Statements  
Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

The Board of Trustees  
Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority and  
Mr. Jim Petro, Auditor of State:

We have audited the financial statements of Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated April 24, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

**Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, the Board's Finance/Personnel committee and management of the Authority, the Federal Transit Administration, other applicable U.S. Government Agencies, and the Auditor of the State of Ohio and it is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**KPMG LLP**

April 24, 2001



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**Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance with Requirements  
Applicable to Each Major Program, Internal Control Over  
Compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133,  
and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

The Board of Trustees  
Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority and  
Mr. Jim Petro, Auditor of State:

**Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority (the Authority) with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2000. The Authority's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal program is the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Authority's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Authority's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we consider necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on the Authority's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the Audit complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal program for the year ended December 31, 2000. However, the results of our auditing procedures disclosed an instance of noncompliance with those requirements which is required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Item 00-1.

**Internal Control Over Compliance**

The management of the Authority is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.



Our consideration of the Authority's internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses.

### **Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

We have audited the financial statements of the Authority as of and for the year ended December 31, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated April 24, 2001. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, the Board's Finance/Personnel committee and management of the Authority, the Federal Transit Administration, other applicable U.S. Government Agencies, and the Auditor of the State of Ohio and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**KPMG LLP**

April 24, 2001

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Year ended December 31, 2000

<b>Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title</b>	<b>Grant Number</b>	<b>Federal CFDA Number</b>	<b>Grant Award Date</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>
<u>Department of Transportation</u>				
Direct Programs:				
Federal Transit - Section 5309 - Capital Improvement Grants	OH-03-0124	20.500		\$ 357,052
	OH-03-0172	20.500		2,220,362
	OH-03-0176	20.500		620,313
	OH-03-0182	20.500		572,980
	OH-03-0188	20.500		1,600,000
	OH-03-0189	20.500		343,690
Passed through the Ohio Department of Transportation				
Federal Transit - Section 5309 - Capital Improvement Grants	OH-03-0169	20.500		122,216
Total CFDA # 20.500				<u>5,836,613</u>
Direct Programs:				
Federal Transit - Section 5307 - Capital and Operating Assistance Formula Grants	OH-90-0094	20.507		354,052
	OH-90-0207	20.507		421,164
	OH-90-9240	20.507		234,806
	OH-90-0267	20.507		3,976,581
	OH-90-0295	20.507		2,376,974
	OH-90-0316	20.507		2,910,777
	OH-90-0341	20.507		4,345,123
	OH-90-0341(CM)	20.507		2,186,133
	OH-90-9341	20.507		93,693
	OH-90-0359	20.507		1,027,017
	OH-90-0359 (CM)	20.507		3,115,201
	OH-90-0359 (DR)	20.507		190,562
	OH-37-X003	20.507		254,300
Total CFDA # 20.507				<u>21,486,383</u>
Total Department of Transportation - Federal Transit Cluster				27,322,996
Passed through the Ohio Department of Transportation				
Federal Highway Administration - Baseball Stadium project	9190	20.205		<u>1,000,001</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS</b>				<b>\$ <u>28,322,997</u></b>

See accompanying notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

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### Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

December 31, 2000

**(1) Note A—General**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal award programs of the Miami Valley Regional Transit Authority (the Authority). The Authority's reporting entity is defined in Note 1(a) to the Authority's financial statements. All federal awards received directly from federal agencies, as well as federal awards passed through other government agencies are included on the Schedule.

**(2) Note B—Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the accrual basis of accounting.

**(3) Note C—Subrecipients**

The Authority was a pass-through entity of the Federal Transit Cluster funds, as well as, the Federal Highway Administration – Baseball Grant funds to one subrecipient, The City of Dayton for \$1,964,004.

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Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

Year ended December 31, 2000

**(1) Summary of Auditors' Results**

***Financial Statements***

Type of auditors' report issued	Unqualified	
Internal control over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Reportable condition(s) identified not considered to be material weaknesses	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

***Federal Awards***

Internal control over major programs:		
Material weakness(es) identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Reportable condition(s) identified	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None reported
Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs	Unqualified	
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Circular A-133 (section .510(a))?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Identification of major programs:  
(23(23)):

CFDA Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster Number
20.500 and 20.507	Federal Transit Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs	\$ 849,690	
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**(2) Findings Related to the Financial Statements Which are Required to be Reported in Accordance With Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards**

– No matters are reportable.

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**(3) Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards.**

**Finding 00-1; Federal Transit Cluster CFDA #20.500 and 20.507, Department of Transportation –Subrecipient Monitoring**

**Criteria:**

According to OMB Circular A-133 § .400 and the OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement, dated March 2000, a pass-through entity is required to (1) monitor the activities of subrecipients as necessary to ensure that Federal awards are used for authorized purposes in compliance with laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts or grant agreements and that performance goals are achieved and (2) advise recipients of requirements imposed on them by Federal laws and regulations and to require subrecipients expending \$300,000 or more in Federal awards during the subrecipients fiscal year to have a single audit in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

**Condition:**

The Authority passed through \$964,003 in federal funds under the Federal Transit Cluster to one subrecipient during the year ended December 31, 2000. The Authority did not review an OMB Circular A-133 report from the subrecipient. Additionally, the subrecipient grant agreement did not communicate the requirement for the subrecipient to have a single audit performed in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and forward it to the Authority within nine months of their fiscal year-end.

**Questioned Costs:**

None

**Effect:**

Failure to adequately monitor subrecipients could result in federal funds being expended for unallowable purposes and subrecipients not properly administering the federal programs in accordance with laws, regulations and the grant agreement.

**Cause:**

Management of the Authority state that the exclusion of the audit requirements in subrecipient agreements and not receiving the OMB Circular A-133 report is due to management oversight. However, other monitoring procedures were performed including the receipt and review of all invoices from the subrecipient prior to reimbursement.

**Recommendation:**

We recommend the Authority include specific language regarding the requirement for an OMB Circular A-133 audit in their contracts with all subrecipients. We also recommend the Authority implement procedures to ensure OMB Circular A-133 Reports are received within nine months subsequent to subrecipient's year end and desk reviews are performed on a timely basis for the reports

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including review of report, follow up on subrecipient findings and implementation of corrective action plans, receipt and review of applicable management letters, and documentation of such review.



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**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

**This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.**

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
MAY 24, 2001**