

Scioto County Regional Water District # 1

Scioto County

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We have reviewed the Independent Auditor's Report of the Scioto County Regional Water District #1, Scioto County, prepared by Balestra & Company, for the audit period January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002. 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 Scioto County Regional Water District #1 is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

*Betty Montgomery*

BETTY MONTGOMERY  
Auditor of State

May 30, 2003

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Scioto County Regional Water District Number One (the District), Scioto County, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

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 general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Scioto County Regional Water District Number One, as of December 31, 2002, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary fund type for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 12, 2003 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of 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.

*Balestra & Company*  
Balestra & Company

March 12, 2003

**Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
Scioto County**

**Balance Sheet  
As of December 31, 2002**

**Assets:**

Current Assets:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	54,560
Investments	909,898
Accounts Receivable	570,763
Deposits	4,800
Prepaid Expenses	35,074
Inventories	59,621
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>1,634,716</b>

Deferred Charges: 39,889

Restricted Assets:

Investments	360,354
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Fixed Assets Net of Accumulated Depreciation 5,830,864

**Total Assets** **7,865,823**

**Liabilities & Fund Equity:**

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	122,257
Employee Withholding Payable	5,464
Unset Water Taps Payable	21,800
Compensated Absences Payable	84,463
Customer Deposits	425
OPWC Loan Payable	20,171
Revenue Bonds Payable	145,000
Contracted Debt Payable	5,880
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>405,460</b>

Noncurrent Liabilities:

OPWC Loan Payable	351,024
Revenues Bonds Payable	2,210,000
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>2,561,024</b>

**Total of Liabilities** 2,966,484

Fund Equity:

Contributed Capital - Customers	2,076,140
Retained Earnings - Unreserved	2,823,199
<b>Total Fund Equity</b>	<b>4,899,339</b>

**Total Liabilities and Fund Equity** **7,865,823**

The notes to the general purpose financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



**Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
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**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Retained Earnings  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2002**

**Income:**

Operating Revenues:

Water Sales	3,069,255
Water Tap Sales	64,021
Lab Test Fees	1,896
Miscellaneous	89,050
	89,050

**Total Operating Revenues** 3,224,222

**Expenses:**

Operating Expenses:

Water Taps and New Line Extensions	67,039
Supply and Treatment	831,230
Distribution	837,717
Administration, Billing, and Office	561,078
Board Expenses	7,041
Depreciation Expenses	535,476
	535,476

**Total Operating Expenses** 2,839,581

**Operating Income** 384,641

**Non-Operating Income:**

Non-Operating Revenues:

Interest Income	16,747
Interest Expense	(122,538)
	(122,538)

**Total Non-Operating Revenues** (105,791)

**Net Income:**

**Total Net Income** 278,850  
(Difference between operating and non-operating)

**Retained Earnings January 1, 2002 (restated - see note 10)** 2,544,349

**Retained Earnings, December 31, 2002:** 2,823,199

The notes to the general purpose financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Scioto County Regional Water District #1  
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**Statement of Cash Flows  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2002**

Cash Flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from Customers	\$3,182,930
Cash paid to suppliers & employees for goods and services	<u>(\$2,279,283)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$903,647
Cash flows from capital financing activities:	
Proceeds from OPWC Loans	\$60,372
Payments for capital acquisitions	(\$689,394)
Principal payments on long term notes	(\$17,152)
Principal payments - bonds	(\$140,000)
Interest paid on revenue bonds	<u>(\$122,538)</u>
Net cash provided by capital financing activities	(\$908,712)
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest earned	<u>\$16,747</u>
Net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$11,682
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1, 2002	<u>\$42,879</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, December 31, 2002	<u><u>\$54,561</u></u>
<u>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by</u>	
Operating Income	\$384,641
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities:	
Depreciation Expense	\$535,476
Deferred Charges	\$4,421
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(\$41,293)
(Increase) Decrease in Deposits	(\$1,935)
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid Items	(\$4,563)
(Increase) Decrease in Materials and Supplies Inventory	\$1,933
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	\$9,152
Increase (Decrease) in Employee's Withholding Payable	(\$356)
Increase (Decrease) in Compensated Absences Payable	\$16,496
Increase (Decrease) in Deposits	\$425
Increase (Decrease) in Unset Water Taps Payable	(\$750)
Total Adjustments	<u>\$519,006</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u><u>\$903,647</u></u>

The notes to the general purpose financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT NUMBER ONE  
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The Scioto County Regional Water District Number One is a water district organized under the provisions of Section 6119 of the Ohio Revised Code by the Common Pleas Court of Scioto County in August of 1966. The Regional Water District Number One operates under the direction of a seven member board of trustees. An appointed staff consisting of a superintendent, a plant superintendent, a distribution superintendent, and an office manager are responsible for fiscal control of the resources of the Scioto County Regional Water District Number One. The Scioto County Regional Water District Number One was established to provide an adequate and uncontaminated water supply for the consumption of the water district users, for industrial and business use, and for fire protection. The District serves all or parts of the following political subdivisions:

Bloom Township  
Clay Township  
Harrison Township  
Jefferson Township  
Madison Township  
Porter Township  
Valley Township  
Vernon Township  
South Webster Village

B. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

For financial statement presentation purposes, the Scioto County Regional Water District Number One utilizes the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are earned. Unbilled water utility service receivables are recorded at year end.

Expenses are recognized under the accrual basis of accounting when the liability is incurred.

Under the guidelines of GASB Statement No. 20, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting," the Water District has elected not to apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, to its proprietary activities.

C. BUDGETARY PROCESS

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. BUDGETARY PROCESS (Continued)

Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The District must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end.

Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus cash as of January 1.

Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the District to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2002 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

D. CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL

Contributed capital is recorded by the District for receipts of capital grants or contributions from developers and customers prior to the implementation of GASB No. 33 and 36 in 2001. Contributed capital of the Scioto County Regional Water District Number One has been entirely from customers.

E. PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT

Fixed assets acquired or constructed for the general use of the District in providing service are recorded at cost. Donated assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value at the time received. Depreciation of fixed assets of the District is calculated utilizing the straight line method. All assets reported in the financial statements are at cost less accumulated depreciation. The estimated useful lives by major fixed asset class are as follows:

Supply Facilities, Wells & Pumps	8 years
Transportation Equipment	5 years
Water Treatment Plant	40 years
Other Equipment	5 years
Distribution System & Lines	40 years
Furniture and Other Equipment	10 years

F. INVENTORY

The District maintains material inventory for its proprietary fund. All inventory is valued at cost and the District uses the first-in, first-out (FIFO) flow assumption in determining cost.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The District implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, "Accounting for Compensated Absences". Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and by those employees for whom it is probable will become eligible to receive payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employee's wage rates at year end. This item is discussed in Note 7 to the Financial Statements.

H. PENSIONS

The provision for pension cost is recorded when the related payroll is accrued and the obligation is incurred.

I. CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled. The Proprietary fund's interest in the pool is presented as "cash and cash equivalents" on the balance sheet.

During fiscal year 2002, investments were limited to U.S. Treasury Obligations and Repurchase Agreements.

Except for nonparticipating investment contracts, investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market prices. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as repurchase agreements and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, deposits and short term investments (including restricted assets) with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

J. FUND ACCOUNTING

The Scioto County Regional Water District Number One maintains its accounting records in accordance with the principles of "fund" accounting. Fund accounting is a concept developed to meet the needs of government entities in which legal or other restraints require the recording of specific revenues and expenses. The transactions of each fund are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts, an accounting entity which stands separate from the activities reported in other funds. The restriction associated with each type of fund is as follows:

PROPRIETARY FUND

The proprietary fund is used to account for the District's ongoing activities that are similar to those found in the private sector. The following is the District's proprietary fund type:

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

J. FUND ACCOUNTING (Continued)

Enterprise Fund

This fund is used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purpose.

K. DEFERRED CHARGES

Non-regularly recurring, non-capital costs of operations that benefit future periods. These costs include those incurred in connection with deferred hydrology, hydrology study, and long and short term sludge plan. Deferred charges expense for 2002 was \$4,422 leaving a balance of \$39,889.

L. PREPAID EXPENSES

Charges entered in the accounts for benefits not yet received. Prepaid expenses differ from deferred charges in that they are spread over a shorter period of time than deferred charges and are regularly recurring costs of operation. Prepaid expenses for 2002 were \$35,074.

M. ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the District Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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NOTE 2 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Inactive deposits are public deposits the Board has identified as not required for use within the current two year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings accounts, including passbook accounts.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the Treasurer by the financial institution, or by a single collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public money deposited with the institution.

State statute permits monies to be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the federal national mortgage association, federal home loan bank, federal farm credit bank, federal home loan mortgage corporation, government national mortgage association, and student loan marketing association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bond and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAROhio);
7. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred and eighty days in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim moneys available for investment at any one time; and,
8. Under limited circumstances, debt interests rated in either of the two highest rating classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

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NOTE 2 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

**Cash on Hand** At year end, the District had \$400 in undeposited cash on hand which is included on the balance sheet of the District as part of "cash and cash equivalents".

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits With Financial Institutions, Investments (including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements."

**Deposits** At year end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$54,160 and the bank balance was \$181,462. The bank balance was covered by federal depository insurance.

**Investments** The District's investments are required to be categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District at year end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the District or its agent in the District's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the District's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

	Category 1	Category 3	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Treasury Reserve Fund	\$77,389	\$0	\$77,389	\$82,956
U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$1,192,863	\$0	\$1,192,863	\$1,192,863
Total Investments			\$1,270,252	\$1,270,252

The classification of cash and cash equivalents, and investments on the combined financial statements is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 9, "Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Non-Expendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities that use Proprietary Fund Accounting."



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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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NOTE 2 - EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

A reconciliation between the classifications of cash and cash equivalents and investments on the combined financial statements and the classification of deposits and investments presented above per GASB Statement No. 3 is as follows:

	Cash and Cash Equivalents Deposits	Investments
GASB Statement 9	\$54,560	\$1,270,252
Cash on Hand	(400)	0
Investments:		
Treasury Reserve Fund		
GASB Statement 3	\$54,160	\$1,270,252

NOTE 3 - BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the year ended December 31, 2002 is as follows:

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
Enterprise	\$2,800,000	\$3,240,969	\$440,969

2002 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Disbursements

Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
Enterprise	\$3,526,000	\$2,962,119	\$563,882

NOTE 4 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2002, consisted of the following:

Water System Revenue Refunding & Improvement Bonds	
Principal Outstanding	\$ 2,355,000
Interest Rate	4.25%
OPWC Loan	
Principal Outstanding	\$ 371,195
Interest Rate	0.00%

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NOTE 4 - DEBT OBLIGATIONS (Continued)

The revenue refunding and improvement bonds are special obligations of the District, payable solely from the pledged revenues of its water system and the revenue fund created under the indenture. The bonds were issued to fund capital expenditures to improve the system.

The OPWC loans were issued for the purpose of financing the fairgrounds road waterline, Clarktown Water Tank and Number 5 Pump Station Project, respectively. Revenue of the District has been pledged to repay this debt.

The annual requirements to amortize all bonded debt outstanding as of December 31, 2002, including interest payments of \$825,734, are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31</u>	<u>Revenue Refunding Bonds</u>
2003	261,372
2004	259,808
2005	262,752
2006	260,195
2007	262,074
2008-2012	1,326,445
2013-2014	<u>548,088</u>
Total	<u>\$3,180,734</u>

The annual requirements to amortize all loan debt outstanding as of December 31, 2002 is as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31</u>	<u>OPWC Loan</u>
2003	20,171
2004	20,171
2005	20,171
2006	20,171
2007	20,171
2008-2012	100,854
2013-2017	100,854
2018-2022	<u>68,632</u>
Total	<u>\$ 371,195</u>

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NOTE 5 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2002, the district contracted with Ohio Government Risk Management for real property, building contents, and vehicle insurance coverage.

Coverage provided by the program are as follows:

General Liability	\$1,000,000
Public Officials	\$1,000,000
Inland Marine	\$424,001
Automobile	\$1,000,000
Faithful Performance & Employee Bond	\$100,000

Vehicle policies include liability coverage for bodily injury and property damage. Real property and building contents are 80% insured.

Health insurance was provided by a private carrier, Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield, for the year.

Workers' compensation benefits are provided through the State Bureau of Workers' Compensation. The District pays all elected officials' bonds by statute.

The District has not incurred significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year by major category of risk. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN

A. Public Employees Retirement System

1. Pension Benefit Obligation

All employees of the Water District participate in the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (the "PERS of Ohio"), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS of Ohio 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 provides statutory authority to establish and amend benefits. The Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the PERS of Ohio. Interested parties may obtain a copy by making written request to 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614)466-2085.

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. The employee contribution rate for employees is 8.5%. The 2002 employer rate for local government employer units was 10.84%, of covered payroll, 6.54% to fund the pension benefit obligation and 4.30% to fund health care. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Water District are established and may be amended by the Public Employees Retirement Board. The Water District's contributions to the PERS of Ohio for the year ending December 31, 2000, 2001, and 2002 was \$185,852, \$186,376, and \$222,273 respectively which was equal to the required contributions.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002  
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NOTE 6 - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

A. Public Employees Retirement System (Continued)

2. Other Post-employment Benefits

**Public Employees Retirement System:** The Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio (the System) provides postretirement health care coverage to age and advanced on pay as you go service retirees with ten 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 Post-employment Benefit as described in GASB Statement No. 12. A portion of each employer's contribution to the System is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care based on authority granted by state statute.

The 2002 employer contribution rate was 13.31 percent of covered payroll; 5.00 percent was the portion that was used to fund health care for 2002. The Ohio Revised Code provides the statutory authority requiring public employers to fund postretirement health care through their contributions to PERS.

OPEB are financed through employer contributions and investment earnings thereon. The contributions allocated to retiree health care, along with investment income on allocated assets and periodic adjustments in health care provisions, are expected to be sufficient to sustain the program indefinitely.

As of December 31, 2001 the actuarial value of net assets available for future OPEB payments were \$11,600,000,000. The number of active contributing participants eligible for OPEB at December 31, 2001 was 402,041.

NOTE 7 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

All full-time District employees earn vacation at varying rates based upon length of service. Upon separation from the Water District, the employee (or his estate) is paid for his accumulated unused vacation leave balance. All full-time District employees earn sick leave at the rate of 1.25 days per calendar month of active service. Upon retirement from the District, an employee shall receive monetary compensation for a portion of each day of unused sick leave; the monetary compensation shall be at the hourly rate of the employee at the time of retirement.

District employees who work on holidays and in an occasional overtime status are primarily paid on a current basis. However, in some instances the employees are permitted to accrue compensatory time to be taken as time off or to be paid at a later date. At December 31, 2002, the total vested liability for accumulated unpaid vacation, sick leave and compensatory time recorded was \$84,463.

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NOTE 8 -FIXED ASSETS

A summary of the District's fixed assets as of December 31, 2002, are as follows:

Land and Rights of Way	\$ 160,332
Supply Facilities, Wells & Pumps	871,985
Water Treatment Plant	3,420,129
Distribution System & Lines	7,176,917
Furniture and Other Office Equipment	100,250
Transportation Equipment	304,634
Other Equipment	912,744
Construction in Progress - Rider Well	31,938
Construction in Progress - Slaker	54,413
Construction in Progress – NW Interconnect	9,139
Construction in Progress – SR 35 Line Relocation	12,127
Construction in Progress – Wellfield Telemetry	7,034
Construction in Progress – Plant Doors	6,905
Construction in Progress – Control Room Computer	2,000
Construction in Progress - Cross Country Lines	<u>10,230</u>
 Total Fixed Assets	 13,080,777
 Less Accumulated Depreciation	 <u>(7,249,913)</u>
 Total Net Fixed Assets	 <u>\$ 5,830,864</u>

NOTE 9 -CONTINGENCIES

The District is party to legal proceedings. The District's management is of the opinion that ultimate disposition of these claims and legal proceedings will not have a material effect, if any, on the financial condition of the District.

NOTE 10 - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2002 the following prior period adjustments have resulted in fund equity restatements:

Retained Earnings at <u>12/31/01</u>	Prior Period <u>Adjustments</u>	Restated Retained Earnings at <u>1/1/2002</u>
\$2,536,959	\$7,390	\$2,544,349

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**REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN  
AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING  
STANDARDS***

Board of Trustees  
Scioto County Regional Water District Number One  
P.O.Box 310  
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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Scioto County Regional Water District Number One (the District), Scioto County, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated March 12, 2003. 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 District's general purpose 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 and 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 District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose 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 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 general purpose 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 for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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March 12, 2003



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**SCIOTO COUNTY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT # 1**

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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  
JUNE 12, 2003**